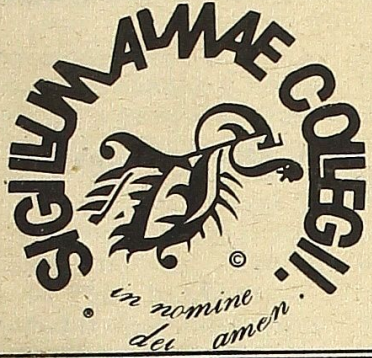


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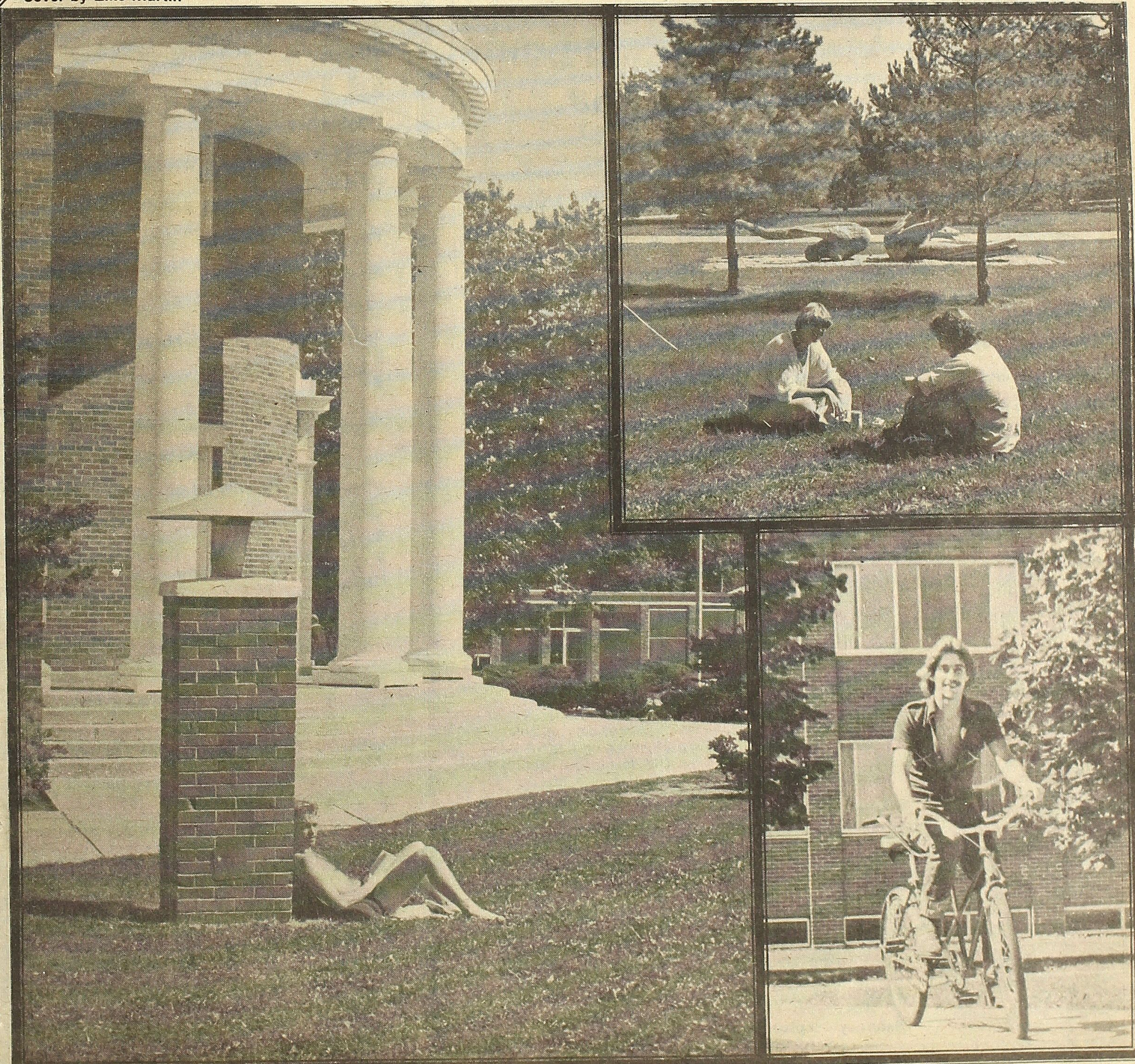
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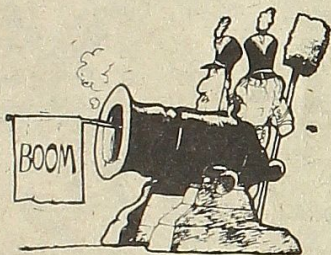
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MENU

Monday - September 18
Breakfast
Waffles
Scrambled eggs or cooked eggs
Lunch
Navy bean soup
Grilled ham & cheese sandwich
Ground beef & green bean casserole
Sherbet fruit plate
Dinner
French onion soup
Breaded veal patty / mushroom sauce
Lasagne
Grilled liver & onions

Tuesday - September 19
Breakfast
Hot cakes
Scrambled eggs & fried eggs
Lunch
Chicken gumbo soup
Ground beef hoagie
Beef chop suey over rice
Tuna salad sandwich on variety breads
Dinner
Minestrone soup
Oven fried chicken
Spaghetti with meat sauce
Polish sausage & sauerkraut

Wednesday - September 20
Breakfast
French toast
Scrambled eggs
Lunch
Cream of tomato soup
Hamburger on bun

Baked macaroni & cheese
Fruit plate with cottage cheese
Dinner
Beef barley soup
Pot roast of beef with gravy
Baked fish fillets
Stuffed pepper/brown gravy

Thursday - September 21
Breakfast
Waffles
Scrambled and fried eggs
Lunch
Pepper pot soup
BLT
Beef noodle casserole
Julienne salad plate
Dinner
Tomato soup
Roast turkey
Steak sandwich
Cheese enchiladas

Friday - September 22
Breakfast
Hot cakes
Scrambled and poached eggs
Lunch
Potato chowder
Hot dog
Tuna pot pie
Egg foo yong
Dinner
Vegetable soup
Grilled chopped steak
Batter fried fish
Pizza

Saturday - September 23
Breakfast
French toast

Scrambled and fried eggs
Lunch
Cream of mushroom soup
Spanish macaroni
Ham & cheese on bun
Egg & green bean casserole
Dinner
Top butt sirloin steak
Shrimp
Scalloped apples & sausage

Sunday - September 24
Breakfast
Blueberry pancakes
Scrambled eggs
Lunch
Beef noodle soup
Roast beef
Pork cutlet
Eggs & mushrooms
Dinner
Cream of chicken soup
Fishwich on bun
Old fashioned ground beef pie
French toast

Monday - September 25
Breakfast
Pineapple fritters
Scrambled and fried eggs
Lunch
Split pea soup
Hamburger
Ham & noodles au gratin
Apple cheese entree
Dinner
Mullegatawny soup
Swiss steak
Turkey pan pie
Spaghetti with tomato sauce

NEWSBRIEFS

Edited by Jon Thorndike



**House Passes
Civil Service Bill**

The House passed a Carter-backed civil service bill, 385-10 to streamline the 2.1 million employee federal beauracracy. They retained an existing law which gives retired military personnel an advantage in getting and keeping federal jobs.

Oswald's Widow Testifies

Oswald Porter, widow of Lee Harvey Oswald, testified before a panel of the House Select Committee on Assassinations that she did not believe Oswald acted in conspiracy with anyone in shooting President John Kennedy in 1963. She testified he had tried to kill Major General Edwin Walker, and intended to kill Richard Nixon, but did not act in conspiracy about the Kennedy shooting.

Ford Motors Indicted

An Indiana grand jury indited the Ford Motor Company for reckless homicide and reckless criminal charges Wednesday, in the 1973 deaths of three girls in a Ford Pinto in Elkhart, Indiana. They said that poor design and corporate negligence were factors in the deaths.

**Camp David Summit
Continues**

President Carter's summit at Camp David was expected to come to a climax last Wednesday when another meeting with Carter, Isreali Prime Minister Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was to be held. There was no speculation as to the outcome.

**What's For Breakfast,
Lunch, Supper**

**CAMPUS
CALENDAR**

MON

1:00 Golf: MIAA Tourney
HERE

TUES

1:00 Golf: MIAA Tourney

4:00 Cross Country-Hope
Invitational

6:00 Volleyball: Spring
Arbor-at Spring Arbor

10:00 Union Board Nite Club
-Tyler

WED

1:00 Golf: MIAA Tourney

7:00 Inter-Varsity Christian
Fellowship: Errors in the
Bible

8:00 Black Elk Speaks-Dow
Auditorium

10:00 Tyler Movie: High
Plains Drifter-Tyler

THU

Mandatory Sorority Rush
Meeting

12:00 Golf: MIAA Tourney

FRI

Stratford Theatre Trip

Sorority All Girl Grasser

1:00 Golf: MIAA Tourney

6:45 & 9:00 Dow Flick: The
Enforcer-Dow

9:00 Theta Chi All-Campus
Party-CSA Hall

SAT

Stratford Theatre Trip

9:00 Volleyball-WSU Tour-
nement

10:00 Golf: MIAA Tourney

2:00 Football: Valparaiso-at
Valparaiso

8:00 Dow Flick: The
Gauntlet-Dow

SUN

11:00 Chapel Service: Dr.
Eugene Pattison, Assoc.
Professor of English-Chapel

8:00 Dow Flick: The
Gauntlet-Dow

Switchboard Hours Upsets Controversy

By Jon Thorndike
News Editor

The controversy over the cutting of switchboard hours continued to draw the attention of Alma College dorm residents this past week. Several switchboard operators, inflamed at the article published in last week's issue of **THE ALMANIAN**, circulated a flyer illustrating their discontent over the situation. They maintained that the article misled readers into believing that the operators were satisfied with the new hours.

The problem actually originated six years ago when the first residents moved into the new dorms located at the southern edge of the campus. Its phone service

was described by Gelston operator Dave Badgley as "inadequate," without any type of switchboard or mail handling. The dorms were designed with a phone-in-every-room situation planned, but the cost proved to be prohibitive for installing such a system. The college did not want to increase tuition simply to justify a new phone system, so hall phones were installed at the ends of the corridors. Last year's South Dorms residents complained enough to set administrators in search of an alternate solution. Residents campus-wide now receive phone service under the plan to equalize switchboard hours without a tuition increase.

This plan was executed as

a temporary means of providing phone service until the new system can be put into use. One main cause of disturbance among operators is the fact that they were not consulted before this plan was considered in early August. Operators returned to Alma in the fall to find new hours and cut employment time. Presently, the 105 original per week hours have been cut to 70 per week hours campus-wide, employing the use of a mini-switchboard at the south dorms. Within the time span of this academic year, residents should see the installation of the new 'Centrex' system. Its reception by the student body remains ambiguous at this time, but we may hope it brings to end this confusing situation.

NEWS

Jon Thorndike, Editor

President Swanson Ruptures Disc

By Carol Keeler
News Writer

Alma College President, Robert Swanson has been sidelined in Saginaw's St. Mary's Hospital this past week, recuperating from an operation performed on September 11.

President Swanson suffered from a ruptured disc in the vertebrae of the neck region. The rupture caused

pressure on the nerve running to his right arm. This created pain and a loss of mobility in that arm. He began having problems with it in the beginning of August but, according to Ronald Kapp, he tried to keep up with his usual busy schedule. During Freshmen Pre-Term he juggled the picnic schedules around tests at the hospital and managed to keep most onlookers from noticing his problem.

President Swanson was hoping to give the address at Opening Convocation this year. In fact, he had nearly completed his speech. Unfortunately, Hospital scheduling prevented his appearance. Surgery to release the pressure on the nerve was performed at St. Mary's because of the availability of special equipment needed for operations in the spinal cord region.

The President should be back at his usual pace in at most a month, estimated Kapp. Apparently, Dr. Swanson has had this type of surgery before, and it was barely two weeks before he began working again at a slightly slower pace.

President Swanson is doing very well in his post-operative stay at the hospital.

Pickering Speaks at Opening Convocation

By Cheri Addington
Associate Editor

The 1978-9 academic year was officially opened last week with Opening Convocation, held in Cappaert Gymnasium. For the first time in over a decade, Dr. Robert Swanson was not present to give the opening remarks. He has been hospitalized for back surgery. Dr. Ronald Kapp, provost, reported that Dr. Swanson was "in good spirits," and hoped to return to his work duties soon.

The highlight of the convocation was the address presented by Dr. James Pickering, the Director of Honors College at Michigan State University. Alma College was lauded by Dr. Pickering for its observance of such traditional rites as convocation and the procession of professors clad in their academic robes. "I am no stranger to liberal arts colleges," Dr. Pickering stated, "and I daily realize the importance of the liberal arts education which I received from Williams College, realize what I could only intuit then...its advantages and strengths in today's changing society."

Maintaining that an education in liberal arts still represents "the best education for a successful and prosperous life," Pickering observed that the success of liberal arts colleges was only a matter of historical record, and that "liberal arts is in no way 'dated' today."

Pickering did, however, stress the fact that today, liberal arts education is "beset by some very real problems" and he is envious of colleges like Alma that remain faithful to the liberal

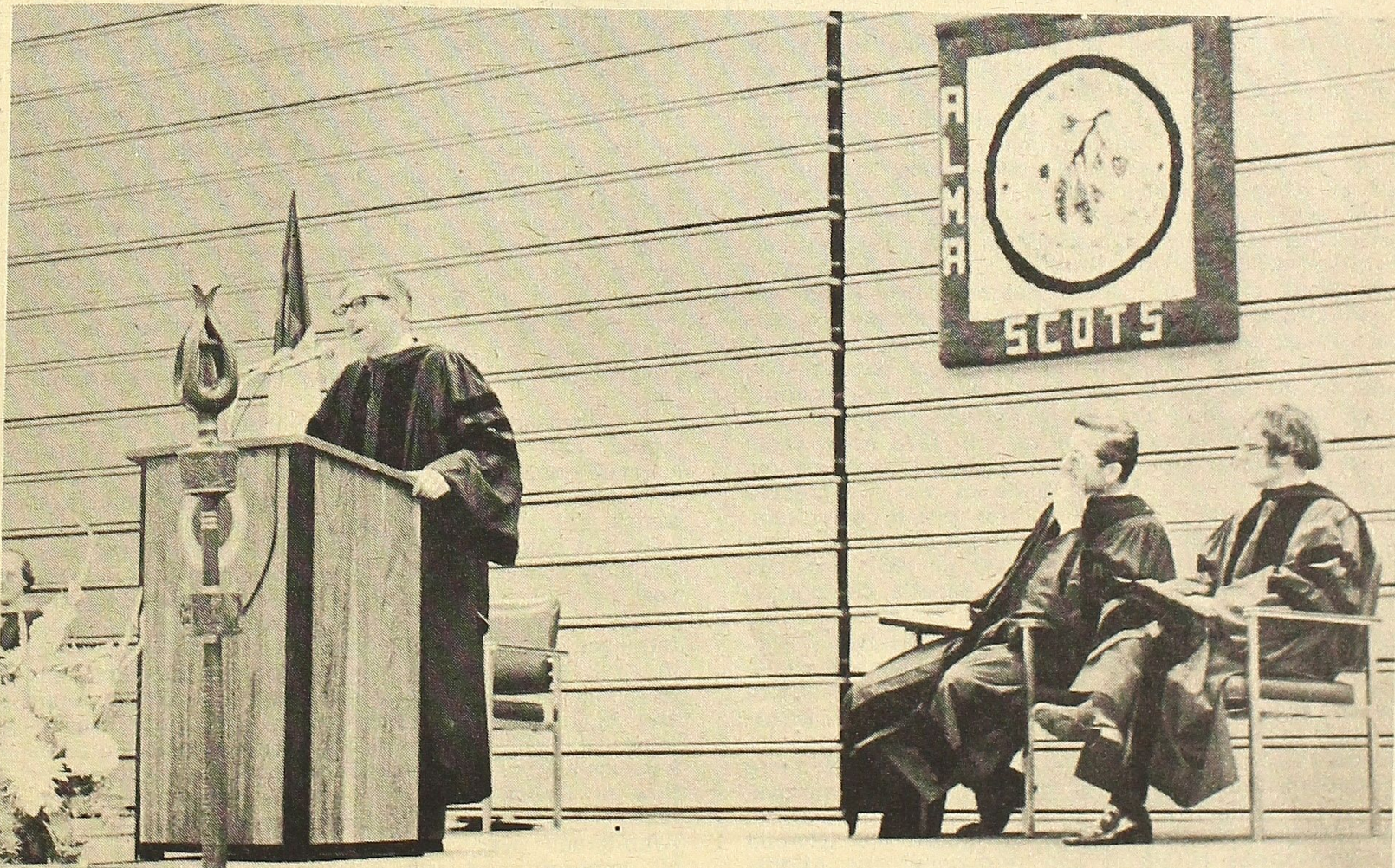
arts ideology. "I envy the academic excellence, the collegiality and the respect of heritage which I see around me at colleges like Alma today," he observed, adding that in today's age of premature specialization before graduate study, it is indeed rare to find educational institutions that still pursue this concern with a truly LIBERAL arts education.

In discussing the problems which liberal arts colleges are beset with today -- tuition, faculty salaries, and a decade of financial restraint, Pickering remarked that "the fat is gone, and

now only the marrow remains." The expected decline of college-age students in the 1980s and the increasing competition of those students who will choose to be college-bound does not reflect an enrollment gain of state-funded colleges and universities, Pickering believes, stating, "Alma's loss will not be U of M's gain." He further believes that the popular movement of what he called "the case against college" in the 1960s further crippled the strength of particularly liberal arts colleges, but retaliated saying, "to me, the case FOR college is rather self-evident. Although many of the benefits

are intangible -- that of social, moral, and academic excellence, I believe that a good liberal arts education also has many tangible ends -- that of job and economic security." Pickering backed his statement by citing the fact that the earning expectancy of college graduates is higher than that of non-graduates.

Pickering wound up his speech by urging all students present to "make clear to the public your abilities most available to success -- for who can argue that the knowledge gained here (at Alma) has no meaningful relationship to this changing world?"



Dr. James Pickering, Director of Honors College at Michigan State University, addressed the student body during September eleventh's Opening Convocation. [ALMANIAN photo by Elke Martin]

Committee Members Selected

Born Free Comes To Michigan

ALMA -- A mother changing the oil in her car heard her five-year old son say, "Mommy, women aren't supposed to do things like that."

A three-year old boy, younger brother to high-school age sisters active in sports, was often taken to see them play basketball. One day he was asked, "When you get older, Jon, are you going to play basketball, too?"

"Oh no," he replied, "boys don't play basketball."

Jon's misperception of what behavior is acceptable for girls and what is acceptable for boys was easily corrected, at least in this instance, by taking him to a boys' basketball game. The

first child's impressions probably will be much harder to change because they were shaped in much more subtle ways. The ages of both -- five and three years -- suggest how early children start identifying stereotyped sex roles.

Their early impressions of sex roles hint at how much work is involved for BORN FREE, a national organization working to reduce career related sex-role stereotyping, starting with kindergarten and working through the educational systems of each state. The organization was founded two years ago under a grant by the Women's Educational Equity Act Program, United States Office of Education, Department of Health, Edu-

cation and Welfare.

BORN FREE is an acronym for "building options, reassessing norms, free roles through educational equity." Promotional literature states, "BORN FREE is based on the premise that both men and women are seriously limited in their career development by sex-role stereotyping. Too often the social concepts of sex roles are reflected in the biased direction that is given to students in all our educational institutions."

The organization is training selected counselors, teachers and administrators at all educational levels to reduce stereotyping.

Ginny Riser - Schoch, a career counselor/testing coordinator at Alma College in

central Michigan, was one of the 126 participants in a recent BORN FREE National Training Institute held at the University of Minnesota.

Her reasons for participating in the training institute are both professional (for the career counseling and workshops she does at Alma and for professional associations) and personal (for keeping options open to her own children. Her son was the five-year old who thinks women aren't mechanics).

In her role as a counselor at Alma, she serves as co-coordinator and trainer for a week-long faculty seminar on academic advising, careers and career options for

graduates and has been instrumental in the inclusion of training in sex-fair career information and counseling. Ms. Riser-schoch has written a career decision module which deals almost exclusively with understanding sex roles and the impact of decision making.

"BORN FREE's membership, roughly equal between men and women," she said, "is filled with people working in positions where they have the ability to make change."

Six educational leaders from Michigan were selected from among 26 applicants to attend the recent BORN FREE training institute. In addition to Ginny Riser-Schoch, the others are: Jim Mahrt, director of Career Exploration Project, a project to train counselors and teachers statewide during 1978-79; Jo Jacobs, consultant on sex equity (Title IX) for the Michigan Department of Education; Betty Barber, a teacher educator for Eastern Michigan University; Dennis Waddell, director of career education for Flint Community Schools; and Margaret James-Neill, a private consultant in program development, Kalamazoo.

"With the representation Michigan has, we have a good chance of implementing BORN FREE's programs," Riser-Schoch said. A state-wide plan to disseminate information includes each of the six giving at least three presentations before various groups during the coming year. Ms. Riser-Schoch has scheduled two to date: one for the Wayne County Intermediate School District and one for the Michigan Home Economics Teachers fall conference.

"Part of the BORN FREE purpose is to make people — educators and counselors — aware of the power they have to influence children. A lot of BORN FREE's training material is aimed at schools and counselors to help them avoid using their own sex-related bias in dealing with clients," she said.

"It is just as important for little boys to realize that men have options in career choice as it is for little girls to realize that women have options," she continued. "It's very frightening to ask an eight year-old boy what he wants to be and find out he's already limited in his options."

"In order to get to everyone — from kindergarten on up — the training of people involved with students is very important. I would like to work with the PTA and parents. That's where it all begins, with parent awareness."

KOLB'S CORNER

By Eugene Kolb
Department of Political Science

Probably the most important diplomatic meeting of the year -- and perhaps of the decade -- is currently underway at the Presidential retreat at Camp David outside Washington, where Carter is meeting with President Sadat of Egypt and Prime Minister Begin of Israel. The talks were launched by Carter as an almost desperate last-minute effort to restore some momentum to stalemate Middle East peace negotiations. The risks are high for all three political leaders, for they may all be placing their political futures on the line. But the risks for the three countries, and particularly for the U.S., are even higher: some success increases prospects for peace and for an improved American position in the vital Middle East; total failure risks eventual war, and major setbacks for America's global influence.

The 1973 Arab-Israeli war showed once again how important the Middle East is to the U.S. and to its friends and allies. In order to weaken support for Israel, the Arabs imposed an embargo on the shipment of oil to the U.S., West Europe, and Japan, and this inability to get Middle East oil sent shock waves through all Western economies. Another Arab oil embargo imposed as part of either diplomatic or military strategy against Israel would create even greater shock waves, particularly since the U.S. now imports almost half of its oil requirements, and the bulk of these imports come from the Middle East. That same war also again raised the spectre of an American-Soviet military confrontation. As in 1956 and again in 1967, the Soviets threatened to intervene militarily in support of their Arab allies, while the U.S. threatened counter-intervention on behalf of Israel. An explosive confrontation was precluded in all three wars by hasty diplomatic efforts to arrange an Arab-Israeli armistice -- but not a peace.

Since 1973 American diplomacy has accomplished much with respect to alleviating Arab-Israeli hostility and bring Israel and Egypt closer together. A significant development came early in 1978 when Sadat paid an unprecedented visit to Israel (with whom Egypt is still in a formal state of war), expressed his determination to seek a firm peace, and formulated some proposals involving the exchange of peace for territories conquered by Israel in 1967 and still occupied by Israeli armies. But Sadat's courageous initiative provoked a storm of wrath from other Arab governments, and subsequent Egyptian-Israeli negotiations persist, as a minimum Sadat's political future is in jeopardy, as a maximum his life (for assassination is a common way of disposing of unpopular leaders in the Middle East). But what is more important than the life of one man is the survival of the "Middle East peace-Camp"; the political or biological death of Sadat will mark the triumph of war hawks in Egypt and throughout the Middle East.

The immediate (but not only) problem lies with the formula for "exchanging peace for territory." Egypt sincerely promises peace, and can probably win the support of other Arab states for a permanent peace, in return for Israeli commitment, at least in principle, to eventual withdrawal from most of the territories conquered during the 1967 war. The other involved Israeli recognition of the principle that the Palestinian Arabs -- those now living in occupied territories as well as those who fled to adjacent Arab countries -- have certain rights to a homeland of their own, to some kind of an Arab Palestine. But the current Israeli government is stubbornly resisting withdrawal, particularly from the "West Bank" -- territory taken from Jordan west of the Jordan River; and is also resisting the principle of "Palestinian rights." This resistance seems to be due to three fears and convictions on the part of Begin and others in Israel: that recognition of Palestinian rights belongs to Israel; that recognition of Palestinian rights would ultimately imply recognition of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) of Israel; and that withdrawal from the West Bank would ultimately result in PLO domination of that area and thus pose an unacceptable security threat to Israel.

But while a strong case can be made for Begin's position, the realities of the Middle East indicate that concessions in the direction of Sadat's demands must be made if peace is to be attained. Sadat cannot achieve peace by himself; he needs the support of his people back home, and he needs the active involvement of other Arab states in peace negotiations. Israeli movement in the direction of his demands is essential for him to obtain such support -- particularly that of Syria, Jordan, and Saudi Arabia. And although these and other Arab states are quite willing to use the PLO and Arab Palestinians as pawns in their game, they must get some PLO support because the terrorists and propaganda arms of this organization can create domestic havoc within their own territories. Further, Israeli resistance undermines the basic principle of "peace for evacuation of occupied territory" included in a 1967 United Nations Resolution which so far has served as the main basis for peace negotiations, and hence tends to virtually destroy all diplomatic advances since that year.

A breakdown of the current Camp David talks would not result in an immediate war: Israel currently enjoys significant military superiority of which the Arabs are only too well aware, and the Arab states are too badly divided to be able to launch a united military effort. But the possible or even probable consequences of breakdown are easy to foresee: the virtual destruction of all peace-making successes since 1973; a major decline of American influence throughout the Middle East; major increases in Arab and Soviet aid to Palestinian guerrillas and terrorists; stepped up guerrilla warfare against Israel and PLO terrorist activity around the globe; restoration of some unity among Arab states; gradual enhancement of Arab military strength and an increased flow of Soviet weaponry to these states; and eventually -- with only the date unpredictable -- a fifth Arab-Israeli war, involving perhaps another Arab oil embargo, and still another American-Soviet confrontation.

Gratiot County Involved in Fund Drive for Alma College

By Mary Ellen Liike
News Writer

The Gratiot County Community is presently participating in a fund drive to help balance the budget of Alma College. Last year, in 14 days, 85 volunteers recruited 695 donors that gave Alma College \$110,000.

The 1978 Gratiot Com-

munity Fund Drive had its kick-off last Tuesday and will continue through next Tuesday. All of the money raised by the volunteers of this community will go directly to Alma College to help meet expenses.

In spite of the fact that the students are paying more tuition than last year, tuition pays for only 70% of the

expenses. Alma College must raise an additional \$850,000 in this fiscal year to keep the budget balanced. This money does not include any past debts, only expenses that will be incurred this year, over and above the tuition the students are paying.

Inflation, rising energy and utility costs are some of

the reasons for this large fund raising goal. A total of 22 separate fund raising events are expected to aid Alma in attaining this goal.

According to Steve Falk, Assistant Director of Development, there is not a specific goal set for the Gratiot Community Fund Drive. Falk says, "We are appreciative of all dona-

tions. The people of Gratiot County are very generous and they do what they can."

The 1978 fund drive Chairman is Omar Garberson of Consumer's Power. Garberson supervises 15 other volunteers that are chairmen of divisions. Attorneys, dentists, chain stores, real estate agents, Alumni and the Alma College faculty are among the 15 divisions.

Some of the volunteers call this the easiest and most enjoyable fund drive to work on. Why is there this enormous response? Falk believes that by donating, the community is saying that they believe in Alma College as a quality institution.

Other reasons for success may be that merchants expect Alma College students and their parents to spend \$650,000 in the community this year, and that 65% of the 7.7 million dollars spent by Alma College remains in Gratiot County.

Falk also attributes the success of the drive to the attitude of the Alma College students. "They are a part of Gratiot County. Students participate in Big Brothers-Big Sisters, United Way and the Salvation Army. The attitudes and values of the students and the community are similar. It is a mutually advantageous relationship."

Student Council Discusses New Ideas

By Laura Barron
News Writer

The opening of a new academic year at Alma brings not only new faces, but also new ideas and new events. Student Council discussed many of these ideas and events at their September 13th meeting.

Among the events of the meeting was the election of a new Student Council treasurer. Senior Kelly Covert, the former treasurer resigned her position due to full time work with Saga Foods, and junior Steve

Bowman was appointed as the new treasurer.

Student Council also discussed the Drinking Age Referendum with plans of supplying students with information about registering to vote, obtaining absentee ballots, and understanding the proposal itself. Council President Jack McGill stated "We owe it to the campus to publish this information and tell the students about it."

A new selection committee was also formed at the meeting. This screening committee will review pet-

itions for positions on the community government committees. Senior Helen Phillips was chosen chairperson of the committee with the members being senior Mark Patterson, juniors Ulli Aumen and Kathy Wolfe, and sophomore John Chester Morris.

Vice President Ulli Aumen announced at the meeting that she will be the chairperson of both the Student Budget and Finance Committee and the Election Board Committee. The Student Budget and Finance

Committee is responsible for monitoring student activities spending and for forming the 1979-1980 student budget. This year's Election Board Committee will be running the student elections and also discussing new campaign rules.

Other ideas of discussion at the meeting included the forming of an information center for commuting students (located in Tyler Campus Center), sorority housing, alternative meal plans, and the possibility of individual phones in the rooms at new dorms.

Student Council also welcomes all interested students to attend the meetings and share their ideas.

Cable T.V. to be Installed Throughout Campus

By Mary Wood
News Writer

Within forty-five days, Cable TV should be broadcasting across the entire Alma College campus. The decision to buy Cable TV was because reception on Campus was so poor, according to Mr. Robert Fraker, Director of Purchasing, Personnel, and Auxiliary Services. Most antennas in the resident halls are non-rotational, so even local reception was not of good quality. Not only will local stations come in better with Cable, but channels from Cadillac, Grand Rapids, Windsor, and Detroit can be received. However, the installation of Cable TV does not enable students with their own private TV sets to get the Cable Service. Cables are only being put on sets in such communal spots as dorm lounges. The option of

buying recently run movies will not be available to dorm dwellers.

Another feature of Cable TV is Channel 2. Channel 2, with studio located in Room 311 in the Academic Center, is a community-oriented station. Weekly programs

such as "Job Hotline" and "Views on Careers" have been extremely successful in helping citizens of Gratiot County. Anyone interested in developing further programming, or even using Channel 2 is encouraged to contact Sister Kathleen Ronan, extension 350.

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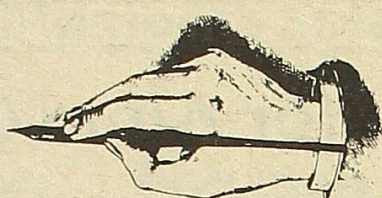
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EDITOR'S COMMENT



by Susette Balogh
Editor-in-chief

On a recent evening, I sat down with pen in hand to do an honorable thing -- I was going to write a letter to my mother. My good intentions were quickly aborted when I discovered I had stored too much information to find a place to begin and ever hope to end a letter.

It's been a long time since I last heard from her, I thought. Now, I've been here for over two weeks. If your mom is anything like my mom, I know she's been losing sleep wondering if I'm drinking my orange juice and taking my iron pill. In fact, I haven't gotten a phone call from any of my friends elsewhere nor my family in all this time. Why not? The answer is simple -- I am not available during the Student Affairs prescribed hours during which I can receive outside calls.

Because I live in a college housing unit without a pay phone, all outside calls to this extension must go through the switchboard. If the switchboard is not open, I can receive no calls.

It is not unusual for me to settle back into my room after the new switchboard closing time of 11:00 p.m. Because I have a job and a full-credit load and, like most Alma students, a busy schedule, I cannot conveniently receive phone calls.

My parents prefer to call me after 11:00 p.m. This is not only to improve their chances of finding me available but also because the rates decrease after that time. Long distance calls decrease by 30% after 11:00 p.m. Unless I cut down on my studying or some of the activities in which The Corporation, as affectionately referred to by one of our beloved staff members, encourages participation, I will not be able to partake of this discount.

This phone system is a hassle in other ways too. If I want to place a long distance call, my only choices are to call collect or refer the charges to a third party. That cost happens to be more than twice the cost of a direct or person-to-person call.

One can appreciate another nuisance with this new system if one has ever tried to call anyone in Mitchell Hall. I've called over there during the periods the switchboard was supposed to be open and ended up on a floor phone and not at the central switch. And, sometimes it's not even the floor corresponding to the number listed in the little telephone book. It's as bad as calling during the times the switchboard is closed. I have discovered that the members of 'The Zoo' do not readily relay telephone messages either.

Heaven forbid an emergency ever arises and someone has to get in touch with me. I might not receive a message until a day or two later.

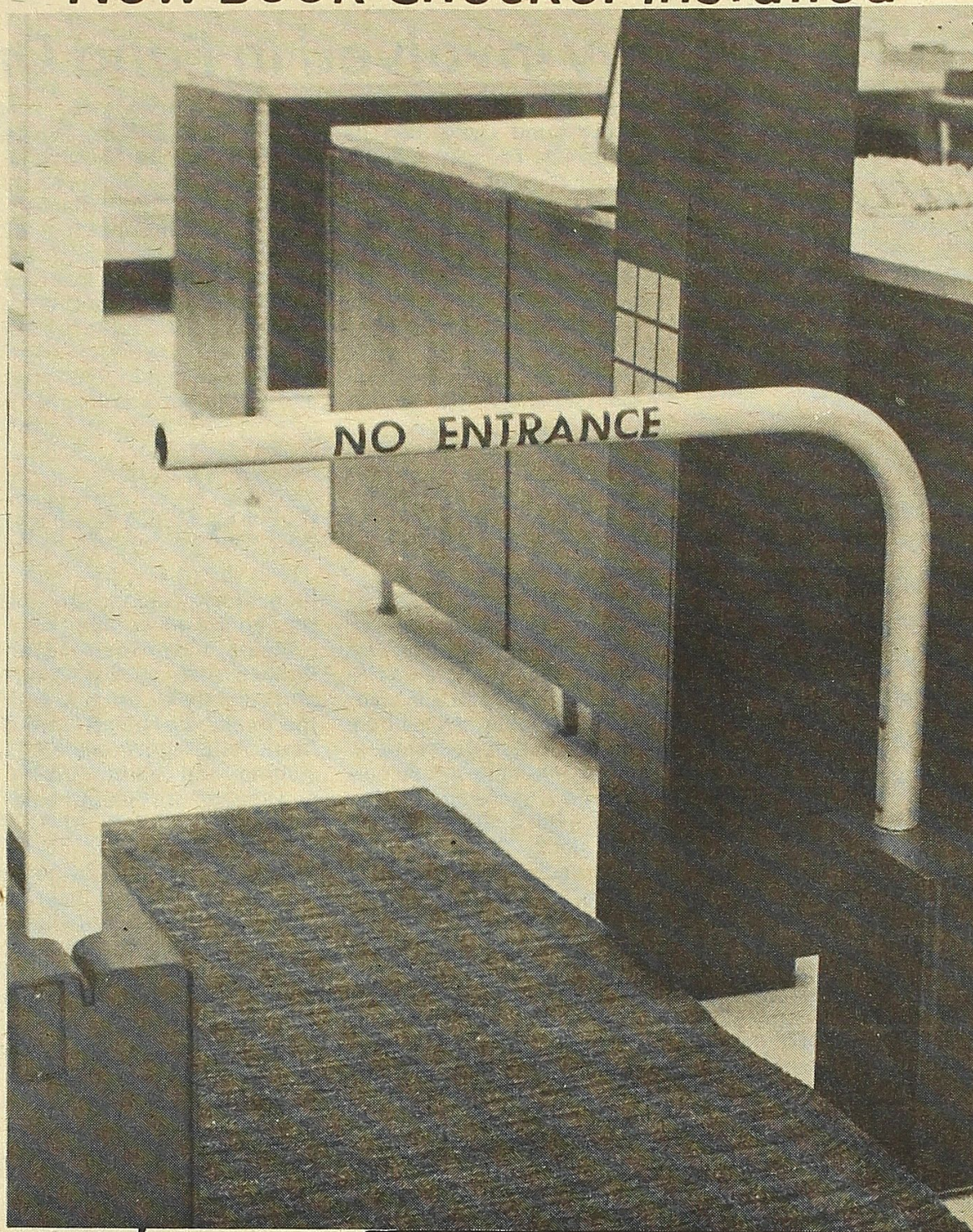
Dean Maust claims the new hours are to "improve the services to South and not raise the cost to the students generally on the campus." This new system does not make it. I resent the fact that my services are decreased and my costs are raised. If we students present a legitimate argument such as this, it is only reasonable to assume Student Affairs will take another look at their intended improvements.

In a more positive note, good things are coming your way! The Cat is back. Freelance cartoonist and alumnus Richard Stevens will submit a piece of his work weekly. Many thanks to Cat. I'm sure both students and faculty will enjoy his cartoon.

A public thank-you is also due to Dr. Eugene Kolb, author of the Kolb's Korner column. His efforts will undoubtedly benefit those who read the column and are appreciated very much.

Hope things are getting underway well. Have a good week!

New Book Checker Installed



A new electronic book checker has been installed in Monteith Library to gain better control over the flow of traffic into and out of the library. The new arrangement channels students through the exit gate of the electronic detection system in an attempt to cut down on "borrowed" books. Most of an academic library's "missing" books turn up again in six to eight months anyway. The system will cut down the number of such books by 75%-90%. The money saved by reducing the book loss rate will pay for the system in an estimated three years. After three years, the library will have more than \$5,000 extra per year to spend on new purchases rather than on replacements.

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Letter To The Editor

This letter is addressed to Dave Andrews' September 13 "Larj at Large" which was large on assumption and little on fact!

Let's take the Registration line. It's no secret that the "card shuffling" process in past years has been slow -- backed up right at the first gate. There was never any problem drinking a cup of coffee, or chewing a pretzel, or going through the entire yearbook before getting through the door!

This year, except for an occasional delay at the pho-

tographer's "corral," the registration process ran efficiently and left less time for students to visit at the Alumni Hospitality Table.

At January 1979 winter registration, the Alumni Hospitality Table will be located on the west side of the P.E. Center lobby, because your suggestion is a good one. However, I resent the assumption that "they really don't want you to drink it." Somehow, 35 gallons of punch and coffee were consumed in spite of "The Corporation's" effi-

ciency!

I welcome any suggestions or comments and would've liked the courtesy of responding to this one before it became an item on your "bitch" list. I invite you and any other students to come over to the Alumni Office and share your concerns at any time. There's a cup of coffee waiting for you -- and you can't beat the price!

Linda David '69
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Colorful History of Alma's TKEs

By Bob Decker
News Writer

A Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) Advisory Committee memorandum dated June 8, 1978, acknowledged a clear change in TKE Fraternity's status at Alma College since academic year 1976-77. At that time the TKE's were to have been on probation from September 1, 1976 to September 1, 1977. This would have meant no pledging, campus social activities, or living in the fraternity house for the TKE's. However, as most students on this campus probably know, they weren't required by the administration to remain on probation under its original restrictions for the entire year. How was this accomplished?

On November 6, 1976, President Swanson officially announced that the TKE's were going to be allowed to assume colony status, the status which is assigned to any fledgling fraternity on this campus. As a colony the TKE's were still not allowed to live in their house or take pledges but could hold activities on campus if they were approved by the administration.

This proposal for change in status was initiated by Executive Director of the International Headquarters of Tau Kappa Epsilon, T.I. Schmitz. He approached the administration with a constructive proposal, suggesting that the TKE's be allowed to exist as a colony within a framework of regulations.

The administration ac-

cepted this as a positive alternative to having the TKE's lie dormant for a protracted period of time. This, however, was only the beginning of a long process.

First a plan of action was drawn up including tentative timetables. Members for the colony were then selected by a committee representing the alumni of the local chapter and the International Fraternity.

Committees were set up. There was an International Headquarters Committee consisting of TKE alumni and International Office staff. An Advisory Committee representing various

campus and local interests was set up as well. On this committee were Dr. Masanari (Faculty Representative), Mr. Schumm (Student Life Committee), Mr. Bushouse (TKE alumni), and Dave Campbell (administrative staff). Also on this committee was Rich Studley, a resident of Alma and Assistant City Manager, who left to become City Manager of Clare.

The colony worked a great deal with these committees. The International Headquarters Committee required monthly progress reports. There were weekly meetings with the commit-

tees during which goods and objectives were discussed. The TKE's were helped a great deal by their advisor, Dr. Pattison.

The colony was frequently evaluated in terms of its goals and objectives. For that matter, every aspect of the fraternity's activities were under the scrutiny of the administration and the International Headquarters, finances, social life, care of the house, etc. "Everything," says Senior member Jack McGill, "that you can imagine being involved with a fraternity."

The fruit of all the work and evaluation was a note-

book-sized petition for reinstatement. It was a compilation of documents pertaining to every phase of the fraternity's life.

The process of reinstatement was not without its frustrations. Some members were upset because they were not permitted to join the colony. At times the colony felt uncertain as to what exactly the administration expected of them.

It all worked out in the end. All of the former TKE's who applied for reactivation were accepted last fall and the TKE's are once again back into the swing of things.

Alma Considering Scotland Connections

By Mark Ashman
News Writer

Proud to be an Alma Scot? Alma College is proud enough of its students to try and arrange a program in which you could become a full-time student attending the University of Aberdene in Scotland. The University consists of six thousand students who have a very different cultural background, but like us, they are young, idealistic, and inquisitive in the search for knowledge.

The University is highly assessed academically with a teaching system structurally quite different than Alma. Its academic methods of grading are different be-

cause they do not evaluate a student's progress by submitting a letter grade, which is a reflection of their culture. The instructors, however, would submit a letter grade to Alma students which would be sent to Alma College and recorded. It isn't easy, but, the learned student could handle the adjustment and would progress if the initiative was present.

Alma's requirements are limiting, because they will only admit juniors and seniors. The grade point average must be a three point or better and of course, you must have a basic interest in living abroad for a year. If you are a freshman, sophomore, or even a junior let your interests be known,

because the earlier your advisor is aware of them, the easier it will be to schedule your junior or senior year.

There has not been a set financial quota as of yet, however, the school is trying to arrange it so the cost would be the same as here at Alma. This would also be arranged at Alma before leaving to lessen the confusion.

Interested? In the future there will be a film on the University of Aberdene from an alumnus who attended the school. If you would like to find out in a little more depth about the college, contact John Agria, Dean of Instruction, in the Academic Center. Please remember the earlier you contact him, the sooner this program will go into effect, so hurry!

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Something For Everyone at Alma's Season Opener

Terry Moore, violinist and Joan Conway, pianist will present a concert on Sunday, September 24th in the College Chapel at 4:00 p.m. They will play Sonata in F major, op. 24 by Beethoven, Concerto #1 in D major, op. 15 by Prokofiev and Sonata #3 in C minor, op. 45 by Grieg. There is no admission charge for this recital.

Terry Moore, violinist, is a graduate of Indiana Univer-

sity and Catholic University, Washington, D.C. His studies include work with Daniel Guilet and Dorothy DeLay.

Joan Conway, pianist, earned her Masters Degree at the Manhattan School of Music. She was a performer and staff member of the Bay View Conservatory of Music in Michigan for seven years. This is her tenth year at Hope College.

A quote from Dr. Sullivan: "I think this will be a very exciting opening to Alma's musical season. The program they have planned provides something for all to enjoy from lush romanticism and beautiful melodies of Grieg to the excitement of the Russian composer, Prokofiev. We are most fortunate to have the opportunity of having these two fine artists."

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In the November 7 election, many issues will appear on the ballot affecting Alma College students. In order to cast a vote on this date, students must either: 1) become a registered voter by October 10, or 2) if already a registered voter, apply for an absentee ballot.

Voters are registered automatically upon renewal of their first driver's license, usually at the age of 19. Voters may register of their own accord at the age of 18, although this procedure is not automatic. If students are not registered voters in their hometowns, they may register here in Alma, however, this restricts the student to voting on issues concerning the Alma and Gratiot County area, rather than those of their hometown.

Voter registration must be completed by October 10. In Alma, this may be done at the Alma Municipal Building, 525 E. Superior, Monday - Friday 8-5p.m., Saturday October 7 8-5p.m., and Tuesday October 10 8-8p.m.

For those who are already registered in their hometown, an application for the absentee ballot must be mailed to your respective county clerk's office **as soon as possible**. These applications for absentee ballots will be available in both Hamilton and Van Dusen Commons on Tuesday, September 19 at dinner.

Any questions concerning voter registration may be directed to Dan Harp, 109 Mitchell Hall, Chet Morris, TKE house, or Kathy Wolfe, 332 Gelston.

Proposal "D" Will Raise Drinking Age

Much confusion has arisen in past weeks over Proposal D, the proposed Michigan Constitutional amendment to raise the drinking age to 21. This proposal, which will appear on the November 7 ballot, reads as follows: "Proposal D — Proposal to prohibit alcoholic beverages from being sold to, or possessed for purposes of personal consumption by, a person under the age of 21. The proposed amendment would:

- 1) define an alcoholic beverage
- 2) prohibit sale or giving of an alcoholic beverage to a person under 21.
- 3) prohibit the possession for personal consumption of an alcoholic beverage by a person under the age of 21.

Passage of Proposal D means that those under 21, **EVEN IF THEY NOW POS-**

SESS THE RIGHT TO DRINK, will be banned from possessing and/or consuming alcohol. If the proposal is defeated, the drinking age will remain at 18 until December 3. At that time, the legal age would be raised to 19 although those already 18 would not be affected.

By Laura Barron
News Writer

Freshmen will be casting their votes this Wednesday, September 20, in election of their class officers. The offices to be taken by the highest vote-receiver include President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Student Council Representative. In the Presidential category, a three-man race will appear on the ballot including the likes of Willard S. Wallgren, Robert M. McNamara and Roger Kadwell. The Vice-Presidential spot is being pursued by Pete Walsh and Darryl G. Schimeck. Janet Armenia and Mary Andrakowicz are candidates for the Secretary-Treasurer position for the class of '82. The Student Council Representative post will be taken by either Charlene Carpenter or MaryBeth MacKinnon. Below appear brief statements by the candidates concerning their nomination and possible election. Consider their comments, and talk with them if you have the opportunity, in deciding your choice for the offices.

Presidential Candidates
Willard S. Wallgren II: "I feel that the pressures and obscurities of a student's freshman year will be relieved by the availability of

necessary information. Through constant and reliable sources, information is a freshman's lifeline. I don't feel that I am in a good position to promise major campus changes. However, I can promise energetic devotion to my duties. This, I feel, will bring about the opportunities to make changes, as our class deems them necessary. I would appreciate your support as I offer my service to my fellow classmates."

Robert M. McNamara: "As a freshman entering Alma College, I find it essential to have good leadership for our class. Granted, leadership is 'easier said than done', but I feel I can lead the freshman class with no major difficulties. The support, therefore, of the remainder of the freshman class will make the year of 1978 a success."

Roger Kadwell: "The position of Class President is one which should not be taken lightly. It is a responsibility as well as an honor. My experience in student government alone would qualify my submission of the form. However, I feel that more is needed than experience. We need determination, and above all, an exacting amount of loyalty to the position."

Vice-President
Pete Walsh: "I am running for the office of Vice-President of the freshman class of Alma College. I am very interested in becoming a part of the Alma College Student Government. I participated in the Pre-Term workshop 'A Leader for all Seasons.' I feel by taking this workshop I have prepared myself in such a way that I could take on the duty and responsibility of the Vice-Presidential office."

Darryl G. Schimeck: "If elected, I would keep myself informed as to what is going on around campus, not only problems, but also campus life in general. Keeping informed is important, but I feel that all too often, the class officers are informed, but that is where it ends. I will make every effort to be available to talk with you about any questions, problems, or complaints that you may have."

Secretary-Treasurer
Janet Armenia: "If I, Janet Armenia, were to secure the office of secretary-treasurer for our class of 1982, I would put forth my best efforts to succeed. I am very optimistic about the progress that will result throughout our freshman year as well as the future. Given the opportunity, I will be able to handle all aspects

of this office."

Mary Andrakowicz: "I feel that I can offer my talents and capabilities to this responsible position. If elected, I will dedicate myself to keeping the treasury operating in an efficient, stable manner. I would very much appreciate your support and your vote in this coming election."

Student Council Representative
Charlene Carpenter: "I feel that to become an active student at Alma College, you must show initiative, ambition, and leadership. I hope to have the chance to demonstrate all of these qualities as Student Council Representative. I feel because of my past experiences I am capable of listening to and understanding the needs of people, which I believe vitally important if I am to assume the position of Student Council Representative."

MaryBeth MacKinnon: "I feel that I have the experience needed for this duty. We must all work together if we want our Student Council to work for us. I would like to contribute my efforts to expressing our class views to the Student Council. By becoming involved with all aspects of Alma College, I will not only be fulfilling my own inner needs, but also helping the rest of my class

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Freshmen to Elect Officers

DOWN THE ROAD WITH MURRILL

by Dave Buhl
ALMANIAN Columnist



The rapid growth in photography as a hobby has opened the field to a large number of people who previously could not afford it. Among this group are a select few who are politely called enthusiasts by those in the business. I prefer to call them a simple, more common name -- fools.

One popular style of fool is the gung-ho cameraman that knows all the jargon. Physically, he looks like any other photographer, but he speaks in a, shall I say, gay manner. For example, I asked one of these types if he would take my picture, and what did he say? "Oh lordy, lordy, my, yes... my gyro zoom lens on F 1.8 offers the most magnificent shots in a media-mode shutter slip, and the standard distance angle just makes the whole thing peachy... don't you agree, fella?"

"Is it black and white film?" I asked.

"Would I use anything else -- I don't discriminate against any minority group," he responded. I like bright guys.

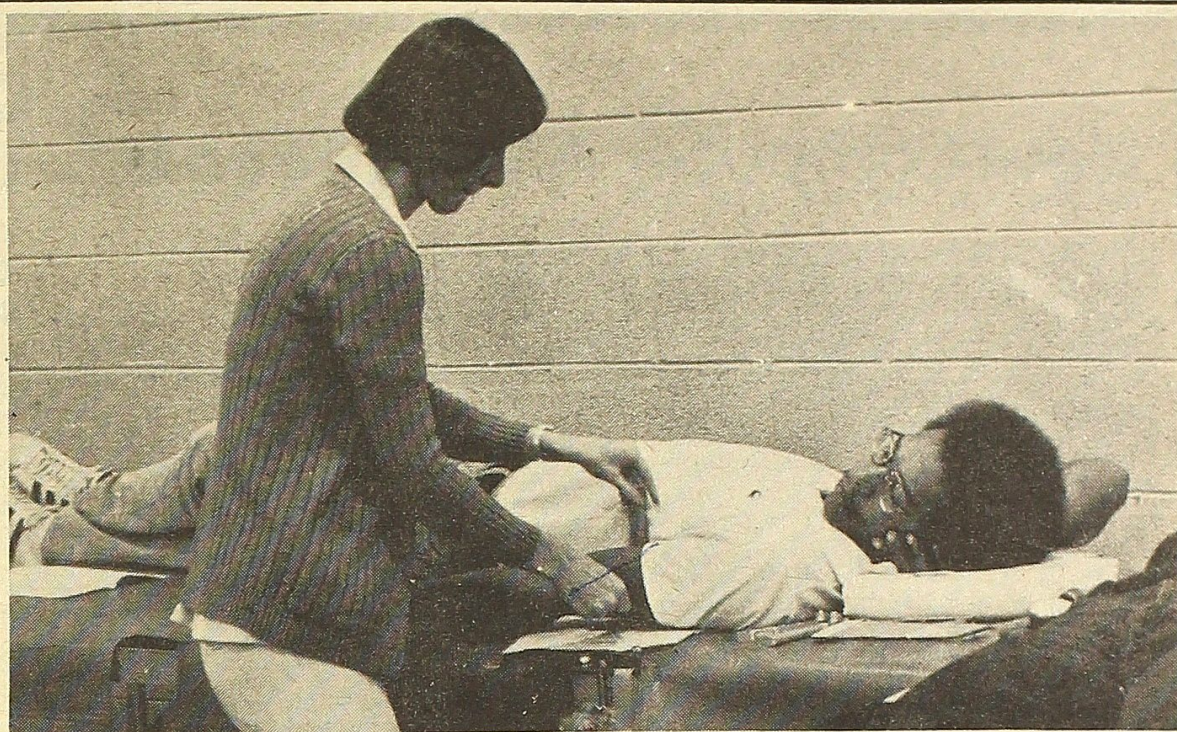
I "shutter" to mention the next major group of fools, although to me they offer the most stupidity. These photographers are the ones that try to make a million bucks on pornography.

First they buy about \$5,000 in equipment that they can't operate. Next, a model is found. Usually she comes from the red-light district and looks like she smuggles watermelons for the migrants. Of course, she also has to be an influential type. This usually means that she personally knows everyone at the free health clinic by name, has a nickname herself like "Crabby" or "Peaches," or worked on the "Pills for Thrill" campaign. Once the photographer has his studio filled with equipment and models, he can begin his creative thoughts.

Of course, now is no time to mention horses or whipped cream, and I personally would be embarrassed to bring up whips, chains, and black leather. (I haven't owned a suit like that for year). Besides, if one pursues these subjects, one can get tied up and literally beaten into admitting that these pictures might be a true art form.

One last division of photographers are known as the psychos. Do they really take pictures of worthwhile things? For example, test tube babies after the tube breaks and pictures of V.D. for junior-high health classes. M-m-m. Makes me hungry. These photographers feel that their "job is pretty heavy, but they can dig it." They can have it.

In short, professional photography should be left to talented people. So how about removing the idiots from the darkrooms and putting the real perverts back where they belong.



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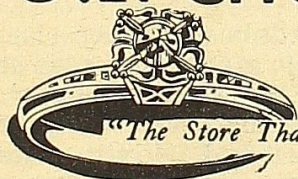
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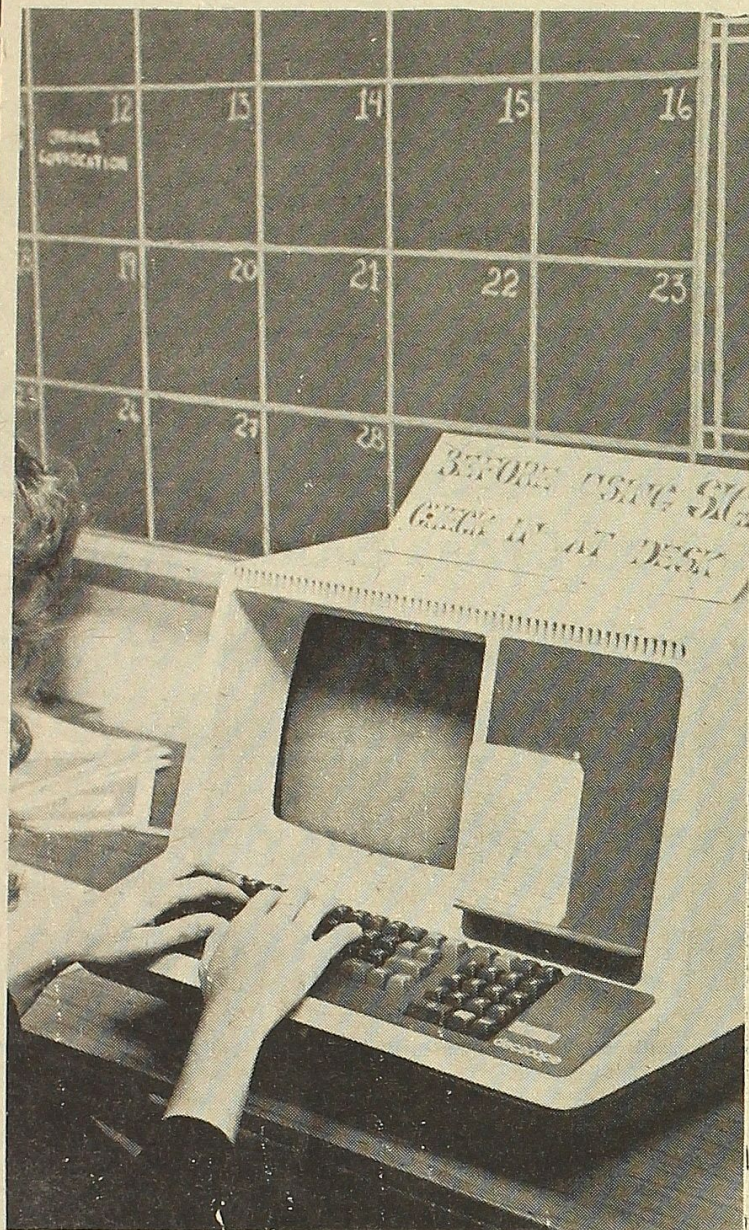
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New Computer Aids Students



By Rich Lovell
News Writer

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SIGI and the Career Information Center are there to benefit you. Take advantage of this program to enhance the possibility of making the correct career decisions.

SIGI the newest addition to the Career Information Center's program. [ALMANIAN photo by Elke Martin]

Admissions Gains New Director

By Doug Oberst
Feature Editor

Lately, a new face has been seen in and around the Admissions Office. She is a bright, attractive young lady who will be representing Alma College in the Detroit area, serving as an admissions counselor and informing prospective college students of what Alma has to offer. Her name is Jan Webb, and she has been chosen as Alma's new Assistant Director of Admissions.

Jan, a 1970 graduate of Alma College, is very enthusiastic about her new position, although admissions counseling is in no way new to her.

A sociology major with an English minor, Jan has four years previous experience with the Admissions department at Alma. "When I graduated with my sociology major, I decided I didn't want to go into social work. I was offered a job with the admissions department here at Alma, so I worked four years." When asked about the nature and extent of her responsibilities as Assistant Director, Jan commented on what she will be doing on her new job.

"The position is a new idea in that I will be working exclusively in the Detroit

area. I live with my husband in Birmingham, and from there I will work out of my home each day. Over sixty schools and churches in the area will be included in my visits."

Jan will also be present at several special events held in the Detroit area — events which require her skill in the field of public relations.

Before concluding the interview, the **ALMANIAN** asked the new Assistant Director what she thought of the student recruiting business. "It's definitely getting competitive out there," says Jan. "We as admissions counselors, aren't just looking for warm bodies. We look for quality students who we believe will excel at a college like Alma." She added, "Due to the growing number of community colleges, plus the push students receive toward vocational schooling, it's getting harder for colleges to get enough quality students. But Alma has held its own and is doing very well . . . in fact, the grade point average for incoming students is now in the neighborhood of 3.47 overall!"

Energetic and ambitious, Jan will certainly be a valuable asset to Alma College and the Admissions Department.

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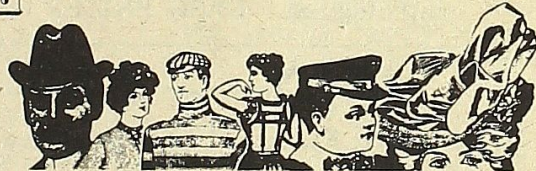
"When the Last Pitcher is Poured" is the title of the September 24 Dunning Chapel talk to be given by Dr. Eugene Pattison of the English Department. The service begins at 11:00 a.m.

Dr. Pattison is an associate Professor of English and an ordained Presbyterian minister. He is returning to full-time teaching and campus activity this fall after a one-term sabbatical leave. During his sabbatical Dr.

Pattison toured the state of Ohio preparing a slide show on the events behind W.D. Howells' novel, **The Leatherstocking God**. He also visited a dozen campuses to observe student life programs and administration.

The sermon Pattison expects to deliver is based on the story of Elijah in I Kings 17:1-16 and on John 2:1-11. It will address a number of social problems and possibilities facing college students today.

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The legendary Brothers of Theta Chi wish to express that the house has now been supplied with toilet paper for the convenience of all.

Feel free to drop in and drop it sometime. Toilet paper, as well as beer, pop and good toons, will be furnished at the CSA hall party, Friday, September 22. Cost is \$3 stag and \$5 drag.

TKE

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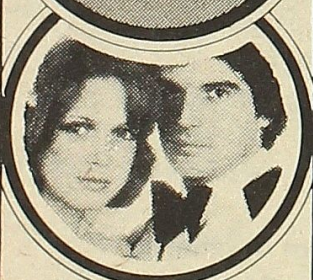
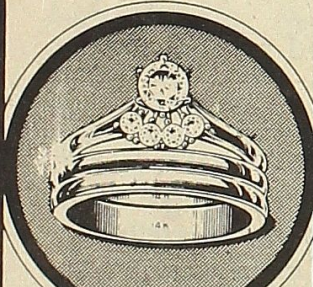
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NOTE from the Editor

Due to the late release of the information contained in the following article, comments elsewhere in this issue are dated. The staff of THE ALMANIAN does whatever is reasonably possible to provide readers with up-to-date information.

By Carolyn Towar

On Sunday, September 17, our generation was given the

privilege of witnessing a truly historical event. President Carter, Prime Minister Begin of Israel, and President Sadat of Egypt signed two agreements which hold great import for the entire world. These agreements signal the much-anticipated end of thirty years of strife in the Middle East.

Prime Minister Begin agreed on the behalf of Israel to call a halt to Israeli building on the West Bank. While a completely autonomous government is being set up there, small groups of Israeli troops will be allowed to

remain in specified spots to protect Israeli citizens.

Israel has also agreed to relinquish the Sinai Peninsula. Three air fields are being released from Israeli authority and turned over to Egyptian Civil Authority.

While much remains to be made toward peace between the countries of Israel and Egypt. After Carter outlined the agreements, he praised the two leaders for their perseverance in negotiation.

The emotional climax of the press conference came after the speeches of Sadat and Begin when the two leaders embraced each other in a show of goodwill and friendship. After watching the three leaders sign the agreements, the world can only agree with Alan Alda, who explained as the Emmy Awards resumed, how touched everyone in the studio had been to hear "those sweet words of peace."

Editorial Comment by Richard Stevens

The prophet Jerimiah once observed: "Well you know, Yahweh, the course of man is not in his control, nor is it in man's power as he goes his way to guide his steps" (Jerimiah 10:23).

The announcement last night of the conclusion of the Camp David Middle East Peace talks demonstrates the course of political intrigue and the steps taken towards peace.

The implications of these talks were clearly examined in Dr. Kolb's column in this weeks ALMANIAN. Menachem Begin remarked that we still are not able to declare "We have Peace." Indeed, there remains much to be done. "Only time will tell," as the prophets will say. It is time for Peace.

I was in the Navy during the outbreak of the 1973 Yom Kippur War, my ship, a slow

moving fast sinking oiler, was cruising the North Atlantic when news arrived of the conflict in the Sinai.

I naturally spent the remainder of the war sailing about the Mediterianean escorting the Iwo Jima, while the Soviet fleet "escorted" us.

My battle station was at the lower level of the ship's Engine Room. From this vantage I would often look at the bilges during general quarters and contemplate the implications of the "war." (These being — I could get killed.)

Now, five years later, I have managed to survive war and accademia to secure the prosperity a college degree promises. Though many will pontificate upon the implications of this settlement, my mind will almost surely return to those bilges.

Although the steps are not always in our control, peace still means life.

PROFILE

by Anne Wolfe
Assistant News Editor



Ulrica Aumen has seen a lot of the world, as her father had been in the Air Force for twenty years. "Dad retired in 1972 -- we've traveled in different countries, mostly Europe, and different states. It was a good childhood."

'Aumen' is a German name. Her father is an American of German descent and he met Ulrica's mother in Germany while he was in the Air Force. Traveling around in her childhood made Ulrica "learn a lot about people," and "grew a lot."

Aumen is vice-president of the Student Council. She is chairman of two committees, keeps quite busy, and enjoys it. "I've always been in the Student Council. I'm qualified for it. I like organizing things, and getting the experience. It's a great cause -- our Student Council is very important. I'd like to be able to represent students. I'd like to hear their problems and follow them through."

Aumen is also keeping busy with her classes, which she loves. "I'm taking Political Thought, State and Local Politics, and Marketing and Management. It's going to be a fantastic term, one of my best." She finds her classes very interesting.

Last summer was an important one in her life. Aumen had an internship working as public relations coordinator for the city of Alma. The job grew partly out of Aumen's being a political science and business administration major, and partly because she is a unique girl. Her project was coordinating the changes in the downtown made last summer. She reported the proposed changes to the merchants, got their ideas, took the ideas back to the city and worked it all out. It was quite a responsibility. Several articles were written about it in the Morning Sun, and as Ulrica put it, "Dad was on cloud nine reading those articles." She even created a fifteen-minute film about the downtown changes, which will be aired September 28 at 6:45 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Next spring she is considering working at the United Nations, but "that's still up in the air. I don't know if I'll get in."

Her living in England for three years and visiting Germany often and general traveling has caused Aumen to learn a lot. "I'd like to go back to England now. It's probably different than from before. I've learned much from seeing different people in different environments. I've never thought about my favorite spots. I lived in Las Vegas for three years. You learn about different aspects of people and life from different places."

"My main goal in life is to be happy. To be happy is to help other people. I enjoy helping people -- I'd like to spend the rest of my life doing it. My guideline in life is this saying I have on my door: 'Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.' I'm very happy -- I really like people."

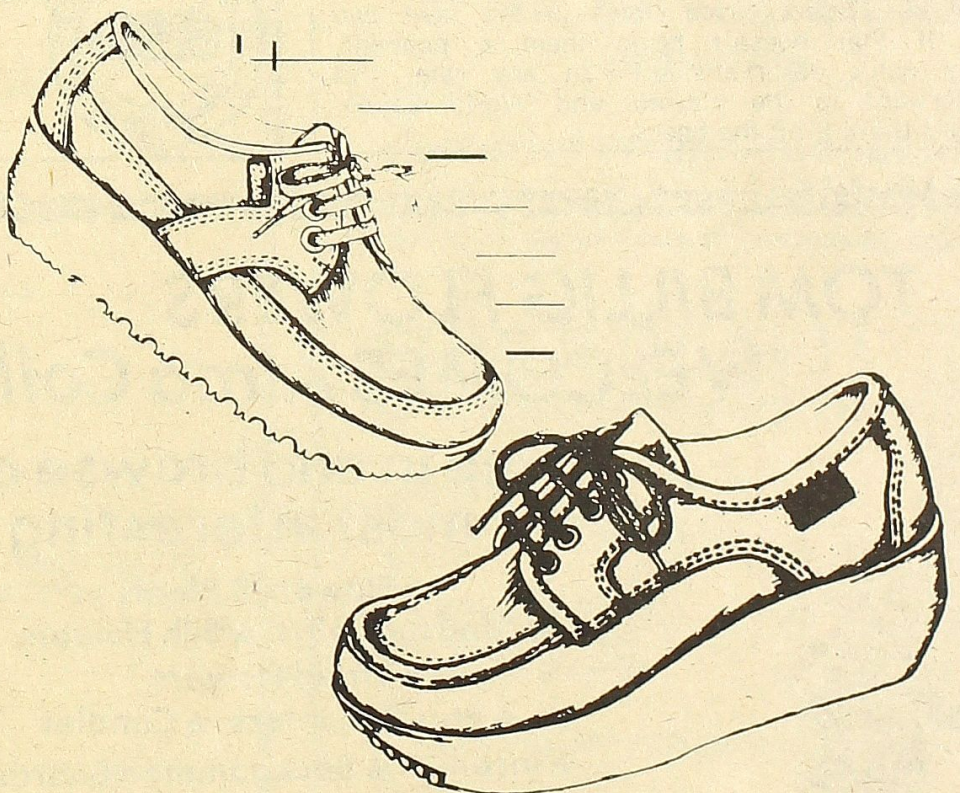
Aumen has a few hobbies. She plays raquet ball, and bicycles. Raquet ball is her favorite sport. "I'll take on anybody that can be dangerous!" she laughs. "It gives me a chance to work out my energy." She also goes in for a little tennis and plays the guitar. "I enjoy being busy," she said with a smile.

Ulrica Aumen is a busy girl who enjoys making others happy, and putting to use her many and practical talents.

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SPORTS

Bruce Gerish, Editor

Alma 14, Olivet 13

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SHORT SPORTS

by Dave Flattley
ALMANIAN Columnist



As another summer draws to a close and yet another school year begins, some of us must turn our minds away from baseball and toward academic pursuits. Some of us. Others have a little trouble letting go of the summer pastimes, particularly myself when it comes to baseball.

For the first time since the two major leagues were split several years ago, there is an honest-to-God pennant race in each division. Probably the most interesting race is in the American League East where the Boston Red Sox are folding like a cardboard house in a strong wind. The Yankees, meanwhile, have been virtually unbeatable over the past few weeks.

Last week, the Yankees entered Boston's Fenway Park a full four games behind the Red Sox. By Monday, the two were dead even with the Yankees embarrassing the Sox by scores of 15-3, 13-2, and 7-0. During that series, New York's Ron Guidry won his 21st game against just two losses, locking up the American League's Cy Young Award and, should the Yankees win the pennant, the Most Valuable Player Award over Boston's Jim Rice. Since the firing of Billy Martin, the Yankees have turned their attention away from clubhouse problems and toward the field where it belongs in an attempt to earn their ridiculous salaries. New manager Bob Lemon is a quiet type, averse to controversy and with a real knack for handling newspaper reporters.

Diplomacy and tact on Lemon's part may be as great a factor in the Yankee surge as was the long-awaited return to form of Catfish Hunter, who had won his last six starts. Speaking of newspapermen, it seems odd to me that the Yankees have made their big surge since the New York papers went out on strike. Hopefully the serenity and the strike will last the remainder of the season.

Probably the biggest factor on Boston's side in the closing weeks of the race is the fact that they play our Tigers seven times in the next two weeks. If that doesn't bring them a pennant, then they don't deserve one. At any rate, I'm looking forward to the playoffs and World Series. Maybe after that I'll hit the books.

By Bruce Gerish
Sports Editor

The Alma Scots football team won their second game of this young season over Olivet Nazarene, 14-13.

Once again Alma proved

that they can play over their mistakes, as they had an abundance of turnovers. The defense was superb, however, as it stymied Olivet drives on all but two occasions.

Olivet scored first and

held a brief 7-0 lead before Bill Fillmore connected with Chuck Fiebertz on a 56 yard pass play. Fiebertz used every inch of his six foot-two frame on this play, as he landed arms outstretched, the ball just reaching the end zone. Rochester sophomore, Greg Ambrose, converted the extra point and the teams left at halftime deadlocked at 7-7.

Intra-murals Getting Started

By Bryan Segedi
Sports Writer

Alma College has a tremendous outlet for those of you that like sports, but don't have the time to compete at the varsity level. That outlet is intramurals or more commonly called IMs. Keith Haske, a St. Johns junior, is in charge of IMs this year, and is looking forward to a year full of fun and high competition.

Haske worked with IMs last year under the direction of Chip Hansen, Morts

Fraser, and Todd Crose, all of whom have since graduated. Haske explains that IMs are open to all students with sign-up sheets in each

There are two leagues, "A" league and "B" league, with "A" league providing the tougher competition.

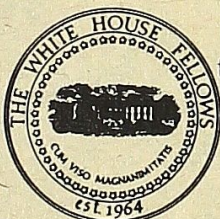
Some of the sports included in the program are: football, basketball, golf and bowling. So if you are looking for an opportunity to get some exercise and at the same time play competitive sports, get into IMs.

Nazarene scored again early into the third quarter, however their attempted extra point was wide of the mark. Faced with a 13-7 deficit, the Scots slowly gained control of the game. The result was several Dave Cleary bursts which carried Alma deep into Nazarene territory, culminated by a Fillmore to Brad Boyer touchdown pass. Ambrose again was good on the extra point and Alma had its second victory wrapped up.

Only time will tell how good Alma really is, and that time may be this Saturday as the Scots face a tough Valparaiso squad down in Indiana.

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consciousness. "Science without religion is lame; religion
without science is blind," said Einstein. This film focuses
on the fundamental issue of the nature of the human
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Former astronaut Edgar Mitchell narrates a summary of
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words and music by
Andrew B. Hopping

Other people's houses seem much larger than my own.

Silence in the air is a sound I've never known.

In contrast I've known laughter, sharing rooms and hand
me downs.

I'd wake up in the morning to paint-by-number clowns.

We had very little, but in friendship there was wealth,

And through all the confusion I somehow found myself.

Other people's houses seem much newer than my own.

Our neighbors called it lived in, we just called it home.

The kitchen had a wall where Mom kept track of time,

Each year was accounted for with yardsticks and lines.

The springs in the chairs made it easy to slouch,

And the carpet was worn thin between the 'frigerator and
the couch.

Other people's houses seem much colder than my own.

They reflect no personality in simulated stone.

They bring them in on trucks and bolt them to the ground,

And like the early Nomads they can move from town to
town.

And when a big storm comes up we gather 'round the
window pane,

And watch the pre-fab homes go-by and smile at the rain.

Success is to be measured

not so much by the position that one has reached in life
as by the obstacles

which he has overcome while trying to succeed.

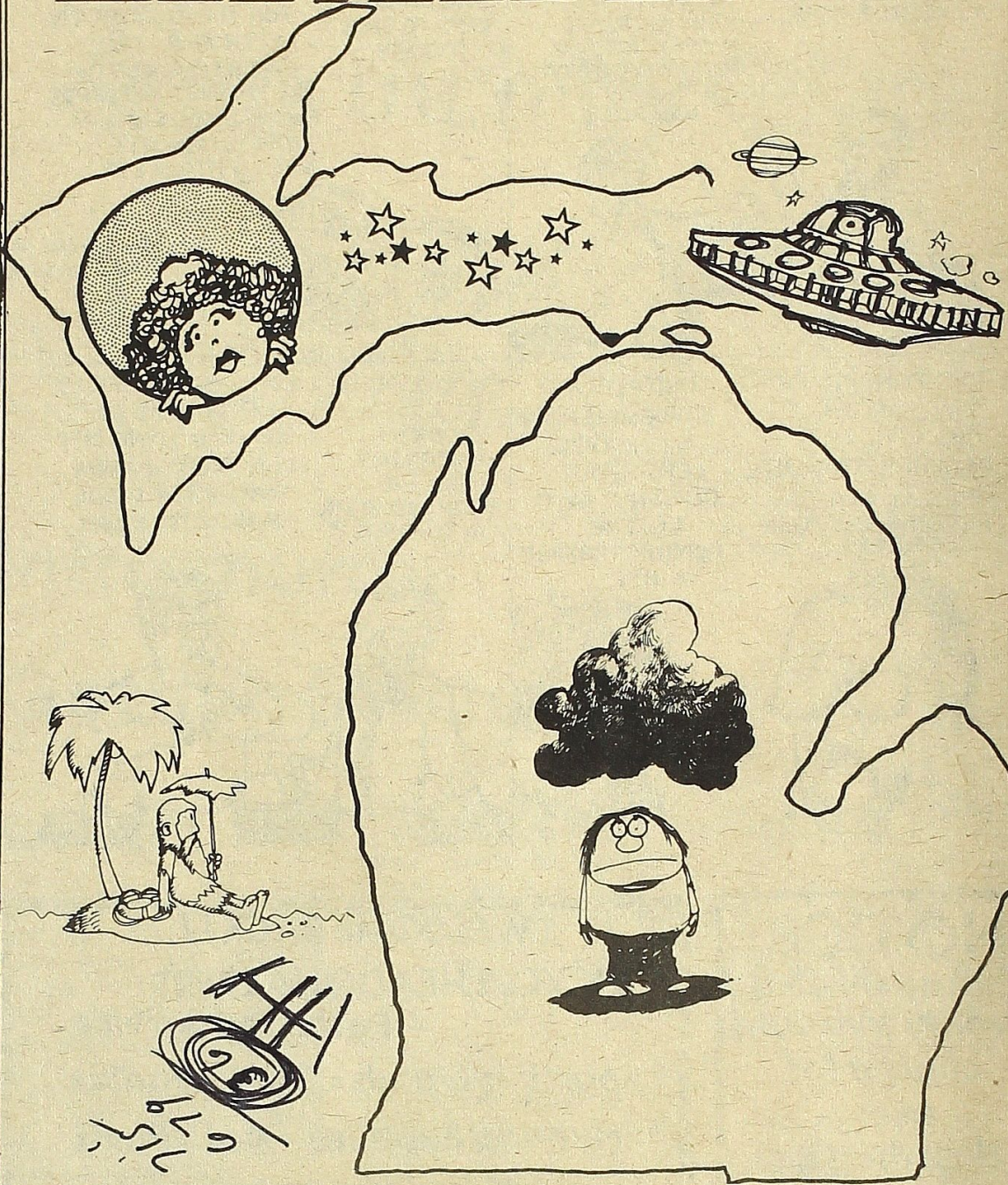
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4. **Delta of Venus**, by Anaïs Nin. (Bantam, \$2.50.) Elegant erotica: fiction.
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9. **Jaws 2**, by Hank Searls. (Bantam, \$2.25.) Gripping shark sequel.
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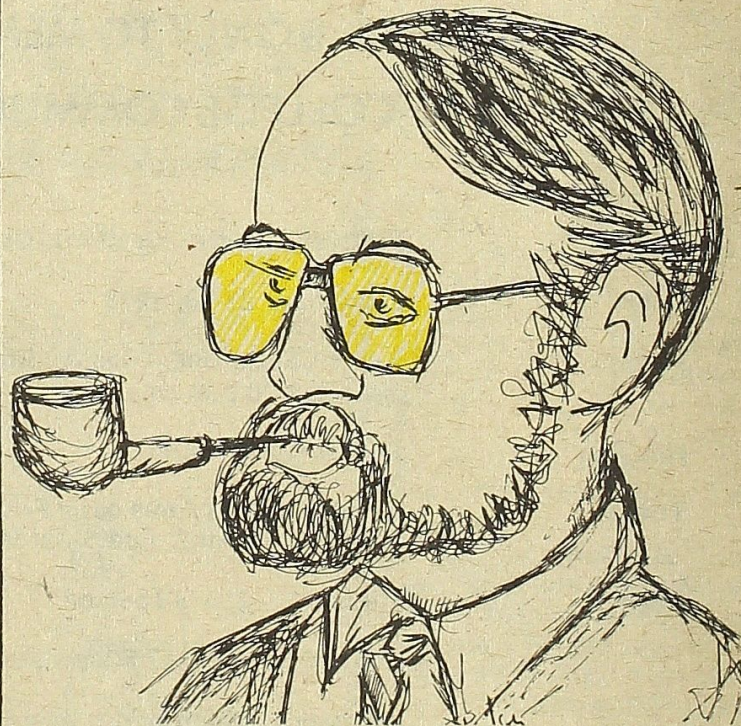
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