

Old Rule Provokes Wide Comment

Drastic Changes Coming In L. A. Curricula Plans Reports War Committee

Chairman Spicer Reports Comm. Findings To Liberal Arts Faculty At Meeting

Extensive effects upon the policy of the College of Liberal Arts are implied in the unanimous adoption by the College at the faculty meeting last Friday of the first report of the War Adaptations Committee.

The report consisted of four general recommendations and an appraisal of the situation in which many of the Liberal Arts students, both men and women, now find themselves. Men will be particularly affected by the 18-year-old draft, while women will be needed to replace men in industry as well as to fill new civic, military, social and industrial jobs created by the war. The committee also advised that post-war re-adjustment as well as the present situation should be considered in any changes that might be made.

Select War Time Work

Students who will have to leave college before graduation are urged to select war-time work in relation to peace-time plans. In this way the disadvantages of interrupted college study can be offset by practical experience gained through such work.

The committee suggested that teachers whose courses are in little demand for the duration assist in heavily loaded departments where they are qualified. Other faculty members as well as others particularly qualified who are locally available will be drawn into special war-time courses.

Plans whereby students in the various schools and colleges should take courses in other than the one in which they are registered, were also suggested.

Reorganized Schedule

The committee's final recommendation concerned schedule adjustment. Particular emphasis was placed upon reorganization of the second semester to suit the needs of those who will have to leave at the end of it, and for new students who will enter for short technical courses.

Specific Plans To Follow

Although the committee's report concerned itself only with recommendations, Chairman John Reed Spicer declared that, in view of the unanimous approval by the faculty, specific plans and chances would be submitted soon. Mr. Spicer in addition expressed appreciation for the co-operation of the members of his committee: Dean A. E. Whitford, ex-officio member, Dr. Lloyd L. Lowenstein, Dr. Everett E. Lund, Dr. G. Stewart Nease, Dr. Fred W. Ross, Dr. Joseph Seidl, Prof. C. Duryea Smith III, Dr. Roland L. Warren and Prof. John E. Whitcraft.

Forensic Society To Hold Debate With Keuka November 12

"United States participation in a World Federation after the war to maintain order and to set up an International Police Force" will be the topic under discussion in a debate with Keuka College on November 12.

This will be the first in a series of debates that the Alfred Forensic Society has arranged for future participation.

In addition to holding discussions on important issues, this organization is preparing student speakers whose services will be at the disposal of the Alfred Key Center as well as Rotary clubs, Lions clubs, etc.

NOTICE

The annual Frosh-Soph basketball game to decide if the Class of '46 must continue to wear its green caps will be held in the College Gym on Thursday evening at 8:00.

Jamestown Ext. Students Visit Alfred Thurs.

Twenty-six students and six faculty members from the Jamestown Extension attended a Field Day at Alfred on Thursday, October 22, in order to observe the various activities on the campus.

The delegation arrived during the assembly program and following that were conducted on a tour of the campus, attending several classes. During the afternoon a tea was held for these students and professors in Susan Howell Social Hall where they met university students and professors. All of the faculty members had ample opportunities to visit their respective department heads during the day.

Students who attended included Clarence Bierworth, Jeanne Crossley, Jeanne Gallagher, Marie Gould, Mary Elizabeth Holbrook, James Jackson, Donald Lanning, Virginia Larson, Johann Lavenslager.

And Roger Leexell, Joyce Lindgren, Harold Munson, Joseph Paterniti, Margaret Partridge, Elaine Peterson, Laurence Piper, H. Theodore Pugh, Betty Jane Rowley, Lola May Secor, Joyce See, Gordon Swanson, Anna Jean Lees, Phyllis Anderson, Harry Wigren, Elaine Starnier, Mary Phyllis Moore.

Members of the faculty who accompanied the group were Miss Elizabeth Doerschuk, Miss Ruth E. Hunt, registrar; Dr. Hilda M. Fife, Miss Florence Harris, Miss Dorothy Olum Morse and Albert James Coe, director.

Student Chest Plan Presented

A plan to set up a student chest fund on the campus to provide money for the various relief organizations was presented to the Student Senate by Chaplain William H. Genne at their meeting last Wednesday.

If this plan is carried through, the various organizations on the campus will contribute money to one general fund which will take care of Alfred's contribution to any relief organization which applies for aid. The plan has proved successful on many other campuses.

A committee, with Chaplain Genne as chairman, is to be appointed to look further into the matter.

This is the second time this plan has been presented to the Senate this year. A similar plan was presented by the Student Life Committee earlier in the trimester.

Dean Degen To Meet In Albany November 5-6

Mrs. Dora K. Degen, Dean of Women, will attend a meeting of the New York State Association of Deans and Guidance Personnel in Albany, on November 5, 6 and 7.

"Education Guidance in Wartime" will be the theme of the conference.

Registration at Texas A. & M. College set an all-time enrollment record.

Naval Cadets Complete Basic Training Here

Alfred has lost her Men in Uniform—for a little while anyway. The twenty Naval Cadets we had become accustomed to see in the Collegiate, Post Office and on the campus have completed their basic training period at the Ag-Tech Institute and are enjoying a rest at their own homes awaiting further instructions from the Navy.

Their training here began September 1. With the education and experience, earned while at Alfred, placed solidly under their G.I. belts they may expect to be sent to one of two places. The men lacking previous college training or flight experience will be placed in another school to continue with advanced courses. On the other hand, those Cadets who claim a college education or flight experience or who display unusual capabilities in aviation are sent directly to Chapel Hill for flight instruction.

The next group of Cadets is expected on the campus by the latter part of this week.

The men who formed the recent "Occupation Force" were: Leon Abelson, New Haven, Conn.; Steven Walling Barrett, Madison, N. J.; Torello Arthur Buccioni, Inwood, L. I.; William E. Conklin, Kenilworth, N. J.; John Allen Dever, Hartford, Conn.; Thomas Francis Donohue, N. Y. C.; William Edward Hogue, Jersey City, N. J.; Russell Hunchar, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Robert Thomas King, Albany, N. Y.; Johnstone Rowland Law, New Britain, Conn.; Carl Mack, Irvington, N. J.; Raymond Rahl Maguire, Mamoroneck, N. Y.; Milton George Moore, Hudson, N. Y.; Milo William Mosser, Jr., Cranbury, N. J.; George Pelack, Clifton, N. J.; Ernest Roycraft, Lynhurst, N. J.; Charles William Schlenz, Wyckoff, N. J.; Daniel John Seelbach, West New York, N. J.; Tracy Elwood Tooney, Jr., Long Branch, N. J.; Joseph Anthony Virgilio, Albany, N. Y.

John Whitford Elected President Of Freshmen

John Whitford was selected president of the freshman class last week after assembly program. The elections for all officers of the class were held at the same time and the 150 freshmen all participated in the voting.

In addition to Whitford, Ann Hathaway, John Kourian and William Pangborn were nominated for the presidency. Ann Hathaway, however, did become vice president.

Madeline Johnson won a victory over the famed Frank Occhipinti when she was elected secretary. The office of treasurer was won by John Peterson.

Armistice To Be Observed At Church

Armistice Sunday will be observed by the Union University Church on Sunday at 11 o'clock. The sermon will be, "The Son of God Goes Forth To War."

22 Men, Women Cast In Roles For Eve Of St. Mark

Eleven Liberal Arts students, eight from the College of Ceramics, two from the Ag-Tech, and one Theological student have been cast in roles in the Footlight Club's coming production, "The Eve of St. Mark", Maxwell Anderson's portrayal of present-day Americans.

Rehearsals, under the direction of C. Duryea Smith, III, are entering their second week. Production date is early in December.

Written in two acts, the play has been accepted with exclamation over entire country because of its timelessness. There are scenes on a farm near Olean, in a Southern Army Camp, at a West Coast embarkation port, and on the Philippine Islands. Characters are simple farm folks realizing the importance of present conditions, soldiers and tavern girls.

Founders' Day Ceremonies To Start Thursday

Dr. Willis H. Carrier, president of the Carrier Air Conditioning Corporation in Syracuse, will present the main address at the 107th Founders' Day exercises in Alumni Hall at 11 o'clock Thursday.

Pres. J. Nelson Norwood will preside at the exercises. Music will be in charge of Mrs. Ada Becker Seidl, who will lead the University orchestra. Chaplain William H. Genne will lead in the invocation and the Founders' Day prayer.

The Glee Club quartet will sing the "Song of the Bell." The quartet consists of William B. Crandall '42, Edwin Lorey '45, William Schuster '43 and Guy Hartman '43.

President Norwood will confer an honorary degree at the exercises.

The program will close with the singing of the Alma Mater and the benediction by Rev. George Morrell, rector of the Christ Church, Hornell. Dr. Carrier's first name was a mistake in the last issue. An error in publicity releases on the program caused the mistake.

Following the program there will be a luncheon in Social Hall for some of the faculty and special guests.

Spicer Conducts Chapel This Week

Professor John Reed Spicer is conducting chapel this week in the absence of Chaplain William H. Genne, who is attending religious discussions at Colgate and Cornell.

Yesterday, Chaplain Genne led a discussion at a Cornell University fraternity house. Each year Cornell invites about fifty chaplains to discuss religion with various groups on its campus. Alfred's chaplain has been invited for the past three years.

Today and tomorrow he is leading discussions at Colgate University.

Dr. Wingate To Present All-Request Program At First Vesper Services

An all-request program will be featured at the first organ vespers of this year Friday night, November 6, from 7:30 to 8:00 in the University Church. Dr. Ray W. Wingate will be at the three-manual console of the Sarah Burdick Rosebush memorial organ.

The complete program of requests will be as follows:

Now The Day Is Over, Barnby; Sun of My Soul, Mursley; Nocturne in Eb, Chopin; Traumeri, Schumann; Allegro-Unfinished Symphony, Schubert; I Heard a Forest Praying, DeRose; Largo—New World Symphony, Dvorak; God Bless America, Berlin; Star Spangled Banner, Smith; Taps.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Soph Furnishes Spark To Arouse Campus On Current Smoking Ban

Inquiring Reporter Quizzes Faculty, Students, Parents On Development Of Female Protests On Much Discussed University No-Smoking Rule

Students, faculty and other interested persons were questioned about the smoking question for women in the Collegiate. Some commented on the W.S.G. disposal of Toni Allen's case last week and others merely gave their opinion of the situation as a whole. Letters of comment are to be found on page two.

Letter Nets Social Campus For Sophomore

A wave of comment has arisen from the recent action of the W.S.G. on the case of Toni Allen, sophomore woman, who protested the "No Smoking" rule for women in the Collegiate. Following her letter to the editor of the Fiat Lux, Miss Allen was sentenced to a week's social campus by the women's governing body.

According to a report from the letter-writer, she was informed Wednesday that the W. S. G. had given her a social campus for one week. Margaret Hopkins, secretary of the W. S. G., informed her of the sentence and stated that it was passed because of her letter in the previous day's Fiat. The following day the W. S. G. clarified their stand when the president, Mary Johnston '43, informed Miss Allen that she had been sentenced, not because of her letter, but because she had admitted breaking the no smoking rule.

Miss Allen protested that she had not been granted the courtesy of a summons or a hearing before the W. S. G. In answer to this protest, Miss Johnston replied that the W.S.G. felt there wasn't time to wait for a summons and a hearing and that the sentence would not be as effective if imposed the following week. However, the W. S. G. president stated that Miss Allen would be granted a hearing at the next session of the W. S. G. tomorrow. The social campus is over Thursday.

A social campus, as defined in the W. S. G. rules, means that a woman may not go to social recreation places including the Collegiate and the "Dog Cart" and may merely say "hello" to men. Any social meeting with men will be considered as violating social campus.

NEWS IN REVIEW

By Doc Manchester

American Manpower

Several weeks ago President Roosevelt warned that American manpower must be rationed to meet expanding war demands. He said that men had to be placed in three different services: the fighting forces, munitions factories, and in agriculture. The first will need 9,000,000 men by the end of 1943, the second needs 20,000,000 men and the third asks 10,000,000.

Agriculture is suffering the most from the war. Workers are leaving the farms, going to war plants or being taken into the army. Thus food, which is necessary to both the United States and to our allies is spilling in the fields and in the farmers' barns because of a lack of farm hands.

Thus this last week the director of the War Manpower Commission, Paul V. McNutt, launched his program to aid the farmers. He proposed to "freeze" livestock, poultry and dairy workers to their jobs.

Cries of criticism arose from labor, (Continued on page four)

Waitresses at the Collegiate: We would rather not have the girls smoke because it means we have to clean up the mess. However, it's the principle of the thing... this law is outrageous. Girls smoke everywhere. With the great fire burning the world up now, a little cigarette spark seems insignificant. It is a question of democracy, this is a question of deciding the problem of smoking. The W.S.G. was wrong to punish Toni Allen.

A "Frosh" in the Collegiate: The W.S.G. should protect the rights of the girls to express opinions instead of punishing them for it.

A parent of one of the Alfred girls: I think girls should be allowed to smoke in the Collegiate. After all, it IS a recreation center. They shouldn't have campused Toni Allen. She is entitled to her own opinion and had a right to voice her ideas. I think both the trustees and girls should get together and solve the problem.

Frosh Robert Roderick: Whether girls smoke or not will not make any difference to me. Nevertheless, it is an old fashioned convention to forbid girls to smoke in public. We should try to break away from useless conventions. If we didn't women would still be wearing dresses down over their ankles and bustles in back. Not so long ago, dancing was forbidden on the campus. This convention was changed. I think the convention of smoking is seeing a great change, especially in big cities. I don't think the girls should go out of their way to defy the law, but they should do everything in their power to change the law.

Dr. Hermann Poppelbaum: In comparison with other schools, I think that Alfred is a bit strict with the girls.

Jeanne C. Heckman '45: This is a student affair. The W.S.G., which is elected by the students, should make the final decision. Toni has not given any constructive criticism. She has merely initiated a spirit of rebellion. Why not wait until the W.S.G. has had a chance to rectify the problem.

Prof. Barnard: I know little of the background of the current controversy regarding the right of women students to smoke in the Collegiate. On the basis of student comment, I offer the following observations:

1. The rule itself, along with the antecedent premise that it is immoral for young women to smoke in public seems to me totally unreasonable.

2. Since the rule has been allowed to remain a dead letter for five years, the present attempt to enforce it seems doubly unreasonable.

3. My sympathy goes out to the girls on the W.S.G.; it is unfair to ask students to enforce what they themselves have not made or approved.

4. Miss Allen's admirably written and courageous avowal of a determination to flout the rule raises fundamental and difficult issues in ethics and government. The classical defense of her position is stated by Thoreau (Continued on page four)

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Courtesy At Least

Miss Allen's letter last week has aroused a storm of letters, protests and comments. The brunt of the storm has fallen on Toni's shoulders in form of a week's social campus.

The morality of smoking in the Collegiate won't be argued now. We won't discuss whether it is legal to convict a person on their admissions in a letter. We won't even try to decide whether Toni was right in being a martyr to the cause of the nicotine fiends among Alfred's women.

The high-handed methods of the W.S.G. are to be severely censured. For a representative body, as they are purported to be, they conducted their business in Miss Allen's case in a sorry fashion. They didn't give her the courtesy of a summons or a hearing. True, they offered to hear her case tomorrow after she has "done her stretch". To those who say that it was evident that she was guilty and a hearing wouldn't have made any difference, we say this: Even a criminal who admits his guilt is accorded the courtesy of an appearance before the judge.

Perhaps the W.S.G. acted in the haste of indignation at the criticism of them in the letter. This is no time for hasty action. In planning for the welfare of the Alfred women the W.S.G. should remember that these "tempests in the teapot" don't help the position of the women they represent nor do they instill faith in the women for the W.S.G.

Certainly, when a representative body oversteps its powers and becomes dictatorial it is time the people it represents let them know their displeasure.

Perhaps the women of the campus should call a "compulsory" meeting of their representatives and demand that they stick to the rules of procedure in the future and save the wind of a lot of students and editorial writers over minor questions.

Who Can We Depend On?

Last Week Wendell Willkie made a rather startling speech. It was startling in many ways. He said that we could no longer depend on the infallibility of our military and naval leaders. He said this in reference to the second-front question. He inferred that it was time for the people to demand some action on the question.

Who, then, are we to depend on if we can't depend on our strategists who have been picked to lead us in this battle. Willkie said that France owed her downfall to the fact that she thought her leaders were infallible.

We don't think that our leaders are perfect, but it does seem that Miss Eve Curie was right when she said here that the decision of a second-front should be left to the generals and was not something for the traveler to shout about.

And we don't believe that the Americans are exhibiting a complacent attitude when they leave the second front decisions up to the generals and the president. It is all right for the "Sunday morning quarterbacks" to plot battles on the maps in their rooms. It's fine for world travelers to mention plans for likely spots to open up the next battle front, but certainly the actual work can be done only by the men who have maps, communiques, etc., furnished by official sources, and if they don't think that we are ready, then we aren't.

Perhaps Mr. Willkie was just being conventional in adding his bit to the already huge store of second front tales.

Wrong Parties Read It

Some hard-working students here were offended at the editorial last week concerning the laxity of a few students whom we called "draft-dodgers."

There was no intent to imply that all the students here were slackers. This is far from the truth. The majority of the men here are working harder than ever. This is evidenced by some of the heavy shadows under the "stooges' eyes."

We did mean to accuse the men who are just waiting to be drafted. There are a few who admit they are in that state. They are the ones who are unpatriotic. They are the ones to be criticised. By sticking to their guns these men could do much more for Uncle Sam when they get in the service.

Without a doubt the man on this campus who deserves high praise is one fellow who has been called and momentarily expects his induction notice. He has not cut a class to date. He has been putting his all into his courses. He will display the "spirit of Alfred" until the very last.

Smoking Problem Stimulates Letter-Writing College Town

By Al Sax

Editor, Fiat Lux:

I should like to ask the Fiat Lux if the right of freedom of speech is now being suspended in the United States? Perhaps I might better ask the W.S.G.

It seems to me that at the present time this privilege of freedom of speech is especially precious. We are fighting a war against dictatorship and tyranny, a form of government which denies people this right.

Last week a letter was written to this paper protesting against the no smoking rule in the Collegiate and the methods which are being used to get it annulled. This week that girl has been social campused for writing that letter. Is that fair? Since when has the freedom of speech been denied to the American people?

The Fiat Lux is the students' paper and in it the students are allowed to express their opinions. There are no laws in our country that deny anyone this freedom of speech unless this speech is slanderous. I can see no reason why this aforesaid letter should be classified as slander. Therefore, there is no reason why this girl should be punished for expressing her opinion. We, as Americans, would be the first to defend this privilege. Are we going to allow this birthright to be taken from us without protest?

Another right, which we have always stood for, is trial by jury. Even a criminal in our country is given a chance to prove himself innocent, or at least an investigation is made. Toni Allen was not given this right, either. She was informed on Wednesday night that she had a week's social campus—until that time she did not know a thing about punishment or trial.

Yes, Toni Allen has been given a punishment for speaking her mind. As far as I am concerned there seems little difference in the methods used here in Alfred than those that are used in Europe, which we so definitely condemn. We proudly declare we are Americans when a discussion of freedom of speech, privileges, etc., ensues. Are we, if we permit intolerance of this sort?

Anne Buschor '45

Editor Fiat Lux,

Perhaps I am just sticking my neck out, just asking for trouble. But this does not seem a time for silence . . . especially since I realize that, in what I have to say, I am not alone.

By this time, everyone must know that Toni Allen has been sentenced to one week's social campus in consequence of her letter which appeared in this paper last week. And that she was allowed no opportunity to speak for herself before the infliction of this penalty. The W. S. G. merely came to the decision that campusing Miss Allen was the proper way to overcome her attempt to make a so-called issue of the problem of women's smoking in the Collegiate. Since the time of that decision, Miss Allen has been informed that her punishment is not the outcome of her admirable statement of her convictions, but is the result of her admission that she has continued to smoke in the forbidden area. The fact that she has not been reported to the W. S. G. on any charge whatsoever appears to have made no difference in that governing organization's determination to see her penalized. Where, may I ask, is the justice in this? Certainly an individual cannot be down-trodden for a simple expression of opinion. But the W. S. G., in the probable haste of its verdict, overlooked this fact. And now, in order to save its face, it presents the far better reason for its action—that Miss Allen is being campused for an act with which she has not been charged and of which there is no proof!

Please do not misunderstand my attitude. Up to his time, I have had little criticism to offer the Women's Student Government. I have been willing to accept the fact that certain weaknesses are bound to occur where student government is not a total thing and must necessarily be opposed or revised occasionally by the faculty. Even in the present question of the smoking problem, I was willing to acknowledge the right of the W. S. G. to ask the cooperation of Alfred women until some action could be taken. But in view of the events of the past couple of weeks, I see no reason for quelling existing indignation. It doesn't seem to me that there is any need for an extensive "investigation" of the present question. The majority of the campus women, whether or not they themselves smoke, favor freedom for those co-eds who do. Perhaps it is a naive and idealistic point of view, but I believe that the most powerful plea which the W. S. G. can make to the Board of Trustees is a simple statement of conditions . . . and an immediate one. There certainly must be some means of reaching the Trustees without further delay; however, word has it that no solution can possibly be presented

before the end of another eight weeks. And to date, the committee for investigation of the question has had only a single meeting. No wonder we are getting no action! No wonder we were warned that there might be no change in the ruling until next year! At this rate it will be longer than a year . . . and I will have long since subscribed to Miss Allen's point of view!

If I am destined to a fate similar to that of Miss Allen simply because of my defense of her rights or because of my criticism of an organization which, in this case, is functioning far from admirably . . . I shall continue to deplore the existence of that, or any other organization which calls itself democratic and yet cannot maintain its position without suppression of all criticism.

Very truly yours,
Shirley Fenn Baldwin '44

Editor, Fiat Lux:

W.S.G.—That, my fun-loving, freedom-loving sons and daughters of Alfred, stands for Women's Student Government—it says here. A government as we have been reared to understand, is a voice of the people, not to the people. So surely the preliminary move of the W.S.G. for decency and honesty sake, should have been to alter its rather ambiguous title to the more frankly defined Women's Student New Order, or something along that vein.

The W.S.G.—beg your pardon—W.S.N.O., according to the 1942 Alfred Kanakadea (the only available reference I have on hand) is the governing body which regulates the social life of the women on Alfred's campus. Now, girls, do you mind if I roll up my sleeves while you unsheath your claws as we collectively prepare to pummel this sadistic body on technicalities.

The west side of Main Street remains, despite the hysterical ravings of these "little women", outside the boundaries of Alfred's Campus. So upon what privilege do they base the right to stretch their arms from between the dusty pages of "Etiquette in '76" in the Carnegie, across Main Street and into the Collegiate to pluck a cigarette from the lips of an Alfred student. It amazes this indignant individual that the W.S.N.O. does not extend its seemingly boundless authority and punish the girl found talking to a boy after 6 p. m. on the Main Street of her own home town.

For what earthly reason has the W.S.N.O. transformed itself from a constructive representative body into the most talked of and despised group on the campus, by robbing the grave of a nondescript law buried five years ago. A law which died in its infancy because of its inability to adapt itself to the environment and times into which it was thrust. Of this the W.S.N.O. is strangely quiet. There is one distinct possibility for the embarrassing silence on the part of this austere body. Foremost is the opinion that the W. S. N. O. is and perhaps will continue to be an independently functionless body that derives its existence from the student body but its thunder from Dean Dora K. Degen!

In view of the fact that the erstwhile W.S.G. offers no plausible reasons, if any at all, let us assume some and see how well they weather intelligent thought.

"First of all," they might claim, "smoking on the part of women does not conform to the rules of decorum or social etiquette". Deah, deah. Where, might I ask, would women obtain the right to vote, wear slacks or, even more timely, work in a defense plant if society had maintained the traditional, starchy 'rules of decorum.' Smoking is, today, as natural and normal to the American woman as buying a new hat. And I have no doubt but that the women of Alfred bought hats and smoked cigarettes many a moon before they heard of Alfred.

As much as I dislike bringing into discussion members of my immediate family, might I note that my parents partake of the enjoyment of cigarettes with considerable avidity at times. So should any of these moral adjusters suggest the claim that smoking promotes moral delinquency or retards the recognition of social responsibility, may I impress them with the thought that they will be letting themselves in for a very rough afternoon.

You may have observed the absence of any references to the physical results of smoking. Could it be on this basis that the W.S.N.O. has built its case of ethics and rejuvenation? We all recognize the effects of smoking, but has the W.S.G. the right to enforce its program of physical adjustment beyond the scope of its jurisdiction.

You must excuse me now for I suddenly and freely feel like walking down the street and into the Collegiate, where I shall freely spend a nickel on a coke which I shall freely drink,

and another in the juke box which I will freely listen to. Then I will freely smoke a cigarette, after which I will return home to freely tune in the radio and yes, free "boo the Dodgers." Theodore Kissen, Ag-Tech '43

Editor, Fiat Lux:

With due respect to those who have the courage of their convictions, and with the realization that only "fools rush in where angels fear to tread"—may I offer a suggestion to female Collegiate fans who have been saddled with the no smoking rule?

Being in sympathy with those who just must get their regular quota of nicotine, especially as an aid to digestion after a heavy fare of coke, ice cream, hamburgers, etc., I should like to offer this suggestion to Toni (and others) in an effort to keep her from being campused until May.

"This is the time for action, not for passive resistance," to quote—so why not substitute Copenhagen or a golden brown plug of honey cut for that Chesterfield. I'm sure that very attractive pocket spittoons of non-strategic materials could be made for the exclusive use of Alfred's smart set.

"Don't sit down and twiddle your thumbs! Heavens, no!" Be individualists.

Charles Rieck '44

Movie Time Table

Thursday: "Juke Girl," with Ann Sheridan and Ronald Reagan. Shows at 7:00 and 9:30. Features start at 8:00 and 10:30.

Friday and Saturday: "Men of Texas" with Robert Stack and Brod Crawford, and "Wings for the Eagle" with Ann Sheridan and Dennis Morgan. Shows at 7:00. Features at 8:35 and 10:13.

IN THE SOCIAL SWIM

By Jeannette Milnes

Winter's first chill comes into the air—a trifle out of season—and Hallowe'en has come and gone. Dateless Fridays and fraternity rushing still run hand in hand, and the gradual swing of the social life on campus is toward winter activities.

A good time was had by all at the Gay Nineties costume ball last Saturday evening from 8 'til 12 o'clock. The decorations were all in the Gay Nineties style, and cider and doughnuts provided refreshment for the weary square dancers. A heart-rending melodrama, "Virtue Versus Vice", was the feature of the evening, starring Constance Koegler '43, the heroine; Robert Lange '44, the hero; Lester Herzog '46, the villain; Ellen Hodges '43, the founding daughter; Norman Ruderman '43, the plumber; Gus Carpenter '46, the pianist supplying appropriate music, and William Schuster, narrator. Also on the program was that famous barber shop quartet, featuring Prof. Don Schreckengost, Gilbert Mohr, William Schuster '43, and William Crandall, ably accompanied on the guitar by Prof. J. E. Whitcraft. William Schuster '43 was master of ceremonies.

Faculty guests at the dance included Prof. and Mrs. C. D. Smith, Dr. and Mrs. K. O. Myrvaagnes, Prof. and Mrs. J. E. Whitcraft, Dr. and Mrs. Roland Warren, Dr. and Mrs. H. O. Boraas, Prof. Don Schreckengost, Mrs. Madeleine Burdick, and Mrs. Dora K. Degen.

The opening of "Club '46" was celebrated in gala fashion for the frosh party held at Pi Alpha last Saturday afternoon from 3 'til 5 o'clock. A floor show provided the height of the entertainment with Dorothy Robbins '45 as master of ceremonies. The entertainers were Doris Cunningham '45, a South Sea Island hula dancer; Evelyn Matthews '44, a sultry blues singer; Ruth Neubert '45, a specialty dancer, and then a trio of can-can girls, featuring Mary Johnston '43, Jeannette Torrey '43, and Mary Walker '43. The refreshments served were cider, pretzels, popcorn and assorted cheese wafers. The committees in charge were: Doris Cunningham '45, entertainment; Jeannette Torrey '43, refreshments; Beverly Leng '43, decorations; Lucille Clark '44, invitations.

Last Sunday afternoon from 4 to 7 o'clock, Delta Sigma Phi held their annual faculty tea, to which all of the faculty and the various campus organizations were invited. Hot spiced punch, a variety of cheeses on cheese boards, potato chips and pickles were served. Mrs. Dora K. Degen served the punch. Grant Merriman '44 was in charge.

"Army Life" was the theme of Klan's faculty party held last Wednesday evening. The faculty wives became temporary members of the U.S.O., while the men were drafted as Buck Privates. "Master Sergeants" Walter East '43 and Harry Barnes '44 drilled the "privates" for a parade held later in the evening. Training in

Say, Ernie, if you really want to kick about something, why not be original instead of being a stooge, and write in English instead of Dictionary? If you really want to render a service to the community, do a job on Hector Fuddle. I never read worse dribble on any color sheet.

The most superstitious Irish in town are those screwy frosh—Little Doyle and Big O'Brien. You should have seen them when a black cat crossed their path.

There's one woman in this town who shouldn't be driving her own automobile, and if she blocks the road again without looking for other cars, I'll probably hit her broadside and send her sailing into Almond. Sister, I ain't foolin'. Either learn how to drive, or walk.

Regardless of Ernie Faust, the town's newest publication will continue. In order to dispel certain prejudices, its name is being changed to the "Saxon."

The frosh have done it again. The latest victim of the '46ers is Lambda Chi, whose stone name was recently changed to a very ugly 46. It couldn't be the old gang because it was a very poor job. What's cookin', Doyle; you turning chicken?

We hope that the next batch of Navy kids are as lively as the group that just left because they were one of the very few sparks in this town.

Northwestern University recently dedicated its \$6,735,000 technological institute.

fire prevention was essential when waste-paper baskets upstairs were set afire and the "privates" skillfully extinguished the blaze with flit guns. After that, a quiz program on the Army, Navy and Marines was featured and refreshments of cider and sandwiches were served.

The committees included Walter East '43, Fred McWilliams '45, Fred Haggerty '45, Wortley Paul '45 and Don Wattles '43.

The little sisters who were dinner guests at Pi Alpha last week were: Genevieve Mezey '46 and Genevieve Polan '46, Tuesday evening; Peggy Conroy '46, Correen Chapman '46 and Carolyn Torrey '46, Wednesday evening and Alyce Clemens '46 and Ellen Davis '46, Thursday evening.

The little sisters who were entertained for dinner at Sigma Chi were: Dorothy Burdick '46, Betty Banks '46, Frances Bovee '46, Jean Moore '46, Ada Egbert '46 and Martha Minor '46, Tuesday evening; Maria Becerra '46, Joanna Folts '46, Elaine Locke '46, Midge Johnson '46, Betty Foster '46 and Doris Comfort '46, Thursday evening.

Little sisters entertained as dinner guests at Theta Chi on Thursday evening were: Betty Lou Fontaine '46, Gladys Imke '46, Doris Beswick '45, Dorothy Kerns '46, Jean Marder '46 and Marilyn Wallman '45.

Cokes, potato chips and pretzels, served from Delta Sig's new pine bar, were featured at their rush party held last Friday evening. Faculty guests were Prof. J. F. McMahon, Prof. R. M. Campbell, Prof. D. W. Weaver and Dr. Harold Reid. Charles VanHouten '43 and George Schmidt '44 were in charge.

Movies on the life of Alfred campus were featured at the Kappa Psi rush party. Sandwiches, cup cakes and cocoa were served as refreshments. The faculty guests were Dean Alfred E. Whitford, Dr. K. O. Myrvaagnes, Prof. W. M. Burditt and Dr. R. W. Wingate. Donald Dreyer '45 and Daryl Beard '45 were in charge.

A short talk by Dr. Roland Warren was the feature at Klan's rush party last Friday evening. Cider and sandwiches were served. Faculty guests included Dr. Warren, Dr. Joseph Seidlin, Dr. P. C. Saunders, Prof. Burton Crandall, Dr. W. A. Titsworth, Prof. A. B. Crofoot, Prof. J. R. Spicer and Prof. Charles M. Harder. John Ledin '43 was in charge.

The sophomore boys entertained at the Lambda Chi rush party by giving a show burlesquing the "soap operas" which are daily radio features. Cider and doughnuts were served as refreshments. Prof. C. W. Merritt was a

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Alfred Takes First Victory, Downs Colgate 25-34

Sophomore Larry March Leads Harriers To Win

Marks, Braun Take Fourth, Fifth Respectively; Colgate's Hendrian 17 Seconds Behind March

Taking seven out of the first ten places, the Saxon Cross Country pack notched its first victory of the season last Saturday afternoon in the only home meet of the year, downing the harriers of Colgate University by a 25-34 score.

Larry March copped first place honors as he covered the five mile course in twenty-nine minutes and fifty-one seconds, seventeen seconds faster than Hendrian of the visitors who took second.

The other two Colgate men finishing among the first ten were Anger and Pury in third and sixth places, respectively. Wedged in between these two men were Capt. Marks and Fresh Braun for the Saxons.

Fox, Rutzky, Kent and Reisman finished within a time limit of two minutes to round out the first ten.

1. March (A) 29:51
2. Hendrian (C) 30:08
3. Anger (C) 30:38
4. Marks (A) 30:58
5. Braun (A) 31:18
6. Gure (C) 31:33
7. Fox (A) 32:02
8. Rutzky (A) 32:22
9. Kent (A) 33:32
10. Reisman (A) 34:11
11. Car (C) 34:35
12. Traskos (A) 36:11
13. Breitsman (A) 38:32
14. Househalter (A) 39:34
15. Lyman (C) 39:56

Alfred Harriers To Run In Middle Atlantic Meet

Seven Cross Country men will journey to Lehigh College this weekend to compete in the Middle Atlantic competition.

March, Marks, Braun, Fox, Rutzky, Kent and Reisman are the probable contestants, having finished in that order against Colgate.

Of the team's two casualties, Ludwig may round into shape in time for the meet, but Breckon will probably be out of action for another week at least.

A Letter Concerning Alfred Students

Editor, Fiat Lux:

I doubt if many students knew I was missing when roll was called this fall. I know there are others like me and I hope that this letter will help them. I have two ideas which I felt I was in no position to suggest to the students while a student. Now things are different.

I realize that the Fiat staff is trying hard to mail the paper to the boys that have left for the services, but our addresses are changed so swiftly that it is almost an impossibility.

Therefore, I suggest that the students assume this job themselves. My ex-roomie is doing it and writing some swell "newsy" letters as well. If one can do it, surely more can. So get in touch with that classmate in the service. I'm sure you could be doing no better job in morale work. This is just as important as buying bonds and collecting scrap.

This second idea is my own and doesn't concern the service men, but it definitely concerns you students. It is truly said, "The barking dog never bites." Last year there was quite a bit of this barking done by everyone on the campus. To this I say, "Have your fun, have your dances and have your parties. Hit that Social Calendar and really make it big. For if you don't, you will be sorry."

The memories I have of the social affairs at Alfred are things I will long remember. Remember the talk about the St. Pat's Band last year? I, for one, am glad it wasn't a record dance. So, have those good times while you can. And ask those who question you, this: "I'm willing to give my life, what are you doing?"

Yours truly,

Pvt. John Kirchner, U.S.A.A.C.
366 Technical School
Lowry Field, Denver, Colo.

Klan Wins 5 Straight To Take Title

Klan Alpine clinched the Intramural Touch Football League pennant last Saturday morning as they set back Kappa Psi 18-0 for their fifth straight victory.

Delta Sigma Phi won over the Indies 8-0 to come up into a second place tie with Lambda Chi, while Bartlett netted its second win of the year, a 6-0 thriller with Kappa Nu.

Klan Connects With Passes

Klan scored in the opening canto against Kappa Psi as John Ledin's block of Dreyer's attempted punt was followed by a Barnes to Deyerling touchdown pass.

Another Barnes pass, this time to Olsen, netted six more points in the second quarter. The final scoring came in the last period as Ledin clicked with a flip to Olsen.

Kappa Psi connected throughout the game with short passes, but Klan's fast rushing line prevented any scoring threats.

Delta Sig Scores In Second Half

Delta Sig climbed over the .500 mark in gaining a second-half triumph over a hard-fighting Indies team.

After a scoreless first half, Van-Houten booted out of bounds for Delta Sig on the Indies' ten-yard line and then caught Meyer behind the goal line on an attempted end sweep for a safety. A Golden to Gere aerial early in the final period provided an extra six points.

Delta Sig protected their passers with impenetrable blocking, giving them plenty of time to search for a potential receiver.

Bartlett Wins In Final Minute

A sixty-five yard "jack-rabbit" dash on an intercepted pass by Jack Whiteford in the final minute of play sent Bartlett home the winners over a surprisingly strong Kappa Nu nine.

Up to the touchdown jaunt, both teams battled on an almost even keel.

	Won	Lost
Klan Alpine	5	0
Delta Sig	3	2
Lambda Chi	3	2
Indies	2	2
Bartlett	2	3
Kappa Psi	2	3
Kappa Nu	0	5

Ex-Student Writes On Army Life In Engineer Corps

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Well, here I am in the army. I never thought I'd be here—and I enlisted too, in the Engineer Amphibian Command.

At the moment I am a Corporal Technician or Draftsman of our Battalion H.Q. staff.

We are Combat Amphibians (Engr.). Our main jobs are to build roads on beaches (near shore) and transport assault troops and supplies to the far shore (enemy shore). On the far shore barbed wire has to be cut, land and sea mines have to be put out of the way and more roads built on the beaches for the landing of vehicles, tanks and supplies.

Of course, along with mines and wire—there is the enemy (infantry, tanks and planes.)

My outfit is working a 16 to 24 hour day, 7 days a week.

So far I have told you what my outfit has to do, now I'll try to explain my duties. I've already said that I'm draftsman on the Battalion HQ staff, but that explains little.

My primary job is drawing situation maps and panorama sketches at any hour of the day or night for the many and various missions we go on for our training and the training of Amphibian Infantry.

Aside from this I am a clerk, carpenter, sign painter, runner and general handy man. I take all my orders directly from the Battalion Commander (C.O., or Commanding Officer.) Donald Rowland ex'44.

Soccer, Volleyball Added To Women's Sports At Alfred

Soccer and volleyball were added to the W.A.G.B. curricula at a meeting last Saturday. Both sports will be run off this fall in inter-class competition. Rhoda Ungar '43 will manage volleyball and will appoint managers from each class to assemble teams from their respective classes. The games will be played off at night.

Sylvia March '46 was appointed manager of soccer. She will also appoint class managers. The soccer games will be played off on Saturday afternoons. Gym credit plus W.A.A. credit will be given for participation in either or both of these sports.

An effort to bring forth a greater interest in pingpong was also discussed by the W.A.G.B. Table tennis manager, Rhoda Large '44 appointed Norma Stockwell '44 to assist her in attempting to run off at least one tournament a month.

At this meeting it was decided to have an inter-class, an intramural and at the end of the season, an open badminton tournament. The gym is now open on Tuesday and Wednesday nights from 7:30-9:30 for badminton practice.

A Parasite

The parasite (amicus malus L.) is a strange animal, native to the campus of the American college. It thrives in dormitories and fraternity and sorority houses. Its diet is varied and includes soap, cigarettes, term papers, co-eds, neckties, lipstick, men, sweaters, and cokes. It is a friendly creature, for it can live only among human society. It enjoys life greatly and is of the happy-go-lucky sort.

The parasite has always an extremely large wardrobe. In fact he hardly ever appears twice in the same costume, although his generous nature would seem apparent by the frequency with which his clothes are seen on other people.

The parasite enjoys the best of everything. Although his allowance is of no more than the average size, he is a good economist and partakes of cokes and doughnuts far exceeding the number his friends allow themselves. He is forgetful and often finds that he has left his wallet in his other coat, but he has learned not to be embarrassed on such occasions. He has many "friends". He is a weak creature and cannot carry his own cigarettes. Fortunately his numerous "friends" are always willing to oblige him at such times as he feels a desire for one. He does not drive his own car (because of gas rationing in Steuben County), but is always willing to promote the "share your car" movement.

The parasite seldom dates. When he does it is merely to accommodate his room-mate by taking care of his girl at such times as he must be out of town on cross-country or basketball trips. He goes stag to all-college dances because he enjoys the infinite variety provided by cut-ins. It also saves him the price of the girl's admission and cuts down on refreshment expenses, but that, of course, is unimportant.

The parasite never writes term papers, but he is aware of his own ability and hands in "A" papers selected from his files.

The parasite has many members of his family. They are tall, short, fat, thin, fair, and dark. Sister parasites possess many of the characteristics of their brothers. They have even more extensive wardrobes, and are clinging creatures who delight in collecting fraternity pins and their room-mates' dates.

Scientists foresee no immediate threat to the life of the parasite race. Indeed they claim that it is extremely

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1-3-6 Club Holds Quiz Program At Monthly Meeting

An "Information, Please" quiz provided entertainment for the October meeting of the 1-3-6 Club, glass technologist group. During the business meeting the following elections were made for the program committee: James Brownlow '43, chairman; Robert Lange '44; John Busch '44.

To make the quiz competitive, the club was divided into two sides; namely, the north side and the south side. If a question was answered correctly by the person asked, one point was given to that side; if the question could not be answered, someone else on that side would try to answer it correctly. This yielded one-half point. The sound effect was a gong, which rang more often for the Southsiders. The score was 18½ - 14 in favor of the Northsiders. As a consequence, the Southsiders had to treat their victors to coffee and doughnuts at the Collegiate.

The 1-3-6 Club cordially invites any student interested in the glass industry to attend monthly meetings. At numerous meetings, out-of-town and local speakers plan to present information about glass. There is no regular date set for meetings. Persons interested should consult the Fiat Lux or inquire at the Ceramics Building.

Civil Service Representatives Visit Alfred

Representatives of the Civil Service visited the New York College of Ceramics, Monday, October 26, to interview seniors for the government placement bureau. The group was especially interested in math, physics and chemistry majors, ceramic engineers and glass technologists but also signed many girls in ceramic arts who are wanted for drafting work.

Most of the eligible seniors attended this meeting and filled out applications. These will be sent to Washington and the applicants will be assigned jobs in vital industries. There were also several specific jobs assigned at the meeting to students fulfilling the requirements.

The representatives included Lieut. Col. Smith, liaison officer; Mr. Miller of the Watervliet Arsenal; Mr. Dering of the Langley Field Aeronautical Research and Mr. Fox from the Brooklyn Navy Yard. These men have been visiting colleges and universities all over the country in order to place students in these fields at industrial jobs where they are most needed.

Students May Visit Local Campanile On Sundays

The Friday Carillon Concerts, starting next Friday, will be played from 4:30 to 5 p. m.

The Sunday concerts remain at the same hour from 3:00 to 4:00 p. m.

Students and friends of Alfred, interested in visiting the Campanile, may come to the cabin in the tower at 4 p. m. on Sundays where Carillonneur Ray W. Wingate will explain the art of Campanology and show the ancient bells of Peter Hemony, 268 years of age.

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Ag-Tech To Give New Radio Course

Instruction in a new radio course to be given two evenings a week will commence the week of November 9.

This course will give the students short but thorough instruction in radio. It will be of great benefit to those students who are considering enlistment in the Signal Corps or those who are already in the Signal Corps Reserve. The classes will continue until the latter part of May and all students enrolled in the course will be granted deferment until their instruction period is finished.

The course is under the sponsorship of Director Paul B. Orris of the Ag-Tech Institute and all persons desiring to enroll in this class should report to the Ag-Tech office for application papers.

News Review

(Continued from page one) farm groups and the like. Demands were made for a new civilian board to give over all direction to war production and manpower problems.

The Labor Victory Committee included Philip Murray and William Green, president of the A.F.L. They met with President Roosevelt and asked for further time to study the manpower situation. One of the things the conference seemed to be in harmony over was to halt for the present at least, any move for general compulsory control over manpower.

A step that may be taken in connection with aiding the manpower need was discussed this last week when the President said he might introduce compulsory registration for women which would require the rest of the year.

Forces Increase

The number of American soldiers abroad has increased 300,000 in the last two months. This was revealed in a letter sent by General Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, to Admiral King, Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet. He said that we now have 800,000 men in uniform in overseas countries.

Although we do not know where all the 800,000 are located, we do know that a large number are in Ireland and Great Britain.

Renewed Bombings

Great Britain suffered its biggest daylight raid in two years when fifty Nazi planes raided the old cathedral city of Canterbury. The raid came with such suddenness that many people were caught unaware, causing several to be killed.

The bombing occurred about twenty-four hours after Mrs. Roosevelt had visited the city.

By early evening, eleven Nazi planes had been brought down. London had an air-raid alarm at the same time as the bombing of Canterbury but was not harmed by the low flying Nazi airplanes.

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On the Ball

By Muriel Strong

Let's talk hockey with "Hecky" for a few minutes, and find out what has been going on in that field beside South Hall lately.

Reporter: "How's the hockey season this year, Hecky?"

Hecky: "Great. We have a lot of good players, and they all have the will to win. With the practice they get in gym classes and on Saturday mornings, they are getting so that they can play a pretty smooth game."

Reporter: "How do the freshmen look?"

Hecky: "Good."

Reporter: "I hear that the sophomores beat them last Saturday."

Hecky: "Oh, that was just a practice game and neither side had enough players. The freshmen did beat the upper-classmen in a regular game, though. Boy, were those upper-classmen burned up over that."

Reporter: "As I understand it, the upper-classmen have been victorious over the sophomores, and the freshmen have downed the upper-classmen, so now the freshmen and sophomores have to battle it out. Right?"

Hecky: "Right. If the freshmen win, they get the interclass trophy, but if the sophomores come out on top, then the three teams (upper-classmen, sophomores and freshmen) will still have an equal chance for the trophy."

Reporter: "When will the All-Alfred team be chosen?"

Hecky: "In about two weeks, and when we get that All-Alfred team together we'll be ready to challenge any team to the best game of hockey that it can play!"

P. S.: This conversation did not actually take place, so please don't quote Hecky on anything mentioned here.

Countant Wins "Purple, Gold" Tassel In Archery

Doris Countant '45 won her purple and gold tassel in archery last Saturday morning. She is the second person on campus to possess this award.

To earn this award one must shoot 24 arrows at 40 yards, making a score of at least 170; and 24 arrows at 30 yards, making a score of at least 180. Only three purple and gold tassels have been awarded to Alfred students. Harry Meyer ex-'42 and Hazel Guthrie '44 also possess the award.

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Old Rule----

(Continued from page one) in his essay on Civil Disobedience, with which, I may add, I am in substantial agreement.

Burrill Friedman, president of the Interfraternity Council: Laws are made primarily for the purpose of safeguarding the rights of individuals. The colonial "blue laws" were made for the purpose of inhibiting the response to the desire for pleasure. The same "blue laws" were discarded positively and finally when women were accorded equal privileges with men. Why is it necessary to curb women's pleasures, if those of the men are not curbed at the same time? Is it necessary for Alfred to revert to the "blue laws"?

Ruth Weitz '45: The W.S.G. couldn't help but punish Toni. It has to follow rules set down by the University. I think the problem should be settled by the girls AND the trustees.

Prof. Charles Amberg: If a girl does not like a law she should campaign for its repeal. That is the democratic process. I think the W.S.G. was justified in punishing Miss Allen.

Ann Buschor '45: As a person who has never smoked, and doesn't intend to, I think that all who want to smoke should have this privilege.

Alice VanGaasbeck '46: The Collegiate is a place of recreation for the college girls and they should be the ones to decide whether they should smoke there or not.

Toni Allen '45: I do not think that I was treated fairly, but I am obeying the social campus. The W.S.G. did not send me a card and I was given no chance to defend myself.

Mary Johnston '43: I think the girls should give the W.S.G. time to find a solution to this problem.

Patrick Ryan '46: I think smoking in the Collegiate gives the College a bad name. The W.S.G. was right in punishing Toni.

Dean Dora K. Degen: The problem is not whether smoking is desirable or not—it is a regulation of the trustees that smoking should be confined to rooms provided for that purpose. The girls, however, took the problem outside in public places. People should live according to regulations... why not cooperate or else give reasons for not complying with rules? The girls will all be given a chance to give their reasons. I will say that the failure of the W.S.G. to enforce this law last year has caused a great deal of misunderstanding. It is not a new law. There has been no change in the rule, just a failure on the part of the governing board to enforce it.

Prof. W. M. Burditt: When anyone openly declares that he is going to flout the law, the only thing to do is to punish him. The group going against this motion is traveling in the wrong direction. It is trying to force the issue and put the cart before the horse. All this agitation is delaying the process. It is good practice for colleges to furnish something for the students to complain about.

President J. Nelson Norwood: I don't like to see girls smoke, whether we are in Alfred or anywhere else. The fact that women DO smoke is an important problem for Alfred.

Lida Weinstein '45: It's kind of silly to stop the girls from smoking in the Collegiate. What is going to prevent them from going into the pool room to smoke?

Mickey Kleiman '46: The administration has recognized the fact that smoking is permissible by girls when they set up a smoking room in the Brick. The W.S.G. should have been far-sighted enough to ask for repeal of the law long ago.

Prof. Roland Warren: It is unfortunate that such a situation exists. I think we all hope that some solution to "this tempest in the teapot" can be found.

Exchange Notes
In a campus-wide poll the average University of Rochester student was found to be optimistic about the future of our country. About 60% of the students think that we will be leading a better life after the war.

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Beyond The Valley

By George Hyams

No finer bearer of good will could have gone to England than Mrs. Roosevelt. Her intelligence, charm and position should do much to solidify the bonds existing between the people of Britain and the United States.

As First Lady, Mrs. Roosevelt has received much condemnation for her varied activities in the past ten years. But we have a feeling that time will treat her far more kindly than the Peglers whose closed minds pour vitriol without care.

She has extended the position and duties of the wife of the President. She has emphasized the fact that an intelligent mind should not hibernate because of social and historical precedent. She has traveled throughout the nation and come to know people in all classes and all occupations. She has gained a first-hand knowledge of the problems of the nation and has been outspoken in her opinion of the things that she has seen. Her experiences and opinions have probably been of invaluable help to the President.

It is true that she has made a number of errors in judgment. But who in the public eye has not? It is very easy to pick things apart and condemn the whole because a minor molecule of it is wrong. However, that is not too scientific and not too intelligent.

So now Mrs. Roosevelt follows in the footsteps of another excellent unofficial traveling American, Wendell Willkie. From all present indications his trip was a success from the standpoint of winning friends and influencing people: He was equipped for his job as Mrs. Roosevelt is for hers.

She is no ivory tower of intellect who cannot understand people and whom the people cannot understand. She should make many friends in England and have many interesting and illuminating things to tell us on her return.

And we should all be rather glad that the wife of the President is a person of the calibre to do this job. And the Peglers et al. should stop worrying about whether the President's wife is spending enough time in the White House kitchen, and be glad with the rest of us.

Women Needed To Fill Inspectors' Jobs

Qualified women are needed to fill positions as Junior Inspectors of Engineering Materials (Aeronautical) in the Navy Department.

Those appointed as such will be placed in training in Philadelphia for a period not exceeding six months at a salary of \$1,620 per year. They will then be transferred to various contractor plants throughout the United States.

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Girl Tells Of Life In Greece

Life in Patras, Greece, may seem queer to some of you readers, but to me it was very interesting and worthwhile. During my fourteen months' stay in Patras, I attended a girls' junior high school, the Arsakeion. I also attended many interesting church services. In the following paragraphs I will try to give you a clear picture of how the schools and churches operate.

The school that I attended was governed according to strict rules. We all had to wear blue uniforms with white collars, and berets. We were not allowed to wear make-up, furs of any kind, nor jewelry, except that of a simple ring or a watch. The purpose of this was to give more consideration to our studies.

School was in session six days a week, from Monday through Saturday. The hours were from 8-1 and from 3-5; on Saturdays, 8-1. The required subjects, which I had to take were thirteen: Greek, reading, French, geometry, art, music, general science, geography, history, writing, religion, homemaking and gym. You can imagine how busy I was each day, and how much time I had left for amusements. Some of the subjects, however, were taught only three times a week. After each hour lesson, we had ten minutes' recess for a light lunch, or games. At the end of each month, we were given a test on each subject, and marked on the basis of ten. School closed from 1-3 for lunch and naps. During our school year, it was required that each girl keep a diary. At the close of each week, they were collected by the teacher and handed over to the principal for inspection. Having read them over, the principal gave them back to us with complimentary notes.

Greece is noted very much for its religious beliefs. The people believe in God, Christ, Mary and the holy saints. By going to church, they commemorate the remarkable days of Christ spent among His disciples, Christ's baptism, and Name Days. (The death of each saint is celebrated by those named after him.) The queerest thing about the churches was that the men and women were not allowed to sit together. After lighting a candle to the church, the men went to the left side of the building, while the right side was reserved for the women. It was required that we stand through a three-hour service, while only older people could sit on the few chairs that were there. After the whole service, communion was served for only those who fasted for that morning, or for a duration of time. As the men, women, and children left the church, they often bought crullers at the price of one cent each, from a man who stood near the church.

I enjoyed my trip to Patras very much, and hope that some day I may be able to go through the same thing all over again.

Leah Raptis '46

Six Students Treated At Infirmary During Week

Two men and four women have received treatment at the Clawson Infirmary this week.

Florence Thomson '46, Bernard Caron Ag-Tech '43, and Urban Ludwig '44 are suffering from pneumonitis. Ailsa Johnstone '43, Jean McCormick '44 and Jo Ann Lindsley '45 were treated for colds.

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9 Business Majors High In Clerical Ability Grades

Nine Alfred University business majors ranked among the upper third in the finals of the 1942 National Clerical Ability Tests given last April.

These tests, compiled by experts in the business world under the sponsorship of the National Office Management Association and the National Council for Business Education, compose a testing program in the United States for the business educational field. In addition to a specialized examination in any of the skills of stenography, typewriting, accounting, machine calculation, machine transcription, and filing, each applicant must pass a three-hour test which includes English, arithmetic, business information, and general information. Competition is nationwide, and results are compiled statistically.

In stenography, requiring a minimum composite score of 454, certificates were granted to Frances Polan '42, rating 628, Ruth Woelfel ex-'43, rating 698, and Margaret Aylor '43, rating 780.

In typewriting, the composite minimum score for which was 588, certificates were earned by Ruth Henry '45, rating 650, Regina Wright '43, rating 694, Helen Crawford '42, rating 737, Margaret Aylor '43, rating 949, Ruth Woelfel ex-'43, rating 1023, and Jean Fitzgerald '43, rating 1031.

Betty Jane Pierce '42 received a certificate in filing with a score of 809. A minimum of 784 was required in this field.

In machine transcription, the minimum score allowable being 653, a certificate was earned by Judith Clausen '42, who tallied a score of 851.

This year, from a total of 3,302 contestants, only 1,937 certificates of vocational proficiency were granted.

College Students Are Serious War-Time Problem

The foremost concern of the Commission's college section are problems of training professional and technical personnel badly needed to wage global war. Three major divisions have been set up under Dr. Elliott to take care of these problems:

The first is the "Special Wartime" division. Once this unit works out courses it deems vital to successful prosecution of the war, the U. S. Office of Education takes charge of getting said courses into college curricula.

A second division of Dr. Elliott's section is called the "Procurement and Assignment Service." This division must provide dentists and doctors to the army and navy without disrupting private and public health services. And it's doing a good job, according to reports here.

Finally, a third division called "National Roster of Scientific and Specialized Personnel" keeps what amounts to a punch card file of the country's talent. By arrangement with Selective Service this division has developed a list of all Americans who have highly specialized and scientific training. Anyone ever graduated from a college engineering or science course would find his name on the list.

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Teacher Comm. Visits Alfred To Interview Faculty

A committee to evaluate the teacher training facilities of privately endowed New York State colleges and universities interviewed faculty members of the Liberal Arts College here Thursday, Oct. 29. The committee, appointed by the Association of Colleges and Universities of New York State for this purpose, is visiting all teacher-training institutions in New York state.

The group is composed of Prof. E. S. Evenden, chairman, of Columbia University, Prof. Charles C. Fries of the University of Michigan, Dr. Gordon Blackwell of North Carolina University, and Miss Vivian Edmiston, secretary, also from Columbia University.

Miss Cecelia T. O'Connor, head of the English department of Wellsville High School; Mr. Harold Babcock, head of the Department of Social Studies at Alfred-Almond Central School; and Mr. Ralph Peltz, head of the Mathematics Department at Hornell High School, were also interviewed in regard to their work as advisers to Alfred students who are doing practice teaching in these subjects.

Spanish Club To Present Play At Meeting Tonight

A modern Spanish play, "Manana de Sol", will be presented tonight by the Spanish Club at its meeting at 7:30 in Kenyon Memorial Hall.

The play will be read by various members of the club. Donald Wattles '43, who takes the leading part of Don Gonzalo, will direct the production. The other members of the cast are Maria Bacerra '46 as Dona Laura, Joel Kent '44 as one servant, and Doris Cunningham '45 as the other servant.

"Manana de Sol" was written by the Quintero brothers and when translated means "A Sunny Morning."

The game of basketball was invented in 1891 by James Naismith, an instructor at the YMCA College at Springfield, Mass.

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Social Notes----

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Week-end guests at Sigma Chi were Beth Olshovy '42 and Jean Waldron of Phoenix, N. Y.

Frank Fiorentino ex-'44 was a guest at Kappa Psi this last week, and John Ray '42 was a week-end guest.

Ernest Tancous '43, Paul Kopko '43 and William Kopko '43 were pledged to Delta Sigma Phi last week.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Marcia Wiley ex-'44, of Sigma Chi Nu, to R. Winston Reper ex-'43, of Klan Alpine.

Robert Hunt '42 was a week-end guest at Lambda Chi.

There will be an open archery tournament at South Hall on Monday, November 9, at 8 p. m.

This week-end Ellis Manor played host to a group of skunks—under the back porch. The guests seemed to have decided to remain for the week. All are hereby notified that Mr. and Mrs. Skunk will be at home to visitors. Old friends are especially invited to drop in.

Virginia L. Plummer '39 and Parker S. Dupuy were married at Rumford, R. I., October 10. Mr. Dupuy recently returned from India and China, where he was a member of the Flying Tigers, to become a test pilot. Mrs. Dupuy has been teaching ceramics at the Rhode Island School of Arts in Providence. The couple is now living in Babylon, L. I.

The engagement of Eleanor Jensen '43, of Sigma Chi Nu, and Elton Gamble '42, of Klan Alpine, was announced recently. Midshipman Gamble is, at present, in training on the U.S.S. Prairie State.

Edward F. Creagh '38, former editor of the Fiat Lux, accepted a position in Philadelphia, Pa., with the Associated Press last week.

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