

Someone has figured out that we have 35 million laws trying to enforce the ten commandments.—Howard F. Doherty, Cavalier County (N. Dak.) Republican.

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HONORARY DEGREE TO GO TO SPEAKER

An honorary doctor of science degree will be presented at Alma College's annual Honors Convocation Wednesday, June 3, to Dr. Eugene Rabinowitch, professor of chemistry and biology at State University of New York at Albany.

Dr. Rabinowitch will address the convocation, speaking on "Human Evolution -- A Deadlock?"

Academic achievement of Alma's top scholars will be recognized at the Honors Convocation. The coveted Barlow Trophy, presented annually to the college's most outstanding senior, will also be presented. Candidates for this trophy are Thomas Fegley of Grand Haven, Louise Hamel of Mt. Pleasant and Chris VanSickle of Perrinton.

A native of Leningrad, Dr. Rabinowitch studied chemistry at the University of Berlin where he was awarded a Ph. D. in 1936. Prior to coming to the United States in 1938 as research associate with the Solar Energy Project at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he did research in Germany, Denmark and England.

In 1942 he joined the Manhattan District Laboratories at the University of Chicago and worked there until 1947 as section chief in the Information Division where he was responsible for preparation of the project handbook.

In 1947 Dr. Rabinowitch was named research professor of botany in the Graduate School of Distinction at the University of Illinois. He became director of the Photosynthesis Laboratory and later professor of

Kane, Foster at

Presbyterian General Assembly

Alma College students Bruce W. Kane of Alpena and Mark E. Foster of Farmington were representatives to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. that concluded sessions in Chicago on Wednesday, May 27.

Kane, the son of Dr. and Mrs. W. Bruce Kane of 311 S. Second Ave., Alpena, was a representative of the Presbytery of Mackinac at the assembly. Foster, who represented the Detroit Presbytery, is the son of Mrs. Joyce Foster of 23244 Violet, Farmington. Both are seniors at Alma College.

HEW Announces Grants for Environmental Education

A major competitive effort to increase public knowledge and understanding of environmental problems through noncommercial television and radio was announced today by U.S. Education Commissioner James E. Allen, Jr.

He said that HEW's Office of Education has awarded \$600,000 to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting to help establish an independent Public Broadcasting Environment Center.

Funds for the project are also expected to come from business firms concerned about the environment, foundations, associations, unions, and Federal agencies other than HEW.

The new Center, Dr. Allen said, would "serve to pool resources of government and private groups and the public broadcast industry in a type of coordinated enterprise called for by President Nixon in his State of the Union message to the Congress."

The grant announced today will help support the first phase of the project, a six-month planning effort beginning this June. The Center will develop a plan for producing a series of pilot television and radio programs, called "Quality of Life."

Other planning activities include a survey of information and education programs concerned with the environment, collection of materials for a film and reference library,

biophysics at the University of Illinois where he remained until 1968 when he was named professor of chemistry and biology at the State University of New York. He is also senior advisor to the Center for Study of Science and Society.

A co-founder of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists in 1955, he is still its editor and editorial writer. Dr. Rabinowitch was one of the initiators of the International Conference on Science and Human Affairs and has been the American representative on its International Continuing Committee since 1967.

He has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the American Biophysical Society and of the Editorial Board of the American Biophysical Journal.

Dr. Rabinowitch has been presented the Kalinga Award of UNESCO and the Stephen Hale Award of the American Society of Plant Physiology. He is an honorary member of the Botanical Society of the Netherlands and has previously been the recipient of honorary degrees from Brandeis University, Dartmouth College and Columbia College at Chicago.



Dr. Eugene Rabinowitch

Lower to be Baccalaureate Speaker

The Rev. Dr. Cecil W. Lower, senior pastor at the First Presbyterian Church of Wheaton, Ill., will speak at Alma College's Baccalaureate Service at 11 a.m. Sunday, June 7.

Dr. Lower's topic at the service in the college's Dunning Memorial Chapel will be "On Being Chosen."

A graduate of Missouri Valley College and of Auburn Theological Seminary, Dr. Lower has been the pastor of the Wheaton church since 1961.

He has also studied at the University of Chicago and the University of Wisconsin. Missouri Valley College awarded him a Doctor of Divinity degree.

From 1937 to 1951 Dr. Lower was pastor of the all-student University Presbyterian Church at the University of Wisconsin. Following this assignment, he was Lane Professor of Theology and Liturgics on the faculty of McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago.

He has served as president of the Association of Presbyterian University Pastors, as secretary to the 1958 Quadrennial Convocation of Christian Colleges, as consultant to a number of colleges in the field of religion and campus life, and as an American representative to European colleges on student and faculty exchange programs.

Dr. Lower is presently chairman of the Committee on Hymns of the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, working on a new hymnal as part of a revised Book of Common Worship. He is also active in administrative affairs of the Pres-

bytery of Chicago.

Officiating with Dr. Lower at the Alma Baccalaureate will be the Rev. Mr. James Ross Wilkie of Carlsdale, Stonehaven, Scotland, visiting chaplain and professor of religion at the college during the spring term.



Rev. Dr. Cecil W. Lower

Sergeant to be Sports Editor

Randy Sergeant, a freshman from Ridgewood New Jersey, was selected by the communications Committee to be next Year's Sports Editor for the ALMANIAN. That le-

establishment of two advisory committees, and development of ways to gauge the success of the programs.

Eventually, the Center expects to provide a weekly series of shows on environmental problems that will be made available to the more than 180 noncommercial TV stations and 400 radio stations.

In addition to programs for the general public, the Center will provide special broadcast materials for classroom instruction in environmental education, teams of educators, researchers, ecologists, and broadcasting experts will be involved.

Special programming is also planned for training teachers in this field and for training people in the new careers to be created by the new environmental industries.

aves the ALMANIAN with only one paid position still open, that of the Business Manager.

In other action by the Committee, the name of Dr. Samuel Cornelius, Professor of English and Dean of Humanities at Alma was approved by the committee for the position of Advisor to the ALMANIAN for next year. That position has been held by Mr. Louis Ray Miner.

RUN-OFF ELECTIONS TUESDAY

On Tuesday, June 2, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, all sophomore and junior students should vote again in a run-off for several positions initially voted on last Thursday, May 28. The run-off elections have been necessitated by the failure of any one person running for a specific office to obtain 51% of the total vote.

Those positions that must be voted upon again are: for the sophomores, next year's Associate Board of Trustees mem-

DINING HALL ASSIGNMENTS TO BE MADE BY LIVING UNIT

For the academic year 1970-71, students will be assigned to the dining hall nearest their living unit, or in such a way as to insure some freshmen-upperclassmen interaction.

Any student who wishes a different assignment can obtain it by request from Mr. Dick Anderson's office in Hamilton Commons on June 10th and 11th (Wednesday and Thursday).

In the Fall Registration Line, I.D. cards will be issued by color, thereby designating the dining hall assignment. If a student changes his housing during the course of the academic year, he will be able to switch dining halls if it is more convenient and he wishes to do so.

HAMILTON COMMONS

Bruske Hall
Mitchell Hall
Newberry Hall
New Units
Fraternities

VAN DUSEN COMMONS

Gelston Hall
Wright Hall
Small Houses

These particular assignments were made primarily on the basis of class mix and numerical capacities of the two dining facilities.

Fleischman Appointed Mitchell Hall Head Advisor

Mr. Joseph Fleischman has been appointed Head Advisor of Mitchell Hall for the 1970-71 academic year. Mr. Fleischman comes to Alma College from St. Mary's College in Winona, Minnesota. At St. Mary's, Mr. Fleischman is Vice-President for Student Personnel. He is married and has two children.

Mr. Fleischman will arrive at Alma early in September. While at Alma College he will be a candidate for the doctorate degree at Michigan State University. Mr. Fleischman has his B.S. in History from Le Moyne College and his M.A. in History from Creighton University. Prior to his present position at St. Mary's, he was an Instructor of History there.

Four to Vie for Speaking Award

Four student speakers will vie for top honors this week when they compete for the Preston Speaking Award. The four, chosen from more than thirty entering, will appear Thursday, June 4, 7:30 PM in Dow 100. Each has been selected by fellow students and will speak on a controversial topic. The winner chosen by the audience, will receive a gavel hewn from the trees of Thomas Jefferson's estate, Monticello (Charlottesville, Virginia), for his work.

The meeting is open to the public.

ber junior class president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer; for the juniors next years senior representative to the Associate Board of Trustees.

Sophomores and Juniors living in dorms should vote in the lobby of their respective dorms, with fraternities and small housing voting in the Union.

For the names of the candidates still in the running, please see the article in this issue of the ALMANIAN on the results of Thursday's elections.

THE LIGHT SIDE THE DARK SIDE

by dick gregory *'The Underground Congress Loves'*



Next time you write your congressman ask him to provide the stationary for future letters. He can get it at a big discount and you're paying for it anyway. Joseph Trento writes in the May, 1970, issue of SIGNATURE, the Diners Club magazine:

"To most Americans, the Capitol Building of the United States stands for all that is idealistic in government. To more enlightened souls, it is a house of corruption. The great sandstone and marble building is seen by millions of tourists every year, but there is another view of this place that only a privileged few are allowed to behold. When tourists visit the Senate and House chambers, they see just what the history books say they should. What they don't see is a cynical, tax-supported underground world of discount stores and free services provided for the Congress and its inflated support staff by the American taxpayer."

While senators and congressmen on upper levels of the Capitol Building debate and rave about the activities of underground left wing radicals and the rhetoric of the underground press, right below them is an underground network of tunnels, gyms, shops and electric subways which Trento says "make life in high office a cornucopia of congressional self-indulgence."

"The underground Congress," Trento continues, "is physically vast and highly populated. For every congressman and senator there are multitudes of policemen, architects, locker room attendants, photographers, watchmakers, bellhops, hairdressers and a dozen more kinds of 'service' people on -- or more properly, under -- the Hill."

The congressional underworld is not unlike

other underworld operations. Like legitimate business fronts for Mafia operations, the congressional underground is marked "special" in the congressional budget. Many Hill news correspondents share in the underworld operation and therefore do not report on it. Bobby Baker presided over the congressional underworld for a number of years.

If "underground" means subversive and aimed at destroying the democratic system, the activity underneath the Capitol Building certainly fits the category. Shops, stores and services are available to congressional staffers and in some cases members of the accredited press at discount prices, sometimes for free.

Not that such business enterprises are government owned and operated. They often operate at a loss. But the Congress then provides tax money to cover the deficit. So, the American taxpayer pays the tab, but no private citizen (other than some media favorites) can avail himself of the benefits.

Trento's article lists both names and services. The Capitol police force, for example, numbers 616 men, outnumbering senators and congressmen, as well as the State Police of New Hampshire. Their boss is one Chief James R. Powell, who is quoted by Trento as admitting: "Things are not always done exactly by the rules here, but this is an important place and you have to bend. After all, the people we protect are SPECIAL Americans. Most people know how to give and take." So the police spend their time escorting tourists across the streets, delivering portables to members of Congress and changing automobile license plates for important staffers.

The underground Congress, though little known, is indeed official. It is run by committee. The Senate House and Rules committee runs the shops. The House follows closely an obscure public law (91-145) which loosely delineates the congressional budget. One section states, for example, "there shall be a committee of three members of the House to run the House Beauty Shop" and so three congresswomen -- Rep. Edith Green (D-Oregon), Rep. Katherine May (R-Washington) and Chairwoman Martha W. Griffiths (D-Michigan) currently oversee critical Washington hairdressing maneuvers. They could truly be called a "permanent" committee. And it is significant that Rep. Shirley Chisholm (D-New York) is not a committee member. Afro-haircuts would evidently be too subversive for even the underground Congress.

The underground Congress maintains a recording studio which is used mostly for campaign talks. Director Robert J. Coar earns an annual salary of \$23,000. Staff, secretary and supplies are additional.

Elsewhere under the Capitol, Henry M. Esper gets \$17,000 a year to take campaign pictures and run the Senate Campaign Studio. Elbert VanNostrand and James Chamberlain handle making any films, color or black and white, senators might request, and they have a combined salary allotment of more than \$80,000 a year. Jack Virnstein, known on the Hill as "Jack the Wrapper", has a three man package wrapping team.

Stationary is available at high discounts. Haircuts are \$1.25 for congressional staffers, and senators or congressmen pay only the tip -- the barbering is free. No wonder there are so few long hairs in Congress.

There are free long distance phone calls for homesick secretaries and congressional aides on weekends. The phone bills for the 535 senators and congressmen are also charged to the taxpayer, which averages about \$7,000 a month each.

Then there is William "Fishbait" Miller, the House Doorkeeper. He announces the President before joint sessions of Congress. His office presides over a whopping budget of more than \$2,000,000, and is larger than that of any senator or congressman including the Speaker of the House. George Stuart is Architect of the Capitol, though he has had no formal training as an architect, and his office receives \$900,000 a year for salaries.

Perhaps as a concession to hippies, the congressional budget approved \$600,000 to maintain the Botanical Gardens located on the Capitol grounds, to cut and plant flowers

The Brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon proudly announce their newly elected officers: President Steve List, Vice-P resident Tom Webb, Secretary Gary Wagner, Treasurer Tim Yungfer, Historian Dave Homan, Hypophetes Doug Patterson, Social Chairman Jack Prince, Pledge Master Jon Richardson, IFC Rick Hillman and Steve Woodriddle, and co-House Managers Rob Farmer and Fred Eveleigh.

The Brothers also wish to congratulate Pete Traggorth on his engagement to Karen Jameson of Eastern Michigan University, Roger Bullard on his pinning to Mary Woodrow, Rick Manzaedo on his pinning to Paula Smitz of Davison, and Sandy Frye on his lavaliering to Jody Morris.

It was incorrectly reported in last week's FORUM that Caro Spendlove was engaged to Ernie Kissman. The item should have read: Congratulations on the engagement of Caro Spendlove to Kirt Mabbit, Suzie Burns to Dave Ford and Lynne Innes to Ernie Kissman. The ALMANIAN regrets the error.

The Sisters of Kappa Iota Sorority wish to congratulate Barb Hays on her engagement to Bob Robinson of Delta Sigma Phi. We also wish to congratulate Mindy Meyers on her pinning to Jim Hereford on Delta Sigma Phi.

The brothers of Alpha Phi Omega wish to congratulate John Kunik on his pearling to Linda Davy.

The Brothers of Delta Sigma Phi wish to extend their warmest congratulations to Brother Mike Barnes on his pinning to Laurel Braun of Alpha Sigma Tau, and to Brother Jim Heriford on his pinning to Mindy Meyers of Kappa Iota.

Alcohol is officially illegal on the Capitol grounds. But "bending" a little, the "give-and-take" oriented Capitol police will oblige any senior member of Congress who needs or wants a drink. Many congressmen keep bottles in the locked cabinets of their bookshelves and ice is always available from the refrigerators located in the rest rooms of each office, and all at the taxpayers expense. Which, of course, gives new meaning to the term "higher tax."

What about the total cost of running Congress? According to Joseph Trento the figures are hard to come by. But the General Accounting Office reluctantly admits that each member runs the taxpayers about

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Dick Gregory(cont)

\$700,000 a year. That, of course, is \$374.5 million annually. Think what that other underground could do with such a budget! So when you read about a new tax increase, which is bound to come soon, ask yourself which "underground operation" is really responsible for rising taxes and burdening the little man.

ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED

The results of last Thursday, May 28 elections for class officers, Associate Board Members, and Student Council representatives are as follows:

For next year's sophomore class, Dennis Valkanoff has been elected President, Nancy Armstrong as Vice President, and Pat Buckman as Sec-Treas. Mark Alman will be the sophomore representative to the Associate Board of Trustees, and Nancy Wilson will represent the sophomores on Student Council.

Dick Palmer was the only junior-to-be to obtain 51% of the vote for his position; he will be the junior rep. to Student Council. Every other office found two candidates with less than the required 51%, necessitating a runoff (see front page article). For president of next year's junior class, the runoff will be between Jan Hendricks and Steve Hill; for Vice-President, Doris Meyer and Rick Scatterday are runoff opponents; for sec treas, Dee Gill and Jane Swanson must

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compete again; and for the Junior representative on Associate Board of Trustees, the runoff will be between Ladd Ashford and Paul Carey.

Rich Thurston will be next year's Senior Class President, with Sandie Deevy as Vice President and Bill Klintworth as Sec-Treas. Larry Nelson has been elected the Senior rep. to Student Council. For the Associate Board of Trustees, we're back to the runoff this time between Steve List and Rich Thurston. (Please read front page article for information on runoff).

In a very close, top-three-take-all race, the three at-large positions on Student Council went to Dave Bowen, Laura Worth, and John Plowman, members of next year's sophomore and senior class respectively.

ARM BANDS AVAILABLE FOR GRADUATION

In view of recent events across the nation, there was a definite need to moderate students to become involved and to make their views known. It is imperative that they show their unified concern for peace within the system rather than to let the publicized actions of a few speak for them. This is not intended as a singular condemnation of foreign policy, but is intended as a focusing of humanitarian concern to pursue peace in all policies of this nation.

With this in mind, the option to wear white armbands at commencement is being offered to all seniors and faculty members who would like to air their individual feelings. The following statement will hopefully be included within the commencement program;

lowing statement will hopefully be included within the commencement program;

"The graduating seniors and faculty who have chosen to wear armbands today (June 13) would like to make known their concern for peace. They would hope that this silent demonstration of their feelings is evidence of their desire to work within the framework of this country for constructive social change. This nation, if it is to continue to lead the world, must do so from a position of peace."

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Let's Not Be Hypocrites

There exists within the Alma College Community a sizable group of people who take great pride envisioning their Alma Mater as a true Community of Scholars, where excellence is constantly striven for and whose members desire education for nothing beyond its own sake. Members of this group cringe at the mention of the term "trade school", and acknowledge as successful only those going on into medicine, law, graduate school, and/or research. This group has brought considerable pressure over the years to departments such as the Education Department or, since it was organized and finally allowed on campus, the Business Department. The members of this group are the ones who have helped prevent the establishment of a full-credit journalism course at Alma, despite its educative value. They have proved to be the greatest obstacle to the establishment of academic credit for work with such things as student publications, volunteer service organizations (i.e. Volunteer Tutors), or Community Government. Their constant cry is, "Alma is not a trade school."


Despite the "high" ideals of these members of the Alma Community, the fact of the matter remains that a great many students do come to Alma with the express intent of securing a better job. More importantly, however, there is no concrete evidence, other than cultural elitism, that medicine or law or graduate school is any less a "trade" than is management, teaching, or publication work. Nor can it be shown that less education necessarily takes place in one of the latter areas as opposed to the former.

It is time that the "trade school foes" take another look at what they criticize, and re-evaluate their attitudes. They should recognize that a quest for knowledge or the pursuit of excellence may very well take place in any area of endeavor.

Only when the members of the Alma College Community begin to look at this college honestly, and recognize the actual aims of its students, faculty and administration will we be able to achieve the excellence which we all desire.

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Letters to the Editor

Kruse verses P.E.

To the Phys. Ed Department:

A few weeks ago in my letter to the editor I said that I would like to see the phys. ed. requirement abolished. After thinking about it however, I decided this would not be a solution to the problem. I think the phys. ed. department definitely needs to take a look at its present program and make it more relevant to the needs of the students.

The problem with the phys. ed. courses centers around the question of testing procedures and grades. I cannot see how you can justify grades, though I do think credit should be given.

I think the worst way in the world to determine grades is by matching everyone's performance against some national standard, or even against the other members of the class. Everyone's physical "Standard" is different from everyone else's and it is therefore unfair to match someone's performance with that of someone else. The individual should compete against himself. Whether or not a student will get credit (but no grades) for the course should be determined by his individual improvement.

Evaluation of one's improvement should not be through formal testing, physical or written. Written tests in phys. ed. are ridiculous and a waste of time. Whether or not an individual knows the rules, etc. of the game will be reflected in how he plays the game. Evaluation should take place on a participant-observer basis. The instructor should get down on the same level as the students and take part in the activities with them. He is then in a much better position to evaluate their performance.

I really hope that the phys. ed. department reads this letter and does something about it. They are in definite need of improvement.

Harold Kruse

Bruske Pools Need Attention

Dear Editor,

There is a problem on this campus that I think we can solve. It seems a bit paradoxical to me that a campus such as ours could be so blind. We hold an ecology seminar here hoping to get people to stop polluting the air and water, and yet we are doing that very same thing that we don't want others to do. Isn't that a bit hypocritical?

I am talking about the Bruske "Cesspools". I could not think of a more descriptive

name; other than cesspool. They are the worlds worst! One contains a vote for Mavis sign, a UMOC sign and a Pepsi cup, the other has assorted papers, a pay day candy bar wrapper, a sales slip from the Scot Shop, and finally the third has a potato chip bag and other paper. This is all covered with cigarette butts, Dead leaves, dead bugs, rocks and dirt that has been there since the pools were built. It seems a shame that something meant to bring beauty and a little joy to this campus has been so abused. Couldn't someone do something to clean these pools up?

Margo Siegfried

Debbi Sends Love

May 19, 1970

Dear Sirs:

I am writing this letter as an ex-member of Alma's Student Body. I would like to address this short letter to the classmates I left behind when I transferred in 1968.

Dear Friends,

I have grown as I am sure you must have grown in the last two years. As you leave the campus community I hope you will take some of your new open-mindedness into the world beyond. The world needs the wisdom you may give. Believe strongly in yourselves and in your abilities. Love everything. Love everyone. Do not become small-minded. Believe, if not in the goodness of all men, then in the equality of all men and treat them with due respect. I thank every one of you whom I have known. You have added to the being I have become.

I remain your friend,
Debbi Damon

Julian Bond - Nothing New

Dear Editor,

Julian Bond was there Tuesday and he was very good. Yes Mr. Bond was good but he did not say anything new. What he said was something we have heard over and over again, but the way he said it was new. Frankly it is a worn out subject. What I wish we could have heard was some ways in which we could correct many of the fallacies in our government, the gross misceptions that run rampant in our country. We have become a race conscience society and we should be judging

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Report from the Editor-in-chief

In response to the many inquiries concerning its financial condition at this time, THE ALMANIAN is presenting a statement of just what state our budgets are in, as closely as can be determined at this time.

As of the end of April, the accounts stood thus:

1-10718 Utilities	\$ 75.09
1-10719 Supplies	58.43
1-10721 Repairs and Maintenance	53.12
1-10722 Travel	47.76
1-10723 Association Dues	20.00
1-10724 Publicity, Printing, and Pictures	2509.65
1-10726 Miscellaneous	72.48
1-2223 Restricted-Almanian Advertising Revenues	1471.42
Cash Received but not deposited as of June 1	284.37
Billed for April, but not received as of June 1	1227.42
Outstanding bills unpaid as of June 1	198.75
Net total:	\$ 138.11

A late April billing is the reason for the large amount of outstanding bills owed to THE ALMANIAN, and there is no reason to believe that they will not be paid. The outstanding bills are those of which we are sure of the amount.

The following information is known thus far for the month of May:

Printing costs for May from the Alma Reminder	\$ 1287.45
Collating costs for May from the Saginaw Valley Shopper	56.00
Cost of IBM Selectric Typewriter over trade-in value of IBM Executive	123.60

The May billing of advertisers is in process at this time, and will not be finished in time for this issue. A rough estimate would put the billing at somewhere over \$800.00. Miscellaneous bills both to the ALMANIAN and from the ALMANIAN to other businesses and organizations remain but the exact amount of the bills is not known at this time. The effect of these bills should be either neutral or in favor of the ALMANIAN.

The costs associated with this issue and the June 8 issue are expected to exceed advertising revenues by approximately \$ 100.00 or less.

It must be emphasized, that all statements concerning the final financial position of THE ALMANIAN can only be rough estimates at this time. With this in mind, I would estimate that this year's ALMANIAN will probably end up between \$ 400 and \$ 800 in the red.

I feel that this year's ALMANIAN has contributed significantly to the ability of future staffs to publish outstanding issues through the acquisition of a set of Friden Justo-writers, which set the copy (the final five months' payments, as well as this year's payments were paid by this year's budget approximately \$1700.), the purchase of an IBM Selectric typewriter (\$473.60), the acquisition of an additional Headliner (approximate value-\$700), and the construction of new light-tables for copy layout (approximate value-\$150.)

In addition, THE ALMANIAN has received a \$3000. budget increase for next year, which should allow future staffs more freedom to expand the size, as well as the quality of the paper. The increase should also alleviate any pressure on next year's staff which otherwise may have resulted from the overextension of this year's budget.

I wish to take full responsibility for the deficit which is being incurred by this year's ALMANIAN. I will make no defense other than to say I believe that this year's paper could not have been produced for less. Whether or not THE ALMANIAN this year was worth the cost is not a question for me to decide. That responsibility I leave to the students of Alma College.

Respectfully Submitted,
Thomas Peter Schumm
Editor-in-chief

REACTION

by mike delp, ALMANIAN Staff Writer

It strikes us as a fine and lofty ideal when we read in the ALMA COLLEGE BULLETIN for 1969/70 that "Alma College is committed to liberal education as uniquely relevant for men and women who seek to understand and contribute to modern society." But what happens to an institution's productivity when many of its social and academic practices and structures do not foster understanding and emphasize contribution to society?

There is a two-fold decadence undermining our production of understanding graduates who have the potential to contribute meaningfully to society. As he passes through his magical undergraduate years, the Alma Student has many experiences already of this institution and the majority of its student body.

Education is the process of discovering and ordering experiences as well as a quest for knowledge. But with many potential socio-academic experiences being blocked out by the traditional role of the small college functioning as an encloser and protector, coupled with the seeming inability of the majority of its student body to recognize any value in academic pursuit, our system is perpetuating a threat to its very existence as an institution of higher learning. Why are our standards increasing and our performances decreasing?

Although he has met very high standards the incoming freshman has but little chance to order and discover his own meaningful academic experience, for he is immediately deluged with the social mass of "Orientation. Our misdirected orientation process sends him to mixers, picnics and beanie ceremonies that do nothing more than turn his vision away from any academic hopes to which he had aspired. It is, to say the least, a re-enactment of the last three weeks of high school.

When the upperclassmen arrive, he is confronted by every social organization imaginable, with living, papers, smiling, ego-boosting praise. Upon returning to his dorm, his chances of being confronted by an other than independent Resident Advisor are quite high. Once again, before he has had time to orient himself, he is surrounded by far too many people telling him what is right socially and that academically he only needs to get the old tests to make it.

Those who are socially minded impose on the incoming freshmen an absence of academic desire that deprives him of the opportunity to discover new ideas and explore new experiences without fear of student persecution. This loss is not felt only in his failure to embrace his academic subjects as studies, but also in his influences inability to turn his academic pursuit into a way of being, a value search that can only be fulfilled if he is allowed to look without social pressure. True, he must mix his social and academic roles into a functioning whole, but his way of being cannot be so turned toward the social tide of conformity that it deprives him of a chance to understand and contribute. He must be allowed to assert himself in a receptive atmosphere, make many of his own social judgements and be the judge of his own happiness without the help of our present "orientation" philosophy.

The second undermining factor in the declining academic atmosphere of this institution is to be found in the misdirected priorities.

If a student is fortunate enough to maintain his academic pursuit despite the efforts of a conforming social majority he finds himself rejected, and begins to look for a section of his life style where he can retire and maintain his academic stature. He cannot return to his dorm for it is inhabited by an harrasing majority of "students", he cannot go to the library, for anyone who wants to socialize goes there or to the union. His last stand might be the Dow Science

Building, but it is filled with the necessary equipment for scientific research. And for him to think of entering the domain of the P.E. building is absurd. There he stands in the middle of an institution of higher learning with no outlet for his academic hunger except the classroom. He is a student looking out from a small community into another community that is slightly larger, with neither one offering the proper facilities needed to cope with his inquiring mind.

The change needed to accomodate the inquiring student has to come immediately. By reducing the number of the majority who force students to conform to non-academic standards we might re-track ourselves onto the right course. This reduction can only come from intense personal interviews with incoming students to determine their true motivation for entering college.

If we are to ask our graduates to under-

stand and contribute to society we must offer them a diversity of outlets into which they may meaningfully blend their academic and social lives. The college and its student majority must realize its priorities toward academic prowess rather than social ineptness.

The inquiring student must be provided with the materials he needs and a well equipped place to put them to use. He must be permitted to live where he feels he can be most productive and creative, a place where he can choose many of his own personal learning experiences. And, if possible, he and his professors must make every attempt to carry their relationship outside the classroom and develop it into a dual pursuit of knowledge and understanding, for the realm of close personal experience is invaluable in the learning process.

Our present majority of students must

stop being catered to by our present social and academic policies. The inquiring student must find his type all around him without going through the gauntlet of outmoded, conformist, decadent social and academic codes which will ultimately result in stagnation.

If we do not implement this change quickly, we may find ourselves locked in a death struggle between our limited experience here, and the unlimited experiences we have ahead of us.

LETTERS cont.

men on the basis of their worth not on the basis of their color. I wish someone could have told us what we could do about situations that occur today, besides protest and write to our congressmen. While I am basically a pacifist, The administration in Washington needs some shaking up and I think the time is now. But to get back to another situation - to me black is beautiful. How about you?

Margo Siegfried

More Comment on Pools

To the editor

Recently it has come to the attention of a group of concerned students that Bentley's reflecting pools have become more and more polluted as each day goes by. As we look out the window of Hamilton Lounge, we see one styrofoam cup, many drowned June bugs, sunken and floating leaves, submerged pop cans, Payday candy bar wrappers, Bazooka wrappers, potato chip bags, numerous rocks, cigarette butts and other pollutants too numerous to mention.

Now we feel that this is a direct insult to Bentley and his natural way of life. We feel something should be done about this useless pollution in his pools and the immediate surrounding area. For how would you feel if students, whether consciously or unconsciously, polluted your habitat right up to your front door with all of their excess garbage? Let's make an effort to keep this area clean so we do not drive Bentley away from Alma College. Try Restricting Ourselves - Less Litter



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ALMA CAPTURES MIAA ALL-SPORTS TROPHY

Alma College has captured its second Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association all-sports championship in three years.

The Scots finished in the upper division in six of the league's eight sports to finish with 65 all-sports points, seven ahead of runnerup Albion. Next was 1968-69 all-sports champion Calvin with 55, Kalamazoo 44, Hope 43, Adrian 36, and Olivet 30.

Alma has won five all-sports titles since the award was initiated in 1934-35.

A new twist to this year's all-sports point accumulation evolved around the fact that each school was allowed to throw out its poorest finish in one sport. This standard was added to the all-sports rules because of the addition of the new areas of league competition and the fact that not all schools are competing in every area.

Swimming and soccer will become league sports in 1970-71. Schools will then be able to delete their poorest finishes in two sports.

The league's eight sports championships were spread across five schools with no member gaining more than one outright title.

Albion is the leader in all-sports trophies claiming 10 titles while Hope and Kalamazoo have each won the honor eight times, Alma on five occasions and Calvin once. Adrian and Olivet are still seeking their first.

FINAL STANDINGS

ALL-SPORTS*
(12-10-8-6-4-2-0-formula)

1.	Alma	65
2.	Albion	58
3.	Calvin	55
4.	Kalamazoo	44
5.	Hope	43
6.	Adrian	36
7.	Olivet	30

*Each school was allowed to throw out its poorest finish in one sport.

RACING AT MIDLAND

SPEEDWAY THIS SATURDAY

CAMBRIDGE JUNCTION, MI. — When Alfred Hitchcock first released the suspense film "The Birds" he was intending for his audience to sit on the edge of their seats anticipating the outcome, but a small town being attacked by winged warriors has a different meaning today.

The "Winged Warriors" of 1970 are the breeding birds of the Plymouth Super Birds driven by men like Pete Hamilton and Keith Petty. The small town is Cambridge Junction, Michigan, the home of Michigan International Speedway.

On June 6, Petty and Hamilton will be piloting their screaming "Birds" during the wheel-to-wheel combat to take place over the white high-banked oval, and their competition will be trying to match their speed and stamina with these record holders.

Petty is willing to fight teammate Hamilton and a field of 32 other cars and drivers to stretch his career wins from 101 to 102.

Duddy Baker, world's closed course record holder, will be riding high on the banks in his angled Dodge Daytona for the first time at the Michigan racing complex.

Other top NASCAR drivers, including Mercury's Cale Yarborough, Ford's David Pearson and LeeRoy Yarborough, will be reaching to attain the necessary 163 mile per hour pole position speed and fighting to get their share of the Motor State 400's \$1,750 in prize money.

The birds are coming to Michigan International Speedway but so are the Cyclones, Coyotes and Palladinos — all to show that Hitchcock isn't the only master of suspense and thrills.

FOOTBALL

1. Albion
2. Alma
3. Kalamazoo
4. Hope
5. Olivet
6. Adrian

Calvin does not compete

CROSS COUNTRY

1. Alma
2. Calvin
3. Adrian
4. Albion
5. Kalamazoo
6. Hope
7. Olivet

BASKETBALL

1. Calvin
2. Alma
3. Kalamazoo
4. Olivet
5. Albion
6. Hope
7. Adrian

WRESTLING

1. Adrian
2. Albion
3. Olivet
4. Hope
5. Calvin
6. Kalamazoo
7. Alma

TRACK

1. Alma
2. Albion
3. Hope
4. Calvin



A delegation of captains from Alma College's 1969-70 inter-collegiate athletic teams present the MIAA All-sports Trophies to Dr. Robert Swanson and Dr. John Kimball (third from left), Vice-president for Administrative Services. Shown are (from left) Don Yehle of Midland, cross country and track; Dennis Williams of Sturgis, tennis; Dr. Kimball; Dr. Swanson; Tom Jakovac of Lansing, football; and Charles Wiggins of Otisville, track. The trophy held by Williams is a travelling award that goes to the winning school each year. The one held by Dr. Swanson and Tom Jakovac is the trophy that Alma retains permanently. (photo by Glenn Loucks).

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Misses Morris and Hamel in Recital Tonight

Alma College junior Diane Morris of St. Clair Shores will present a vocal recital at 8 p.m. Monday (June 1) in Dunning Memorial Chapel.

The recital will open with an aria from THE CREATION by Haydn and will continue with three songs by Debussy.

Flutist Louise Hamel of Mt. Pleasant, will then present the Cantilena movement from a Poulenc sonata for Flute and Piano and the Allegro movement from the Mozart CONCERTO IN G MAJOR FOR FLUTE AND PIANO.

Miss Morris will then sing "Depuis le jour" from the opera LOUISE by Charpentier. Two songs from Carpenter's GITANJALI and "The Willow Song" from the contemporary opera THE BALLAD OF BABY DOE by Douglas Moore will be included in the next section of the program. Miss Hamel and Miss Morris will conclude the recital with MUSIC FOR VOICE AND FLUTE by Wallingford Riegger. Miss Hamel will be accompanied by Tom Manion of Alma; Miss Morris will be assisted by Miss Marjory Hill of Kansas City, Kansas.

Miss Morris is a member of the Alma College A Cappella Choir and has served as its librarian. She also sings with the Alma Singers, a group of select vocalists, and has performed as a soloist on several occasions. In 1967 she toured Europe with the Youth for Understanding Chorale.

A graduate of South Lake High School, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland H.



Miss Morris

Morris of 20605 California, St. Clair Shores.

Miss Hamel, a graduate of Mt. Pleasant High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

W. Glen Hamel of 1203 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant.

ALMA SINGERS IN CONCERT

Alma Singers will present a spring concert Wednesday, June 3, at 8 p.m. in Dunning Memorial Chapel. The concert will include the madrigals of Banchieri, Claude Le Jeune, Passereau, Monteverdi, Gesualdo Finney, Ph. E. Bach, Morely, Certon, and Michael East. Members of Alma Sing-

ers are Susan Jones, Diane Morris, and Melody Sischo, sopranos; Sylvia Flegel, Sue Ann Martz, and Cathie Wilcox, altos; Bob Spencer and Paul Thomas, tenors; Mark Foster, Sam Schmidt, and Pat Shelly, basses. The public is cordially invited.

TKE CORNER

paid adv.



Pictured above are the twenty-five new TKE actives. Formal activation was Sunday, May 24, 1970.

- 1st row: Jack Prince, Pledge Trainer
- 2nd row: Bill Allsopp, "Lumpy" Stilec, "Wolly" Wooldridge, Ralph Bickle, Chuck Romig
- 3rd row: Rob Ford, "Reggin" Taylor, Mike Marusak, Doug Horne, Dave Fisher, Steve Hampton, Tom Hoke, Bob Blanton
- 4th row: Rich Runchey, Gary Currier, Dave Allen, Ed Bailey, Fred Shirey, "Buck" Evans, Mark Jacobson, Pete Sloat, "Graffiti" Grafuis, Jerry Wason, Doug Nikkila, "Brillo Vincent

Reader's Theater Presentation

On Friday, June 5th at 9 p.m. in the A3 there will be a Readers' Theatre presentation entitled "Infinity". It will be presented by a group from Dr. Griffiths' Advanced Oral Interpretation class consisting of Terry Boger, Lynda Davy, Linda MacCallum, Jane Millar, Connie Morley, Nancy Stodola, Connie Van-Schelven, and Jamie Wilkie.

The presentation is built around the theme that most of man's problems have been common throughout the ages. They were present at the beginning of time and will be present throughout infinity. This is their final examination for the course and should prove to be a good choice for your Friday evening entertainment. There will be no admission charge.

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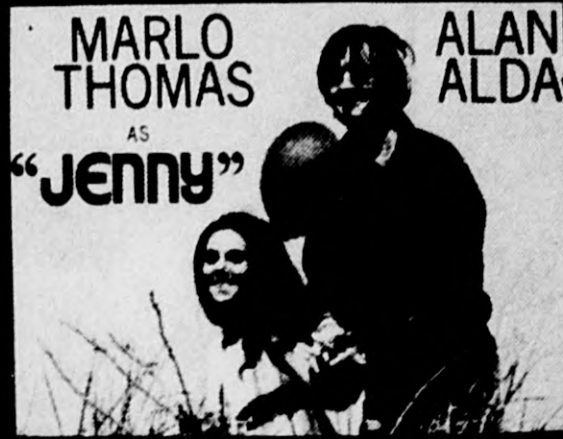
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From Table Tennis to Full Court

Not many athletes can make a college tennis team if they haven't had prep school experience in the sport.

But at Alma College there's one young man who did. He not only lacked high school experience, but before he came to Alma he had never played a game of tennis. And he not only made the team -- he made No. 1 singles.

He's Olugbenga Oredin, a senior from Ikenne, Nigeria.

Benga, as he prefers his friends to call him, is more than a tough competitor on the court. He does all right in the classroom, too, where he's compiled a 3.50 average (on a scale on which 4.00 is A) in a pre-med program.

A graduate of Mayflower School in Ikenne, he heard about Alma College from some of its students who served on that school's faculty under the college's Africa Fellowship program.

Alma students, who have helped to finance the program that makes it possible for one of their number to serve in Nigeria each year, also helped to make it possible for Benga to come to Alma. And so in 1966 he left Nigeria to begin his four-year program of studies at Alma College.

After graduation from Alma this June, he'll go to medical school. He's been accepted at Howard University in Washington, D.C. Perhaps that's somewhat ironic, since Benga has taken a good deal of joshing from his fellow tennis players because his grandfather is an herbalist. They often suggest that he might mix up some kind of potion to improve their game.

Benga concedes that his grandfather "still believes in some black magic stuff."

"He will get some herbs and mix stuff together," Benga says, "and he really thinks it works. Every time I had a headache in Nigeria my grandfather would get some leaves and grind them together and squeeze the juice on my head."

In Nigeria, Benga played soccer, ping pong and tenniquot. His brother, Dada, is highly rated in Nigerian ping pong competition, but Benga is able to beat him at that game.

The transition from table tennis to the outdoor sport wasn't easy for Benga. His first acquaintance with the larger setup came in an Alma physical education course during his freshman year at the college.

"In my sophomore year I still couldn't serve properly," he recalls, "and that's why I didn't go out for the tennis team then."

During his junior year he did try out for and make the Alma varsity squad as the No. 4 singles player. But it was a long season. "I didn't win any games in the MIAA during the regular season," Benga says. "I felt terrible, and I thought I wasn't good enough to play on the team."

But at the MIAA conference meet in Kalamazoo last year he convinced himself that he was good enough. His opponent was a player from Olivet who had beaten him badly during the regular season. But that day Benga played well and captured his first MIAA victory. "At Alma he beat me very badly," Benga recalled, "but when I played in Kalamazoo, I really killed him."

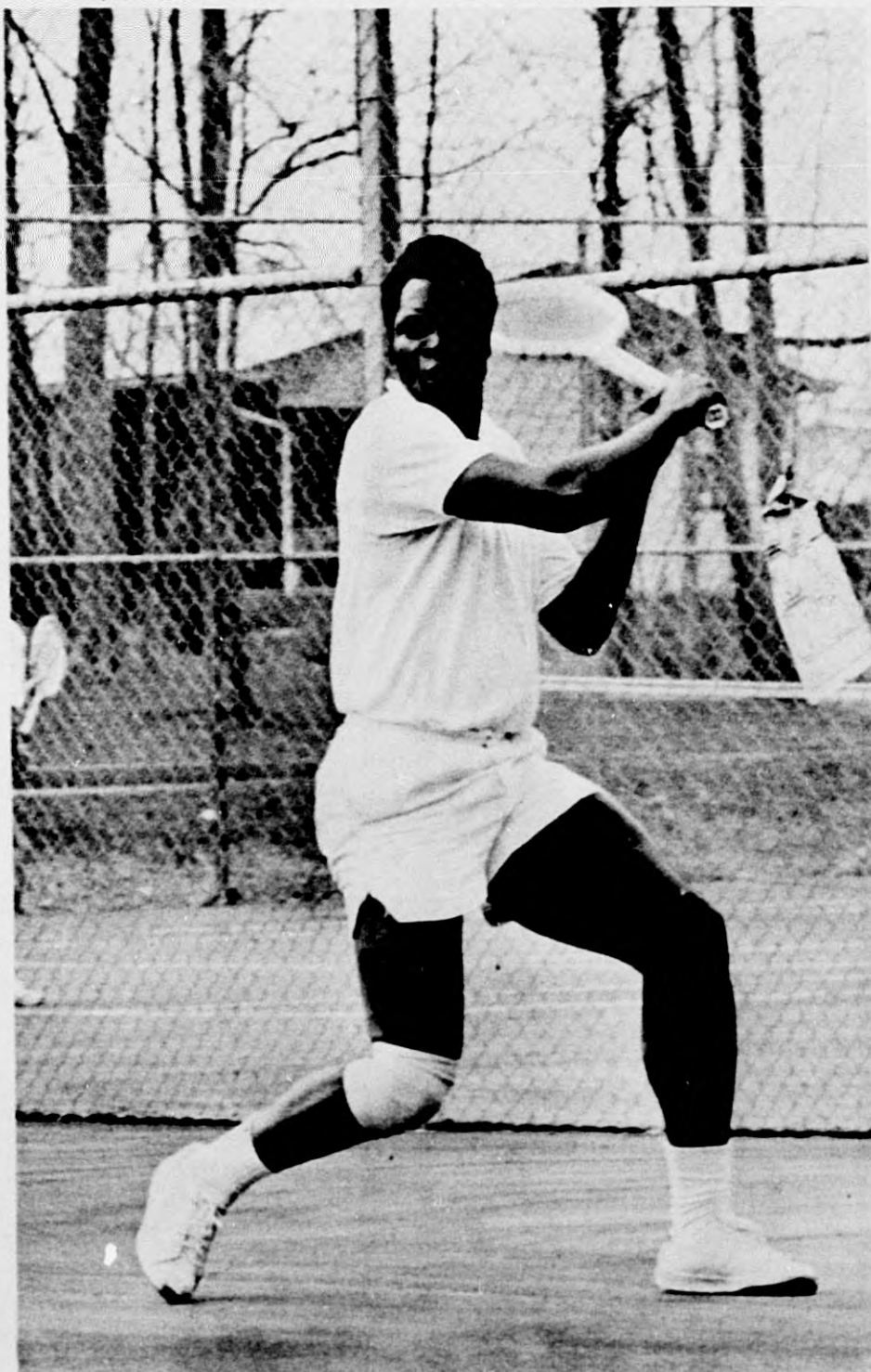
Alma tennis coach Joe Walser, who never had anyone on his team before who had not played high school tennis, describes his No. 1 singles player without exaggeration as "the most improved player anywhere around."

Walser says Oredin is "naturally coordinated and quick" and cites the Nigerian's 10.2 performance in the 100-yard dash while he was in high school as proof of his speed. "But don't tell Stolz (Alma track coach Dennis Stolz)," Walser cautions.

"His best attributes are his strength, quickness and ability to anticipate the ball," Walser adds.

Benga isn't what you'd call a great player. He won two of six MIAA matches during the 1970 regular season, helping the Scots to a fourth-place finish.

"He's not really out to get the other guy," Walser says, "or he'd be a really great



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