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## Convocation Program Altered

### Auer Delivers African Convo On Wednesday

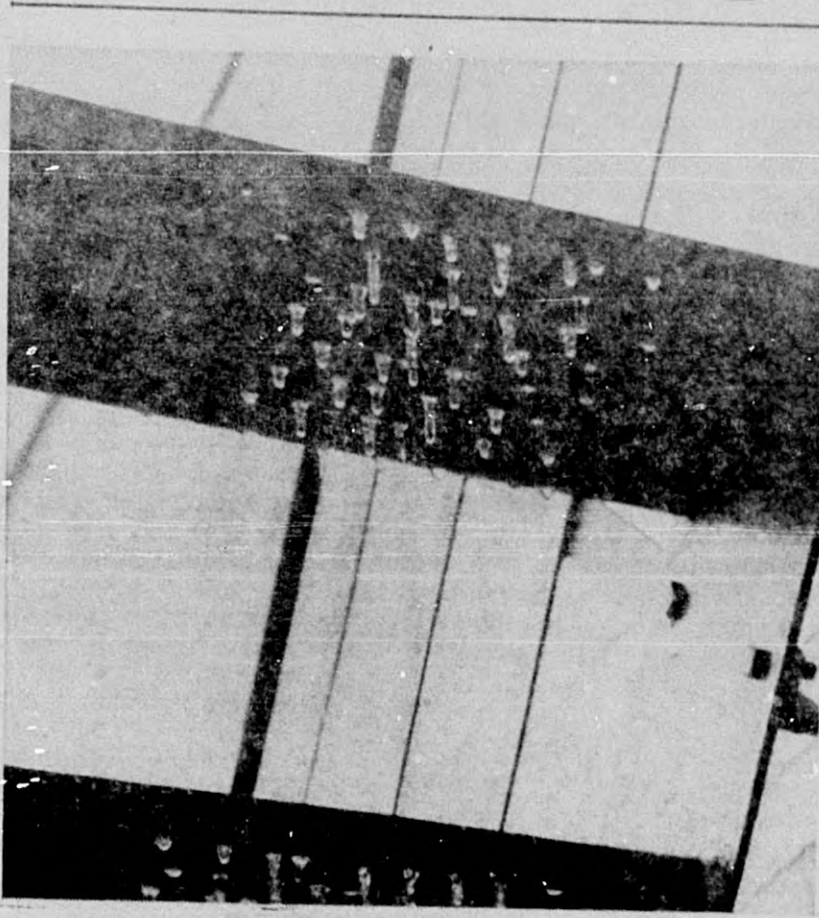
Tom Auer, a senior, spoke at the convocation in the Chapel last Wednesday. Auer spent the 1964-1965 school year at the Mayflower School in Ikenna, Nigeria.

Auer illustrated his talk with color slides and discussed his work and travel in Africa. The involvement of Alma students in this educational project was also discussed.

Jerry Smith, class of '65, preceded Auer and Conrad Smith is there now. The African fellowship is awarded each year to a member of the Junior class. Juniors that are awarded this fellowship are expected to return to Alma in order to share their experiences abroad.

Students helped to build the first buildings in 1856 and today the school has grown from 30 to 450 students, with a faculty of 25.

Auer also served as advisor to the school's Piggery Society. In order to provide food for the students and faculty, the students also provided care for a school garden and citrus grove.



Iceicles hanging delicately from the fire escape on Old Main demonstrate that winter has asserted itself on the campus, forcing students to bundle against bitterly cold winds during most of the week.

(Photo by Vrooman)

### Students Plan Program To Assist Area Schools

Plans are progressing for a campus, Miss Skalsky and Rice Student Tutorial Education Program on campus which will be designed to provide college tutors for area elementary school students who are having problems keeping up with their classes in school.

Program directors Cindy Skalsky, Birmingham freshman, and Dennis Rice, sophomore from Decatur, Ga., are presently setting up a program under which a volunteer tutor will spend two half-hour periods a week with a second through sixth grade student from one of four local elementary schools. Rice said that the tutor will also "try to create some type of personal relationship" with the tutee, possibly taking him to a movie or baseball game and getting to know the student as an individual.

Principals of the four schools are co-operating in the program by compiling lists of students who need tutorial aid. Upon the return of registration forms which they are distributing around the

Mr. Wesley C. Dykstra, chairman of the Cultural Affairs Committee explained the purpose and the reasons for change to a new convocation system.

Because of the criticisms of faculty and students, members of the Cultural Affairs Committee made a direct intentional effort to improve the convocation system.

There has been no change in the requirements of attending four convocations per term for each student. The number of convocations has been increased to ten from which the student may choose four that are most interesting.

This broadened range of topics is part of the effort of the Cultural Affairs Committee to increase the variety of campus life. The Committee felt that the old system was too rigid, and did not represent completely the liberal arts curriculum.

This term's convocations are an experiment. If the evaluations and comments are favorable to this new system, the system and its improvements will be incorporated in future terms.

A student normally chooses four topics which he is most interested in and applies for four tickets, two from series A and two from series B, at the end of registration. These tickets ensure the student a seat at these four convocations.

If student is ill or for some reason misses a convocation for which he holds a ticket, he may redeem his absence by trying to get into another convocation in the same series as the one he missed.

The ticket holding students are admitted first to a convocation until five minutes before the convocation, the students without tickets are admitted until capacity is reached.

Each student may attend any

number of convocations above the college requirement of four. He must wait until the five minute period immediately preceding the opening of the program, however. This will enable a student to attend any lecture of interest without the legalism of "enforced attendance."

### President Ails

President Robert D. Swanson underwent spinal surgery last Monday in Henry Ford Hospital Detroit, for a pinched nerve in the neck.

Surgery was necessary to remove pressure on the nerve and to prevent the eventual loss of the use of his arms.

The operation was similar to one performed last year which was not completely successful. In order to relieve pressure on the nerve, bone discs and cartilage had to be removed and bone grafted from the leg to the vertebra to render it immobile.

A fairly long recovery period is expected. However, Swanson is reported to be recuperating nicely and is expected to remain hospitalized for 10 days. His room number is 620 Section F.

### Carnival Features European Theme

Preparations for this year's snow carnival, scheduled for Saturday, January 22, are under way. The theme for the carnival's snow sculptures is "Winter in Europe" and the title of the informal dance to be held in the evening is "Alpine Adventure."

According to Sue Seeley, carnival chairman, the dance will feature the "Torquays" and will continue from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. Appropriate dress for the dance will be ski clothes, and there will be no charge for admission. The Dance Committee is headed by Ann Fisher.

Nominations for the ten snow queen candidates were made by the sophomore class last Monday. The ten girls chosen were: Mary Beth Bultema, Bonnie Mancour, Diddy Courtney, Kathy Goodenow, Mary Jane Henne, Pat Marshall, Kay Connor, Barb Nichols, Ann Pierson, and Mary Skinner. Five finalists will be chosen later next week and the name of the girl selected to be queen will be revealed before her coronation at 1:30 on the 22nd. Judy Morrison is chairman of this activity.

The deadline for submitting topics for snow sculptures is Monday, January 17. All sculptures are required to be constructed entirely of ice and snow. Paint is the only material which can be used on the exteriors of the structures.

The Carnival will also include the traditional all-campus snowball fight and other activities. Tom Traynor is in charge of the activities during the day and Mary Ann Wilson heads the refreshment committee.

Chairman Sue Seeley, commenting on this year's carnival, stated, "I hope everyone will participate in making snow sculptures and in making this the best snow carnival we have ever had."

### a peek at the world . . .

Mourning Indians paid tribute to Prime Minister Shastri, who died in the Soviet Central Asian city of Tashkent. President Johnson sent Vice President Humphrey to head a U.S. delegation at the state funeral and cremation rites.

Shastri's successor, Gulzarilal Nanda, pledged that India will honor the agreement Shastri concluded with Pakistan in Tashkent shortly before his death.

The New York transit strike came to a close Thursday when a contract settlement was reached between the transit worker's union and the city administration at 6:15 a.m. Many of the transit workers were back on the job before the agreement and most of the transport routes were moving by 8:30. The agreement called for a 15% wage increase for the transport workers, which Mayor John Lindsay said was "in the best interests of both the city and the workers."

British Prime Minister Harold Wilson countered African demands for armed intervention in Rhodesia by telling commonwealth leaders that Britain may impose new sanctions against the rebellious former colony. He was the key speaker at the opening session of the Commonwealth conference on Rhodesia.

The Selective Service Act cannot be used to stifle "Constitutionally protected expressions of views" on U.S. policy in Vietnam or any other issues, the Justice Department said in a letter made public. Draft director Lewis B. Hershey said that he agreed with that view, but added that the reclassifying of several University of Michigan students as 1A involved the question of "whether they've interfered with the operation of the draft board."

### CSCA Sponsors Nobel Conference

The first cooperative venture recently formed Central Association of Christian Colleges and Universities (CSCA) enabled students at Alma College to participate this week in the Nobel Conference held on the campus of Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minn.

Alma and other colleges of the 10-member association were linked in the Gustavus Adolphus campus by amplified telephones so that students could hear addresses on a number of important subjects presented last week. Speaking at the opening convocation at 10 a.m. Wednesday was Orville Freeman, secretary of agriculture.

Other talks transmitted to CSCA members on Wednesday were: 2 p.m., "The Conquest of the Oceans" by Dr. Roger Revelle of Harvard University; 4 p.m., "The Prospects of Economic Abundance" by Dr. Kenneth E. Boulding of the University of Michigan; and 8 p.m., "Adaptation to the Environment and Man's Future" by Dr. Rene Dubos of Rockefeller Institute.

On Thursday Carl Rowan, former director of the United States Information Agency, spoke on "The Free Spirit in a Controlled Environment" at 10 a.m., and Dr. Glenn Seaborg, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, presented a lecture on "The Control of Energy" at 2 p.m.

An amplified telephone hookup in the audiovisual room of Alma's new Memorial Library enabled students on campus to hear all six speeches.

Other CSCA colleges that received the transmissions are Augustana, Rock Island, Ill.; Illinois Wesleyan, Bloomington, Ill.; MacMurray, Jacksonville, Ill.; Millikin, Decatur, Ill.; Carroll, Waukesha, Wis.; Simpson, Indiana; Iowa; Luther, Decorah, Iowa; and Manchester, North Manchester, Ind.

CSCA was established so that member schools might benefit from each other's facilities, personnel, experience and ideas. Its goal is to promote educational advancement and administrative efficiency of the ten member colleges.

Thus, the colleges—all of which have enrollments of less than 1,500—constitute the equivalent of a private Christian university of 11,600 students. The ten Church affiliated colleges represent the following denominations: Brethren (Manchester), Lutheran (Augustana, Gustavus Adolphus and Luther), Methodist (Illinois Wesleyan, MacMurray and Simpson) and Presbyterian (Alma, Carroll and See—CSCA—P. 8

### Allegro Presents Ballet in February

The Allegro American Ballet will present a program of classical and popular numbers on Tuesday, February 1. The program which is co-sponsored by Tyler Board and the Cultural Affairs Committee, will be staged at the High School Auditorium at 8 p.m.

This top-notch ballet company features a cast of ten. Doreen Tempest and Robert Lunnion, both stars with the Sadler's Wells Ballet of London, will be present. Their program will include Tchaikovsky's Swan Lake (Act II), Classical pas de deux, Bartok's La Ronde, and either Peter and the Wolf or Oh, So Serious.

Watch bulletin boards and mail boxes for further information.

# an experiment . . .

The changes in the Convocation program for the present term should be beneficial to both the program itself and the student body. Although termed as "an experiment" by the Dean of the Faculty, there are several aspects of the program which should prove to be popular with the campus community.

First, students have a choice concerning which of the convocations they will attend. Second, convocations will be presented both at 10 a.m. and in the evening. Third, a variety of programs is offered over a range of topics.

It seems that with the above criteria

the experiment should appeal to the majority of students. If the program succeeds and is continued perhaps a wider selection of topics and events would be made, thus improving the program further.

Thanks should certainly be given to the Academic Standards Committee and the Cultural Affairs Committee for making the program possible. If the student body shows responsibility in its participation in the program there seems no reason to believe that the experiment will not improve the Convocation program.

# coffee break . . .

Coffeehouse promoters resolved that the campus could benefit from the atmosphere of such a gathering place at last Wednesday's meeting.

We recognize this need and endorse the ideal suggested by a coffeehouse.

An educational institution of Alma's stature needs a place where intelligent conversation may be generated and spontaneous student activity which compliments the classroom experience and promotes the values of a liberal arts education may occur. Presently, no such spot exists.

Although some would hold the "Union" as our claim to intellectual. It is not. This floodlit echo chamber spewing its odious juke box noise only serves to annoy anyone wishing to utter an intelligible sound. Other on campus "spots" invariably do not offer the stimulating atmosphere present in a coffeehouse.

In any present campus gathering spot the status of a group or of the individual

# sour grapes . . .

A sour grapes attitude still seems to exist on our campus over the loss of Bud Acton from our basketball squad two years ago. Newspaper clippings with scribbled comments such as "We could still have him playing for us!" on the Tyler Comment Board demonstrate that some students are still embittered over Acton's dismissal.

We feel that this represents a rather narrow minded attitude for college students. In addition to other undisclosed violations of college policy, Bud Acton was dismissed from Alma because he missed too many convocations. To have allowed him to remain at Alma would have been to give

is uncertain. Two professors engaged in conversation alienate themselves from most students. Likewise, four students reminiscing over a "frat" party hardly place the welcome mat out for a professor desiring to be "in" with students. Yet, without either party knowing it the other may really be interested in cultivating a student-teacher relationship.

The coffeehouse atmosphere takes advantage of this uncertainty by eliminating it. Each person who visits the coffeehouse is there for a specific purpose — conversation free from petty static.

The next step is finding a suitable location for this venture. Several attempts have been made to secure a room in one of the dormitories, but nothing has resulted as yet. Although the responsibility of seeking out a place that will not interfere with other campus activities lies with the core of promoters, support by the remainder of the campus is necessary to insure a successful operation.

athletic ability precedent over the development of character and responsibility.

It is not as if merely having Bud Acton back with the Scots would cause Alma to win every game. One player, even a great player like Acton, does not turn a losing team into a winning one. A winning basketball squad is five men who work well together.

We applaud Acton's success at Hillsdale but we feel it is time to realize that the blame for his dismissal does not lie with the administration. It is time for the students of Alma to develop a more positive attitude toward our present team and forget about what might have been.

# McCarthy Revisited

by D. Merit

The D.M.B.I. (D. Merit Bureau of Investigation) has done it again!

Due to the most penetrating investigation ever staged on a college campus (other than Central Michigan University), the shocking facts can at last be revealed. What has so corrupted this campus that already one Dean of Faculty has been forced to resign, and another to consider it (what is making Sammy run)? Is it sex? Alas, it is not that innocent.

The answer is graft! Lots of it. Kickbacks, pay-offs, and trusts. Monopolies, loss-leaders, and mark-ups. The rampant corruption at last coming to light is revealing the faculty to actually be an unholy mixture of Billie Sol Estes and Bobby Bakers. And unfortunately, the evidence is irrefutable.

EXHIBIT A: Have you ever noticed how Alma has only one bookstore to serve two colleges (three, if you count Delta Beauty College)?

EXHIBIT B: The prices charged by this monopoly are so ridiculously high that the bookstore is actually making a profit.

EXHIBIT C: (The most damning evidence of all). It is your professor, alone, who decides what books you have to buy for his course (and consequently, from the only bookstore in town). And don't think for a moment that he doesn't know the situation. Oh yes! He knows. Next time you see him, ask him, "Is it true Sir, that you still own three hundred dollars worth of stock in the Varsity Shop?" Professors with tenure may even have larger investments.

Ever notice the professors' little trick to make used books worthless? They simply select new books each year for the same old courses. Why? A 10 percent commission from the store for each book sold for their course, that's why!

And what happens when they run out of new books to add? They just add a new term and more courses. Now everybody has to shell out money three times a year instead of two. Clever, eh? And then there is always the required "All-campus reading selection." (D. Merit could do a whole column on that little story).

The prosecution rests its case.

# Don't Baby Your Booze

by Jelly Conine

The problem has become acute! Students don't know where to turn! The administration is entirely naive regarding solutions!

Will Alma College go dry? Never, friends, the almanian is here to help.

If your R.A. has become wise to those old hat booze storage places like under your bottom drawer, and behind your radiator panels this is the time for re-formation. If your head resident has been wondering at your sudden enthusiasm for mint blue Merin



which tastes strangely like Vodka and vegetable coloring, this is the "how to" column for you.

A careful reading of the Alma College Moral Code always leads to the discovery of available loopholes. The one I have chosen for discussion this week is the rule which forbids students to have alcoholic beverages in the dorm.

There is nothing said of alcoholic foods. One very satisfying goodie which falls in this category is the injected orange. This fruit becomes an instant screwdriver the likes of which can be found only in Paradise.

The real innovation in the art of booze storage, however is to leave it right there on your bookshelves, in the original Seagrams bottle. Your R.A. is no dumb cockeye, he knows you wouldn't be stupid enough to leave booze in plain sight.

The art of consumption requires more finesse. The best method of course is to sit casually in your room with the door wide open and enjoy yourself—with limits of course. Finesse means you don't get bombed for heaven's sake! This is not going to work if you are the nervous type because no amount of English Leather covers the smell of scotch soaked bedspreads.

If the administration will sanction our new open door policy, and recognize our finesse, the student body would have an excellent opportunity to display its capacity for . . . uh . . . mature social drinking.

# Around the Campus

The written test on the Affluent Society by John Kenneth Galbraith will be held in the Dow Auditorium on February 26, 1966 at 10 a.m. This test is for those students who have not already satisfied the reading requirement with their advisers.

"Mary Poppins" will be the theme for the Newberry Hall Open House on January 14 from 8 to 10 p.m. This event will be the first open house Newberry has had in two years. It has been planned by Newberry's Social Chairman, Sue Westhauser, and members of the dorm.

Following the open house at 10 p.m. will be a mixer with refreshments and a live band. Attending will be Dr. Luke and his wife, and Mr. and Mrs. Plough.

Applications for the positions of Resident Adviser in women's Residence Halls are now available from Head Residents and from the Personnel Office. Deadline for turning in these applications to the Personnel Office is February 4, 1966.

Positions are open for women in all academic fields who have a minimum accumulative grade point average of 2.50 and who will be sophomores, juniors, or seniors. For a brief description of the position and its requirements, interested women should consult their Head Residents.

## Placement Casement

Recruitment dates for the following companies have been reserved by the Placement Office. Specific job descriptions for each company are posted on the bulletin board outside the Placement Office and descriptive brochures are available. Seniors interested in careers with any of these companies should make interview appointments through the Placement Office.

- Tuesday, January 18 — Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce
  - Wednesday, January 19 — S. S. Kresge Co.
  - Thursday, January 20 — Army Tank Automotive Center at Warren
  - Tuesday, January 25 — Touche, Ross, Bailey & Smart
- The following school systems will have representatives on campus on the dates specified. Make appointments for interviews through the Placement Office.
- Friday, January 14 — Carion-Crystal Public Schools
  - Wednesday, January 19 — Albion Public Schools

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 14—Friday	7:30 p.m. Film—"The Raven"	Dow Auditorium
	8:00-11:45 p.m. Newberry Hall Open House and Mixer	Newberry Hall
	8:30 p.m. Delta Sigma Phi Closed Party	Delta Sig House
January 15—Saturday	7:30 p.m. Film—"The Raven"	Dow Auditorium
	8:00 p.m. Basketball with Kalamazoo	Phillips Gym
	8:00-12:30 p.m. Sigma Tau Gamma Swiss Chalet	Sig Tau House
	9:00 p.m. Associated Women Students Dine Dance	Tyler Auditorium
January 16—Sunday	8:00 p.m. International Film Series—"The Word"	Dow Auditorium
January 19—Wednesday	8:00 p.m. Basketball with Ferris	Phillips Gym
January 21—Friday	4:00 p.m. Omicron Beta Kappa - Gamma Delta Alpha Shoe Shine	
	7:30 p.m. Film—"War Lover"	Dow Auditorium
	7:00-9:30 p.m. Education Club Square Dance	Tyler Auditorium
	8:00 p.m. Sigma Tau Gamma Closed Party	Sig Tau House
January 22—Saturday	SNOW CARNIVAL	
	9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Omicron Beta Kappa - Gamma Delta Alpha Shoe Shine	
	8:00-11:00 a.m. Chinese Music Workshop	
	7:30 p.m. Film—"War Lover"	Dow Auditorium

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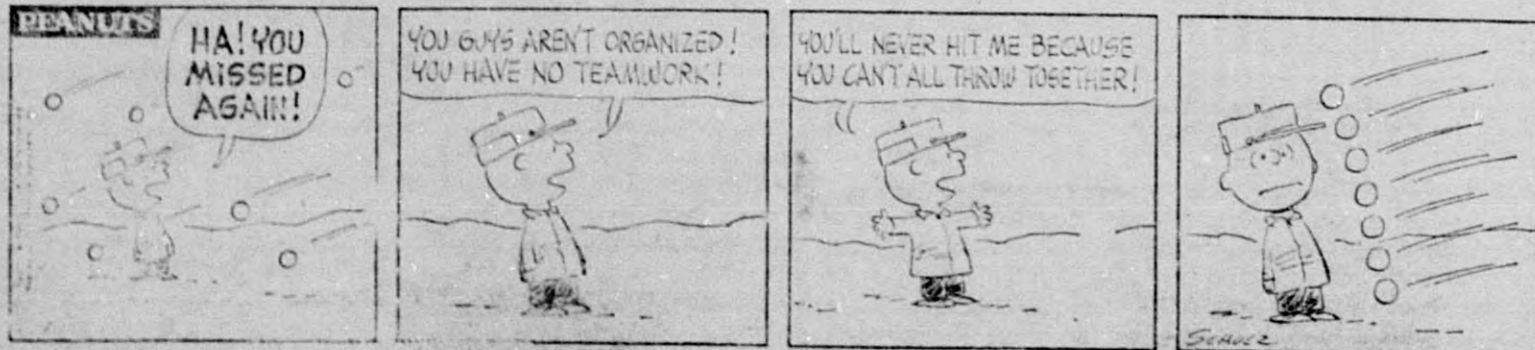
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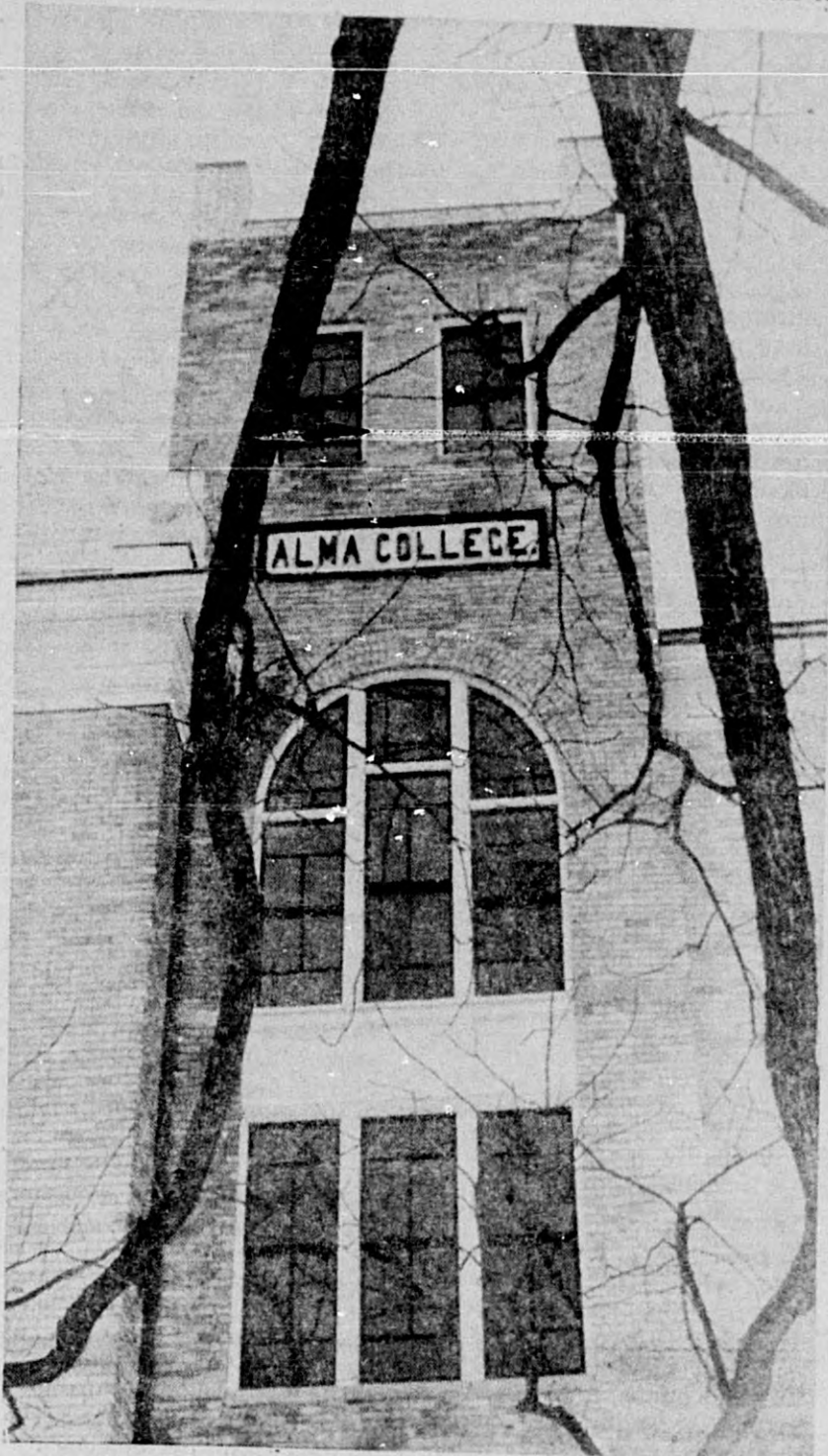


# Old Main- Changing Landmark

By Chris Gladdis

I often wonder if there is a dignified little college or sprawling university somewhere in the middle west that could be complete without an ivy-covered "Old Main" or its equivalent, poised like a tired old sentinel on its grassy campus. Al-

leave out. "When Alma College opened its doors for the first time for the reception of students on September 14, 1887, it was in possession of twenty - five acres of land for a campus and two buildings of brick trimmed with stone. The land was all on



most all of them have their favorite landmark, left standing for one of two usual reasons. It is being used out of sheer necessity or someone could not bear to have it torn down. Whatever the causes, or reasons, to the dismay of some and perhaps the delight of others, our own "Old Main" remains staunchly on the corner of Superior Street and Maple. With a bit of help from some highly efficient librarians and a bit of research, I have discovered a small treasure revealing a few choice pieces of information on the historical memories Old Main harbors deep within its yellow, brick walls. I shall give due credit here and now to August S. Bruske and his *History of Alma College from 1891 to 1912*, which I found to be much too enjoyable reading for me to even attempt to rewrite. His description of other parts of the campus were just too good to

the north side of Superior Street. "All the ground was cleared and cultivated except about three acres, constituting the north - east portion which was a piece of low land under water a large part of the time. It was called "the jungle" and deserved the name. It was a wilderness of fallen timbers and brush and tall grass and water in the lower parts, and in the higher it was a grove of young oaks and maples and elms. It had in it the possibilities of a Botanical Garden and a Bird Sanctuary. For these purposes, it was cleaned and fenced for many years. The rest of the campus was on high ground well adapted for building and athletic purposes. Where the grounds faced Superior Street and on which the first buildings had been erected there had been an apple orchard. The rough places had to be made

## Tradition At ALMA??

The traditions of a college are often the source of the spirit that pervades the student body. Traditions are not externally developed and imposed on a student body. Rather, traditions are an integral part of student life and often grow out of the actions of the student body.

College publicity material states that we have a Scottish tradition. Our "Scottish tradition" consists of a marching band that wears the Royal MacPherson tartan, the kiltie lassies and a few bagpipers. This "tradition" is expressed almost exclusively during the football season and most especially at homecoming. This is all very nice, however, we do not believe that this "Scottish tradition" completely reveals the spirit of the campus and the student body.

Another example of Alma's tradition is the annual homecoming snakedance. The snakedance began during the 1920's as an initiation ceremony for the freshmen of Alma. Through the years it has been modified to fit the needs of the student body until now, it is threatened by complete extinction due to lack of student interest and participation.

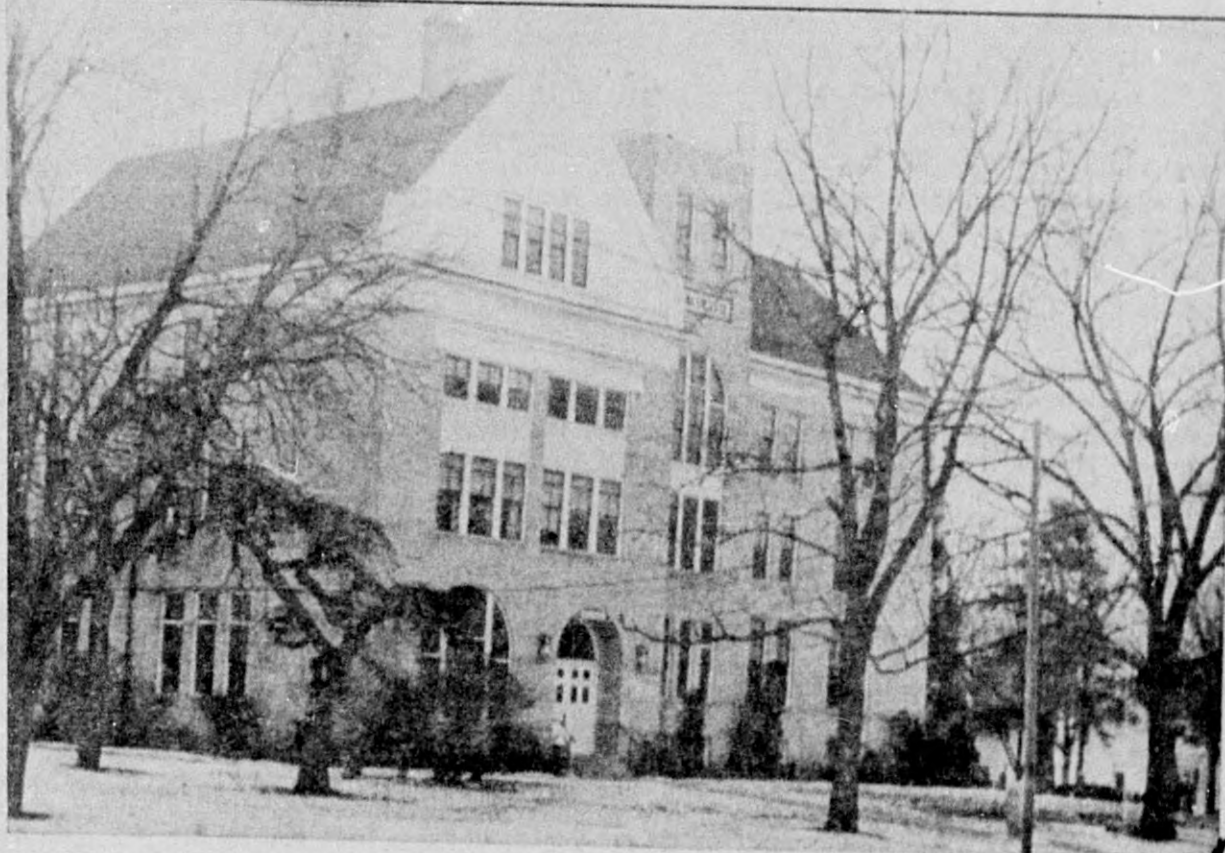
Tradition, its development and main-

tenance or its destruction, is the responsibility of the students. The Administration can foster tradition but it cannot impose it without destroying it completely.

We have heard many comments expressing the view that "We have no tradition." "The college doesn't allow the students to form tradition" and "Alma's climate is not conducive to the development of tradition." In answer to these comments we would like to ask, "Does the administration squelch student development of tradition?" or "Is the lack of meaningful tradition a fault of student disinterest and non-participation?"

Answers to these questions will not come easily or without some reflection. Perhaps a look at the past traditions and history of the college will help us in our search for the answers. By this review we may come to a clearer understanding of those traditions that we now have, those which may be developed and those which have been discontinued completely.

This article is the beginning of a series that will explore our past history and tradition and attempt to provide clues to our present and future tradition.



smooth by grading and the two structures designed to be the home of "The Alma Normal School" had been finished and used for one year when the property was put into the hands of the Church and the buildings became the home of Alma College.

"The dignified faculty named one of the buildings "The Ladies' Hall", (Pioneer) but the undignified students called it "The Dorm." Both agreed on the other as "Administration Hall." Yes, 'Old Main' was first

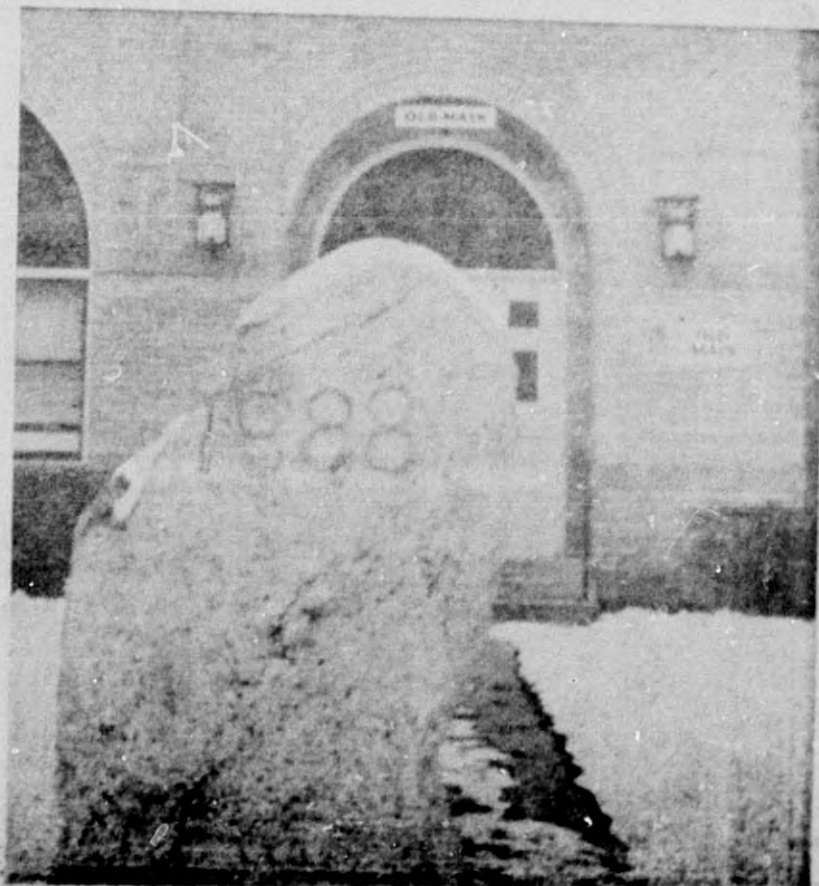
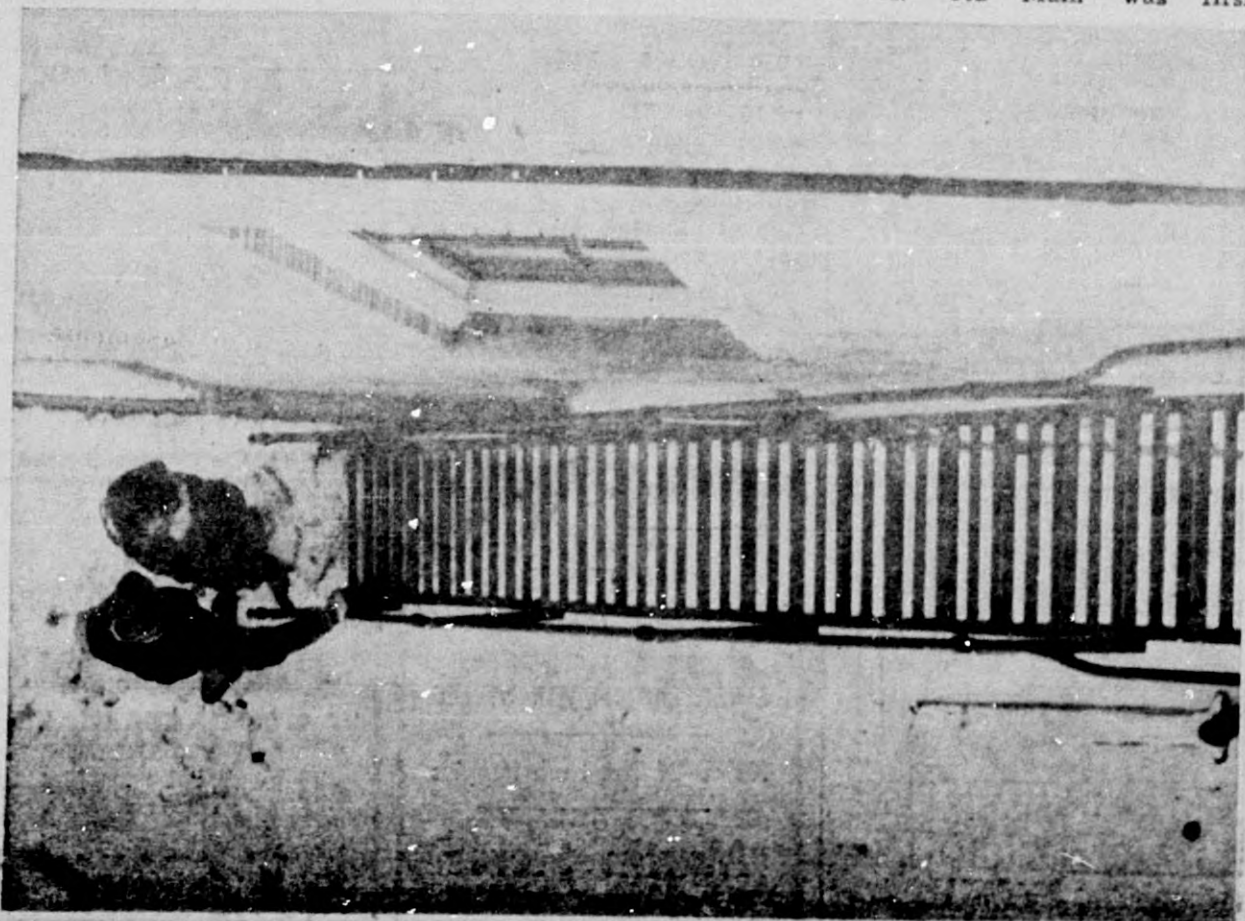
known as 'Administration Hall' The former served as the home for the young women for fourteen years and since then for young men, but Pioneer is a girls' dorm once again. The other has been the workshop for the college from the very beginning of its history."

Old Main once contained chapel, study hall, recitation rooms, laboratories and rooms for the Art and Music Departments. There has been almost no change in its outside appearance, "but the greatest im-

aginable changes have been witnessed by its interior. The "dim and flaring" kerosene lamps served for a dozen years in lectures, prayer meetings and literary social gatherings; when they gave place at last to electric lights there were no outward changes in the big building, but what a change of glorious brightness inside!"

"The basement of "Administration Hall" was in the beginning days of the college a place of "rumple Kammen" and

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Miss Janet Hill is interviewed by Orion Samuelson of WGN-TV, Chicago, where she represented Michigan at the

National Farm Bureau Convention in the Windy City.

# Coed Sees Chicago During Beauty Reign

Miss Janet Hill, freshman from Vermontville, who was recently crowned Miss Michigan Farm Bureau, (see the *Almaniac* of November 19, 1965) spent four days of her Christmas vacation on an all-expense paid trip to Chicago.

Miss Hill was one of a group of one hundred delegates from Michigan to attend the National Farm Bureau Convention. She was one of the eight state Farm Bureau Queens present at the convention.

Since there was no national contest for queen, Miss Hill, along with the queen from Texas, represented the Farm Bureau delegation in the city.

Besides appearing on a television program, the Michigan queen spoke at a breakfast for the Michigan delegation and attended many banquets.

While in Chicago, Miss Hill stayed at the Conrad - Hilton Hotel and toured the city.

The highlight of the convention for her was a speech by Senator Everett Dirksen entitled

"They're Changing America and You're Not Going to Like It."

In summarizing her experiences Miss Hill stated, "I think that everyone should go to a convention at sometime, just for the experience of meeting the people. It's important, too, that the farm people go to these Farm Bureau Conventions to see what their organization is like and what it is doing for them."

"I just can't wait until next year's convention."

# Newsman Outlines Vietnam Paradox

by John Cook

"Vietnam is the greatest paradox this country has ever found itself in, both diplomatically and militarily. We must defeat the enemy to win the people, and win the people to defeat the enemy."

These were the words of Frank Tomlinson, WJR-TV news director, during his convocation on Vietnam last Thursday. Tomlinson has been in Vietnam twice during 1965, from early August to Labor Day and from October 19th to mid-November. The news director's convocation was the first of the programs presented under the new system.

In his opening remarks Tomlinson gave some general opinions concerning the war. He stated the reason the Viet Cong are successful is that their basic objective is to harass American troops and bring communism to South Vietnam by "tyranny and terror." Tomlinson added that, when asked openly what we are trying to do in Viet Nam military leaders state, "We are trying to follow orders." However in a "off the record" discussion, a diplomat confessed, "I'm not really sure what we're trying to do."

The rest of the Tomlinson convocation was devoted to a question and answer period covering a variety of topics. For example a question concerning the United States' practice of protecting certain areas rather than establishing perimeters over long distances was raised. Tomlinson replied by stating that there simply is not enough man-power in Vietnam to establish such a front.

In other answers the newsman commented on the morale of the American troops in Vietnam, their reaction to student demonstrations opposing the war, and the role of the newsman in Vietnam. According to Tomlinson, troops are better informed as to why they are fighting than in any other war. He added that the only thing that threatens to tarnish the soldiers' morale are the anti-war demonstrations, which tend to anger them.

Tomlinson also commented on the troops from countries other than the United States which are in the country, the quality of American and South Vietnamese leadership, and many other subjects of current interest.

Mr. Tomlinson's knowledgeable remarks contained just enough wit and personal anecdotes to endow the audience with a more complete and more intimate picture of the situation in Vietnam, as well as with an interesting hour.

# Film Series Starts Sunday

The Danish Film, *The World* will open the International Film Series for the second term on January 16 in Dow Auditorium at 8 p.m. in the evening.

Sub-titled, "A Legend for Today," the movie is directed by Carl Dreyer who wrote the screen play based on the play by Kaj Munk. The setting is a small farming village that is divided by religious factions and their bickering.

One faction represents a care free-joyous brand of Protestantism; another faction, the sterner faith that condemns the pleasures of earthly existence as entirely sinful. Eventually the bitter and humorously depicted bickering results in a loss of the basic concerns of Christianity and of all religious faith.

The film is intensely human and full of love and received the Grand Prize as Best Film of the Venice International Film Festival in 1955. The New York Post said of this film, "One of the most powerful and emotionally moving pictures ever made."

# Registrar Notes January Dates

January 17 will be the last day to add classes with the permission of advisor and instructor whose class is being entered, it was announced by the registrar's office. The last day to withdraw from a class without receiving a failing grade is January 31. There will be no mid-term grades for the winter or spring terms. The final examination schedule for the winter term will be similar to that of the fall term.

All juniors who plan to student teach during the 1966-67 academic year must file their application now. Applications are available at the education department in Old Main and should be filed with the committee before January 21.

# Dead Week Discontinued

Beginning with the current issue of the Calendar of Events there will no longer be a "Dead Week," it was announced by Miss Christine Kinkead, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs. By action of the Student Affairs and Calendar Committee, "Dead Week" has been abolished with the following stipulations. 1) Events for the week prior to final exams are to be scheduled with discretion and are to be events not involving student planning and participation. 2) The day before final exams is designated as Study Day and nothing is to be scheduled on this day.

# Register Now For INTRO

The Placement Office has announced that registration forms are now available to senior men planning to attend the annual INTRO Conference in Chicago,

March 10 and 11.

Sponsored by the American Marketing Association, the Conference affords college seniors the opportunity for interviews with a number of businesses throughout the country. Coca Cola Company, B.F. Goodrich, Carnation Company, Continental Assurance and 60 other top U.S. companies will be recruiting '66 seniors at a special interviewing meeting at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel during the Conference.

Dr. Harlan McCall, who will accompany seniors wishing to attend, has stated that seniors should register soon. Further information is available at the Placement Office.

# Directory Lists 45,000 Jobs

According to the National Directory Service there are 45,000 summer jobs available in the U.S. The 1966 "Summer Employment Directory" published by this organization contains information on summer job openings throughout the United States and Canada.

The greatest increase in jobs for 1966 is at resorts, summer camps and summer theatres. National parks, ranches, business and industry, government and restaurants also need help. Students can earn from about \$300 to \$1,500 during the season; salaries are up \$100 to \$250 in some jobs.

Of particular interest to employers are willing workers who will stay the entire season. Other qualifications often desired are experience, musical talent, knowledge of language and at least sophomore standing.

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## Former Editor Views Alma Sports Scene

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# Adrian Forfeits Game; Scots Lose Four Tilts

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The group of athletes for a relaxed night at the... Photo by [Name]

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**FOREIGN CLASSES**  
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The Italian group will be led by Charles Miller of Bowdoin University, Brunswick, Maine, now in his sixth year. He grew from eleven students in 1966 to an anticipated three hundred in 1968. In former students reported about two hundred American colleges.

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# J. B. Speaks On Sports

by Jim Bristol

Because I predicted the outcome of 3 of the 4 New Year Bowl games wrong I feel that I am as well qualified as the next person in making predictions. What all of this boils down to is that I am going to predict the outcome of the intramural basketball program. In A league I feel from looking over the rosters that the Tke's will finish first, Mitchell Hall second, Sig Tau's third, Delt Sigs fourth and Wright Hall fifth. In B league I predict that the Tke's will finish first. Finally in C league "Streaker B's" team called Baker's will come out smelling of roses (or something like that).

In the past year many good things and many bad things have been said about Alma's past basketball star Bud Acton. But with everything placed aside one main thing still is evident and that is at one time he was down at Phillips Gymnasium sweating for Alma College. A lot of people still wonder where he is and what he is doing. So to make a lot of people happy I will answer this question. Bud is now playing basketball at Hillsdale College and is doing quite well. "Quite Well" probably is not the word for it, in fact the Detroit Free Press has probably summed it up better than I could when a sportswriter wrote "Bud Acton, perhaps the greatest player in Dale history, has led Hillsdale to a 10-2 record so far this season." This was before the U. of D. game where Acton scored 18 points before fouling out with 12 minutes left in the second half.

Bud started getting notice for Hillsdale this season during a Christmas tournament in Flint where he scored 27 and 41 points to be voted the most valuable player in the tournament. A couple of evenings later Bud set a new Hillsdale scoring record and a personal career high when he scored 50 points against the University of Windsor. Before the U of D game last Saturday he had been averaging 30 points per game and 18 rebounds.



"Now, now, fellas, let's not get pushy." between two Central players as Lionel Jim Ogg seems to be saying from Smith tries to reach the ball. (Photo by Lichau)

## New Term Sees Winter Sports

Intramural bowling will start tomorrow afternoon between 1:30 and 2 at Gratiot Lanes. The points awarded the participating teams will be the same as in any major intramural sport. A five dollar deposit should be turned in to George Earle by each team no later than February 1. If it is not turned in by this date the squad is dropped from the league.

The spring intramural schedule of events is currently on the drawing board. The tentative events include: track tournament, golf tournament, tennis tournament, softball league, cycling, a possible golf league if there are enough participants and a possible intramural banquet where the presentation of trophies will take place.

Intramural basketball started Monday evening with a total of 126 games planned for the 1966 season. The A and B league teams will play each team three times while the C league will play each opponent twice.

If a team in any sport forfeits more than one game they will automatically be dropped from the schedule.

### Jensen Joins Honorary

Paul Jensen, a junior from Grand Haven, majoring in Speech and Theatre, has been formally initiated into Delta Sigma Phi - Tau Kappa Alpha,

national forensics fraternity. This membership is based on both academic and forensics achievement. Jensen has represented the College in numerous debate tournaments with other colleges and universities.

### College Raises Wage Rate

On January 1, 1966 the minimum hourly wage rate for student employees of Alma College increased 15 cents. This represents an increase of 15 cents per hour from our previous minimum wage of \$1.00. This increase in the minimum wage rate is being made as a result of the enactment of Act 154 of the Public Acts of 1964 of the State of Michigan.

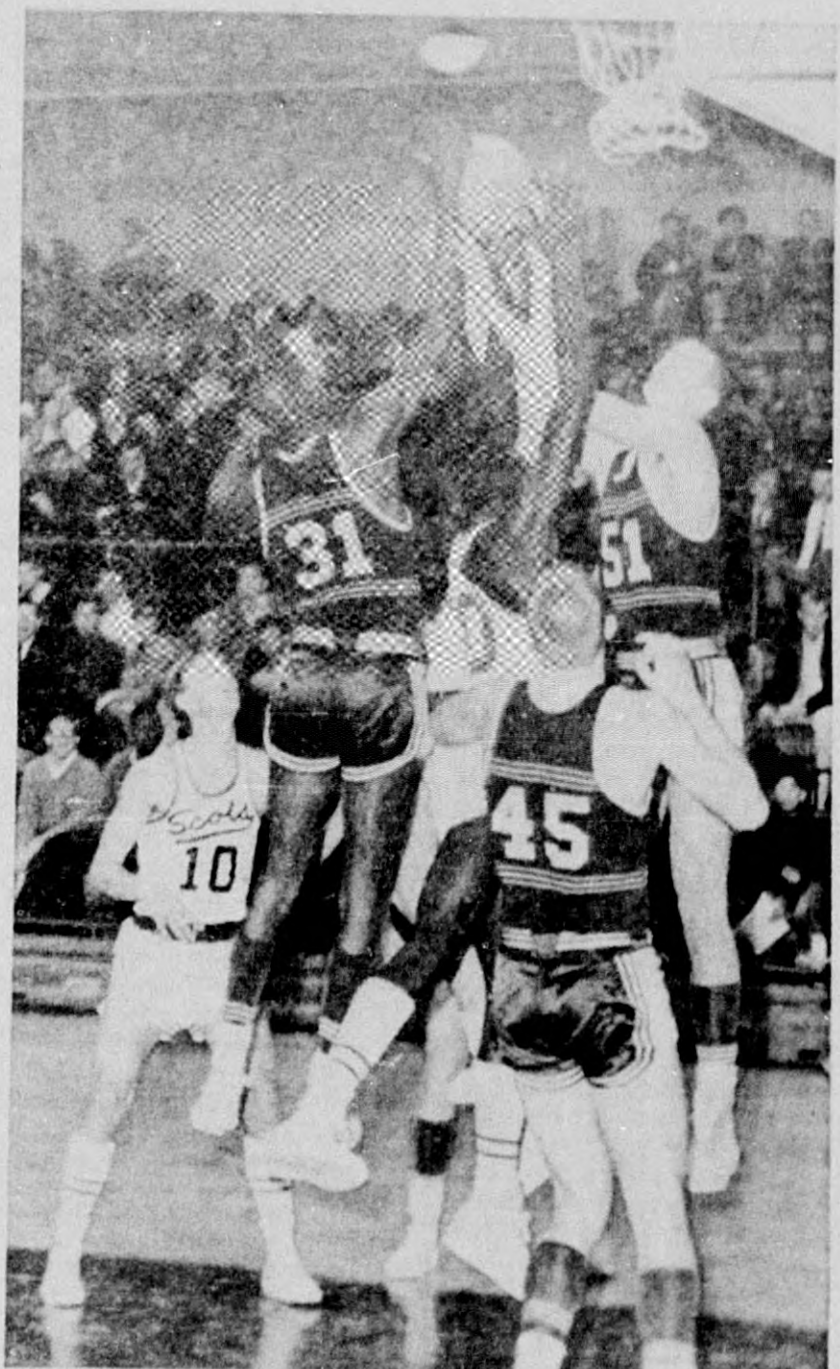
As a result of the increase in minimum wage rate, all other hourly rates for student employees will be increased 15 cents per hour, effective January 1, 1966.

All individuals employing Alma College students will please take note of the increase in rates, and so indicate on student work sheets submitted to the Business Office for work performed after January 1, 1966.

### Math Club Has IBM Program

"The Business Game" will be the center of attraction at the next Mathematics Club meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 20, at 7 p.m. at Leonard Refineries. The program, which will be presented by a representative of the IBM corporation, will make use of a game in the form of a mathematical model of a large corporation. The players make management decisions almost as they would in the real case.

Participants will meet in Dow Lobby and then travel to the computer department of Leonard Refineries for the demonstration. All interested persons are invited by the mathematics club to share the experience.



Jerry Knowlton, (10) sophomore guard from Delton, Michigan, is the first winner in the athlete of the month contest. He is being honored for his outstanding "hoop" ability for the month of December when he averaged 20.0 points a game. "Nort" as he is called by his teammates provided a lot of team leadership in his aggressive ball handling and shot making. His nearest rival for the club leadership in points is 9 points per game away from his average.

Knowlton here watches his taller teammates scramble for a rebound.

Jerry will receive a free meal for himself and a date at the Heather Room, compliments of Saga Food Service.

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# Ad Hoc Reviews Student Government

By Ronni Allexenberg  
Last Monday evening the Student Government subcommittee of the Ad Hoc committee had a dinner meeting with various student leaders. The purpose of the meeting was to consider faults in the present system, aspects in the present system

that should be maintained and plans for the reorganization of student government.

In the course of the discussion various problems were brought to light. The student leaders who attended felt that the major problem in Alma's student government was that there were too many organizations attempting to legislate the same things. It was felt that there were too many organizations with too little power. The student leaders felt that there is a great need for centralization of student power.

Some discussion centered on unnecessary and overlapping

organizations. Coupled under this heading were the Associated Women Students, Tyler Board and the Student Council. There was also much discussion concerning the number of representatives needed on the Student Council. A question was raised as to whether fewer people on the Council would help to get more things done and make the positions more important and more responsible.

Several suggestions for the reorganization of the student government were made. Most student leaders agreed that the new student government organization should be functionally

based and oriented. It was felt that the Pyramidal form of government would be the most beneficial for Alma. This form of government places most of the power at the top. Another suggestion for reorganization was the "President's Council." This council would be composed of the president of the college and all of the presidents of the various student organizations. All of the governing power would be centralized in this council.

In addition to these criticisms and suggestions for improving student government, the student leaders noted that the college was going through a period of transition. Because of this transitional period there exists an information block between student leaders and the

administration. Questions such as "where do we go for information?" and "should the Dean be actively involved in student government?" are constantly being raised. These questions reveal contradictions during this transitional period. The administration is remote from student life yet some individuals within it attempt to maintain firm control of student organizations even without a clear understanding of their affairs.

This dinner meeting was called to aid the student government subcommittee by providing it with the opinions of several student leaders. In the next few months the subcommittee's reports will be compiled into the total report of the Ad Hoc committee.

## Tax Plan Urged By Colleges

A plan designed to ease the financial burden of parents of college students and to create new sources for the establishment of scholarships is receiving attention and support from both educators and legislators.

The concept of granting tax credits for some expenses of higher education has had bipartisan backing in both houses of Congress for more than a decade, but has never been enacted into law.

The tuition tax credit concept stems from widespread concern over the mounting costs of tuition and fees at both private and publicly supported colleges and universities. Proponents of the measure note that costs have been rising at an increasing rate, and that all evidence indicates that they will continue to do so.

Advocates of the plan emphasize the difference between a tax credit and a tax deduction. Each dollar of credit would reduce a person's tax by one dollar. If a taxpayer owed \$1,000 at the end of the tax year and had qualified for a \$300 tax credit, he would owe the Federal Government only \$600 in income tax. A \$400 tax credit would save exactly \$400 for the individual whether he earned \$5,000 a year or \$20,000.

A deduction, on the other hand, would save a \$20,000-a-year man more tax dollars than a \$5,000-a-year man.

The amount of credit would be 75 percent of the first \$200 spent, 25 percent of the next \$300, and 10 percent of the next \$1,000. The maximum credit allowable would be \$325.

The tax credit would come to anyone—student, relative, friend or benefactor, paying the educational costs. Broad assistance in support of the most needy students could, therefore, be generated by the colleges and universities themselves.

Opposition to tuition tax credit has come from several quarters. Much has been based on a lack of understanding about differences between a tax deduction—which would tend to favor higher-income taxpayers—and a tax credit—which would save the lower and middle-income taxpayer a higher proportional share of his income.

Finally, there has been some opposition on the grounds that benefits would be greater for students at higher-priced private colleges than at the lower-cost state universities. The percentage of relief would be higher at the publicly supported institutions, which are, in any case, increasing their own tuitions and fees dramatically, and are frequently charging out-of-state students nearly as much as private colleges.

## Luke Speaks At Chapel

Dr. Tracy Luke of the Department of Religion will preach at the 11 a.m. Chapel Service on Sunday, January 16.

Dr. Luke received his B.A. from Emporia College and his B.D. from McCormick Theological seminary. He received the Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan and is currently teaching two sections of Sophomore Studies and a history course, Middle East Studies,

## Union Sells Coke Beginning Sunday

On Sunday, January 16, 1966, the Union will begin serving Coca-Cola rather than Pepsi. Another addition to the Union service is a machine to dispense Sprite and Root Beer. This new service will commence at noon.

In the near future Saga hopes to purchase a french frier -- a

deep fat frier -- so that they can provide a larger variety of sandwiches and other types of food in the union.

If there are any other kinds of food or supplies that would be desired in the Union, contact Carl Wood, Saga Food Service.

## Coed Anticipates Work For Peace Corps

Peace Corps community development work in Turkey is the job which will await Miss Ronni Allexenberg, senior from St. Louis, Missouri, after graduation this spring.

Recently accepted for training by the Peace Corps, Miss Allexenberg will begin the ten to twelve week training program sometime in late June. This program is the method used by the Peace Corps for preparing candidates for their assignments as well as making a final screening and selection of its workers.

Miss Allexenberg's specific assignment will be in the areas of child care or nursery school work. She will be a member of a team of Peace Corps workers which will spend a few months in each of a number of villages setting up community development projects.

She pointed out, however, that workers in this program often end up doing a variety of jobs, since they are able to determine the specific needs of each community only after becoming acquainted with the community through first hand experience. After discovering these needs, the Peace Corps volunteers set up programs for improvement and begin training members of the community to take over the various projects after they leave.

Miss Allexenberg actually decided to apply for the Peace Corps during her senior year in high school in 1962, when the program was just beginning. Since then, she said, she has "followed every development in the Peace Corps program."

"I believe in the United States and I want to help people" was one reason Miss Allexenberg gave for joining the Peace Corps. She stated that the work of the Peace Corps is "one of the best ways of demonstrating what the United States really stands for."

"I also have some selfish reasons," she continued. "I've always wanted to live in another culture and what I give to these people will actually be very small in comparison to the experience I will be gaining."

Miss Allexenberg also sees Peace Corps work as a means of discovering and testing herself. She explains in this way: "The Peace Corps worker is placed outside the U.S. and its many conveniences and must depend to a great extent on himself to accomplish what he has set out to do. In this situation he is able to discover the more basic human values and to look inside himself and find out if there is

really anything there or if he has lived in such a safe society that he has never needed to develop any self-reliance."

Upon completing her two-years of service in the Peace Corps, Miss Allexenberg hopes to do some traveling to other parts of the world before returning to do graduate work in social work.

A psychology major, Miss Allexenberg is presently active in a number of campus organizations. Included in these are Phi Omicron sorority, Gamma Delta Alpha, Psi Chi national psychology honorary and, of course, almanian news editor.

### TUTORIAL PROGRAM (Cont'd from Page 1)

Here, several colleges who have established this type of project on their campuses discussed their programs.

The students who had attended the Conference at Eastern decided to initiate a tutorial project at Alma and at a meeting at the beginning of the last term Student Council President Bill Brown appointed Rice chairman of the project. Dr. Verne Bechill of the sociology department became the project's advisor.

"This project is not merely a joy-ride," declared Rice as qualification for prospective volunteers. "Students who take part in the program must stay until the end of the term." He also warned that these tutors "shouldn't expect to accomplish too much" in the time-span allowed.

### CSCA (Cont'd from P. 1)

CSCA will study educational and administrative problems, serve as a clearinghouse for the exchange of information and promote projects of educational experimentation.

It will also undertake cooperative programs in teaching, research, publishing, educational evaluation, college finance and administration and the promotion of extracurricular activities.

Other possible areas of cooperation include the exchange of art exhibits, dramatic presentations and recitals and the joint use of field stations such as that being developed by Alma College near Vestaburg for biological study and research.

Additional activities being considered by CSCA are joint booking of concert artists and visiting lecturers, cooperative summer programs, cooperative library use, faculty interchange and the development of a joint computer center.

## WITH THE GREEKS

## Phi O's Plan Nursery; Sig Tau's Open House

Phi Omicron  
Congratulations to Marcia Cameron and Bill McLaughlin on their recent pinning.

The Phi O's are continuing the Sunday nursery school for faculty children in the Chapel basement, this term and would welcome all newcomers.

Ronni Allexenberg has received her Peace Corps assignment. After training, she will be in Turkey.

Sigma Tau Gamma  
The brothers of Sigma Tau Gamma extend an open invitation to the students and faculty of Alma College to attend our open house tomorrow evening. The door will be open at 8:00

with entertainment and a luncheon to be provided later in the evening. We hope we will have our new pool table and be able to show it off at this time.

Congratulations to brothers Don Rickwalt, Dick Bennett and Terry McKinnon on their recent election to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges".

Congratulations to brother Rick Vanden Burg on his lavaliering of Miss Marykay Burgess. Related congratulations to brothers Dave Huner and Bill Nichols on their pinnings to Misses Coco McGinnis of Defiance, Ohio, and Sandy Sparks, 1965 Homecoming Queen of Central Michigan, respectively.

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