



WEE PLAYHOUSE SCORES INITIAL SUCCESS

HIGH CLASS TALENT EXHIBITED AT "LITTLE THEATRE"

UNIQUE SELECTION OF PLAYS BOASTS SCHOLARLY CAST

Despite the interruptions, the faulty electric lights, and the rain, the Wee Play House inaugural, staged at Academy Hall last Saturday evening was a pronounced success, and many favorable comments indicate the fact that Alfred's Wee Play House has come to stay.

Absolutely unique in its character, its cast, and its presentations, the "theater-goer" of last Saturday evening was treated to a performance of more than ordinary merit in that little playhouse which has so long seemed shrouded in mystery. From the time that patrons checked their wraps at the door to the closing moment of the final performance, not one person in an appreciative audience seemed disappointed. On the contrary, all were pleased. While it was unfortunate that the lights gave out during the first act, the situation was quickly remedied, and the plays went on as ever.

The first act, a farce comedy, served to introduce "Spelling" to the Alfred audience. Dr. Morton E. Mix assumed the rather difficult role of Caboussat, a would-be office seeker, who in his young and jubilant days had never learned to spell. His daughter Blanche, the corrector of his speeches, and his general advisor, proved to be none other than Miss Beatrice Streeter. To say that Miss Streeter did well would be a mild assertion. Her attitude toward "father" was most realistic and devoted. Poitrinas, archaeologist, seemed to bear identification as Prof. Joseph Seidlin. Possessed of a rare quality of "voice distinction" Prof. Seidlin did himself proud in this act. His principal duty, aside from the archaeological excavations, in which he managed to uncover some old kitchen ware, was to obtain permission for his son to marry Blanche. Insisting that his offspring had but one fault, the fond father begged Caboussat to consider the matter. The latter somehow could not discover just what that fault was, even though he was allowed the privilege of scanning a letter which Poitrinas had received from his son, and which the archaeologist had severely criticised. However, the play ended happily, for Caboussat decided with the acquaintance of his daughter to allow the nuptials to come to pass, and it was only at the final moment that he discovered the "fault" of his prospective son-in-law to be identically the same which he himself possessed. Machut, a veterinary, Prof. Geo. A. Bole to the fore, and Jeanne, a maid, Miss Adeline Titsworth, were both minor parts which were capably presented. Prof. Bole had something of a characteristic role, and his work was extremely pleasing.

"Three Pills in a Bottle," the second act, showed Miss Isabella Mack '21 at her best. The work of Miss Mack was really of superior calibre, and she deserves high commendation for her masterful interpretation in the role of Tony Simms, invalid son

of the Widow Simms, Mrs. F. H. Ellis. Prof. John B. Stearns played the part of an arrogant, overbearing, money worshipping old man, attended by his "soul," Dr. Paul E. Titsworth. Those students who are familiar with the crisp concrete tones belonging to the head of the English department, were doubtless astounded at the feeble high pitched voice which seemed characteristic of the cringing "soul" of the "old gentleman." Prof. F. S. Place as a scissors grinder was a complete success, while his "soul," Mrs. Ramon Reynolds, who, during the course of the play, contributed a pleasing vocal solo, was enthusiastically received. Miss Margaret Landwehr, taking the role of a washerwoman, exhibited a "soul" in the person of Miss Julia Wahl. Both did remarkably well, and Miss Wahl's costume was probably one of the most beautiful in evidence during the evening.

The Widow Simms, poverty stricken, buys a bottle containing three pills for her sick son, Tony. These pills were very expensive and recommended as being of vital importance in Tony's recovery. One was to remove all headaches, another to strengthen the eyes, and a third to make its consumer larger, plumper, and possessed of the finest health. While the Widow Simms is out, Tony has visitors. The old gentleman, the scissors grinder, and the washerwoman all appear in turn, and are followed by their "souls," the emblem of the real selves. As each "soul" seems to be possessed of the particular kind of ailment which one pill seems capable of removing. Tony's generous and sympathetic spirit is aroused, and he gives his medicine away. The mother returns, and finding the pills gone, weeps despairingly. The washerwoman appears, hands Tony a bouquet of flowers, and is gone. The scissors grinder is heard singing happily, and the "old gentleman" finally turns up and donates the price for another bottle of pills which will make Tony well.

The final act bearing the appellation, "The Tents of the Arabs" was the most striking performance of the evening. Prof. John B. Stearns and Mrs. Ada Becker Seidlin carried the heavier parts in this little drama. It was a tale of the desert and of an oriental city. The king, a gaudily clad knight who sheathed a huge scimitar, was advised by his chamberlain to marry a certain princess. The King requests that he be allowed to leave for a period of one year, and at the expiration of that time he is to return and claim the bride. He vanishes in the desert, and ere long meets the woman of his choice, a gypsy. He realizes that he can hardly hope to marry this woman and still retain his crown, and for a time he is beset by varied emotions. Finally the decision comes, and the king returns, not to claim his throne, but to testify to the court in favor of an-

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URSINUS NOSES OUT PURPLE IN FINAL TILT

Pennsylvanians Show Speed In Court Game

VARSITY LED AT END OF OPENING PERIOD

On the Alfred court last Saturday evening the Alfred Varsity five lost the final game of the season to Ursinus by a score of 37-26. It was a hard fought contest and was marked at many different periods by brilliant playing on both sides. The game, taken as a whole, however, was rather streaked, as there were many times when neither team seemed able to hold the ball.

During the first few minutes of the game the ball was passed from one end of the court to the other, neither side being able to score. Ursinus took the lead, when Erb dropped in a long field goal from close to the side line. This was quickly followed by a foul basket by Rahn. Campbell made a foul goal which was followed quickly by Witter's field goal tying the score. Both teams then settled down to hard fast playing, and at the end of the first half Alfred held the lead 21-17.

The second half started off much as the first and Alfred seemed for a time to have the edge on the maroon quint. Near the middle of the period, however, the visitors began tossing the ball through the net from all angles, gaining the lead by several points. This onslaught soon stopped, but fighting as hard as they could the purple team could not regain the lead. Near the close of the game the maroons took another spurt, and the contest closed with Ursinus 11 points in the lead.

Line up and summary:

Alfred (26)		Ursinus (37)
	R. F.	Erb
Banks		
	L. F.	Frutchy
Campbell		
	C.	Rahn
Ford		
	R. G.	Gotschalk
Holley		
	L. G.	Eisenburg
R. Witter		

Time of halves—20 minutes

Referee—Weiss.

Scorer—Orvis.

Substitutes: R. Witter for Ford; B. Witter for R. Witter; Hinchcliff for Campbell.

Field goals: Campbell 2; Banks 4; R. Witter 3. Ford 1. Frutchy 5; Erb 5; Rahn 2; Eisenburg; Gotschalk. Foul goals: Campbell 7 out of 13. Rahn 9 out of 14.

EUROPEAN DRIVE LAUNCHED AT UNIVERSITY ASSEMBLY

At the college assembly, held last Wednesday with the Ag students at their hall, a drive for European student relief was launched. Short, spirited talks were given by Dr. J. N. Norwood and four students representing every branch of the University. The speakers, who were introduced by Pres. Davis, included, besides Dr. Norwood, Florence Bowden '22; Cynthia Hovey, Ag '21; Samuel Charniak '24, and Robert Clark '22. The four-

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ETA PHI GAMMA BANQUET CROWNING SOCIAL EVENT OF SEASON

"BACHELOR BOYS" HOLD ANNUAL PARTY AT HOTEL SHERWOOD IN HORNELL

SIXTY-EIGHT PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE, INCLUDING GUESTS. MEMBERS AND ALUMNI

On Thursday evening, March 10, at the Hotel Sherwood, Hornell, the Eta Phi Gamma Fraternity held its annual banquet. The occasion proved to be one of the most successful social events of the season and all who were privileged to attend agreed by common consent that it was not possible to conceive a more pleasant evening than that enjoyed by the members and their guests. There were sixty-eight persons present. Conveyance to and from Hornell was principally by bus which proved to be the most convenient and easy means of transportation.

It was a very happy group of people who, after resting a few moments from the trip, come down into the lobby and passed into the dining hall. The last few people to enter were hardly seated when the sound of music broke in upon the gathering. The orchestra played steadily, throughout the evening, with only a short intermission now and then. The spirit of merriment was supreme and laughing voices and bits of conversation could be heard above the music. It was an ideal place and everyone seemed to be in the proper mood for the exchange of reminiscences, for the recollection of old times, and the narration of events of these times. Many were busy recalling events of the past to their neighbors and entering into the spirit of this occasion. A real and sincere fraternal spirit prevailed and the congenial free and easy atmosphere which was manifest made the event a pleasure to all.

The decorations were simple, but very tasteful. Draped over the oak panel at the further end of the dining hall were two banners—one that of the College and the other the Fraternity banner with the emblem of the Society, the three Greek letters in gold, Eta Phi Gamma, on a blue field. There were twenty-two tables and each was decorated with a small blue basket filled with artistically arranged flowers and ferns. The table decorations were in complete harmony of color and added greatly to the attractiveness of the hall. The menus and place cards were printed in blue ink, with the seal of the Fraternity in gold on each, all of which was in harmony with the other decorations.

Ray C. Witter was the toastmaster of the evening, and he called for toasts from Oliver Ferry (representative from Delta Gigma Phi), Ross D. Plank (representative from Klan Alpine), Duane Anderson (representative from Theta Gamma), Professor Waldo A. Titsworth (faculty representative), and President Stamm of the Fraternity. Mr. Ferry expressed his appreciation of the enjoyable evening he was spending in the company of those present, and spoke of his hopes for the extension of the interfraternity spirit here in Alfred. Mr.

Plank, who was next to give a toast, very aptly compared the life of the fraternities in a college to the parts of a machine, saying that if there were friction between the fraternities no better results could be expected than would be the case of a machine in the same circumstances. Mr. Anderson, who represented our newest fraternity here in Alfred, the Theta Gamma, gave an assurance of the general good will and fraternal spirit which his fraternity bears to the other fraternities of Alfred. Professor Titsworth had, as usual, some very good stories as a preface to his remarks. He expressed the privilege which he felt in being able to have a life work which enabled him to enjoy the association of young people, and he stated that it was his belief that his hair was not yet gray due to the fact that his life had been spent with people younger than himself. He spoke very encouragingly of the future we have before us and his message was appreciated and will be remembered by those present. President Stamm, in the closing toast of the evening, expressed his appreciation to the guests, and to all who had helped to make the banquet one to be remembered. Mr. Witter, in introducing Mr. Stamm to the assemblage, spoke of the gratitude felt by all members of the fraternity for the splendid spirit which President Stamm has created and maintained throughout the present school year. With his usual modesty, Mr. Stamm refused to take any credit for what has been accomplished at the Eta Phi Gamma this year. He expressed his opinion that the success of the organization had been due to the unusually good spirit and co-operation of the members of the fraternity. President Stamm's message was filled with the same spirit of sincerity and hopefulness which his fraternity brothers have felt to be so characteristic of him.

Prof. A. A. Wesbecher, also called upon to express his sentiments, declared that he was very glad to note the interfraternal spirit that was being demonstrated in Alfred, and that his intimacy with men belonging to the different organizations had led him to feel that all were working toward the same ideals.

Immediately following the toasts dancing was commenced, and continued until twelve when the party broke up, and guests and members seated themselves in the busses waiting outside and returned to Alfred.

It had been the passing of an annual event which meant much to those present, and as the murmur of voices became fainter and fainter as the people passed from the lobby out into the street, those few members of the

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RESUME OF PAST BASKETBALL SEASON

PURPLE QUINT MET SERIES OF DEFEATS IN DIFFICULT SCHEDULE

SEVEN MEN TO RECEIVE MAJOR "A"—SIX EARN SECOND TEAM INSIGNIA

While Alfred's 1920-21 basketball record shows ten defeats and but three victories, the fact remains that it was our team after all, and that it was often under adverse conditions that the purple took the court. Although the past season was not a successful one, there are other years coming, and the experience that the purple squad received this season will stand them in good stead in future days. With the exception of Ford and R. Witter, who graduate in June, practically all members of this year's squad will be in school for at least two years before graduation, and during that time Alfred should develop a crack team. With Banks, E. and R. Campbell, Hinchcliff, Ahern, Lanphere, Smith, Holley, B. Witter, Bond, Lyman and Newton all in college next winter, great results may be expected. The freshman team was quite strong this year, and men like Barron, Drummond, Sanford, and Griffiths may see service with the Varsity another season.

COLLEGE FROSH WALLOP AG SENIORS IN FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Wearers of Green Outclass Opponents

On Monday night of last week the College frosh met and defeated the Ag Seniors by a score of 39-25 in the first game for the university class championship. At the end of the first half, the Frosh, playing a fast and brilliant brand of basketball, led by a 20-17 score. Barron and Drummond, the Frosh stars, tossed baskets from all angles of the court, while Orvis and Lewis, the best bets of the Ag School men, also showed good form.

Beginning the final period the college men began an offensive which carried their opponents nearly off their feet. Griffiths, the Freshman left guard, tossing several pretty field baskets, with his team-mates contributing heavily also. Despite the efforts of the Seniors, the Frosh gradually drew away, and the game ended with the first year men victorious by a margin of fourteen points.

Line up and summary:
College Frosh (39) Ag Seniors (25)
R. F. Orvis
Drummond L. F. Lewis
Newton C. Lewis
Barron C. Solar
Sanford R. G. Swanson
Griffiths L. G. Chipman

Field goals: Drummond 2; Newton 2; Barron 8; Sanford, Griffiths 4; Orvis 5; Lewis 2; Solar 2; Swanson. Foul goals: Drummond; Newton 3; Orvis 2; Lewis 2.
Referee: Wesbecher.
Timers: Collson and Anderson.
Scorer: E. Campbell.

The record of the past season follows:

Alfred 30	Addison 21
Alfred 9	Colgate 84
Alfred 18	Jamestown A. L. 38
Alfred 7	Buffalo 29
Alfred 21	Thiel 22
Alfred 38	Wellsville C. 18
Alfred 15	St. Lawrence 34
Alfred 3	Clarkson 18
Alfred 38	Rochester S. O. 32
Alfred 22	Thiel 46
Alfred 14	Wellsville C. 23
Alfred 12	Rochester S. O. 32
Alfred 26	Ursinus 37
Alfred 253	Opponents 435

Basketball "A's" will be awarded to the following men:

R. Witter, Capt. Ahern, Manager, B. Witter, Banks, Holley, E. Campbell, and Ford. Lanphere and Hinchcliff, men who barely failed to play enough games for the major insignia, together with Bond, Lyman, R. Campbell and Newton, will receive second team honors. Letters will be awarded at the athletic movies next Saturday night, and men who are to receive them are requested to be present.

"QUOTH THE RAVEN"

Achilles was vulnerable in only one spot—his heel. Ray Witter, our star athlete, we find susceptible to the same disorder as the ancient Greek. That is to say he has a strong natural proclivity, a vulnerability, but instead of striking him in the heel, it seems to attack the region of one of his upper incisors. "Chief" has battled on the gridiron and the baseball diamond for many a year and he has met with various little mishaps ranging from a broken ankle or twist in the knee to smashed collar bone. However, the only constantly recurrent injury that "Chief" seems to meet is in losing one of his upper incisors. This tooth has continually been knocked out in both football and basketball. In fact it is very natural when anyone happens to hear something dropped on the floor to say "There goes Chief's tooth again." This tooth had been replaced so many times that our local dentist finally found that the trick could no longer be done. It would not stick. Something had to be done about this state of affairs. Chief's beaming countenance, it must be admitted, was greatly marred during the few days that he went smilingly about town minus his incisor. At last the dentist got busy and made "Chief" a brand new detachable one with which he is greatly pleased. He will with a little urging, give a demonstration of the working of this dental appliance, and all those interested should apply at once for an exhibition. We rejoice with "Chief" in the possession of his new tooth and may it give him many years of faithful service.

THE MOVIES

The charm that the movies have for Alfredians, is just as great as ever. Despite the Wee Play House production and the inclement weather, Firemen's Hall was taxed almost to its capacity. The only ones, who did not grace the occasion, were our eminent professors. However, things ran along smoothly and all present enjoyed a pleasant evening. The feature was "Romance and Arabella," in which Constance Talmadge starred.

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other man. Then it is that the king turns traveller, and weds his gypsy sweetheart. The role of Bel-Narb, the new king, was efficiently portrayed by Charles Stamm '23, while Aob, another desetr nomad, saw Fred Gorab '24 at his best. Zabra, a court lady, brought Miss Katherine C. Nelson into a well-adapted role, while Eznarza, the gypsy girl, appeared as Mrs. Seidlin, and was tenderly wooed by the King, Prof. John B. Stearns.

The directors of these plays deserve a large share of commendation. Mrs. G. A. Bole, the organizer of "Spelling," Miss Gladys Bleiman, the supervising agent of "Three Pills in a Bottle," and Miss Marion Fosdick, autocrat of "The Tents of the Arabs" have all worked diligently with their respective casts, and the result of the plays bears mute evidence of the splendid training received.

On Monday afternoon at 4:00 there was a repetition at the Wee Play House, and the well-packed hall testified highly as to the interest which has been taken in these productions.

Now that the Wee Play House facilities have been exposed, there will, of course, be constant demand for its use. It is hoped that whatever plays and whatever actors are seen upon its boards in future days will remember and profit by the excellent traditions which were established as a result of the inaugural.

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committee, and those who for any other reasons were forced to remain for a few moments longer than the group as a whole, felt a keen sense of the significance of the occasion. There were faces there which will not be seen among us next year, the faces of those who at this time another year, will be making their ways in the life of theoutsideworld. There were those whom we hope and expect to have with us for many years to come. However this may be, we must believe that the prevailing wish and thought of all those present was that these people might go their separate way in health, honor, and prosperity, with a long remembrance of the evening of March 10th, 1921—the night of the Eta Phi Gamma annual banquet, one of the most successful social events we have seen in the life of the college this year.

PERSONALS

Harry W. Langworthy '07, has been elected principal of Oneida H. S.

Miss Florence M. Perry of Warsaw spent the week-end with friends at Alfred.

Dr. Ide spoke at Fillmore last week at a meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association.

Elmer Pierce '08, principal of Seneca Voc. School of Buffalo, was in Alfred last week.

Dr. Stanton Davis '17, is spending a few days at the home of his parents, Pres. and Mrs. B. C. Davis.

Miss Gladys Bleiman of the College faculty is entertaining her mother. Mrs. Bleiman will remain here until the Easter recess.

Dr. Joseph Clark, State Superintendent of the Bible School Association, at Albany, spoke Saturday and Sunday mornings at the village church.

Announcement has been made that Wm. G. Whitford '11, now a member of the faculty of Chicago University, has recently entered upon a matrimonial career.

Anna Savage '18, Hazel Humphreys '19, Elizabeth Davis '19, Hazel Perkins '17, Iola Lanphere '20, Arthur Whitford '14, and Fritzof Hildebrand '18, were in Alfred over the week-end.

ASSEMBLY

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minute speeches for this relief drive were sincere appeals for financial help from the men and women of America's universities to their fellow students in central Europe.

\$350.00 was set as the goal for Alfred's drive, and the initial success last Wednesday indicates that the quota can be secured. About \$180.00 in cash and pledges came after assembly, and about \$20.00 has been contributed since. Friday, March 18th, has been set for Tag Day, on which every effort will be made to raise the total to \$350.00.

Pledges made at assembly should be paid as soon as possible, either at

the Library or the Ag School office. If the cash is not paid in promptly, teams will probably be picked which will make a big, clean-up sweep of all out-standing pledges on Friday. All money raised here for this fund will be credited to Alfred's total subscription to the general European relief fund.

When a bit of sunshine hits ye,
After passing of a cloud,
When a fit of laughter gits ye
An' ye'r spine is feelin' proud,
Don't forgit to up and fling it
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There will be baseball at Alfred during the spring term. Coach Wesbecher announced yesterday that plans were being made for the formation of an Inter-fraternity league. At least four clubs will battle for honors, as Burdick Hall will no doubt desire a franchise. Delta Sig, Eta Phi, and Klan Alpine all have a number of good baseball players in their respective rolls, and the fraternity teams should present fairly seasoned line-ups. Each nine will play about twelve games, and at the end of the season, a representative Alfred team will be selected from among the "leaguers," and possibly stage a game at commencement time.

In this way, practically all baseball men in college will be given an opportunity to keep in condition, despite the fact that there is to be no regular Varsity team as in years past. Since track work is to occupy "center-stage" this spring, it is likely that most of the baseball league contests will be "twilight" games, probably of a seven inning duration.

There is no doubt that the fraternities will enter heartily into the spirit of a baseball league, and good quality ball should be demonstrated. Some early aspirants and supporters of the diamond game have already been unlimbering in the warm March sunshine. When men begin to toss the horse-hide around gleefully, to talk of squeeze plays, sacrifice hits, and purloined sacks, there's certainly no one to question the fact that spring is here, and has brought something else along with the Pine Hill picnics, sunshine and robins.

Anyone who is even a casual observer cannot have failed to observe the air of suppressed excitement that has actuated many members of the

college faculty of late. To find worthy professors dismissing classes hastily is unusual, but to note that some of them forget to assign advanced work is even greater cause for alarm. What has happened? Why this sudden and singular transformation? Has there been a strike? Is there such an organization as a college professors' union?

Puzzling over these questions, more than one eager student has exhibited evidences of brain-fag. The mystery seems deep indeed. Even philosophical minds have marvelled.

But there's a solution to it all. Back in the days when Bill or Tom or Elsie or Helen left home to embark upon a career before the footlights, naturally those people were excited in preparation. Their families, too, felt some share of the emotion. Here in Alfred the same scheme of things seems apparent, but this time Bill and Tom have a string of degrees strewed out behind their names, while Elsie and Helen also may boast of some few scholarly landmarks. The faculty members have been infected with this footlight glare, and the influence has been more or less strongly evidenced among members of the student body.

The Wee Play House has come into its own. Grease, paint and powder are having their inning and our worthy faculty members have for a time departed from the realms of sober meditation. They're actors now, and they're not such novices either. Versatility, thy name should grace the annual catalogue.

A distinct advance has been made for all future theatricals at Alfred. The Wee Play House marks a real step forward, and much credit is due those people who have strived so diligently to make it a success. Persons who attended the inaugural performances have been much impressed with the little theatre, its management, and its cast. Something definite and lasting has come to Alfred with the Wee Play House.

CERAMIC SOCIETY

Last Tuesday evening most of the Ceramic Engineering students and faculty gathered at Kanakadea Hall to hear Howard Langworthy, formerly of Alfred, and now with the Jewettville Brick Co. near Buffalo, tell of the problems facing the present-day superintendent. D. Robison '21, chairman of the local branch of the American Ceramic Society, presided at the meeting and introduced the speaker. Mr. Langworthy described several money-saving practices recently developed in brick-making, especially in the burning process.

The annual joint meeting of the Society and Guild will probably be held tonight. Reports are expected from the faculty and students who attended the annual A. C. S. Convention at Columbus.

JUNIORSTAKE PLAYS TO ALMOND

Last Saturday night the College Juniors presented before a capacity crowd at the Almond High School auditorium three one-act plays recently given here. The entertainment was held under the auspices of the Twentieth Century Club of Almond, and the local alumni served the student actors a fine supper before the performance.

In spite of distant dressing rooms and hastily gathered scenes, everything worked smoothly to make the evening a success. The greater share of the credit for the pleasant and profitable trip should go to Mrs. Morton Mix, who selected and coached the three casts and directed the plays, both at Alfred and Almond. All the players co-operated fully and their work seemed to be fully appreciated. The Almond folks seemed to enjoy every minute of the entertainment, from the first tragic whisper in "The Riders to the Sea," to the last excited outburst in "Rosalie" the last of the three plays given. Between plays Alice Dickinson '24, gave two character readings which tickled the funny bones of all in the audience.

The program of the entertainment was practically identical with that of the Alfred performance.

Y. M. C. A.

Last Sunday evening, at the group meetings of the college Y. M., the subject discussed was "Christian loyalty." As the topic was developed in the several groups it became clear that loyalty to the Christian cause is an every-day opportunity. Self-sacrificing work in the church, its societies and the Christian Associations gives the students a chance to strengthen their loyalty by exercising it.

The World Christian Student Federation, of which the American College Christian Associations are members, counted largely on Christian loyalty to carry the drive for European student relief to success. Europe's war-stricken educational class would help itself if it could, but without work, money or credit, it must look to America this year for the means to carry on higher education. Alfred's college Y. M. C. A. is co-operating with the other local Christian Associations, to reach \$350.00, the goal of the present drive. Every student can help.

This spring the Y. M. C. A. officers for the coming year will be elected early in the third term, as has been the custom for several years. The Y. M. leaders' work is usually thankless, but men who value high ideals in college life will be found to keep the Y. M. a vital force in Alfred.

LIBRARY NEWS

The library has received fifty or more books from Mr. Howard Langworthy from the library of his father, the late John Langworthy of Alfred. Also Cuba, Porto Rico by Hall, from Mrs. Middaugh.

The following new books have been added to the library:

Arts of the World—Balch
Personality of God—Snoden
New England in the Life of the World—Bridgman
Best Short Stories of 1920—O'Brien
A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man—Joyce
Mare Nostrum—Ibanes
The Religion of a Layman—Brown
The Problem of Christian Unity—Cadman
The Making of our Country—Burnham
Dead Man's Plack and An Old Thorn—Hudson
Literary History of Spanish America—Coester
Poems—William Ernest Henley
The Education of Henry Adams—Adams
Seven volumes of dramatic works—Barrie
The Sisters-in-Law—Atherton
Five volumes of complete works of Charles Dickens

Edwin Denby, new Secretary of the Navy, a man who served for a time as a private in the Marine Corps during the world war, the son of a well known minister to China, may deliver the Doctor's Oration at the June commencement. Efforts are being made by Pres. Davis and members of the Senior Class of Alfred College to bring Mr. Denby here. If they should be successful in persuading the Secretary of the Navy to appear, Alfred will be fortunate indeed, for the opportunity of hearing from a member of the President's Cabinet is rare, even in collegiate circles.

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sar pauses with bated breath. Cicero's
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tracted look. Catullus smiles through
vine-clad ages. "Ah, Lesbia, my
Lesbia," he whispers reminiscently.
Socrates is muttering aimlessly. It
appears that his mind is wandering,
while Epicurus stands, deeply inter-
ested, in the center of the little group.
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through it all they stand appalled. Is
sober meditation possible? "By the
shades of Thales, no," utters he who
died by the Hemlock Cup.

But there is rhythm to the music.
There is grace among the dancers.
Back in the days of Miletus and on
the streets of ancient Rome, where
great statesmen orated and ponder-
ous thinkers thought with all the
virile integrity of distended cerebul-
lums, was there ever such a sight?
Such a spectacle! What an illusion!
Does it not cry for life once more in
the lost bodies of those of forgotten
ages? Cicero is beginning to think
so. His body sways from side to side
at the swinging notes of the latest
fox-trot. Catullus dips gracefully
hither and yon. The toe of Caesar,
great military strategist, marks time
on the springing turf. Socrates has
ceased his mutterings, and is now
tearing at his beard. Catullus seems
to have discerned a familiar figure
among the dancers, and it takes phy-
sical effort on the part of his con-
temporaries to prevent him from
dashing out upon the waxed surface.

From the depths of the bottomless
pit, another figure graces the little
assemblage. Nietzsche is on hand.
With a bewildered glare he takes
note of the proceedings. The spirit
of old Lucifer stands aghast. Time
must be allowed him to understand
and to interpret these things of a
more mature civilization.

The dancers pause. The music
comes temporarily to a stop. The
sages are silent. They, also, are
conscious of the awkward moment.
Are they thinking now? By the
eternal, such a display seems to dis-
pel all ideas. The faces are blankly
pathetic and questioning. What made
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would ever crash out its brazen notes.

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those of other descriptions find their
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is wafted out upon the spring breeze.
Catullus sniffs the air.

"Like the fragrant flower of As-
syria," he articulates nervously. "Like
that rose of my life, sweet Lesbia."
His ancient limbs begin again to live
in the flower of youth.

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The dance is over. The youths and
ladies depart. Sounds of whirring
motors, the purr of arbitrary self-
starters, the laughter and the conver-
sations, the good nights, all drift
away into the distance. Silence, deep
and melancholy, softly floats down
upon the ancient heroes.

"Would that we might live again,"
is the doleful note which echoes
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