

"One of man's greatest enemies is the illusion that there will be more time tomorrow than there is today."—Lee Batcheler, Sauk Rapids (Minn.) Herald.

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## COLLEGE STAFF GETS LIVING GIFT SWANSON'S GIVE TREES FOR CHRISTMAS

When a crew with chain saws cut down 25 trees on the site of the new residence hall complex, Dr. Robert Swanson decided that the Christmas season would be an appropriate time to do something about replacing them.

There are several large trees still standing near the new building, so others are not needed there. But the president, displeased by the necessity of cutting down the trees, felt that something should be done to compensate for their loss.

So he and his wife ordered 130 potted evergreens from a northwestern Michigan nursery.

The pots, wrapped with silver foil and red ribbon, were used as attractive table decorations at the president's an-

## Dunning Papers Given To College

A file containing the speeches, sermons and other papers of the late Dr. John W. Dunning, fifth president of Alma College, has been presented to the college by his widow, Anna.

The papers of Dr. Dunning, who held the top position at Alma from 1938 to 1942, have been added to the college archives in Monteith Library.

Alma College's Dunning Memorial Chapel was built during Dr. Dunning's presidency and later named in his honor. The Georgian-style building, designed by Philadelphia architect Charles Z. Klauder, replaced the chapel on the first floor of Old Main that had served as center for campus worship services since the founding.

A graduate of Alma College in 1904, Dr. Dunning also held degrees from Princeton Theological Seminary and McCormick Theological Seminary.



A Concolor Fir seedling brought home by her parents from the president's Christmas dinner is admired by Doris Meyer of Alma. Miss Meyer, a sophomore at the college, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Meyer, Jr. Dr. Meyer is vice president for business affairs.

nual Christmas dinner for members of the college faculty and staff.

In a brief review of 1969 events at the college, Dr. Swanson told dinner guests that he was saddened by two losses -- the destruction of Old Main by fire last March and the leveling of the trees this fall to make room for the new residence hall units.

The president noted that replacement of Old Main with a new classroom and faculty office structure would require further planning, time and financial support.

To do something about the loss of the trees, however, would not be as difficult, he added. So he asked his guests to take the small evergreens home with them and to plant them in their yards.

## Wegner Reading Set For Sunday

Dr. Robert E. Wegner, professor of English, will present a reading of his short story, "I'm Going Down to Watch the Horses Come Alive," at a convocation in Dow Auditorium at 8 p.m., Sunday, January 11.

In addition to reading the story which is scheduled for publication in the spring issue of the Carleton Miscellany, Dr. Wegner will discuss thematic and structural trends in the modern short story.

## Alma Alumnae Honored

Six alumnae of Alma College are listed in the 1969

The 130 trees -- Blue Spruce Douglas Fir, White Pine and Concolor Fir -- are now scattered throughout the area at the homes of members of the Alma College staff.

Most are now buried beneath a blanket of snow. But in a few years, Dr. Swanson hopes, they will help compensate for the loss of the campus trees.

Alma, once known as the college in the pines, incorporates a pine branch in its official seal. The original campus and the two buildings that were on it were donated by pioneer lumberman Ammi Wright when the college was founded in 1886.

Dr. Wegner is the author of a book, *The Poetry and Prose of E. E. Cummings* (Harcourt, Brace and World, Inc., 1965) and of several poems, articles, short stories and reviews.



## MEMENTO OF OLD MAIN RETURNED TO COLLEGE

Perhaps it's too late to do much good, but the clapper from the bell at the top of the tower in Old Main has come back to the campus.

The metal rod with a baseball-size sphere at one end disappeared mysteriously one night just before the turn of the century. Fifty years later the bell, too, vanished. And now the building itself, victim of a devastating fire last March, is gone.

The Rev. Mr. Donald W. (continued on page 10)

edition of "Outstanding Young Women of America," a publication honoring women for their contributions to the betterment of their communities, professions and country.

The Alma alumnae listed are Mrs. Sharon Whitney Beltz, Mrs. Judith Cook, Mrs. Carol Goecker, Mrs. Mary Howrey, Mrs. Jeri Maus, and Mrs. Sandra Rule.

Selection of the women is based on accomplishments in community service, church and political activities, and professional endeavors.

## SENIORS!

Midland Studios will be at Tyler Auditorium Tuesday, January 13, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. to receive orders and/or record proof letter desired for use in the SCOTSMAN.

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## THE LIGHT SIDE THE DARK SIDE

by dick gregory

### "You've Come A Long Way, Baby"



Recent human rights, student and - peace demonstrations have brought into focus one of the longest standing injustices in America today the continued denial of women's rights. Women of all ages have swelled the ranks of demonstrators against the war in Vietnam, none of whom are faced with the immediate problem of the draft. Personal self-interest cannot be their motive. But women put themselves on the line because the cause is right and they want to stand alongside men in protesting continued injustice.

The time is long overdue to recognize and do something about the unequal, unjust and degrading status of women, in short, to demand first class citizenship for women. A nasty myth persists in America that women won their rights during the suffrage movement of the 1920's. True, women won the battle for voting rights, but in winning the battle they lost the campaign.

Spending as much time as I do on college campuses, I am continually reminded of second-class status of women. Almost every campus has different regulations for women than they do for men. Women have to abide by an 11 p.m. curfew. Men can stay out and study together all night or sneak into the library after hours. Yet women have to compete with men on an equal basis with regard to grades. Women don't get a 30 percent head start on each test. Women came to college as students, not as women, and they should be treated as students, not as women, and they should be treated on an equal student basis with men. And if parents do not trust their sons and daughters to be treated together equally as students on campus, they should keep them at home.

Women work just as hard as men for their degrees; it takes them just as long to earn a doctorate, yet they know in advance that they will never make the same salary as men holding the same degree. Women pay the same food prices as men. They pay the same hospital fees and doctor bills. Salaries obviously should also be equal. Marlene Dixon, writing in the December issue of Ramparts magazine, clearly demonstrates the salary inequity of working women, especially black and third world working women. She says: "Women, regardless of race, are more disadvantaged than are men, including non-white men. White women earn \$2500 less than white men and \$1500 less than non-white men. The brunt of the inequality is carried by non-white women, 94% of whom are black. They earn \$3800 less than white men, \$1900 less than non-white men, and \$1200 less than white women."

Miss Dixon provides further documentation of the deprivation and degradation

of women. For example the decline in educational achievement at a time when higher educational levels are demanded. She says: "In 1962...while women constituted 53 percent of the graduating high school class, only 42 percent of the entering college class were women. Only one in three people who received a B.A. or M.A. in that year was a woman, and only one in ten who received a Ph. D. was a woman. These figures represent a decline in educational achievement for women since the 1930's when women received two out of five of the B.A. and M.A. degrees given, and one out of seven of the Ph.D.'s. While there has been a dramatic increase in the number of people, including women, who go to college, women have not kept pace with men in terms of educational achievement. Furthermore, women have lost ground in professional employment. In 1960 only 22 percent of the faculty and other professional staff at colleges and universities were women--down from 28 percent in 1949, 27 percent in 1930, 26 percent in 1920. 1960 does beat 1919 with only 20 percent.. 'you've come a long way, baby' right back to where you started In other professional categories: 10 percent of all scientists are women, 7 percent of all physicians, 3 percent of all lawyers, and 1 percent of all engineers."

There is an insidious psychological superiority of men over women which pervades the moral structure of our society. A man can get drunk and lie in the gutter, but for a woman to do the same thing is an outrage. Men consider it a mark of manhood to chalk up sexual conquests, but are outraged if their woman is unfaithful. It takes two people to produce a child. But when population control becomes a problem, it is suggested that women take the pill. It should be clear to any human heart that a political and social system which does not treat the mothers of the nation's children right will not deal justly with anyone. Women have the same physical problem with the oppressor that black people have always had. Black folks can't hide that skin color; it won't rub off. And women have the same physical visibility--they are immediately identifiable as women.

For a long time black folks tried hard to deal with that physical problem, but to no avail. We tried straightening out the hair, styles of dress and so on. Now black people have decided to go back to Nature. You can't improve on Nature. Black peo-



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## QUESTIONS WORTH ANSWERS

by laura worth

- Q. When I was home over the vacation I was shocked. Is there really a war going on?
- A. Yes.
- Q. How many shopping days 'til peace?
- A. Sorry. The manager believes he'll get more business by not announcing opening time. That way he can keep it closed as long as there's no merchandise and no one will know the difference.
- Q. Seems like there's something different about A.C. after vacation. Can you place it?
- A. First, you can tell who got what for Christmas because they're wearing it. After 3 weeks contact with the outside world, bell-bottoms and maxis are finally hitting the campus in full force. Funny how yesterday's non conformity becomes today's fad.

ple have learned to be proud and accept the natural hair, thick lips, and wide noses. And if white folks can't accept black folks the way Nature put them on this earth, it is just too bad.

Women also have had an obsession with supporting the myth of femininity and trying to improve upon Nature. As society has told women their place is to be pretty and stay behind their men, women have put on the lipstick, rouge, perfume, and pretty clothes. But all that will not improve their womanhood. I, myself, can put on all the cosmetics in the world, just like a woman, and it will not improve my womanhood one bit. Only nature can take care of that. Women must be boldly proud of their natural womanhood and demand their rightful status in society. Human beings are human beings first, and sex is secondary.



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**Further Draft Reform Needed**

If one somehow manages to accept the statement by Michigan Selective Service Director Holmes that all men in the eligible pool, right through 366, will be called this year, his first reaction might well be one of disillusionment. "Wasn't the lottery supposed to take care of all this? What happened?"

Well, nothing really happened, because the lottery was never even meant to take care of everything. Basically, it was designed to do three things: 1, for the local boards whose draft calls are large in relation to the eligible pool, it determines in what order all the men from the board are to be sent; 2, for the local boards with medium calls, it gives reasonable certainty to those with low or high numbers; 3, for those boards with low calls, it selects the hapless and lonely few who will have to go.

And so this lottery, played up to be the salvation of all young mankind, turns out to be more publicity than help. There is no question that the lottery was an important step in the right direction, but it was only a step. Until Congress faces the situation squarely and makes all the necessary, major reforms to the Selective Service System, the Draft will remain an insult to the basic principles of our Nation.

**A Museum for Alma College?**

From time to time we publish, in the almanian, an article which deals with some facet of the history of Alma College.

Such an article appears in this issue and is concerned with the return of a clapper which was originally a part of a bell atop Old Main. The article relates the story of how the clapper disappeared from the campus shortly before the turn of the century and was returned only recently.

All this makes interesting reading, but brings to mind a question. What becomes of the clapper now? Apparently it has been on campus for some weeks, but we have yet to see any sign of it. Perhaps it is on display somewhere and we have missed it, but it certainly is not highly visible.

In any case, we could phrase the question differently and ask, "What becomes of any memento of the history of Alma College?" With the possible exception of the display cases in Reid-Knox and (from time to time) the Library and P. E. Center, very little is seen of the history of Alma College.

It has been an interesting history, and we feel more of it should be visible to the community. While much of it has to remain locked in the library archives for safe-keeping, there is a good deal which should be put on public display.

We realize the college is currently short of space, and with costs what they are, providing such space might prove difficult. Still, it would seem to us to be a project worthy of serious consideration by the college.

**Charlie & Paul reply**

We would like to thank all the students at Alma College for their warm reception December 4th and 5th. We had been looking forward to returning to Alma for quite some time and everyone at Alma supplied us with two of the happiest days of music-making and friend making that we've had in quite some time.

We'd especially like to thank John Plowman and Larry Bryant and all those on the Alma Union Board for all the hours of work that went to make the Tyler Auditorium nightclub a comfortable place for everyone.

We were 300% satisfied with the sound system and the lighting and stage - everything was just excellent.

Everyone working in the nightclub was so very helpful, it was a joy to perform in a club that was so well suited for making music and listening to it.

Alma College should be proud of the work done by the Union Board; Tyler is by far the best college nightclub we've ever worked in, and we sincerely hope that we will have the pleasure of visiting Alma again.

Thank you again for a most enjoyable two days, we are looking forward to the next time we can sing and play for everyone at Alma College.

Sincerely,  
Charlie Latimer,  
Paul Bowles  
and Company

**S.C. President Predicts Good Term**

Fellow students:

On behalf of your representatives in Student Council I would like to welcome you back to Alma College and express the hope that you had a happy and restful vacation.

This term promises to be an exciting one especially for Student Council, which has on

M. B. S.

the agenda for discussion such topics as the purpose of Student Council at Alma College; class size; course evaluation; drinking on campus; the draft; and many more. To facilitate discussion on these topics we will have content programs with guest speakers, their purpose being to educate council members to better enable them to legislate. Above all, Student Council will try to be more receptive to student needs. To increase interaction between myself and the student body, I will be in the Student Council office every day between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, and later office hours will be posted on the student council door in Tyler Auditorium. If there is anything you as a student feel Council should be doing, please contact me or your representative.

I encourage all A.C. students to give your support to our basketball team who just won the J.C. holiday tourney and also to our track team whose indoor season is about to begin.

In conclusion, let's make this a very worthwhile term, in which all participate in the many activities available, but also one where the common goal remains one of making this a community of scholars.

Sincerely yours,  
Chris VanSickle,

President, Student Council

**Stephey Takes Issue With Foster Evaluation of S.C.**

Dear Editor:

It certainly was nice to read the Campus Government Report by Mark Foster in the December 8th issue of the almanian. I am always pleased when an organization to which I belong receives such high praise. Unfortunately this time it is definitely undeserved.

I am sure that the proposal adopted by Student Council dealing with Sophomore keys represented that body

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**Cagers Active Over Holiday Break**

The Scot Cagers take a 4-5 overall, 0-1 MIAA log into tonight's game with Adrian. The Bulldogs are 1-1 in the league after their win over Olivet and loss to Albion. Alma lost its December 6 league opener to Albion, 93-79. The contest at Adrian is, for the Maroon and Cream, the veritable "must" game confronting every squad at least once a season. Coach Klenk's charges "must" triumph or fall to 0-2 with a tough contest Saturday afternoon against league - leading Calvin in Grand Rapids.

Alma split the sextuple contests it fought in during the Holidays. The first was against Washington and Lee at Lexington, Va. Ike Nietring and John Fuzak each tallied 13 points and the unlucky Scots succumbed 67 - 59 while shooting 33% from the floor. The next evening, Alma carried its cold hand into Wilmington, N.C. Though ten-fourteen from the Charity Line, the Scots shot a dismal 34% from the field while the Univ. of N.C. shot 44% and won 72-64. Jerry Hills hauled in fifteen rebounds and paced the scoring attack with fifteen points.

MIAA B-BALL

|              | Won | lost |
|--------------|-----|------|
| 1. Calvin    | 1   | 0    |
| 2. Albion    | 2   | 1    |
| 3. Olivet    | 1   | 1    |
| 4. Adrian    | 1   | 1    |
| 5. Kalamazoo | 0   | 0    |
| 6. Hope      | 0   | 1    |
| 7. Alma      | 1   | 1    |

This Week

January 7, Wednesday

Alma at Adrian  
Albion at Oakland  
Calvin at Olivet  
Hope at Kalamazoo

January 10, Saturday

Alma at Calvin  
Adrian at Kalamazoo  
Albion at Hope

The Scot offense got it together against Allon and triumphed 82-72 at Augusta, Ga. Charles Hudson dropped nine from the floor and 6 of 10 free throws for 24 points. Al Vandermeer added eighteen; Nietring, fifteen; Hills, 13.

Augusta College laid its dubious Christmas gift on Alma the next night, edging the Scots, 66-65. Three missed Alma shots in the final forty seconds decided the game. Jerry Hills scored 21 points.

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very well. It indicated the "positive," "forward looking", backboneless attitude of this year's Council. Yes, it did represent Council very well, but I'm afraid this body did not move forward the Sophomore women's position one inch and left them with a small token.

It was Dr. Kimball's suggestion, that there "might" be a problem of security if more girls were given keys, that caused Council to turn tail and run to the easiest way out. Indeed, the security question was never really discussed at the meeting. But our "dynamic" Student

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Sermons and speeches of the late Rev. Dr. John W. Dunning, Alma's fifth president, are examined by James Babcock, head librarian. A file containing the papers has been presented to the college by Mrs. John W. Dunning of Kalamazoo. Story on page 1.

Council took the idea as an easy way out so they wouldn't have to "buck" the administration. But what is the point in kicking a dead horse, for the Student Council has effectively killed this issue for this year. It does seem like a shame, continued on page 7

**CAMPUS GOVERNMENT REPORT**

by mark foster

**African Fellowship Committee**

The African Fellowship Committee met on December 8 to formulate the schedule of fund raising events and selection of the 1970-71 African Fellow. The Committee, which was convened by Dr. Kapp, Provost, has as its duty the formulation of criteria for selection of the Fellow, the solicitation of funds, and the selection of the next Fellow, as well as all the various technicalities involved in getting him to Mayflower School, Nigeria. This year, as in the past, proceeds from the APO Faculty Auction on February 20, will go to the Fellowship. Also artifacts from Nigeria including ivory and wood carvings and other Nigerian art, will be

on sale in the bookstore. Hopefully, as is the case this year, the students will have an opportunity to support the Fellowship through the Student Activity fee.

The schedule for this year is as follows: January 21, 10 am, Tom Fegley (African Fellow 1968-69) will present "Report from Nigeria" in Dow continued on page 9

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When one mentions the Board of Trustees, it brings to mind a group of men and women who suddenly appear on campus for one day each spring, stay a few hours and then leave just as suddenly as they came.

On campus they appear to be a mysterious, aloof group of individuals who project an air of unconcern, yet at the same time, students realize the Board's ultimate power in controlling Alma College. So students ask, if the trustees do have this much control, why don't they take more of an active interest in the daily activities of the college?

In the 1967 edition of the "Perspective", Reid Brazell Chairman of the Board, explained that this apparent disinterest by the trustees is a deliberate effort to keep from interfering with the directing of the President and other

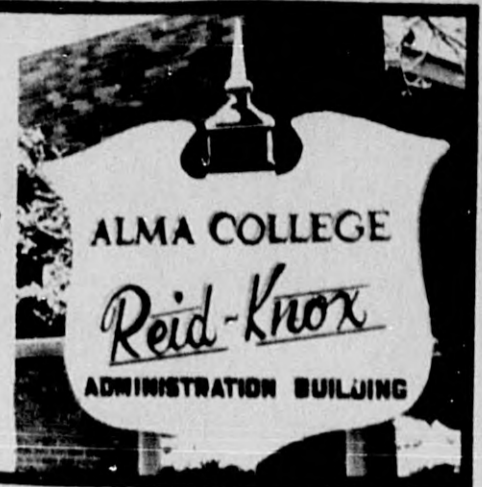
administrators. The duty of the Board is to formulate the general broad policy of the college and then allow the President to implement the daily aspects of this policy without constant supervision. According to Mr. Brazell, the Trustees "can best help the President in his job if he is supported and not supplanted by their presence and activities on campus". And so, because of this, students know very little about these people, who provide the means for continuing and expanding Alma College, both physically and intellectually.

Reid Brazell is presently Chairman of the Board, and has also served on the Executive Committee in his 28 years as a Trustee. He also serves as Chairman of the Board for Leonard Refineries and lives in Alma.

Carl W. Bonbright, Chair-

man of the Board, Genesee Merchants Bank & Trust Co. has served the longest as a Trustee for Alma; he was elected to the board in 1925 and has served on the Executive Committee.

Virgil E. Boyd is one of the newer trustees, elected in 1968, but he has already served on the Executive Committee and the Trustee Development Council. He is the President of Chrysler Corporation.



**ALMA COLLEGE:  
THE CORPORATION**

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cern for the character, role, and responsibility of the faculty; concern for the integrity of Alma's public image; and constant reappraisal of institutional objectives and reevaluation of problems."

Trustee Charles H. Patterson said of his purpose in being a Trustee: "There is only one way for a Trustee to measure the success of his stewardship: by the kind of men and women who become the college's alumni. However

# Alma College Board of Trustees

by reid simons

ALMANIAN Feature Editor



Walter F. Carey, elected to the Board in 1952, in describing one reason for devoting his free time to being a Trustee said, "One of the great satisfactions in life comes from helping provide others the opportunity of personal development such as a college education." Mr. Carey is President of Automobile Carriers- Dealers Transit, Inc.

Ben D. Mills, Vice-President for Purchasing for Ford Motor Company, has served on the Board since 1963. In stating his reason for accepting the Trusteeship, Mr. Mills explained: "What really attracts me, and, I am sure, attracts many other Trustees, is among other things, concern for the students; concern for the substance and quality of the academic program; con-

small my share of the credit may be, Alma's graduates are a satisfying reward for my service on the Board." Mr. Patterson is a former Executive Vice-President for Ford and has been a Board member since 1965.

These are only a few of the members of Alma's Board of Trustees; the complete Board consists of 35 men and women, 9 working in industry, 6 in the Church, and 20 in business. Although they only appear on campus once each year as an entire Board, the Executive Committee meets several more times, both on and off campus in preparing the changes in the general operating policy of Alma for the future.

NEXT: The people who carry out the basic policy handed down from the Board.

**LETTERS (cont)**

though, that after such a long and hard path through the Community Government structure, which did work, that keys for Sophomores should be stopped by the Student Council, the body that the students have the most control over.

I suppose, though, that much of this is the students' own fault. There was very little outside support at the Council meeting when this

issue was discussed and I do not think many students took the trouble to contact their representative to see what he thought. Perhaps no one cares.

It is looking like a few of us are fighting for an issue that no one really wants. I just hope someone will prove me wrong.

Lawrence Stephey  
Student Council Representative  
Wright Hall

Alma College trustees during a meeting in the Reid-Knox Memorial Room of the Col-



# Registration- A Time of Signs and Arrows



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rather than by what he has to say; to the "white liberals"; to the people who say "My Country, right or wrong," and don't even love it enough to want to correct its faults; to those who try to stifle dissent because it just might crack a few old cherished notions; to those who feel that their brothers don't need keepers anyway; to all these people goes my award. To this part of Middle America I give my Middle Finger.

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## Alma College A Cappella Choir On Tour

There was an aura of expectation in the dimly lit Lake Shore Presbyterian Church. The audience began to arrive. There were many families with little children obviously eager to see who would be their guest for the night. There were a few Alma students home for the holidays, proud of their alma mater and expecting an excellent program. No one was disappointed.

The Alma College A Cappella Choir, directed by Dr. Ernest Sullivan, began the seventh program of its Christmas Tour with a candlelight processional to "In Dulci Jubilo" by Praetorius. From professional to the end the Choir was artistic and professional. They had excellent balance and control, even after several consecutive performances in unfamiliar surroundings.

The first part of the program was composed of semi-classical pieces, which were followed by selections by the Alma Singers. One of their best selections was "Gloria" by Dufay who used the device of canon imitation.

"A Christmas Cantata" by Arthur Honegger concluded the program. The Cantata begins with chords suggestive of mystery which turns to a melody suggesting the yearning of the human race for salvation. After a reassuring solo voice, the mood changes to one of rejoicing, as evidenced by the use of familiar Christmas Carols. The Cantata ends with the organ gradually dying away in the same mood of mystery with which it began.

Dr. Sullivan must be commended for his excellent choir. The choir was supported by the fantastic performances of Mr. Bowman and Miss Bellville. The standard superlatives seem inadequate for the choir and their leaders.



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## UNION BOARD ANNOUNCES VARIED WINTER PROGRAM

In a continuing effort to improve and diversify its program, Union Board has scheduled an increased number of professional entertainment programs for the 1970 winter term.

The series begins this weekend on the heels of the much acclaimed LATIMER-BOWLES and PHIL ESSER concerts of December with the presentation of another member of the popular Detroit folk scene, Mr. Ted Lucas, who is known in the Detroit area as "The Musicians Musician," for he is truly the master of his art. Mr. Lucas displays a great deal of finesse and creativity as he performs with a myriad of instruments including auto-harp, guitar, harmonica, sitar, and more. From the moment he takes the stage he commands the attention of his audience as he draws them into a world of musical entertainment guaranteed not to be forgotten.

To close the month of January the board welcomes RON CODEN who achieves great popularity wherever he goes at colleges and in nightclubs and coffeehouses throughout the country including the well-known Raven Gallery of Southfield. He is a man of much humor and his voice and guitar are astounding.

February 20th is the opening of the annual Snow Carnival weekend which will be celebrated this year by Alma's first and very own rock festival featuring the ORMANDY, THE VIRGIN DAWN, THE PLAIN BROWN WRAPPER, ALL THE LONELY PEOPLE, and S R C. What else can you say?

The following weekend, February 27 and 28, the Tyler Nightclub is open again pre-

sending PRINCESS AND THE FROG (the name is quite an accurate description). This young duo has played extensively in the South and frequently at the Raven Gallery. They provide a delightful combination of lighthearted humor and enchanting music of a fine folk guitar and a beautiful

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### CAMPUS GOVERNMENT (cont)

Auditorium; the application period will continue from Jan. 21 to February 11; and about March 1 final announcement of the 1970-71 Fellow will be made.

The committee agreed that selection of the Fellow will be made on the basis of (1) those elusive but very significant personality factors associated with personal maturity - sensitivity to the needs of others, patience in the face of exasperating and frustrating situations, empathy, resourcefulness, etc.; (2) commitment to the purposes of the program; (3) apparent ability and willingness to teach; (4) particular skills needed at Mayflower School; (5) academic achievement over the past three years.

Interested persons of the present Junior class, male or female, are encouraged to contact Tom Fegley in McDuck

## IFS BEGINS WINTER SERIES

The "Umbrellas of Cherbourg" opened up this term's set of international films last Monday night with a simple, romantic story of young love dressed up by dialog sung completely in French. IFS will present four more international films this term in its regular Sunday evening series.

"Judex," an Italian-French movie based on the classic silent film series of fifty years ago is scheduled for January 18. These forerunners to the more current Batman and Superman series have been combined into one movie of fantasy and primitive science fiction.

February 1 is the next date for IFS with "David and Lisa" a 1962 American drama about two adolescents who, through love and trust in each other, struggle to a healed understanding of the world. It was rated the best film of the year.

The following Sunday, February 8, brings "Alexander Nevsky", a Russian film from 1938. Based on thirteenth century events it presents

the accomplishments of Prince Alexander Nevsky, most notably his victory over the invading order of Teutonic Knights in the Battle of the Ice. The "Magnificent Ambersons" will finish out this term's IFS films on February 22. This is a 1942 Orson Welles' adaptation of Booth Tarkington's Pulitzer novel of decline of a mid-western dynasty faced with changing socio-economic conditions of the early twentieth century.

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# And No Old Main A Clapper, But No Bell

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Brown of Bay Port, who returned the clapper to the college during a campus visit, relates how it traveled to the small thumb area community and back again.

"It was removed from the bell as a student prank," he says, "in about the year 1897." Frank Knox, an alumnus of Alma who was secretary of the Navy during World War II, was believed to be a member of the group that silenced the Old Main bell.

According to an account related to him by his father, the late William E. Brown, the clapper was hidden in the room of one of the students, Rev. Brown says. It was feared that college administrators Brown's uncle -- the late Reuben Brown -- took the clapper to his home in nearby St. Louis.

It remained there until another uncle moved from the old rural St. Louis home- stead in the early 1950's and

took the clapper with him to the home of Rev. Brown's parents.

When his parents' house was sold, Rev. Brown took the clapper to the Bay Port-Hayes Methodist Parish parsonage, and this fall when he attended a conference on the Alma campus he brought the rusted old clapper along with him.

Thus, the college now has the clapper, but no bell.

The belfry at the top of Old Main's tower was removed about 1950 because its instability threatened passersby below. At that time the bell was placed near the campus maintenance building, awaiting a time when it would be mounted permanently on the ground as a memento of the college's early days.

In the 1950s the bell, which was so heavy that it had to be moved by means of a wheeled platform, frequently disappeared as an ongoing game of "Who has the bell?" became a popular student diversion.



The Rev. Mr. Donald W. Brown of Bay Port presents the clapper of the bell from Alma College's Old Main to Stuart M. Strait, director of alumni and community relations.

The game finally ended when following the map in a search the bell vanished for the last for the bell. But it wasn't time. It had been loaned to one found, and its location still is a of the fraternities, according mystery.

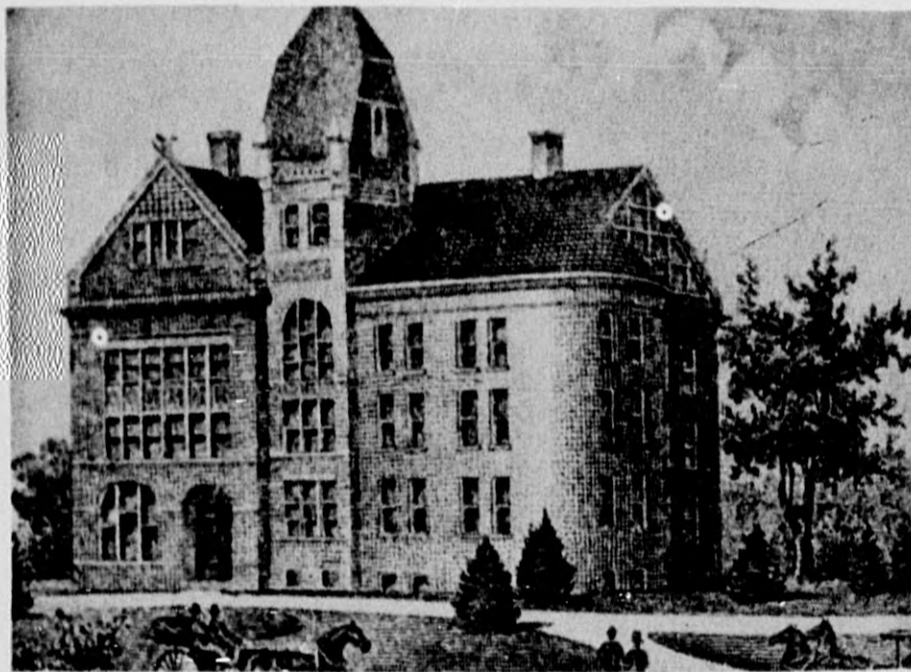
to Dr. Robert D. Swanson, For a time rumors concern- when it was taken, apparently ing the location of the bell were by members of another frater- common, and a popular theory nity. was that the huge piece of met-

No one heard of the bell for al lay at the bottom of the Pine several years until the end of River.

an academic year in the late Since several years have passed 1950s or early '60s when, ac- since the bell disappeared, and cording to Dr. Swanson, a stu- today most of the student's dent told him that he knew don't even know, that Old Main where the bell was and that had a bell.

when the president handed him But since the old building, his diploma at commencement one of the two original struc- he would in turn hand the pre- tures on the campus, has had sident a map showing the loca- a part in the lives of all of the tion. college's students -- with the

The day after the graduation exception of the present fresh- ceremony, Dr. Swanson and man class -- it is nice to know Dr. Harold VandenBosch, sen- that a least the clapper from ior vice president, trampled the bell has returned as a me- through fields west of the city, mento.



An early drawing shows Old Main with the belfry atop tower section at center.

UNION BOARD (cont)  
voice which matches the beautiful...well for those of you who remember THE BUBBLE GUM MACHINE..... it's nice.

To top off the term JOHN DENVER returns, this time for two shows in the nightclub on March 13 and 14. Since his last visit to Alma in October, John has toured the country, appeared on the Merv Griffin show, and released a new album. His show promises to be great....as ever.

Tickets are now on sale in the box office for the Ted Lucas show this weekend. Tic-

kets for all of the Nightclub shows are 75¢ and the rock festival will be one dollar for M.I.A.A. students. For more information see the advertising insert in this issue of the ALMANIAN.

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