

Black Symposium Starts Tomorrow

By Claudie Smith

Yes, tomorrow and the next two days after that Alma College will be the site of the first symposium on a college campus whose purpose is to analyze the nature and the roots of the conflicts that exist today between the "College and the Black Student" in a strictly intellectual manner.

ANNOUNCE RA'S FOR NEXT YEAR

The following appointments were made by the Deans Office for the positions of Resident Advisor. In the women's dorms, Newberry: Peggy Book, Carole Brand, Christina Clark, June Glencross, Gerry Golden, Susan Hibbert, Linda Mac Pherson, Ellen VandeVisse, and Pam Wood.

In Gelston: Helen Bendall, Suzanne Hopkins, Carey Mac Gregor, Margaret Miller, Cheryl Muxlow, Barbara Sawyer, and Linda Specht.

In Bruske: Susan Buckmaster, Cathy Peck, and Jean Sinclair.

In the mens' dorms: Wright: John Rincker, Jim Allison, Mike Bailey, Keith Camann, Dave Free-stone, Roger Lakatos, Bill Moss, Mike Olson, and Ken Mitchell.

In Mitchell: Lewis Ayoub, Larry Boehms, Chris Clark, Mark Foster, Richard Landers, Don Sweitzer, David Stenger, and Warren Thompson.

In Bruske: Chick Adams, Fred Borchard, and John Fuzak.

CHOOSE MEMBERS OF

GAMMA DELTA ALPHA

New members have been elected to Gamma Delta Alpha, the senior Women's Honorary Society for the 1968-1969 academic year. They have been selected by the present members of Gamma Delta Alpha on the basis of scholarship, leadership, and service to the campus community. In order to advance the spirit of service among Alma College students, members of GDA have an annual dinner meeting for foreign students each fall.

"We extend our congratulations to the new members on their achievement at Alma College. New members are: Cynthia Barnett, Eilene Bisgrove, Carole Brand, Gail Brooks, Sue Buckmaster, Nancy Fisher, Barb Fraser, Marlene Frazee, June Glencross, Bev Greanyea, Leslye Hofmeyer, Sue Hopkins, Bonnie MacLachlan, Pat Micalak, Gail Poepke, Cathy Palmer, Pamela Paulson, Susan Rappley, Sylvia Rutledge, Verda Scheiffley, Jean Sinclair, Linda Specht, Susan Walker, Margaret Yoder.

Officers of GDA during the 1967-1968 academic year are: Marianne Miller, President; Marcia Buhl, Vice President; Mary Woodhouse, Secretary; Carol Melvin, Treasurer; Carol Ayers, Organization Editor and Historian.

It was Hegel who developed the philosophy of "Dialectical Change." He said, "Change is the rule of life; every idea (thesis) breeds its opposite (anti-thesis) and then the two merge into a synthesis." Then in Hegelian logic, the late Dr. Martin Luther King's philosophy of non-violence would be the thesis in the contemporary civil rights movement, and H. Rap Brown's challenge of "violent revolution" would be the anti-thesis. It is the purpose of this symposium to probe for, to become, or to indicate the essence of the synthesis of these two trends of thought.

Implicit in the non-violent approach is the concept of total integration into the system, whereas the latter advocates complete separation. Black college students are aware of the impossibility of two completely separate ethnic communities existing with any degree of amity within a single country. They also

realize that if integration is to be authentic it must come about from a basis of equality. In the words of Michael Harrington, "To be equal, the Negro requires something much more profound than 'a way into society'; he needs a transformation of some of the basic institutions of the society." The goal of the symposium is to discover what institutions

must be changed and in what manner they must be changed. The slogan is revolution yes, but without violence.

The two main addresses will be given by Dean Epps of Harvard and Dr. Bob Green of MSU. Epps is probably already a familiar figure since he has been on nationwide television and in Look magazine. Although Dr. Green has received less publicity, he is nevertheless, every bit as competent. He was the Educational Director of S.C.L.C. (the organization founded by the late Dr. King) in Atlanta, Georgia in 1965 and 1966, and is still a consultant. He received his Ph.D. from MSU in 1963 at the age of 30 in Educational Psychology. In January of this year he was appointed a member of the President's Youth Opportunity Commission Task Force of Higher Education. He is also the author of three books and some twenty-four papers and other publications.

Dr. Green



Allen to run for state representative

Dr. Richard Allen, Alma College Professor of Biology, has announced that he is seeking the Republican nomination for the Michigan House of Representatives from the 88th district. Allen has taught at Alma for 8½ years. During this time he has often engaged in debates and forums on public issues. The topics have covered a broad range including food and population problems, state and national issues from con-con to foreign policy, and local questions such as an honor code for Alma College students.

For the last six years Allen has served as chairman of the Student Financial Aids Committee.

When asked his reasons for seeking office Allen said, "The Republican philosophy is essentially one of individualism and private initiative. For this reason many of our most talented and energetic sympathizers have ignored public office feeling they could make a larger contribution in a wide variety of non public areas. While I have in the past been inclined towards this viewpoint I feel the situation has changed. Governments at all levels are facing more critical problems now than they have for many years. I offer myself as a candidate, not in the surety that I am the superior choice but in the general spirit that now is the time for many people of many persuasions to declare themselves willing to serve in public office. The issues are critical; the public is aroused and they deserve a wide selection from concerned, talented and energetic people."

When asked about the role he expected the college community to play in the election Allen said, "Certainly the College as an institution cannot support one candidate in a public election. However, the college community is made up of individuals, most of whom are well informed, public-spirited people. Alma College people form a nucleus of the larger intellectual community in

this area. There are a number of qualified candidates. The nomination will not be decided by a large number of votes. Certainly between students, faculty, administrators and those they influence the college community carries enough votes to decide the election."

"I am hoping for widespread college support. At the same

time I realize there will be valid reasons for some to support other people. I hope this will not affect my relationships with either my colleagues or the students."

"Anyone interested in taking an active part in an election campaign will certainly have an opportunity to do so."

AFRICAN FELLOW TABOR HITCHHIKES ACROSS SAHARA

Editor's Note: The letter is from Bob Tabor, who is in Nigeria as an Alma College African Fellow. A second letter from Tabor will appear soon.

One of the pleasant things about working in Africa is that it offers many fascinating vacation travel possibilities. For our last vacation, I decided to travel to Algiers - directly across the Sahara from here. I had originally planned to drive there and back with a fellow Mayflower teacher from Holland in his Volkswagon, but, before we reached Algiers, I had realized that crossing the Sahara in a Volkswagen is far less difficult and challenging than it sounds, and that it might be much more interesting to try hitch hiking back.

"Hitch hiking" across the Sahara isn't quite what you might think. It does, admittedly, require a degree of patience; I spent five days in El Golea waiting for a ride. Although there is a certain amount of private traffic - Swiss tourists in Land Rovers, German tourists in Volkswagen buses, Irish and English immigrants in anything that moves as well as the occasional curiosity such as the fellow trying to cross on a Honda 90 or the English historian in a twin-engine Citroen 2CV - for the hitch hiker the only real hope is to get a



Bob Tabor
ride on a truck.

I spent about four days traveling with a petrol Lorry and an additional four days on top of a Lorry loaded with several tons of dates. The rest of the trip was made up of rides seldom more than a day long and occasionally as brief as five or ten minutes.

I confess that I wasn't always

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KENNEDY FOR CHEERLEADER?

BY I.M. FORGENE

The task Sen. Robert F. Kennedy has set for himself is not as simple as it might appear. As Kennedy tacticians first saw the problem, it was merely to call attention to the alternatives for an unpopular war, the President running it, and the unsatisfactory conditions in a prosperous but disturbed America. The manner of attention calling was unimportant: anything to show television news audiences Bobby was lovable and available. The place to do this most quickly was the college campus and here is where the Senator headed.

The response he received was usually on the verge of hysteria and highly gratifying to the Bobbyites. He had magic, he could turn them on. The students fought to touch him and mobbed the car in which he rode. The demonstrations were impressive and had the desired effect. Seeing them, many politicians boarded the boat, politicians that would be influential at the Chicago convention. A Democratic governor and assorted politicians became part of the crew of Bobby's tugboat attempting to help guide it up stream.

Caught up in this commotion, the candidate seemed to forget that he was running for President of the United States and not cheerleader or Student Council chairman. Why weren't the South Vietnamese drafting 18 and 19

year olds? Why wasn't the Saigon government doing anything about corruption? Nobody had time to answer that the South Vietnamese Government was now drafting the younger men, that a tough South Vietnamese fighting unit was fighting at Khe Sanh and that a vigorous purge of South Vietnamese officials was going on.

Along with misstatements of fact went tasteless jokes about the Johnsons. According to Bobby, L.B.J. inspires "the darker impulses of the American spirit" and thus is accountable for almost all evil, from ghetto riots to drug addiction. Bobby then proceeded with impossible promises—"universal love would replace hate,"—and he spoke using inspiring political jargon borrowed almost verbatim from the 1960 campaign ("Let us begin")

The Bobbyites should realize there is more to answering the nations problems than stirring up the youth on American campuses. Bobby's boat may have a long hard journey to port. There are many mature citizens that may have been scared off by Senator Kennedy's campus escapades. Time will tell along with the primaries and opinion polls. So good luck Senator Kennedy.

Editor's Note: Anyone wishing to respond to this article, or present his views concerning any aspect of Campaign 1968, is invited to use this column. Names will be withheld upon request.

CAMPUS NOTES

The Dow Movie for this week is "Raisin in the Sun" and it will be shown at 7:15 p.m. on Friday and at 10:00 p.m. on Saturday (because of Songfest). Sunday a special feature, "A Time for Burning," will be shown at the Concrete Chameleon at 10 p.m. This movie deals with a true story of a minister confronting an all-white congregation with the question of racial brotherhood.

"Zoo Story" will not be presented at the Concrete Chameleon this weekend.

Saturday night, following the Song Fest, there will be a "Post-Fest Jamboree". Anyone wishing to come to the Chameleon to play, sing, or listen is welcome.

The sisters of Kappa Iota would like to extend their sincerest congratulations to their brothers, the men of Tau Kappa Epsilon, on their outstanding spring pledge class. Also, best wishes for their continued success.

Pine River Anthology is accepting contributions. All students are encouraged to submit short stories, poetry, essays, etc. for consideration. Send contributions to Doug Keeslar, Wright Hall.

As the conclusion to the Conference on the Black Student in Higher Education the chapel service this Sunday morning will have as the guest speaker the Reverend Hubert Locke who is Director of Religious Affairs at Wayne State University. He is a



Dear Editor:

Many a long night has been spent by students who, having been unavoidably distracted by such important activities as playing bridge, shooting the bull, "unionizing", etc., have had to resort to the popular campus sport of "cramming."

Our candid campus camera recorded just such a situation a while back, as the picture above suggests. These studious young men were obviously practicing for a tough upcoming exam in "Canoeismanship 101", which is being offered for the first time by the H.P.E. department with the completion of the Alma College new swimming pool (pool hours are presently 7-10 p.m. daily except

Thursdays and the pool will be closed for remodeling beginning April 18 at 7 p.m.)

Of course, the fish weren't biting and the water was a bit chilly (about 60 degrees), but all passed with flying colors.

The only incident of the evening was the sudden arrival of a

U.S. Coast Guard cutter which had received word of an unidentified craft within the 26 meter territorial limit.

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CLERGYMEN AND PHYSICIANS TO HEAR DR. ROBERT REEVES

Principal speaker at a physician-clergy workshop entitled "The Pastor in the Sick Room -- A Help or a Hindrance" to be held at Alma College Thursday, May 2, is the Rev. Mr. Robert B. Reeves, Jr., chaplain of Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center in New York City.

Participating panelists at the workshop include the Rev. Paul B. McCleave, L.L.D., director of the Department of Medicine and Religion of the American Medical Association, Chicago; Dr. Albert E. Heustis, director of the Michigan Regional Medical Program and former director of the Michigan Department of Public Health; Dr. Bruce L. Danto, director of the Community Psychiatry Program for Detroit Psychiatric Institute and of the Suicide Prevention Center, Detroit; Miss Irene M. Willard, director of nursing at St. Luke's Hospital, Saginaw; and Dr. Ernest C. Laetz, assistant director of the University of Michigan with special responsibilities in a chaplain training program.

Sponsoring the workshop, which will be attended by physicians and clergymen from throughout the state, are Alma College; the Michigan State Medical Society; Gratiot, Isabella and Clare County Medical Society, and the Gratiot County Community Mental Health Services Board.

Registration for the workshop will be at 9:30 a.m. in the lobby of Alma College's Dow Science Building, and the first workshop session will begin at 10:15 a.m. in Dow Auditorium.

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entirely comfortable. The fact that the temperature dropped to freezing at night meant that the drinking water was cold in the morning which was nice, but it didn't do much for the comfort of sleeping in the open sand. But the trip was thoroughly enjoyable and seldom boring. There's a good deal more out there than most people realize. As well as the sight seeing opportunities afforded by the Hoggar Mountains, there were numerous opportunities to develop a passing acquaintance with three of the dominant cultural groups of the Sahara: Arab, Tuareg, and Hausa.

By "passing acquaintance" I mean that I at least learned to differentiate among them; not a difficult task when you consider that Arab women always wear veils while their men handle all of the business affairs while it's the Tuareg men who wear veils and let their women run the markets. All you have to do is see who's wearing the veil.

Not so many years ago, the typical Sahara traveller could relate a number of tales of how he narrowly escaped the clutches of some band of thieves or other. Sorry, I have no "desert-thieves" story. I did, however, narrowly escape the clutches of the Algerian Army. I was picked up during the night near Blida for

sleeping too near a military base which I hadn't seen because it had been after dark when I sacked out.

Wearing an Alma sweatshirt, white levis, hiking boots and a beard, and speaking barely more than two words of French, I guess I must have seemed a little strange to them. I think, in fact, that they must have doubted my reality; they seemed to think that if they just held me and watched me long enough I would sort of flicker and fade away. Unfortunately, it didn't work, and after about four days - on Christmas afternoon - they had to release me.

Bob Tabor

BUSHNELL LOOKS AT THE FUTURE OF THE CITY

At Wednesday morning convocation, Dr. Paul Bushnell of Illinois Wesleyan University was guest speaker. His topic for lecture was the historians' view of the city.

Bushnell sees the city a particular problem in America today because "there is a war being waged with the city as well as within it." He cited the "images" or problems he sees: ones of energy, space and population. These are all inter-connected with the "problem of the metabolic rate of the city to produce."

More important than the particular problems of any one city, Bushnell sees that the city provides an arena for ideas and emotions for an entire nation. "The city has served as the stimuli for social change," said Bushnell, "and it is this functional unit which is the force behind a populations' political trends, economic sources, and religious conventions."

The future is faced with the problem of adjustment to a vast increase in populations. Bushnell said that one result would be the advance of regional units in the city, where "city strips" could develop along lines of greatest communication.

"The major problems we face with respect to the expanding city, are two: 'that of the requirements of energy, and the quality of that civilization.'"

Bushnell further stated that acceleration of segregation was a major problem in the future of the city. With statistics, he pointed out that the Negro popu-

lations are growing more in the urban centers, due to both migration and the increased proportion in the center city.

The problem the Negro of the city faces centers around employment. The majority of jobs for the untrained worker are concentrated in the suburban factories. This presents the problem of transportation to these areas, or more important the opening of the suburb to Negro home owners.

IFS Presents Camille

The International Film Series presents the 1936 work American CAMILLE Sunday evening, 21 April, at 8:00 o'clock in Dow Auditorium.

CAMILLE stars the legendary Greta Garbo in a film based on a novel by Alexandre Dumas. Garbo's biographer, John Bainbridge, notes that here "Garbo gave what is widely regarded as her greatest performance... enchantingly beautiful and unforgettably." The New York Herald Tribune critic writes: "She floods a roman-

tic museum piece with glamor and artistry, making it a haunting and moving photoplay by the sheer magic of her acting." The National Board of Review gave Garbo the Best Acting award for her work in CAMILLE which it listed in the Ten Best American Films of the year.

Appearing with Garbo are Robert Taylor, Lionel Barrymore and Laura Hope Crews. The director is George Cukor, credited with a talent for fitting stars to their roles and a film to its stars.

As a person Miss Garbo remains what she was even at the height of her stardom: elusive, mysterious, obscure. Evidently, she was a genuinely shy person, interested in being alone. This interest she sought to protect by travelling incognito and by guarding herself in various ways against self-seeking friends. Both during her acting days and after, newsmen turned out more copy about not interviewing her than interviewing her.

CAMILLE is one of five American "classics" to be shown this spring. The Oxbow Incident, which was to open the series on April 7th, has been re-scheduled for a May 26th showing. The other films in the series are When Comedy was King (28 April), The Philadelphia Story (5 May) and The Public Enemy (19 May).

Individual admissions will be available at the door at 75¢ each. Series tickets will be available at \$2.00.

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Symposium: College and the Black Student Schedule

April 19-21, 1968

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

4:00 p.m.	Registration	Dow Lobby
6:00 p.m.	Dinner	Dining Hall of Host
7:15 p.m.	Campus movie-Raisin in the Sun	Dow Auditorium
10:00 p.m.	Discussant Briefing	U.N. Room.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

7-8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Dining Hall of Host
9:30 a.m.	Registration and Coffee Hour	Dow Lobby
10:30 a.m.	Keynote Address-Dr. Archie Epps Harvard College	Dow Auditorium
12:00 p.m.	Lunch	Hamilton
1:30 p.m.	Group Discussions	Dow Science Bldg.
5:15 p.m.	Dinner	Hamilton Dining Room
7:15 p.m.	Campus Movie-Raisin in the Sun	Dow Auditorium
8:30 p.m.	Social	Basement of Hamilton

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

8-9:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Hamilton
9:00 a.m.	Plenary Discussion-Resolutions	Dow Auditorium
10:15 a.m.	Symposium Summation-Dr. Robert Green, Mich. State Univ.	Dow Auditorium

Black Symposium --from where and why

By Claudie Smith

Sept. 20, 1967 would be the day the idea was first brought up. The "long hot summer" was drawing to a close and three black students in Alma College's Wright Hall sat up late talking about the events of the summer.

On each the summer of urban unrest had had a different impact, but they all asked the same question, "Why?"

The three (Dennis Carter, Sr., Claudie Smith, Sr., and Lionel Smith, Jr.) felt differently individually about the importance and nature of it, but again they all knew the answer had something to do with white American racism in the long run. The term racism left them all feeling a little funny, because it seemed to be a little strong; nevertheless they felt somehow that it was true. So they talked about it and talked about it and then talked about it some more.

Some time in early October they decided to bring it to the attention of the other black students on Alma's campus. It was decided and they all met together (with a few exceptions) and talked about it some more.

Out of these discussions it became apparent that there are two kinds of racism in this country. On the one hand there is overt racism as is typified by the South and the Klu Klux Klan; and on the other hand there is covert racism as is typified by the de facto segregation of the northern schools and trade unions.

Of the two neither one can be considered the lesser of the two evils or the better of the two evils. The human damage inflicted

by both is deplorable. The difference between the two is that with one (overt racism) individual blame can be fixed, whereas, in the other (covert racism) no particular person or even group of persons can be said to be the guilty ones. Covert racism originates in the operation of established and respected forces in society, thus the public is less ready to condemn it than the other. Because of these characteristics, overt racism can be called individual racism and covert racism can be called institutional racism.

Once this was realized it became apparent that it was the institutions of society that must be changed. The only institution at hand was the college; that was as good a starting place as any. But there was still the question of how? Then along came a "good fairy" by the name of Dr. Ron Kapp, who said he had heard we wanted to do something but lacked the funds. He knew where one could get money if one could produce a sound program. From then on the snow ball was rolling.

The summation address will wrap up the central theme of the symposium, "the inadequacies of college for the black student"; Dr. Green will give this address at 10:15 Sunday morning in Dow Aud. The keynote address will be given by Dean Epps at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Dow Aud.

The public is invited to attend both of these addresses; however, the discussion groups are open only to those who register. If you would like to register, contact Sophie Mends-Cole in Rm 309 Bruske Hall.

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Alma banged out 25 hits enroute to a Saturday afternoon double-header baseball sweep of Wayne State University 10-4 and 5-1. The twin victories evened the locals northern slate at 2-2.

Coach Charlie Skinner's unit scored seven times in the third frame of the opener after pushing across three markers in the initial inning. Roger Frayer, Larry Kirchner, and Jim Tate each lined two hits, while John Fuzak added a three-run single.

Freshman hurler Randy Mast picked up the win, allowing five hits and four runs in six innings. Russ LaCrosier finishes up by striking out four Tartars in two stanzas.

Gordon Hetrick made a strong bid for a no hitballgame in the nightcap as the Rowleville athlete went 5 2/3 innings before a WSU sticker touched him for a base hit. Singles by Dave Kosteva, Bo Minnich, Fuzak, Pete Schmidt, and Tate produced four big runs in the top of the seventh.

A long sixth inning triple by Bo Minnich in the nightcap scored Mike Nestell and the winning run in a thrilling 3-2 come from behind baseball victory over the University of Detroit. The Scots won the opener in a similar fashion 7-6 by scoring twice in that same frame. The double successes pushed the locals win streak to four.

U of D managed but one unearned tally and three safeties off Jerry Ernst in the second contest before the sophomore thrower tired in favor of Mike Weatherwax. A booming three-bagger by Jeff Wolverson knotted it in the fourth. The Titans went ahead in the sixth on a long home run, before Coach Charlie Skinner's army provided the fireworks in the home half of the stanza, with one out. Wolverson stroked his third hit of the afternoon. Nestell smacked a single up the middle, and Minnich drilled his clutch triple to right center field.

Weatherwax received the win, stopping the Detroit nine on but two hits in four innings.

Larry Kirchner was the offensive hero in the first encounter as the sophomore center fielder continued his hot hitting with

two hits, including a two-run second inning double. John Fuzak and Jim Tate added tremendous fifth frame triples.

Rich Hill, Gordon Hetrick and Dan Curran divided the pitching

duties, with Curran picking up the win.

The Scots commence the MIAA campaign Saturday, when they travel to Grand Rapids for a twin-bill with Calvin College.



Rich Hill with a bender

Golf Team Places Second

Naperville, Ill. — Alma College's golf team made a strong showing in the North Central Invitational played here over the weekend. The Scots finished fourth out of a field of 27 colleges.

John Becker led the locals with a 77 while Jim Goodrich carded a 78. John Miller had an 82, Ed Blugerman 84 and Jerry Knowlton 88.

TENNIS TEAM LOSES TO GRAND VALLEY

The Alma College tennis team dropped a 6-3 decision to Grand Valley to even its record at 2-2. The netters were hurt by the absence of number one man Tim Lozen due to ineligibility.

Especially encouraging was the play of freshman Jim Tarrant who accounted for two points by winning his singles match and then teaming with Denny Williams to defeat Grand Valley's number three doubles team.

Don Swanson, senior from Benton Harbor, playing in his first var-

sity match for Alma College, earned the third point with an impressive 6-1, 6-2 victory over his Grand Valley foe.

The squad hopes to be ready for its MIAA opener at Calvin on Saturday, April 20. Calvin, after finishing a strong third last spring, is back with a core of returning lettermen along with a batch of promising freshmen. The Knights lost the services of Bert De Leeuw, an all-MIAA selection in 1966 and 1967, but still figure to field a stronger team this year.

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TRAYCIK WINS DEMOLAY AWARD

Louis Traycik, Flint junior majoring in history and political science, recently won the International Demolay oratorical Contest, held in Washington, D.C. and sponsored by the International Supreme Council of the Order of Demolay.

The finals of the annual contest pitted the Alma College junior against a Pennsylvania student both of whom had survived elimination rounds to which they had submitted complete manuscripts and tape recordings of their original speeches. Demolay members from the seventy jurisdictions throughout the world were eligible to enter.

This year's topic, "Masonry the Teacher", sought to show the relationship between the local Demolay chapters and the parent Masonic Lodges. Traycik's speech praised the teaching role of the Masonic Lodge.

Traycik received for his performance a plaque with his name emblazoned on it, in addition to having his way paid to Washington and hosted while there.

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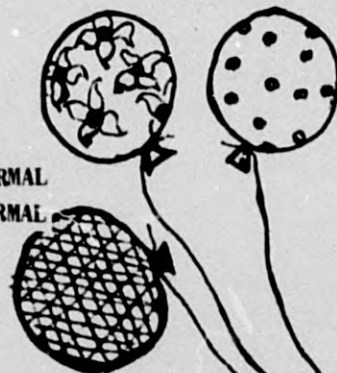
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