



## RINKY-DINKS HOLD ANNUAL FESTIVAL

### College Restaurant Scene of Much Gaiety When Unique Organization Celebrates

The Christmas vacation roll of the Knights of the Rinky-Dinks was taken at the Collegiate restaurant at 12:01 o'clock A. M., Monday, Dec. 22. Those present were: Tom Moore, Gene Reynolds, Chet Taylor, Curly Anderson, Neal Welsh, Ray Witter, Bill Bowles, Joe Laura, Don Pingry, Carlyle Prentice, Jerry Warren, Dick Fenner, F. B. Senning, Lester Calman, Stony Grant, Big Mac, Garnhart, Prentice Stillman, Excog, Nig Stearns, Geo. Koerber, Ross Robbins, Harry Rogers, Sport Rogers, Mark Crandall, and Ed Turner.

As a prerequisite to recognition to our noble order, each man was to wear a wing collar and a red necktie. We feel that Sheff Bassett should feel grateful to us for having afforded him an opportunity to unload his supply of old red ties which were far from being homogeneous. Some were dazzling vermilion, and were long enough to make bows that reach from ear to ear. Some were striped with bright green, and some were polkadotted with yellow designs that made them look as if they were bespattered with kernels of yellow corn.

Though these royal marks of distinction may have cast an air of ridiculousness on our assembly, it was indeed a solemn occasion. We meant business. We were there to do justice to the banquet that was to be spread before us. Twenty-six noble Knights were present, and we are sorry that some of our brothers missed the party. The purpose of this article is to show them what they missed by leaving Alfred too soon.

At 12:30 Curly said, "We are off," and everyone took his place. After the grace all sat, and proceeded to get on the outside of a good meal.

The tables were placed end to end in two rows across the end of the restaurant, thus giving the appearance that there were two long tables. The banquet was laid out on these in a scrumptious manner. There were on each table two rows of lettuce salad, crisp and green, trimmed with olives. Next to these dishes were the fruit salads made of pineapples, bananas, pears, and colored with an a mixture of peaches and oranges. While we sat with these before us tempting us to disregard our manners, the consommé was served. A good chicken dinner followed, which was composed of real chicken, mashed potatoes, and dumplings. The desert was chocolate cake with vanilla ice cream. With it Jimmie passed the smokes saying, "Come on boys, have a smoke on the house." We deeply appreciate his good will.

Several of the gentlemen, true to the cause, hid behind their bushes from which they could not readily emerge, the shrubbery being necessarily portable. Even "Min" was present, but she could not partake of the feast for she had neither the winged collar, the red necktie, nor the price.

### WE

I sometimes think that  
The sudden gleam,  
Which glances from  
One eye to another,  
As people pass in the throng  
Is a kind of understanding,  
That we in this sphere  
Were meant to know each other  
Intimately.  
But circumstance preventing,  
We keep our paths apart  
And only know  
We are atune.

—Peter Wren.

## SOUTHERN COLLEGE OUTLINES CODE OF GOOD CITIZENSHIP

### Creed for the Developing of Finer Sense of Duty Adopted at William and Mary College

Williamsburg, Va., Dec. 13—Attention has been drawn to a citizenship creed recently adopted by the classes in Virginia government and citizenship of the Marshall-Wythe School of Government and Citizenship of the College of William and Mary. The college authorities say many applications have been received asking for copies of the creed. Here it is:

1. "To acquaint myself with those fundamental principles embodied in our constitutions and laws which experience has shown are essential to the preservation of our liberties and the promotion of good government, and to defend these principles against all attacks.

2. "To inform myself on all public issues, and on the character, record and platform of all candidates for office, and to exert actively my influence in favor of men and measures in which I believe.

3. "To vote in every election, primary and general, never using my vote for personal or private ends, but only for the public good, placing the welfare of my country above that of my party, if the interests of the two should ever conflict.

4. "To connect myself with the political party which most nearly represents my views on public questions, and to exert my influence within the party to bring about the nomination of good men for office and the endorsement of measures for the public weal.

5. "To have the courage to perform my duties as a citizen regardless of the effect upon the financially or socially, remembering that a cowardly citizen is as useless to his country in time of peace as a cowardly soldier is in time of war.

6. "To stand for honest election laws impartially administered.

7. "To obey all laws whether I deem them wise or not, and to uphold the officers in the enforcement of the law.

8. "To make full and honest returns of all my property and income for taxation.

9. "To be ever ready to serve my country in war and in peace, especially in such inconspicuous capacities as junior and election official.

10. "To acquaint myself with the functions of the various departments of my government and to spread the knowledge of the same among my fellow citizens in order that they may enjoy to the fullest extent the advantages offered by the government, and may more fully realize the government as a means of service to the people.

11. "To encourage good men to enter public service and remain therein by commending the faithful performance of their duties and by refraining from criticism except such as is founded on a knowledge of facts.

12. "To seek to promote good feeling between all groups of my fellow citizens and to resist as inimical to public welfare all partisan efforts to excite race, religious, class and sectional prejudice.

13. "Not to think alone of what my government can do for me but more about what I can do for it.

14. "To inform myself with respect to the problems which confront my country in its foreign relations, and to support policies which safeguard its legitimate interests abroad and which recognize the responsibilities of the United States as a member of international society."

## PROFESSOR WINGATE IS ASSEMBLY FEATURE

### Director of Music Department Renders Enjoyable Program

"The speaker at yesterday morning's assembly was a singer," said Dean Norwood, introducing Prof. Ray W. Wingate, head of the department of Music of the University, and quite well known as a concert baritone. Director Wingate sang "The Bedouin Love Song," by Chadwick, in a full, rich voice, which brought forth considerable sound both from its owner and the appreciative listeners. This dramatic number was followed by a humorous one, entitled "Irish Names," a song which surely brought out the lilting melody in many a good shamrock name. The next song the Professor sang was another dramatic song, "The Sword of Ferrara," by Frederick. The history of this once beautiful steel whose burnished beauty had been carried into many a combat by a noble knight, but was now hanging in a forlorn looking room and battling only rust and cobwebs. Somehow this song made one liken the sword to a once beautiful woman who was now in the throes of wrinkled mother time and living in the memory of the splendor and beauty that was hers years ago.

"Stone Cracker John," which came next, was indeed a contrast, for this funny song had many notes of philosophy in it, being the reflection of this stane cutter upon life and love. e worked for nine pence a day, but just the same he could show some of the fashionable young dandies how to make love. Another humorous melody was "The Big Brown Bear," enjoyable because of the natural way the singer was able to get the "woof," "woof" across, despite the fact that one might expect a fine voiced man to have difficulty in growling. The last number was an encore called for by the loud applause, "A Little Wooing," in which the Professor sang of the ever young story of youth's love for maid, and of a sly old man concealed behind the tree and coughing to attract attention of the youth, but the Romeo, who proves that love is deaf as well as blind, thinks it is a nightingale that he hears and keeps on plying his heart case before her loveliness. The old man thinks back a moment and tells himself the boy is alright and just as himself when he went a wooing a long time ago.

The singer was applauded greatly at the end of this song, for another encore, but lack of music prevented his continuance so Dr. Norwood had to dismiss the assembly half an hour earlier than usual.

## SOPHOMORES WIN CLOSE GAME FROM JUNIORS

The preliminary contest which was the first class contest of the year, was between the Sophs and Juniors and proved to be an interesting fray. In the beginning the strong Sophomore outfit had everything their own way and the score reached 17-8, with the Junior outfit clumsily trying to get together and do something. Suddenly as a bird turns around in the sky, the third year men began to open a whirl wind attack upon their opponent's and in almost no time had evened the score and a point better for the half ended 19-20 in their favor. The Junior break continued into the second half until they led the Sophs by seven points with a 32-25 score. At this point the latter began to show signs of a comeback and kept scoring until they were a single point in the lead. A long shot advanced the Junior chances by two points and it looked as if they would be victorious for the timer was already wetting his whistle but before he could get a sound out, in went a Sophomore's shot and the final score was Sophs 35, Juniors 34.

## VARSITY QUINTET EASILY DEFEATS MECHANICS INSTITUTE

### NICHOLS, SUBSTITUTE FORWARD, STARS

### Purple Team is Little Pushed in Annual Contest With Rochester Team

Alfred easily won their third game of the season when Mechanics Institute of Rochester was outpointed in a one-sided game, last Saturday night. Taking an early lead, the purple quintet had the visitors hopelessly out-pointed, the score at half time standing 23 to 5.

In the second period Mechanics braced somewhat and through clever shooting by Hill were able to cut down somewhat Alfred's lead. Hills scoring was offset by the injection of Nichols, Alfred, into the line up. "Nick" handed himself like a veteran caging baskets almost at will.

The Purple's team work this last period was poorer than at first, Mechanics nearly equalling the Varsity's score in this period.

The score:	F. G.	F. P.
Alfred	2	2
Babcock, (C) R. F.	6	2
Nichols, R. F.	0	1
Menzino, L. F.	1	0
Towell, L. F.	4	0
Lobaugh, C.	0	2
McConnell, L. G.	3	2
Nellis, R. G.	1	0
Chamberlain, R. G.	0	1
Lyons, L. G.	—	—
	17	9

Mechanics	F. G.	F. P.
Hill, R. F.	4	1
Murray, L. F.	1	1
Kramer, L. F.	0	0
Prosser, C.	1	0
Hunt, R. G.	0	0
Dronk, R. G.	0	1
Punnet (C) L. G.	1	0
	7	3

Score—Alfred, 43; Mechanics, 17. Referee—Worster, Hornell.

## ALUMNI DINE AT SYRACUSE CONFERENCE

### Dr. W. L. Potter, '00, Chairman of Informal Gathering

Principal C. A. Feig attended the Associated Academic Principal's Conference at Syracuse, Dec. 29-31. While there it was discovered that quite a few Alfred graduates were in attendance, and plans were immediately made for a dinner at the Mizpah Hotel. The alumni who are living in Syracuse were also notified and most of them responded to the invitation. When the appointed time came sixteen loyal Alfred graduates were present. The oldest member present was Dr. W. L. Potter '1900, a physician of Syracuse; the youngest member W. Errington Clarke 1924, principal of Sinclairville High School.

Dr. Potter, acting as toastmaster, called upon several members for toasts. Those responding were Wm. Dunn, Harry W. Langworthy, S. B. Everts, and C. A. Feig. Plans were also made to arrange for another get-together dinner next year at the annual session of the Conference. It certainly was a treat for the younger members of Alfred Alumni to see the vital and real interest the older members have in their Alma Mater. The following were present:

- Dr. W. L. Potter—1900
- S. B. Everts—1903
- Harry W. Langworthy—1907
- Wm. M. Dunn—1907
- Chas. B. Gibbs—1910
- C. F. McMaster—1910
- W. G. Pope—1910
- B. W. Bean—1912
- O. H. Simpson—1913
- O. H. Perry—1914
- Ray Maure—1916
- W. H. Reid—1920
- Ray C. Witter—1921
- C. A. Feig—1923
- W. Errington Clarke—1924
- G. W. Cornell—1924.

### ALL-AMERICAN TEAM Selected by Dumb Dan

- Journeys .....end
- Fishing .....tackle
- Coast .....guard
- Railroad .....center
- Subway .....guard
- Flying .....tackle
- Bitter .....end
- Foreign .....quarter
- Draw .....back
- Answer .....back
- Come .....back

## DR. FERGUSON LAUDED

### Head of Athletics at University of Pennsylvania Pays Tribute to Alfred Coach

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 10

Captain Herrick, Cross Country Team, Alfred University, Alfred, N. Y.:

My dear Herrick, I have just been reading your college paper and I was much pleased to see that you recognize the merits and fine personality of your coach, Dr. Ferguson. He deserves it and the record that Alfred University has made in cross country is the best tribute to Dr. Ferguson's ability. I would have written to Dr. Ferguson, complimenting him on his good work but I know in his modesty that he would not have shown my letter to the members of his team, so I write to you so that you will know that the fame of your team has spread abroad and that Dr. Ferguson's work is known outside of your circles. Give him my kindest regards.

Very sincerely,  
GEO. W. ORTON.

## STUDENT CONFERENCE DECLARES COUNTRY IS OVERCHURCHED

At the recent annual conference of the American Country Life Association, the students' section condemned over-churching in the country. The text of the resolution was as follows: "We, the rural college student delegates at the American Country Life Association, believe that the petty jealousies which exist between denominations in over-churching communities are the most outstanding cause for decreasing church attendance, for lack of influence of the church as a whole in the community, and for failure of religious principles to saturate home life; we believe that the minister who serves in a church which has no right to exist lessens respect for his profession and cannot do outstanding work. . . . Therefore we recommend:

1. "That students preparing to enter the rural ministry refuse to serve charges in over-churching communities.
2. "That we, as rural students, do all in our power in our communities and in places of leadership that we may attain to prevent denominational church boards from pouring money and leadership into communities which are to be used to perpetuate denominational strife that is destroying the religious life of our communities."

## FRA TERNAL FANCIES

### THETA THETA CHI

Grace Hutchinson spent Christmas vacation at the home of Joyce Baldwin in Lakemont.

Louise Cottrell was a guest at the home of Sally Austin in Westerly R. I.

We are pleased to have Miss Hewitt with us as chaperone during the absence of Miss Binns.

Alma Wise spent the week-end in Shinglehouse.

January 10, 1925, marked the fifth anniversary of the founding of Theta Theta Chi. A birthday banquet was enjoyed by its members on Monday evening. Everyone was surprised and pleased with the birthday gift which Fredora Moore of the class of '24 sent to the sorority.

### KAPPA PSI NOTES

Several New Year's resolutions were shattered last week.

Arnold spent his usual week-end in Hornell (twenty cents).

Bobbing is becoming popular in the frat (on sleds of course).

McKenney reports that he can play Home Sweet Home with variations on his fiddle.

Several cutting remarks were exchanged in Caruso's shop last night.

Denniston distrusts modern civilization and has reverted to the horse for diversion.

Dailey reports that every time he tries tuning California some one butts in and announces KDKA Pittsburg. He believes its local interference.

Strate has again taken up toe-dancing.

### THETA GAMMA

We feel quite sure we started the New Year wrong. At least the house gave several early arrivals a cold reception when they came back from Xmas vacation. We froze the water pipes that's all—but we have new plumbing and needed appliances now.

The fraternity regrets the loss of two of its pledges. Pledge brother Jack Hartman for various reasons we think "personal" informs us he has changed his plans and has decided not to come back to finish his course. Pledge brother Button sent word that he could not return to Ag School this term. We are sorry to lose these two men.

Brothers Ralph Galutia and Clair Bennett were initiated into the Fraternity recently.

Several other pledges are taking their outside initiation this week.

Brother Jack Humphrey '24, spent several days at the house.

Eric Mighles has been pledged to the Fraternity.

Brothers Brandt, Humphrey, Merton and Weber were in Hornell Saturday.

### TAU SIGMA ALPHA

Margaret Kelley was a week-end guest of Dorris Wambold at her home in Dalton.

Ethel Dye has not recovered fully from her strenuous vacation. Something mysterious about a fraternity pin has caused us little wonder.

Mrs. Kenyon had the misfortune to burn her hand quite seriously last week. Gene Bush spent the week-end in Hornell with friends.

The loss of the alarm clock was bad enough but now Dorris Wambold finds her kodak gone to parts unknown.

As a last resort Charyline Smith decided to visit her home town during the week-end.

### ETA PHI GAMMA

Most of the members are waiting for the snow to melt to resume studies.

Horner and Ackerman left Friday for home to the joyous strains of "Going back to Belmont" (They came back).

Eric Soderquist, our first casualty, failed to return from the vacations. We're sorry to lose Eric for we think a lot of our Swedish element. Ask Gardner or Excog.

Stearns, Taylor, Welch, Fenner, Garnhart, Excog and Robbins represented the house at the Rinky Dink banquet.

Don Stearns remained in Alfred to saw wood through the vacation. He worked one afternoon and sawed the rest nasally.

City Chap—"Which is correct, to speak of a sitting hen or a setting hen?"

Farmer—"Don't know and don't care. What I'd like to know is, when a hen cackles has she been laying, or is she lying?"—Country Life.

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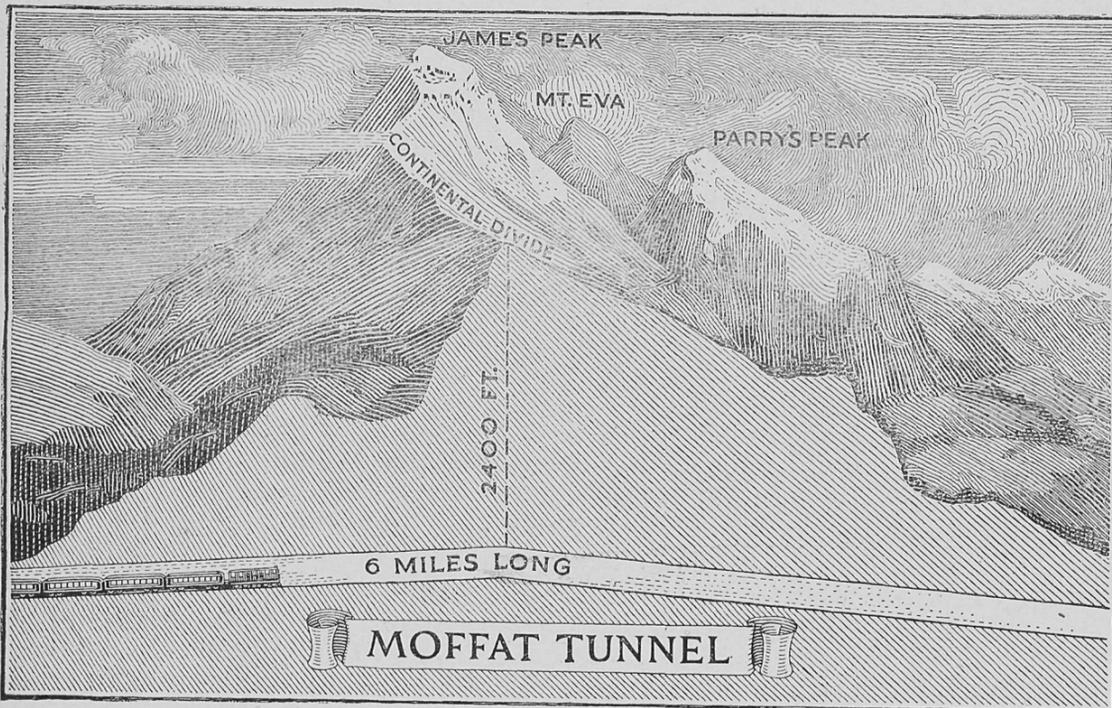
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## FRESHMEN INITIATIONS

Reader, if you have eyes prepare to  
sponge them now. Assemble your vo-  
cabulary and your pens and pencils  
and fall in line with the wave of in-  
dignation sweeping through the coun-  
try. No, Yvonne, we are not announc-  
ing a cross-word puzzle contest, nor  
yet championing the downtrodden ne-  
gro, but are offering the abused fresh-  
man's story.

Picture (if you can) a rosy cheeked  
lad of tender years and trusting heart,  
leaving home and parents, risking  
death on a soulless railroad train, and  
entering a strange land, an institution  
of higher learning, in a knightly quest  
of elusive knowledge. He is eager to  
learn, enthusiastic in his ideals and  
resolutions.

He is already filled with admiration  
and awe toward the upper classmen.  
He is prepared to model his own future  
after the big men on the campus the  
ones he has read about.

How brutal is his awakening from  
this noble dream. On his very arrival  
he is met by sneering, malevolent  
Sophs who direct him to the court  
house to register or with sinister  
abandon proceed to sell him a chapel  
ticket, radiators, library seats and as-  
sembly suits. They haunt his paths  
with devilish persistence; on the  
slightest provocation, he is mercilessly  
beaten, tossed into icy ponds or forced  
to run blood-shedding gauntlets.

The upper classmen he was pre-  
pared to respect and idolize fall miser-  
ably short of his expectations. They  
laughingly view the performances and  
even aid them. Rather than wise  
counsellors and shining examples, they  
are found to be stern taskmasters and  
punctured idols.

The disillusioned freshman, be-  
wildered and humiliated, his ambi-  
tions repressed all personal efforts in-  
hibited, friendless when he most needs  
aid and a helping hand, finds himself  
discouraged and broken spirited. But  
enough, to proceed is only to prolong  
a pathetic picture.

This, dear reader, is the situation  
certain indignant persons would have  
us believe. Secretly we are inclined  
to think they have sent or are about  
to send a goggle-eyed little pilgrim of  
their own in search of learning.

A few college men in defending  
themselves say that from prehistoric  
times, a new member of a group has  
been obliged to show his stuff before  
he is recognized as a member in full  
standing. Witness the American In-  
dian who must kill a deer, lift a scalp  
or accomplish some brave deed before  
he is proclaimed a warrior.

So is it with the Frosh. If he shows  
himself a real man, willing to follow  
the traditions and institutions of a  
college he is liked and respected for  
it. If he is not so inclined, egotistical,

arrogant, lacking in courtesy, he is  
made to learn the error of his ways  
and profits accordingly.

However, we do not seek to con-  
vince you. Whether initiation is con-  
tinued or is prohibited, whether a  
class is all penalized for the good of  
a few or they are allowed to expand  
unchecked is not our object. We are  
merely stating the cases.

## REGARDING RADICALS

Have you noticed, perchance, on the  
pages of a leading New York paper a  
column by a heavy jawed individual  
with full moon features and supposedly  
twinkling eyes. He is supposed to be  
a humorizing philosopher. If you  
haven't don't look him up. He's poor  
stuff. Has that "the world's all  
right" attitude, meaning he has his  
share and can't understand why any  
one is kicking.

Recently he knocked the radicals for  
a decisive goal. Said everything worth  
while had been done by the he-man and  
the she-woman and not the she-men  
and he-women or something to that  
effect. If he is considered a he-man  
bring on the mantilla and the pink  
sunshade.

It is his opinion that the radicals  
and dreamers are parasites and excess  
baggage and would be better off swing-  
ing a pick or blacking shoes.

He seems to have over looked  
"Fulton's Folly," the fact that Co-  
lumbus was a bug in his day and that  
people crossed the streets rather than  
meet the early aviators. They thought  
they might get violent.

It takes Soviet Russia with all her  
long-haired dreamers, her radicals and  
neurotics to lead the way in the pro-  
hibition of kissing as a germ-spreader.

We, America, blind to racial prob-  
lems, indifferent to governmental  
stability and honesty, acting like a  
spoiled kid, in regard to international  
co-operation are riding for a fall and  
its going to be a big one.

## WHY?

In a muck littered alley  
Where gaunt sky scrapers  
Shut out the sun.  
Vermin infested, disease infected,  
Spewing its unwholesome life  
Like a running sore—

A cellar hovel, dark and dismal  
Save for a brief instant  
When the passing sun  
Wedges a beam  
'Tween towering walls,  
And discloses the ragged covering  
Of a dirt encrusted bed.

In the cell a crippled girl  
Neglected, waits patiently for the gold-  
en ray.

Sometimes it fails to come  
A passing cloud has eclipsed it,  
The spot on the bed gleams dully  
Like a bit of dead skin and is gone.

But when the sky is clear  
And a vivid patch appears  
Warm and friendly,  
The sick creature revels  
In the golden rays.

The healing sunshine like soft  
Fingers caresses the frail body.  
The wasted arms, the youthful breasts.  
She does not warm her legs,  
They are crooked and twisted  
And when she sees them she cries.

Another day the patch appears—  
In halves—Holy Mother!  
A steel girder has crossed the path of  
the friendly beam.

In each sunlit portion, a white hand,  
Palms up, fingers outstretched in sup-  
plication.

A mounting structure of steel and  
stone,  
Darkness, darkness, eternal darkness,  
Mercifully hiding a still, crooked form.

## BACK TO PRE-HISTORIC TIMES

You may not be aware of it, but  
it's really so. According to strange  
sights and weather predictions we are  
in for an extensively cold winter. Take  
for instance Lester Spier, wapped up  
in that expensive racoon garment  
which is conspicuously seen daily on  
the campus and in front of the post  
office. Wouldn't it give you the shiv-  
ers.

That part is alright and un-import-  
ant, but what would you say when  
right here on the school grounds sev-  
eral Ag seniors have gone back to  
primitive times, yielding to the call of  
the wilds and attempting to assume  
Santa-Claus-fad of a full size beard and  
mustache. The other members have  
deserted the cause, probably because  
of the fair sex, and the adoption of a  
fur face is not practical with them.

It is not foretold what the future  
has marked for them. But Oh! boy!  
when winter has departed from this  
part of the country a tribe of these  
fuzzy growers will resemble the  
famous baseball players of the House  
of David.

## Y. W. NOTES

A short, interesting meeting was  
conducted in the Y rooms at the Brick  
on Sunday night. She audience sang  
a hymn and Vida Randolph said a  
few fitting remarks on New Year's  
resolutions and possibilities for a  
more active organization on our cam-  
pus. Alice Philliber read several  
fine selections of poetry. "January,"  
"Frost Tonight" and "Let Me Live  
Out My Years." "By the Waters of  
Minnetoska." These were delightfully  
sung by Luella Stoll accompanied  
by Winfred Stout at the piano. Then  
Beatrice Sills read the scripture, a  
few short prayers were offered and  
the benediction was repeated, which  
brought the meeting to a close.

## HOBART TO PLAY ALFRED

Geneva, N. Y., Dec. 6—The Hobart  
College football schedule for 1925 was  
announced today by Graduate Man-  
ager George A. Roberts. Nine games  
appear on the card, which taken as  
a whole, will provide but slightly  
fewer difficulties for the Orange and  
Purple than were encountered during  
the past season. Dartmouth, Union  
and St. Lawrence replace Lafayette,  
Colgate and Trinity; otherwise the  
same opponents will be met as in 1924.  
The complete schedule follows: Sept.  
26, Syracuse at Syracuse; Oct. 3, Dart-  
mouth at Hanover; 9, Alfred at Al-  
fred; 17, Clarkson at Geneva; 24, Ni-  
agara at Geneva; 31, St. Lawrence at  
Watertown; Nov. 7, Union at Schene-  
ctady; 14, Buffalo at Geneva; 26,  
Rochester at Rochester.

## STUDENT SOCIOLOGICAL SURVEY

Within a few days the taxpayers of  
Salem, Oregon, will find their homes,  
their clubs, their places of business,  
invaded by a group of Willamette Uni-  
versity students, armed with pencils  
and note books, asking questions,  
jotting down observations. The  
"Labor Temple," the City Hall, the  
Chamber of Commerce will be visited  
by these inquiring students. By and  
by, when their note books are filled,  
there will be nothing concerning the  
city of Salem that they will not know.  
They will know the housing situation,  
the labor condition, whether or not  
there are too many churches in the  
city and what type of people first set-  
tled there.

These students will then have made  
the Sociological Sursey, which is  
shortly to be undertaken by the Pi  
Gamma Mu and three members of  
the faculty. The students of the so-  
ciology class are to gather the data  
and it is to be tabulated and sum-  
marized by individual members of the  
fraternity.

The survey has been divided into  
fifteen fields as follows: Municipal  
Government, Commercial and Labor  
Organizations, Health, Population,  
Rural Relationships, Nationality, Re-  
ligion, History of Salem, Social Agen-  
cies, Education, Transportation and  
Financial Resources.

One theory that the students are de-  
termined either to prove or disprove  
is whether or not the Catholics are  
"endeavoring to dominate public  
school life."

The survey will take six months.  
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structive community program is to be  
mapped out on the basis of the find-  
ings of the investigation.

—New Student.

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By Lester Carson Spier

## New Year Greeting

Resolved, that while this year I seek  
To guard the roof from victorious leak  
And merit bed, coat, loaf and fire,  
A splendid picture I'll admire;  
Of music and good books I'll quaff  
My fill, and save fair time to laugh.  
I'll settle, too, some ancient scores  
I've had 'gainst nature's great out-  
doors,  
But though I thus myself attend,  
I'll never once forget my friend;  
Nor selfish be, but lend a hand  
To meet humanity's demand.  
I'll mix good will with reverence high,  
The man with God, the earth with sky;  
And while deep draughts of life I drink  
I must withal take time to think.

## Years

The years are not lost,  
They stand whispering,  
They tell each other secrets  
And remember everything.  
Today is a mist  
Between us and the past.  
Strange, how we forget  
What we thought would last!  
Something stirs now and then,  
When an old year calls,  
And we try to look back  
Through high, gray walls.  
Strange, how the edge dulls  
On our old pain,  
And we go quietly  
On old ways again!  
The years are not so far  
As they seem to be.  
At times I think they press  
Close about me.  
And one says "I loved,"  
And one says "I lost."  
And one "I would not pay the price,"  
And one "I count the cost."  
The years come together,  
A close company;  
Only the New Year  
Comes alone to me.  
The New Year comes and hides  
The years that came before,  
But, I hear them whispering  
And crowding at my door.  
I hear them whispering

Of what used to be.  
They are very kind, I think,  
And wish to comfort me.

## The Man Who Wins

The man who wins is the man who  
does,  
The man who makes things hum and  
buzz,  
The man who works and the man who  
acts,  
Who builds on a basis of solid facts,  
Who doesn't sit down to mope and  
dream,  
But humps ahead with force and  
steam,  
Who hasn't the time to fuss and fret,  
But gets there every time—you bet.

## Ambition

"I'm but a cog in life's vast wheel  
That daily makes the same old  
trip;  
Yet what a joy it is to feel  
That but for me the wheel might  
slip!  
'Tis something, after all to jog  
Along and be a first-class cog."

## Another Year

Another year is on the wing,  
And if, perchance, I was inclined,  
I might lift up my voice to sing  
The praises of the days behind.  
Or, on the other hand perhaps,  
I might wax sad, and glum, and blue  
At thoughts of hopes that went awry—  
Of dreams that never did come true.  
If I were so inclined I might  
Weep bitterly o'er this year's wreck  
And claim that Fate had dealt me  
cards,  
From off the bottom of the deck.  
Or yet again, I might enthuse  
On years agone—and make my lay  
About the grandeurs of the past—  
The simple joys of yesterday.  
I might! But who am I to sing  
Of sentiment or gay romance?  
Instead, I'll raise my glass to toast!  
"Another year—another chance."  
Another chance to start anew!  
Another chance when we may try  
To make our hopes and dreams come  
true!  
The old year's dying—Let it die!

# N. Y. S. A.

## ATTENTION AGGIES!

Athletic fee for the new term should  
be paid at the treasurer's office this  
week. Delay in payment will cause  
you unwanted embarrassment at the  
door at the coming basketball game.  
Be a staunch supporter by helping  
your athletic organization.

## PROSPECTS ARE GOOD

Florence Cressy Jones claims to be  
a descendent of famous poets dating  
back to the 15th Century. She pre-  
dicts that after leaving school, in  
years to come, after entering the  
matrimonial state, her boy will be a  
great poet.

## DO IT WITH SKEES

The slippery sidewalks of Main  
street are the only obstacles that  
cause Mildred Day to take such grand  
spills when she is rushing late to  
class. A pair of skees will get you  
there Mildred, and bring you on time  
to class.

## KANAKADEA NOTES

The Kanakadea section of the Ag  
School is nearly ready for the press.  
Within the next ten days all required  
material, including pictures, must be  
handed in. Give this your immediate  
attention. Delay in this matter will  
cause the elimination of any belated  
material.

## COUNTRY LIFE CLUB

Owing to other examinations and  
finals for the school ma'ms the Coun-  
try Life Club will not have its usual  
social gathering for the next two  
weeks.  
John Hartman, Ag editor of the '26  
Kanakadea, has left school, and has  
conferred his office upon Dayton  
Ewell.  
Edith Rowe has been sick with the  
grip during the past two weeks.  
Charles Sage has been elected by  
the Juniors to hold office as secretary  
and treasurer of his class.  
Word was received from Claire  
Mann, Ex-'25, that it will be utterly  
impossible for him to attend the Ag  
School this term owing to continued  
illness in the family.  
Leonard Gordon Utter, '24, is at

present teaching floriculture in the  
Brooklyn Botanical Gardens. Gordon  
came to Alfred from Cornell College  
in the fall of '23.

## R. T. C.

The Rural Teachers' Training class  
will be under great difficulties for the  
next two weeks to enjoy the winter  
sports with their final exams con-  
fronting them.  
Preliminaries are preliminaries; but  
finals are finals; and they are inevit-  
able if one must secure an education.  
In order to know something, and to  
learn something, one must strive for  
his education; and working for it will  
bring more appreciation of what has  
been accomplished. Education is  
knowledge, and the knowledge obtain-  
ed in the manner in which one has  
received it. Therefore no matter how  
fascinating outside school interest may  
be one will never get a deserving  
mark in any course. While the study  
is good; make the best of it even  
though the mid night oil may cause  
eye strain. By earnest study we have  
conquered that which has not been  
developed.

Professor H. L. Smith of animal  
husbandry department entertained the  
assembly Monday morning with read-  
ings of several selected poems.

## BE CHEERFUL

Each succeeding year thoughts of  
resolution begin to formulate in the  
minds of many, to begin with, a big-  
ger and brighter outlook. Resolu-  
tions may be sincere, and yet they  
may not last long; but while we are  
here, lets be humble creatures and  
give the best of our thoughts to those  
around us. A cheerful word, to our  
Profs, and fellow students in and  
around on the campus, whether we  
are personally acquainted with them  
or not, is the striking example of true  
Christian beings. We do justice to  
those and to ourselves, and by these  
combinations character is moulded,  
and becomes the impression of what  
we have done and the matter in which  
we have done it. Also, lets resolve  
to boost the Ag School, make it bigger  
and brighter for the University. Al-  
fred may be small, but she is nestled  
away in a most beautiful spot, which  
nature has endowed with serene sur-  
roundings, and which after all, is the  
best place to know and to love, con-  
sidering that it is our Alma Mater.

## LAUGHING GAS

By L. LeVator Serviss

This is the busiest season of the  
year. Millions of people are jamming  
the department stores, trying to ex-  
change their Christmas presents.

Thousands of others are checking  
up on the price tags.

It makes them sore to think that  
they got a gift which only cost three  
dollars, when they gave one that cost  
four.

But the only thing they can do is  
to deduct the dollar from next year's  
present.

Ice and snow kill practically every-  
thing, but Christmas jewelry will stay  
green all winter.

One little kid who hung up his stock-  
ing on the mantlepiece not only found  
it empty the next morning, but his  
garters were gone.

He wanted his father to get out a  
warrant for Santa Claus' arrest.

Kris Kringle has forgotten this  
kid's house for the last two years, and  
as soon as he finds out Santa's ad-  
dress he's going to send him a mem-  
ory course.

He wants Santa to be sure and come  
next Christmas, as he is going to  
shingle the roof with banana peels.

Statistics show that there were two  
million presents given away this year  
—and 168 of them were useful.

One man who hasn't got a car, re-  
ceived three motormeters. He had to  
put them on the radiator in the parlor.

Men who only smoke cigars receive  
cigarettes, those who only smoke  
cigarettes got pipes, and those who  
don't smoke at all, got chewing to-  
bacco.

There was only one man who really  
got something he could use, and that  
was sent to him C. O. D.

One of the largest florists received  
a dozen roses while Luther Burbank  
got a package of seeds.

Henry Ford was very lucky. One  
of his friends, by the name of Gold-  
stein, gave him an automobile.

However, next week he's going to  
take it apart and make nine flivvers  
out of it.

## "Worldly Wise"

To live, laugh, love one's friends  
and be loved by them is to bask in  
the real sunshine of life.

If you will mind your own business  
you will give the other fellow much  
more time to do the same thing.

An alkali attitude of mind is better  
than an acid one.

Success comes in cans. Failure in  
can't.

The best way out of a difficulty is  
through it.

Anyone who tells us what is wrong  
and helps us to make it right is a  
friend.

It's better to be a peptomist than  
either an optomist or a pessimist.

Pull helps only the man who has  
to be dragged. It is of no use to a  
pusher.

The ladder of life is full of splinters  
but we never realize it until we begin  
to slide down. Keep climbing.

Keep your grin. You may plant a  
smile in the furrows which business  
has cut in the forehead of the other  
fellow.

It is good to have money and all  
the things money can buy, but it's  
good to check up once in a while and  
make sure you haven't lost the things  
hat money can't buy.

## BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Dec. 13—Rochester School of Opto-  
metry 19, Alfred 45  
Jan. 10—Mechanics 17, Alfred 43.  
Jan. 17—Niagara University—there.  
Jan. 23—Mechanics Institute of  
Rochester—there.  
Jan. 24—Rochester School of Opto-  
metry—there.  
Feb. 3—Canisius University—there.  
Feb. 7—Davis-Elkins University—  
here.  
Feb. 16—Niagara University—here.  
Feb. 21—Canisius University—here.  
Feb. 24—University of Buffalo—  
there.  
March 7—St. Bonaventure—here.  
March 14—St. Bonaventure—there.  
March 18—St. Francis—here.

## THE KLANS KOLLEGE FRAT

Many are mystified, some are in-  
ignant, at Albany, New York, over  
the report that the Exalted Order of  
the Ku Klux Klan has been incor-  
porated for over a year in the guise  
of a Greek letter fraternity, the Alpha  
Pi Sigma.

The papers of incorporation char-  
acterize the Alpha Pi Sigma as a  
"purely fraternal, patriotic society"  
which will "own and control all ra-  
talia necessary to the proper conduct  
of its affairs" and will "hold meetings  
in groups," not only in the state of  
New York but also "in the entire  
United States."

This new society is said to have  
been organized by the Klan as a way  
out of difficulties caused by nullifica-  
tion proceedings against the incorpora-  
tion of the Knights of the Ku Klux  
Klan. These proceedings were due  
to the fact that alterations were made  
in the papers of incorporation be-  
tween the time they were approved of  
by the Supreme Court Judge, George  
E. Pierce in Buffalo and subsequent  
filing in Albany.

Suspicion as to the true nature of  
this "frat" was aroused when it was  
learned that Wilson D. Bush, Kleagle  
and personal representative from At-  
lanta, in New York, whose loyal klans-  
men call "His Excellency," is men-  
tioned in the incorporation papers of  
the society as its president. The  
phrase declaring that "both sexes"  
are eligible for membership, also  
aroused suspicion. Then a com-  
parison of these papers with the nulli-  
fied documents of the Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan revealed their very  
startling similarity.

Supreme Court Justice Charles L.  
L. Guy, who approved of and consented  
to the certificate of incorporation,  
when told what had been learned  
about the Alpha Pi Sigma, expressed  
indignation. He said that when he  
approved the papers of incorporation  
that they were for a college fraternity.

Robert L. Noah, who drew up the  
papers, declared that he thought Al-  
pha Sigma was to be a general fra-  
ternity to which college men who be-  
longed to any fraternity would be  
eligible. —New Student.

Izzy: "Have you joined a fraternity  
yet, Abie?"

Abie: "Vell, I don't know. The Al-  
pha Pi Sigmas ducked me in da pond  
last week."

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