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## Activities Fair At 8 Tonight

Gala Fair Aura Has Practical Purpose

An authentic fair atmosphere at tonight's Activities Fair is the goal of the Activities Fair Committee, according to Miss Barbara Mapley, chairman.

The Fair, to be held in Tyler Auditorium from 8 to 9:30 p.m., will offer such features as a gun range, dart throw, bagatelle game, and ball toss in addition to booths representing the various campus organizations. Popcorn and soft drinks are among the refreshments to be sold.

These features are designed to stimulate attendance and provide an aura of a fair.

A jukebox dance will be held in Tyler after the Fair, beginning at approximately 10 p.m.

The purpose of the annual event, says Miss Mapley, "is to introduce the students to the activities and organizations at Alma."

Information concerning any organization will be available at its booth from members.

Choral Union rehearsals for the annual presentation of the Messiah at Christmas time will begin this Tuesday, October 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Rehearsals will be weekly at that time, day, and place until the performance on December 10.

Choral Union is a singing group open to all interested residents of the Alma area, professors, and students.

Director is Dr. Ernest G. Sullivan, head of the music department. He will be assisted by Miriam Belleville, instructor in music.

## Campus Greeks Now Rushing; Meet Sunday

Fraternity pledging began last Monday when the rush list was posted in Dean Hawley's office.

Second semester freshmen and upperclassmen with an over all academic average of at least a one point (1.0) are invited to sign the rush list which will be posted until 5 p.m. today.

This Sunday a mass meeting will be held for all rushees to explain the rush rules. There will be no smokers this semester; rules will be much the same as previous semesters.

On Friday, Oct. 6 bids will be distributed. This will not take place from the chapel this year.

Persons or organizations interested in obtaining back issues of almanian for sentimental, or other, reasons, may do so by requesting them in the almanian office before Saturday, October 7. After that date, excess copies of old issues will be disposed of.

## Frosh Parade-Of-Talent Rounds Off Orientation

The major part of freshman orientation ended last Saturday night with the freshman talent show.

Twenty acts paraded across the stage in Memorial Gymnasium and along with certain punishments enacted by the judges made a two-and-a-half-hour show.

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During the intermission, freshman signs were judged by President Robert D. Swanson and Mrs. Swanson. Linda Hudson, Detroit, and Ed Hallin, Niagara Falls, New York, were declared the winners.

Miss Alicia deLeon, Director of Student Activities, presented the trophy to the winner of the BOF (Barrels of Fun) event, which was held on the lawn between Mitchell and Gelston Friday evening. Bob Hensel, president, accepted the trophy on behalf of the sophomore class.

The mass pledge to the beanie by the freshmen class completed the intermission program.

## New Senior "Capstone" Course Has Varied Method And Material

Course Outlined By Summer Faculty Workshop; Junior Pilot Group To Be Run Next Semester

Wholeness and openness, trust and responsibility, critical affirmation and integrity: these are the sets of concepts upon which the new "capstone" senior course will be based.

To be required of all seniors having come through Western Civilization, the new course was developed this summer in a faculty workshop. This completes the plans of the new curriculum which were to include Western Civilization and a senior course of some kind to fill the additional religion requirement.

Varied in method of teaching and material covered, the course is titled "Man and the Modern World — the Examined Life," and has as its purpose to confront the student with the ideal which directs and integrates a Christian liberal arts education.

In examining this ideal, the student will first consider wholeness or oneness as a property of truth and wisdom. This will involve a consideration of the presuppositions, implications and current developments in scientific and humanistic studies.

A second part of the ideal to be dealt with will be the concept of the nature of an education as a trust involving a responsibility of participation in and contribution to society. The common question "Liberal Education — education for what?", the role of the intellectual in the modern world, education as a demand, and various issues and problems in contemporary American society will be among things considered in this section of the course.

The final section will deal with the proposition that examination and reflection leading toward a critical affirmation of personal faith is fundamental to the ideal of Christian liberal arts education. The idea that such examination is a continuing requirement for the mature individual will be stressed. Matters of the image of man, his ultimate concern, and the requirements of an examined life and personal commitment and integrity will be considered here.

Called by one professor "a prolonged commencement address," the new course has been given the title "capstone" course only with considerable reservation. For although the course does in a sense cap off or finish a particular 4-year educational experience, it is against the whole dynamic of the course to think that it will neatly tie up all questions and problems and educational experiences which occurred in the four years.

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## Lecture-Concert Series-- From Folk Songs To Ballet

The Lecture-Concert Series for 1961-62 has been announced by Earl Hayward, Chairman of the Committee.

This year's series of programs will range from folk songs to ballet and drama dances.

The first presentation will be a lecture on "Explosive Africa" by Robert St. John, best selling author and famous correspondent. The lecture will be held in the Chapel on Friday, November 3, at 8 p.m.

On Thursday, Nov. 16, there will be a musical presentation featuring the Nieuw Amsterdam Trio, also at 8 p.m. in the Chapel.

On Monday, January 8, 1962, William Clauson, balladeer and folk singer, will appear. Carl Sandburg has this to say about William Clauson: "He is a viking of song, to me irresistible, one of the most colorful and versatile singers and accomplished guitarists that I have ever heard."

On Saturday, February 17, at 8 p.m. in Dow Auditorium, Helen and Frank Schreider will show "The Impossible Tour," a full-length color movie of a 20,000 mile amphibious journey from the Arctic Circle to the southern tip of South America.

Friday, March 23, will bring a performance in Tyler Auditorium by the Gilbert and Sul-

livan Concert Hall. The program will consist of a series of vignettes of the favorite Gilbert and Sullivan operettas.

During the Fine Arts Festival, the Dance Drama Company with Emily Frankel will give a unique presentation of ballet and drama dances. The dances will be performed by a group of eight artists who have given over 600 performances during seven years of coast to coast tours.

The Lecture-Concert series is free to all Alma students although students must pick up tickets for each performance at the switchboard in the Reid-Knox building in the few days preceding each performance.

Parnassians, the literary society of the college community, will hold an "organizational" meeting Sunday evening. Literary inclined people — faculty members, faculty members' wives, students, or friends — are cordially invited.

New students who desire further information may contact Carole Phillips at Pioneer Hall or John Teeuwissen at Mitchell Hall.

The meeting Sunday will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wegner, 428 Yale, at 8:00 P.M.



Through the melee of the Dow Lobby to the long registration line in Tyler Center, students scurried to get the right classes for semester 151.

Here Dr. Robert Wegner and Dr. Samuel Cornelius assign classes and give the necessary class cards to students so they can go through the registration line.

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## Pen of a Scot

"Pen of a Scot" is a column which made its almanian debut last spring.

I saw beauty tonight, felt it, experienced it. It gave me strength, hope, joy, quiet. It doesn't make any difference what it was that I saw. For what it was that I saw isn't what's important. What I want to talk awhile about is the experience and a bit of its meaning.

For some would sneer, or rather condescendingly smile. Beauty? Don't let it throw you. It's nothing but certain conditioned responses properly touched off. Joy, hope, and strength? An emotional effect, quite predictable given the circumstances. But of course there's no real basis for any of it — beauty or joy or hope or strength.

No. Emotions, inexpressible longing joined with unaccountable and yet utter assurance surging from one's vast dark unknown depths are nothing, or at least nothing more than automatic and conditioned reactions proper to a well-working skin, bones, blood and nerve-cell mixture of caloric burning and electrical impulsing. Therefore, of course, any other reasons for these are non-existent — no Beautiful that we are catching a glimpse of when we feel the emotion of beauty, no Reality which could ever satisfy our hollow - emptiness-prompted longing or provide a valid basis for that assurance, that certainty, however brief, that beauty and hope and strength and joy are rooted in a firm foundation.

Sure there's pretty well incontrovertible evidence that these feelings are at least part of the complex physiological workings of our mental processes. But note that "at least." There is absolutely no reason to suppose that they cannot be more, that they cannot truly point to realities beyond themselves just because we happen

to see the process and understand some of its workings. We see a tree by virtue of certain physiological processes which we understand to some extent. That doesn't mean there is no tree!

Oh I've heard all about how brave it is, how courageous, to deny any ultimate Beautiful or Reality that can give joy and strength—to go it all alone in a cold harsh world. And admittedly it is brave to so live if one can honestly not see any reason for believing the world to be a bit brighter. Also I'll admit most readily that every one of us must, as I've written before, face the possibility before he can really live that human life is only meaningless.

But let's not make the possibility into the gospel truth without some pretty substantial evidence. After all, there's no particular virtue in choosing the dark bleak way just because it's so dark and bleak. The other just might be true. And it's not weakness to accept a reality which happens to give joy if evidence warrants such acceptance. In fact this can be a bit hard and risky and requiring of bravery, too; for a real Beautiful, an ultimate Reality, can make some pretty stiff demands of a follower.

If it be true! If it be false, I'm sorry. But I happen to think there's good reason to believe it's true. Besides, the air's so much fresher and clear and invigorating, the view so beautiful from here, and the task asked demanding such an arduous one. So much better than it is for those earthbound and blind ones who feel they must gouge out their searching eyes and hearts and must stamp down an ecstatic soul which would soar to these heights of beauty and its quiet strength. I pity them.

I saw beauty. And I think that there is a Beautiful and a Reality which make this experience with its joy, hope, and strength a valid one pointing beyond the process to these real bases. And I am not ashamed so to think. Or act accordingly.

## Bigger and Better

The almanian staff was extremely pleased with the response at our organizational staff meeting last Monday evening.

Many new faces, freshmen and upperclassmen, were present to offer their talents and energy. The new additions to the staff, named in the masthead above, have begun to work on this issue, and the full effects of their aid will be

shown, we hope, in next Friday's issue.

People interested in adding their names to the list and their talents to the project may see us at the almanian booth at the Activities Fair tonight. (We are still looking for a photographer, preferably one with a camera of his own.)

We hope, that with the additional staff people, the almanian can do bigger and better things.

## Another Improvement

Congratulations to the faculty workshop which worked on the new senior "capstone" course this summer. From what we've heard about it, it promises to be a worthy partner to Western Civilization in the new curriculum. We're sure

the students will respond to these plans, bringing them to a successful conclusion.

It looks like another step forward for Alma College.

## International Interest

The new international film series, with its initial movie, "La Strada," viewed last Sunday evening, is another answer to the problem of college students cloistering themselves in their own little lives.

The number of foreign students here, the growing (perhaps not fast enough, but growing) interest in international affairs on campus, and this new series are good subjects of interest for an American college student.

With such movies as the excellent titles chosen for this series, we can get a small view at

least of cultural achievements in other countries.

A very encouraging fact is that season tickets for the series were a sellout. A limited number of single tickets will be available, however.

Those sponsoring the series, especially Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dykstra, are to be commended for their contribution to campus and community cultural life.

And perhaps even more important, the films will be also a contribution to the international interest on campus.

## Freshman Spirit Is Catching (We Hope)

Anyone who witnessed the freshman-sophomore BOF event last Friday witnessed also a display of class spirit by the freshmen such as is seldom seen on this campus. So strong was it that even the sophomores present caught a bit of it, turning the whole event into a quite spirited occurrence.

We hope you keep this up, freshmen. If you yell the way you did that night at the game to-

morrow, there will be many who will shake their heads wonderingly with surprise, look around bewildered to see who's making the disturbance, and then, finding it rather exhilarating, perhaps even join in.

It's been said by many, to use a cliché, "It couldn't be done." But maybe you freshmen can make us do it. See you tomorrow.

## Around The Campus

A Canadian trip was included in the summer activities of Dr. Irene Linder. Points of interest included the Thousand Islands area, Montreal, Quebec and a journey around the Gaspé Peninsula.

Helen MacCurdy, Alma College's librarian, attended the Library Building Institute at Kent State in Ohio, July 6 through 8.

The paintings and drawings of the Art Department will be shown in the "Highlander Room", the new student dining room annex. Each month the exhibit will be changed.

The present exhibitors are JoAnn Wright and Alice Harper, juniors, and Janet Folkman and John Meyers, recent graduates.

Dr. Sam Jones of the college music department this summer attended the 1961 Eastern Institute of Orchestral Studies for Conductors, Composers, and Musicians.

The intensive study conference was held at Orkney Springs, Virginia, August 3 to 19, and was sponsored by the American Symphony Orchestra League.

Jones was one of ten conductors selected from over 100 applicants. A 100-piece orchestra, with players from various orchestras all over the country and abroad, was assembled for the Institute. The conductors worked with the orchestra in

## rehearsal sessions.

Artistic Director of the Institute was Dr. Richard Lert, who in Jones' opinion is one of Europe's greatest conductors.

Dr. Gunda Kaiser of the Spanish department, attended the executive board meeting of the Michigan chapter of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP) Saturday, September 16, at Michigan State University.

Dr. Kaiser is secretary of the Michigan chapter of AATSP. By her invitation, the regional meeting of the AATSP will be held on the Alma College campus on Saturday, November 4.

Dr. Kaiser will also represent the AATSP at the Schoolmasters' Club at University of Michigan on Saturday, September 30.

Dr. Arlan L. Edgar, Associate Professor of Biology, held a Michigan Department of Agriculture appointment as a staff member of the Michigan State University Biological Station at Gull Lake for an eight week summer session.

Edgar taught a course in invertebrate zoology with field trips taken to 17 different localities within a 50-mile radius of the station.

A special segment of the student body was a group of 30 high school biology teachers, supported by National Science Foundation grants. These teachers, who participated in special sessions as well as regular field courses, were selected from over 700 applicants.

Dr. Edgar's family accompanied him.

During the summer Joe Grover, Alma junior, and Tony Butler, a Midland senior, participated in a chemistry research project on the Alma campus. Both students are chemistry majors.

The project, "Isolation of the Constituents of Goldenrod Roots," was supported by the Frederick Gardner Cottrell Grant and was administered by a research corporation under the direction of Dr. Jacob J. De Young, of Alma's Chemistry department.

This project will be continued next summer under a grant from the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health. Next summer's work will again be open to two Alma students who wish to do chemistry research in this area of study.

The Alma College Chapter of Tri-Beta started off its program for the year with a marshmallow roast at Conservation Park Thursday, September 21.

**Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity is holding an open house tonight at 10. All are invited to come to the TEKE house on Philadelphia Street at that time. There will be refreshments and entertainment.**

## Elections

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Immediately begin work on Homecoming activities. The freshmen will have a major responsibility for Homecoming — Homecoming Queen's float, dance, and refreshments.

"During interviews the officer aspirants showed great enthusiasm and interest, and showed good backing in student government," said Ed Powers of the Orientation committee.

## PHOTOGRAPHER WANTED

To work for College Publicity Department. Prefer experienced Freshman, however, will train other interested person. Salaried position. Apply to Mr. Guile Graham, Office of College and Community Relations at Reid-Knox Administration Building.

## INTERESTED?

## Schedule For Western Civ.

For those people not enrolled in Western Civilization 101 and 201 who may be interested in attending some of the lectures, the almanian will publish the following week's lecture schedule. The 101 lectures will be MTWF at 9 a.m. and again at 4 p.m. in Dow Auditorium. The 201 lectures will be on the same days in the same place, at 11:00.

Western Civilization 101:  
 M, 10/2 through W, 10/4—  
 "The Homeric Epics." — Dr. Samuel Cornelius.

F, 10/6—"Pre-Socratic Philosophy: Early Speculation." — Wesley Dykstra.

Western Civilization 201:  
 M, 10/2 through F, 10/6—  
 "Liberalism and Democracy." — M, Dr. William Bulger; T, Dr. William Armstrong, W and F, Dr. Bulger.

## SEPTEMBER 29 - OCTOBER 5

September 29—Friday	7:30 p.m. "The Young Lions" 8:00 p.m. Activities Fair and Dance 10:00 p.m. TEKE Open House	Dow Auditorium Tyler Auditorium TEKE House
September 30—Saturday	9:55 a.m. Children's Story Hour (4-9) 2:00 p.m. Football, Wittenberg U. 4:00 p.m. Poster Party 7:30 p.m. "The Young Lions" 9:00 p.m. Alpha Tau-Sigma Tau Ice Cream Social	Old Main 102 Bahlke Field Mitchell Hall Dow Auditorium
October 6—Friday	6:00 p.m. TKE-KI Picnic 12:00 noon Fraternity Bidding 8:00 p.m. Mary Gelston Treasure Hunt	Sig Tau House Chapel Lawn To Be Announced To Be Announced

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Sept. 26, 1961  
7 p.m.

The meeting was called to order, the invocation was given, the attendance was recorded, the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The president of the Council announced that election of officers for the 1961-62 Student Council would take place on October 10. Chairmen of special committees will be required to submit written reports of the work done by their committee. Standing committees will be required to keep minutes of all their meetings. The attendance policy as stated at the May 2, 1961 meeting was re-read. It was re-announced that no Council money can be spent without a requisition from the Treasurer. No reimbursement will be made for purchases made without a requisition signed by the treasurer.

Written reports of the U.S.-N.S.A. conference will be placed in the council files by those who attended the conference. A statement of Alma's votes will be included. Legislation will be reported gradually throughout the year.

The Student International Affairs Committee reported that during Orientation a meeting was held for the roommates of students from other countries, and that a picnic was held for these students. The committee also reported that over \$400 has been collected from the Student Body for the support of the Jamaican stu-

dent.

The parliamentarian moved to amend Article 2 Section 3 of the Constitution by adding Newberry Hall and by deleting Clizbe House and Bruske House. The motion was seconded and tabled.

The parliamentarian moved to change the name Alma College Student Council to Alma College Student Government Council. The motion was seconded and tabled.

The Building and Grounds Committee will take action toward a change in library hours which would leave the library open on Sunday night.

It was moved and seconded that the Student Council go on record as supporting the building of sidewalks between Mitchell and Gelston Halls and between Newberry and Gelston Halls. The motion was passed.

It was announced that all Student Council meetings for semester 151 will take place in Van Dusen Lounge.

Dean Vreeland announced that any new organizations on campus will have to be okayed by the administration in addition to the Student Council.

The parliamentarian was instructed to request that all groups on campus which have not already submitted a copy of their constitution to the Student Council do so immediately.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bonnie McBane  
Recording Secretary

## Film Series Off To Fine Start; Sell-Out Crowd Sees "La Strada"

Last Sunday evening the International Film Series opened to a responsive sell-out crowd.

Viewing the nearly two-hour long Italian production were about 260 persons, 240 of whom held season tickets to the series which were sold out Friday at 5 p.m. The others bought seats at the door.

Professor Wesley Dykstra, chairman of the committee in charge of the series, expressed "gratitude and appreciation for the response to this first attempt at an international film series." Regarding specifically the showing of "La Strada," he felt that the audience was "very responsive," and that there was good reason to be "proud" of this responsiveness.



"Oh how could they!" The two freshmen talent show judges pictured above seem to be asking themselves this question as they try to escape from the barrage of "cream pies" which were thrown at them at one point in the evening's entertainment. The pies were thrown by some of the talent show participants who were seeking revenge for the "unfair" treatment they received from the judges.

Dykstra also announces that for the remaining movies in the series, season ticket holders are asked to take their seats by 7:55. Any unclaimed seats for that performance will then be sold for \$1 to any persons who wish to see the film. Also available to such persons at the same price will be those first few rows of seats which were not included in those for which season tickets were sold.

A little over half of the season tickets sold went to Alma students. Faculty members, their families, and certain members of the community hold the remainder.

The next film, to be shown on October 8, is the French Fernandel comedy "The Sheep Has Five Legs."

## International Picnic Held; Forty Attend

Last Saturday the Student Council International Affairs Committee sponsored a picnic for all foreign students, their roommates, their big sisters (for the girls), certain Student Council members, and members of the Committee.

A total of forty persons, including most of the foreign students, met in the new dining room when they were rained out of their original site, Conservation Park. After the meal, the group sang American folk songs and listened to a short talk by Gloria McIntyre, chairman of the Committee.

New foreign students this year include: Constantine Grimaldi, Greece; Hansen Yuan, Hong Kong; Kunio Fujii, Japan; Don Kim, Korea; Thomas Ohene-Yeboah Ghana; Gunnar Gudjonsson, Iceland; Lucien Taylor, Jamaica; Donald Webster, Jamaica; Allen Au, Hong Kong.

Also new are Trudy Humbert, Germany; Rose Mends-Cole, Liberia; Mitra Ashrafi, Persia; Aimee Powee, Singapore; Aileen Rawle, Jamaica, and George Turtori.

## New Majorettes Chosen For Band

Chosen last week as the Kiltie Band majorettes were Rexalee Westhauser, Sawyer sophomore; Carol Holmgren, Birmingham junior; Gretchen Mantey, Caro sophomore; Jody Fliegel, Saginaw junior; and Gretchen Kuhl, Farmington sophomore.

Rexalee Westhauser, Carol Holmgren and Gretchen Mantey are returning after being majorettes last year. Jody Fliegel and Gretchen Kuhl are new this year.

Returning for his third year as drum major is Dave McDonald, Bad Axe senior.

The majorettes are under the direction of Miss Maxine Hayden of the women's physical education department.

The band will perform tomorrow afternoon at the half-time of the football game.

All students interested in joining a new Modern Dance group are to meet with Miss Maxine Hayden Tuesday evening, October 3, at 7 in Tyler Auditorium. Membership will be automatic, without tryouts.

## Fullbright Scholarship Sent Hayward To Europe

Earl Hayward of the Modern Language Department here at Alma is now back after spending nine weeks this summer in Europe on a Fullbright scholarship.

Hayward was part of a group of 25 Americans who spent eight weeks studying in France.

The first four weeks the group spent in Paris, combining study with sightseeing. The studying was done at both the Sorbonne and L'Institute Phonétique of the University of Paris. With classes each morning and lectures every second afternoon, the group found ample time to take in the sights of Paris Versailles, Fontainebleau, and Chartres.

Longer trips were also made to the Loire Valley and Mont St. Michael.

After completing the four weeks in Paris studying phonetic pronunciation of French, Hayward went on to Strasbourg where he spent four more weeks studying German. Here trips were also made into the surrounding country and to Alsace and Vases.

Hayward spent his final week in Europe touring Germany.

When asked to comment on his stay in France, Hayward said, "There certainly was a dearth of Frenchmen. In Paris we were mostly with foreigners and at Strasbourg we were mostly with Germans, Scandinavians, and English.

"It was a wonderful experience though, being with an international group and all of us speaking French."

## Health Service Moves To Clizbe

Alma College's Health Service, located previously in Gelston Hall, moved this year to expanded quarters in Clizbe House, formerly a women's honor dorm.

The new Health Service contains three rooms for patients. There are two rooms equipped with two beds each for women, and a room for men which contains four beds. In addition, the Health Service has a newly decorated waiting room, a first-aid room, and two fully equipped examination rooms.

On call at all times in the Health Service is Mrs. David Peters, who will handle minor illnesses. She will be assisted by Mrs. Evelyn Sears, Registered Nurse, who will be on duty Monday through Friday, from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Regular office hours are 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Monday through Saturday. Dr. Clarence Hoogerland, school physician, will be in by 9:30 each morning.

## Girls Sign Up Thurs.; Sorority Teas Sunday

The Panhellenic Council of Alma College announces that all eligible women are invited to participate in sorority fall pledging, which will begin on Oct. 5.

The purpose of this pledging period is to fill the places left by graduates. Only second semester freshmen women and upperclass women with a one point (1.0) overall scholastic average may participate.

Each sorority will have a tea lasting one-half hour. All girls may attend all the teas, however, no formal invitations will be sent and no acceptance need be given.

Women who are interested in pledging may sign up Thursday, Oct. 5 in Dean Vreeland's office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

On Sunday, Oct. 8 the sororities will hold separate teas. The time schedule is as follows: 2:00-2:30 Kappa Iota Tea in Van Dusen Lounge

2:45-3:15 Alpha Sigma Tau tea in AST room in Gelston basement

3:30-4:00 Alpha Theta Tea in Van Dusen Lounge

On Monday, October 9, pledging women are to sign a preference list in Dean Vreeland's office. Tuesday, October 10, bids will be given out at 6 a.m.

### DELTA SIG OFFICERS

The Delta Sigma Phi officers for semester 151 are: President, Ken Renaud; Vice President, Dick Lee; Secretary, Donn Neal; Treasurer, Bob Smith; House Manager, Jim Slasinski; Sergeant at Arms, John Larue; Social Chairman, Don Phillippi; Scholarship Chairman, Dennis Ellis; Athletic Chairman, Art Krawczyk; Editor, Warren Slodowske; Chaplain, Jim Burnham; Song Director, Jerry Lafferty.

## 27 Students Added To Choir; Total Now 53

Dr. Ernest G. Sullivan announces the following persons as new members of the A Cappella Choir.

Sopranos: Linda Robinson, Judy Artz, Marion Nelson, Donna Lower, Karen McLeod, Marion Mansfield, Cynthia Harris, Cornelia Schorr, Mary Stanley, Carol Hunt, and Marney Hanley.

Altos: Christine Verhulst, Sue Davies, Betsy Tunander, Beverly Stelzer, Mary Arnold, Judy Ryba, Jane Closs, and Claudia Ferguson.

Tenors: Paul Bergman, Glen Rice, and John Goldner.

Basses: Roger Kapp, Tom Worth, Dale Green, Tom Smart, and John Nickum.

There is a total of 53 in the choir this semester.

## AWS Installed Officers Sunday

The Associated Women Students installed the officers for this year on Sunday evening, September 24, at 7 in the chapel. There were about 200 women present for the candlelight installation service.

The new officers are Peggy Emmert, Orchard Lake senior, president; Marilyn Rollins Marshall senior, Vice-president and Big-Sister Chairman; Mary Dinges, Detroit sophomore, Treasurer; Carol Stewart, Charlotte senior, Secretary; Jane Walker, South Haven junior, Publicity chairman.

The first pre-game pep rally will be held in the quad between Tyler Center and the Chapel at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 30. A jazz combo will set the pace, and after a few cheers, the cheerleaders will lead the group en masse to the stadium pep section. Let's get out and support our team.

## Klugh Engages In Summer Project, Uses Rats In Study

This summer Dr. Henry Klugh, head of the Psychology department, was engaged in a research project.

The work was sponsored by the Public Health Service, a branch of the U. S. Government which supports scientific research in many areas. The grant of \$2300 included a budget for equipment and salaries for Klugh and his assistant, Terry Davis.

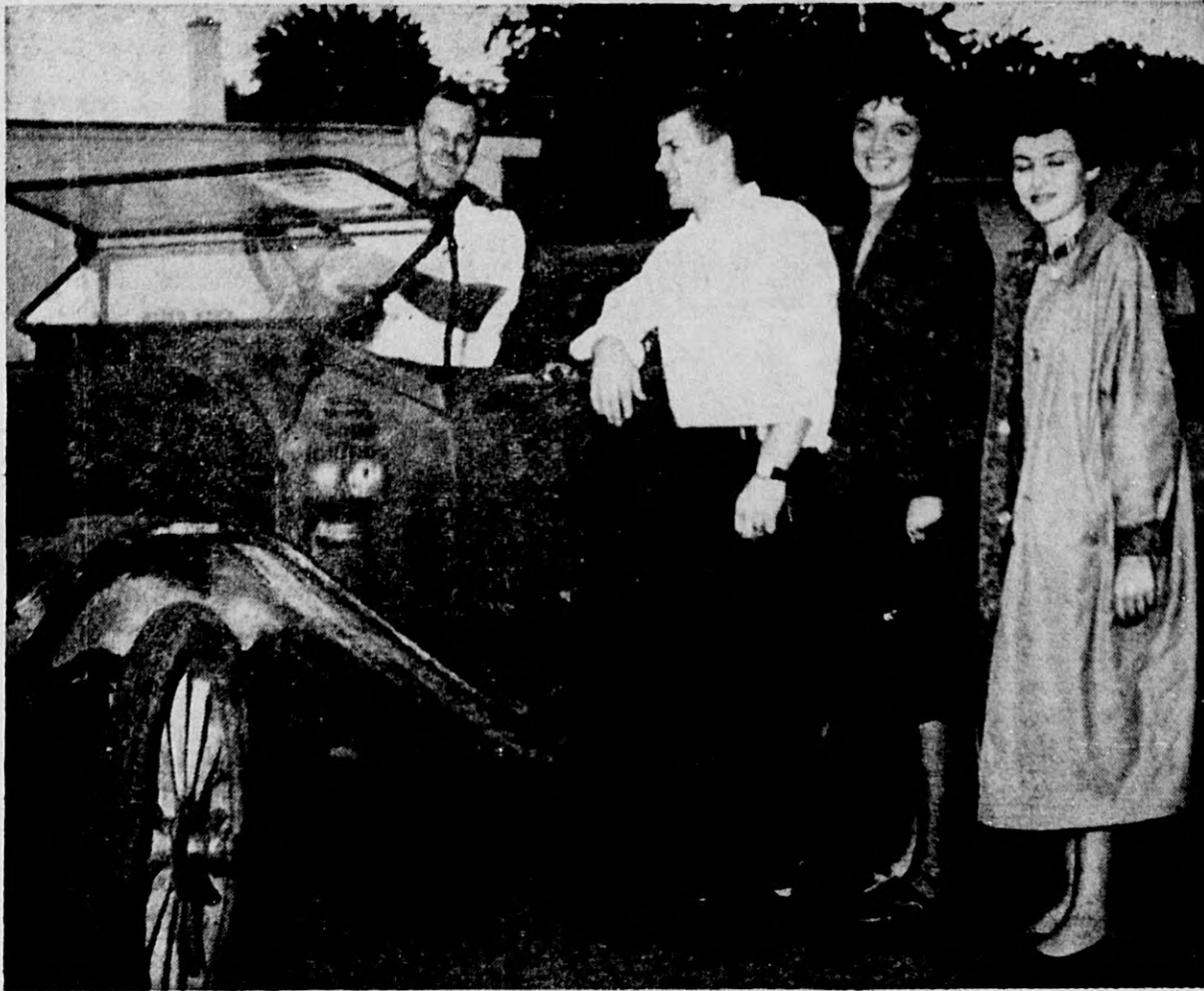
Basing his work on a 1957 study which indicated that over a period of time animals come to prefer increasingly complex stimuli, Dr. Klugh was attempting to find a scale on which complexity could be measured.

The apparatus used gave the rats free access to different environments consisting of black and white striped patterns. The amount of time spent in each environment was used as a measure of preference.

The summer's work, which started immediately after commencement and continued through Sept. 11, failed to support the previously held theory. The only obvious preference was for vertical stripes over horizontal or plain patterns. No significant preferences were found for one vertical pattern over another.

Results of this study may eventually be published in a psychological journal.

Next summer Dr. Klugh hopes to gain financial support for three students to do research projects on their own design leading to the writing of their bachelors' theses.



Pictured above around one of the old cars to be used in Alma's 75th anniversary "Diamond Jubilee" Homecoming parade on October 14 are Don Schwartzmiller of St. Louis, driver and owner of the car, Wayne Smith, Kalamazoo junior, JoAnn Wright, Alma junior, and Jane Walker,

South Haven junior and Homecoming chairman. The Homecoming committee has already started work on plans for the "Diamond Jubilee" and would appreciate any help offered to make this year's Homecoming the best.

## Bluffton Game Second Defeat For Scotsmen

The Scotsmen tasted defeat for the second week in a row on the gridiron, this time at the hands of the Bluffton Beavers. The score was 14-0. The game was played Saturday night in Bluffton, under the lights, before a large crowd of home fans.

Alma had its share of bad breaks as the Beavers recovered five Alma fumbles and intercepted three of Alma's passes. To make matters worse, the Scotsmen were charged with 80 yards in penalties.

Bluffton scored in the opening quarter when quarterback John Rothlisberger threw a 25 yard pass to end Tony Hart. Halfback Bill Lape then ran around Alma's right end for the two-point conversion.

Bluffton scored again late in the game on a five-yard run by

Mike Goings, freshman halfback. Bluffton had a touchdown called back two plays earlier when a clipping infraction was detected against them. Goings was also the ball carrier on the touchdown that was called back.

Alma picked up 105 yards passing, but only 22 on the ground. The offense looked sharper than in the previous game, but fumbles killed every sustained drive that the Scots attempted.

## Capstone

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The manner of actually teaching and participating in the course will be extremely varied, ranging from lectures to informal meetings in dorms or homes and seminar-like presentations by the students.

Readings will be equally varied, not only throughout the course, but also differing for individual students, depending on various aspects of their background in college studies. Selection will be from numerous books, modern and ancient; magazines of highest

renown in contemporary society and those of low or doubtful repute; novels, essays, professional journals and books of humor.

Despite any impressions which may have been created in the preceding paragraphs to the contrary, the course is still not absolutely set as to its form or content. Dr. Charles Ping, chairman of the faculty workshop, describes it as still existing in a "fluid state." It is supposed that before the course is officially offered next year, some changes will have been made in the format.

In order to facilitate this development before offering it, the workshop is planning to run a pilot group this spring. Fifteen or 20 students, with varying levels of academic achievement, will be invited to participate. They will be selected from among those present juniors who have completed Western Civilization.

"It is hoped," said Dr. Ping, "that the course will be offered to seniors during both semesters next year."

Members of the faculty workshop, which worked most of the summer on this project, were Dr. Samuel Cornelius, English; Professor Ray Miner, Humanities; Mr. Richard Fuller, Physics and Mathematics; and Dr. Ping.

## WAA To Start Volleyball Intramurals

The Woman's Athletic Association (WAA) intramural volleyball program will begin Tuesday, October 3. WAA volleyball games will be on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Sheets are posted in every corridor of the women's dorms for those interested. The deadline for sign-up is Sunday, October 1.

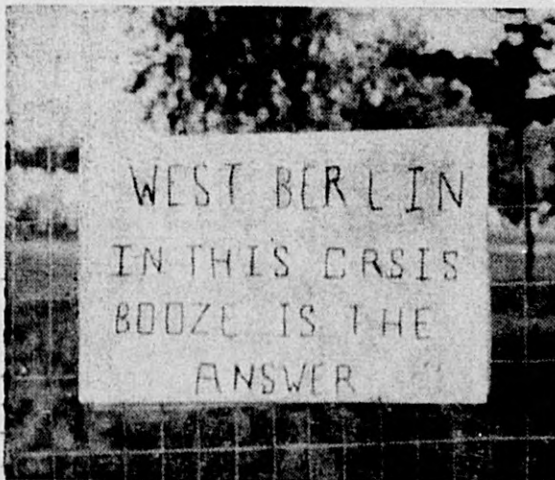
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Here's the rest of the puzzle on page one. Hope he finds another answer to the "crisis." (Sic.) (Sick?)

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## Wittenberg U May Be Tough Team For Scots

Alma College's football team will meet its most formidable opponent of the 1961 season on the home gridiron this Saturday. Wittenberg University, from Springfield, Ohio, will be the opponent when the whistle blows for the opening kickoff at 2 p.m.

Last year Wittenberg was rated third in the nation among small college teams, and is undefeated in two games so far this year. Last week they downed Akron University 7-0.

Alma will field an injury-riddled team, with many starters in doubtful playing condition. Coach Art Smith undoubtedly will be fielding the best eleven men he has available, but he must guard against permanent injury to the men who are not in perfect condition.

All persons interested in trying out for cheerleading are asked to meet in Tyler Auditorium on Monday, October 3rd at 9:00 p.m. Practice sessions and the final tryout date will be announced at that time. If anyone is interested in trying out but is unable to attend the meeting, contact Joyce Grover, in Newberry Hall.

## TENNIS, ANYONE?

## Women's Team To Be Formed

A women's tennis team will be formed this year. The first meeting is at 4 p.m. Tuesday, October 3 in the gymnasium.

All who are interested or wish to learn are invited to attend the meeting. The freshmen who have science laboratories on Tuesday should contact Miss Southward for further information. Girls must provide their own tennis rackets.

The team will be coached by Miss Barbara Southward and will practice all winter on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4 p.m. In the spring, competition will be only among Alma girls. If it is successful, it is possible that there will be games played between different colleges in the future.

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