

Wee Playhouse To
Present Four One-
Acts on Thursday

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FOOTLIGHT CLUB PLAY PROCLAIMED MARKED SUCCESS

Three Wise Fools Reviewed
For Fiat Lux By Able Critic

By Dr. Charles F. Binns
To judge by the appreciation of the audience, the performance of the "Three Wise Fools" by the Footlight Club at Alumni Hall on Monday night, March 5, was a complete success. There were the comforts of good light and sufficient warmth, albeit with none too liberal ventilation, the prestige of the club, the popularity of the players, and the arrival of a long-expected event.

Among the characters Enfield Leach easily won and maintained first place. Theodore Finley is the best thing he has done and no criticism can be formulated except that his make-up was about twenty years too young. It did not appear that a word was forgotten—and this encomium must be bestowed on every performer, the letter-work was unusually good—and he entered into the spirit of the part in an absence of self-consciousness which is unusual in amateur actors.

Unfortunately the same cannot be said for Joseph Clavelle in the part of Dr. Grant. He betrayed himself throughout by a consciously declamatory manner of speech which deprived his rather arduous part of natural expression. Mr. Clavelle knew his lines and spoke them unusually well as to words, but he was "making speeches" all the time. Admitting that the part called for occasional pomposities, there were times when natural speech would have emphasized this. The smaller part of Judge Trumbull was taken by Irwin Cohen in an efficient manner. In this, his first appearance, he showed commendable self-possession. His lines were well-learned and well-delivered.

The part of Gordon Schuyler suited Wesley Van Buren excellently, otherwise his performance lacked color. He was best by far in the first act. Among the remaining male characters James Murphy as Benjamin Suratt and Lee Cottrell as Poole the detective were the most prominent. Mr. Cottrell was hardly convincing in his manner and at times there was difficulty in catching his words. Mr. Murphy was best in the last act where he was plainly the drug addict. In the burglary scene with Sydney he was good but perhaps too much of the "hoarse whisper" type of burglar. Gilbert Schults acquitted himself well as Gray the butler, though some of his sentences were indistinct. Perhaps one comment may be permitted here on the use of the title "Sir." This is not used in common language here and when introduced it is nearly always accented or stressed. This is not the case with those who are accustomed to so address their superiors. They suppress the "Sir" almost

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Eta Mu Alpha Elects
Miss Ruth Claire To
Membership In Ranks

Eta Mu Alpha, scholastic honorary society, recently held a conclusive meeting to decide whom to bid and found but one eligible electee. She is Ruth Claire, a brilliant student who will be formally initiated tonight.

Miss Thekha A. Grossman, Secretary of the organization, stated that the Eta Mu Alpha booklet which is distributed to pre-Freshmen as an explanation of Alfred traditions and usages, will not be reprinted this year. An adequate surplus remaining from the last impression is given as the reason.

CHAPEL EXERCISES
BEING CONDUCTED BY
PROF. G. W. CAMPBELL

Professor Gilbert W. Campbell is in charge of Chapel exercises this week. He is withholding the subject of his discourse, but from past experience, many predict a series of talks both interesting and inspirational in their nature.

Speaking In Chapel



Prof. G. W. Campbell

WRESTLERS ELECT D'ELIA CAPTAIN AT ANNUAL DINNER

Lyle Cady, Retiring Captain, and
Donald Pruden Speakers At
Wrestling Banquet Held At
Hills' Coffee Shoppe Sunday.

Voting confidence in Rudolph D'Elia's personality and athletic ability, members of the Varsity wrestling team chose the diminutive star as their captain following a banquet at Hills' Coffee Shoppe Sunday evening. D'Elia, though only in his sophomore year, has already won a brilliant record in his favorite sport and a high place in the esteem of his team mates. He is the second Sophomore in the history of Alfred wrestling to deserve the honor of captain-elect.

After listening to the wrestling reminiscences of Captain Lyle Cady and Donald Pruden, the only retiring members of the team, the twenty assembled matmen turned to a discussion of the present and the future of the sport. Among the various topics touched upon were wrestling as a major sport, the formation of an inter-collegiate conference with high calibre teams, increasing the difficulty of earning letters, and next season's schedule.

The speakers paid generous tribute to Coach Joseph Seidlin for his untiring work in developing wrestling to its present success and popularity, and Coach Seidlin in return complimented his wards upon the spirit of their part in the progress. Professor W. A. Titsworth, Chairman of the Faculty Committee on Athletics, also spoke as the team's guest.

VARSITY SQUAD ELECTS DONALD O. FENNER CAPT.

Donald O. Fenner, Varsity guard for two years, will lead Alfred's basketball team for the 1928-29 campaign. This selection was made at the meeting of the squad last week.

Fenner is well deserving of the honor. Although ineligible because of a faculty ban during the second semester of this year, Don worked in 10 games, and scored 49 points to take third in the rating of the team. His consistency, sportsmanship, and clean playing have won the admiration and respect of his fellow teammates and classmates. With the loss of only ex-Captain Foti, the veteran combination may look forward to bright prospects for next year.

DEAN DEGEN GETS NEW OFFICE IN THE BRICK

To the many who have business with Dora K. Degen, Dean of Women, the fact that her office has been moved may prove interesting. It is now situated in the East wing of the Brick next to the side door, directly opposite Mrs. Middaugh's office.

Incidentally, the change in location is as much a surprise to Dean Degen as to her co-workers, since Mrs. Middaugh very kindly undertook to get everything moved while Dean Degen was away on her recent trip.

CASTS CHOSEN FOR FROSH-SOPH PLAYS BY FOOTLIGHT CLUB

Plays To Be Directed By
Members Of The Footlight Club

Competition, rivalry, and then some, might well describe the scene last week, when the members of the Footlight Club selected the characters for the annual Frosh-Soph plays to be given in Alumni Hall, Thursday, March 22.

The plays and respective casts are as follows:

"The Eternal Conflict"

A Fantasy by Geo. W. Johnston
Pierrot Lee Armstrong
His Other Self Clark Whitman
Pierette Dorothy Hallock
Coaches—Bernice Sheetz and Enfield
Leach.

"Ici on Parle Francaise"

Comedy by Thomas J. Williams
Mr. Spriggins Dwight Young
Mrs. Spriggins Mary Day
Major Rattan John Kickham
Mrs. Rattan Ilde Pels
Angelina Spriggins Frances Rogers
Victor Dubois Harold Gullberg
Anna Maria Alice Johnston
Coaches—Mary Rogers and Dorothy
Hawley.

"Good Night"

Comedy by Susan Glaspell
Jack Randolph Bruce Daniels
Babs Clarissa Persing
Coaches—Jane Waldo and Dorothy
Holland.

"Bound East for Cardiff"

Drama by Eugene O'Neil
Yank John Reed Spicer
Driscoll James Morris
Captain Waldo Kohl
Second Mate Max Schneider
Cocky Rudolph D'Elia
Davis Milton Burdick
Paul Nick Amento
Scotty Alfred Perry
Olsen Harold Karthaus
Smitty William Murray
Ivan John Cook
Coaches—Joseph Clavelle and Donald
Pruden.

SORORITY BIDS ARE OUT AND WITH THEM SILENCE

The "Week of Silence" placed its ban on Alfred's fair sex yesterday when bids were mailed by the several sororities at high noon.

According to the rules of the Inter-sorority Council, no conversation except "Hello" may take place between sorority women and any Freshman woman before she has answered her bid by letter, the final date for such replies being set at 6:00 o'clock Friday night of this week. The rule does not prohibit courtesies at the Brick dining tables. Freshman women are requested by the Council to cooperate with the sororities in the observance of the rule.

Next week's issue of the Fiat Lux will contain a list of the pledges to the various sororities.

PRESIDENT'S VACATION NEARING END AS DATE FOR RETURN APPROACHES

With the approach of the Alumni Banquet in New York City, on March 17, the return of President and Mrs. Davis is expected. They have timed their arrival from Bermuda to coincide with this date, and after a short visit with their children they will come back to Alfred.

During their stay in Bermuda the President and his wife have seen and experienced a number of interesting events—chief among these a hurricane so severe that it broke all the windows in the hotel at which they were staying. While it is understood that the President took the trip primarily in search of rest, it is evident that many pleasant excursions through the island and into some of its most beautiful caves have been planned for him.

PRESENTATION OF PLAY "OVERTONES" PLEASSES ASSEMBLY

Four Members of Dramatic Technique Class Give Fine Interpretation To Parts Depicting Conflicting Selves Within Woman.

Public opinion seemed most favorably impressed by the play presented in assembly last week by members of Prof. I. A. Conroe's class in dramatic technique. "Overtones" by Alice Gersenberg was an interpretation of the modern cultured woman concealing her primitive self, yet influenced by the emotions of her other being.

Claire Persing as Margaret, the wife of a struggling artist, gave a fine portrayal of the tact and subtlety required of one in so difficult a position, insistently urged by the desires of her primitive self, as rendered by Sally Austin. Harriette, the unhappy wife of a wealthy business man, was creditably interpreted by Arelda White, who well showed the conflict between educated pretense and unvarnished feelings. Marianne Sixbey took the part of Harriette's primitive self in a praiseworthy manner.

Whether it be a compliment to the fair sex, or otherwise, the fact that the play was remarkably true to life seemed universally conceded by those who were present.

WEE PLAYHOUSE TO PRESENT ONE-ACT PLAYS THURSDAY

Four Plays Constitute
Program Of Exceptional
Quality And Variety

Four plays of excellent quality are to be offered by the Wee Playhouse, Thursday evening at Alumni Hall. Spectators at rehearsals promise an entertainment of high quality.

The program of plays, the complete casts of which appeared in last week's Fiat Lux, includes: "Brains," by Martin Flavin; "Two Slatterns and a King," a moral interlude by Edna St. Vincent Millay; "Two Crooks and a Lady," by Eugene Pilot; and "A Proposal under Difficulties," a farce-comedy by John Kendrick Bangs.

BIOLOGY SOCIETY ELECTS THIRTEEN NEW MEMBERS

Thirteen newly-elected members of the Alfred Biological Society will be formally initiated at a meeting to be held tomorrow night. None but members are invited to attend this meeting, which promises to be one of rare fun.

As an added inducement to attendance, Daniel Triester will deliver a paper giving a brief history of early Greek and Roman biologists and their relation to the present day exponents of science.

The initiates honored by election to the Biological Society are Henry J. Kaplan, Warren W. Rockefeller, Ronald D. Richards, John R. Spicer, John Edward Leach, Thekla A. Grossman, Margaret D. Young, Anna May Ryno, Frank L. Goble, H. Warner Waid, Pearl A. Woolever, David M. Tillim, and Professor Herrick T. Bawden.

BETA PI KAPPA MEETS AND BIDS NEW MEMBERS

The national ceramic fraternity, Beta Pi Kappa, met last Wednesday, and extended membership bids to one Senior and seven Juniors. The initiation of those who accept the bids will be held Wednesday evening, according to reports.

Other business which was transacted at the meeting was the election of a treasurer and a marshall. Norman H. Stolte of Delta Sigma Phi was elected treasurer, and Daniel W. Luks of Kappa Psi Upsilon was elected marshall.

SCIENTIFIC TALK ABOUT HYPNOSIS LUCID BUT MYSTIC

Dr. Hutchinson Gives Hearers
Convincing Demonstration
Of The State of Hypnotism

Analyzing the elements of hypnosis with the appreciation of a true scientist, yet revealing applications of the state which cast an air of mystery about the demonstration. Dr. Elliot D. Hutchinson, Professor of Psychology at the University of Rochester, explained in a lecture demonstration held at Alumni Hall last Tuesday evening the known fundamentals of the science of hypnosis.

Outlines Scope of Subject

"Hypnosis is a state characterized by increased suggestibility," declared Dr. Hutchinson. "We know how it works, but not why."

"There are three common phenomena which are allied to hypnotism: (a) somnambulism, or ordinary sleep walking; (b) religious ecstasy in which the subject becomes incapable of recording sense impressions, and undergoes vivid hallucinations; and (c) 'lata,' a tropical disease which is characterized by extreme suggestibility and imitativeness."

Dr. Hutchinson pointed out the fact that forms of hypnotism can be self-induced, and mentioned several examples of such a process, including whirling dervishes, holy rollers, animal hypnotists or charmers, and the ordinary absent-minded professor.

Names Elements of Hypnosis
In analyzing the characteristics of
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ALTERATION OF RULE WILL HELP ATHLETES WHO GET LOW GRADES

Pending an expression of faculty approval on the proposed revision to The Merit System respecting eligibility in office and athletics, the re-drafted article appears below as read to the college assembly Thursday by Ross W. Robbins, President of the Student Senate. It is understood that the new ruling, if passed by both faculty and student body, will enable students to regain eligibility by means of mid-semester grades.

The proposed amendment:

"2. An index of 0.5 must be obtained at the end of each semester in order to hold any office on the campus or participate in athletics; however, anyone made ineligible by semester indicates may redeem his eligibility by obtaining a 0.5 index at a mid-semester following." (College Handbook, Page 23.)

VEHICULAR DATES LOOKED UPON AS DESIRABLE FORM OF OLD-TIME ALFRED FUN

Have you ever stopped to wonder what the undergraduates in Dear Old Alfred did for excitement in the days preceding the invention of the "Horseless Carriage?" The matter has been made plain at last, for in an old Kanakadea there is an advertisement which runs like this:

Why Do You Walk?

"—When you can secure a first-class livery rig at a moderate price? We aim to have only the best equipment at all times, and we consider it a pleasure to be allowed to serve you to the best of our ability."

Inquiry has disclosed that it was not necessary in those days to register either the horse or the vehicle with the Dean. Licenses in those days, also, were essential only to saloons, and speed cops were things unheard of.

And, as father used to say when he was a Junior, "Giddap, Billy! we've only got three minutes to reach the Brick."

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Wrestling—A Major Sport?

After a strenuous five year apprenticeship in a minor role, it now seems reasonable that wrestling should make a bid for higher rank. Working faithfully under Coach Seidlin's careful guidance, the matmen have gradually built up a fighting squad with a clean and hearty winning record which is a credit to Alfred.

There is little doubt that wrestling has outgrown the comparative unimportance of a minor sport. Its schedules have included the strongest opposition obtainable in the East; its squads have compared numerically with other sports at Alfred. Too, it seems almost unbelievable that teams from colleges of Alfred's size can offer serious opposition to the nation's best, yet not so many weeks ago Alfred held Yale's intercollegiate championship team to 16-11, a better score than Army could show. Added to the sportsmanlike performances of previous years, the wrestling team now has a season to its credit which comes under the head "winning."

With its rapid rise in collegiate popularity all over the country, wrestling bids for high sporting honors. Perhaps because it emphasizes both the work of the individual and the work of the unit team it has attracted so many followers. Aside from present favor, wrestling has been known since the days of ancient Greece as one of the best means to all-around physical development, self-reliance, and sportsmanship.

Wrestling, though something of an individual game, has caught the elusive spirit of teamwork which seems so hard to grasp. It has brought the magic enthusiasm of a "winning team" to Alfred, and in creditably opposing some of the strongest adversaries in the East has won the prestige of worthy mention in the news columns of the country. The sport has the longest season of any other at Alfred. Yet for five years wrestlers have been content to receive a felt letter, an "A" shingle and a minor rating for a reward.

As matters now stand wrestling has hopelessly outgrown tennis, the only other minor sport. Thus in consideration of what the wrestlers have accomplished, it seems only fair that they be given the recognition which is so little and yet means so much. We can do this by making wrestling a major sport.

Why not?

OPINIONICS

"ONLY THROUGH THE OPEN AND UNHAMPERED CLASH OF CONTRARY OPINIONS CAN TRUTH BE FOUND." —Glenn Frank

"Opinions," Fiat Lux.

More power to the member of the Senate who wrote to you last week defending the work of his organization.

He has struck upon much of our trouble here at Alfred when he says that we are prone to destructive criticism, without at the same time setting forth any reasonable remedy.

I am much displeased with the present Honor System in the way that it works, but I am much enamored of the way in which it might work if we students who are so vitally concerned would uphold our end.

Time and again I have heard men say that they would not report a man who was a fraternity brother, and that they feared to report a man from another house on the grounds that it would be taken as an evidence of ill-feeling. Then too, they say that it is hard to report a person with whom one is at all friendly. Such an attitude as this can not fail to produce anything but free and easy cribbing, and it is as much the fault of the man who sees a violation and does not report it, as it is of the person who actually cribs.

One of two things—we had better to stop yapping about it and do our fair share in reporting the guilty, or carry the matter to a student body vote, and by the ballot end the whole thing.

A monitor system would be our just reward for the foolhardy manner in which we have thrown away a

golden opportunity to strengthen our characters and maintain a high standard for our individual self-respect.

Editor, Fiat Lux:

In spite of some of the opinion that was expressed in your Opinion column last week, I still feel a distinct aversion to what is left of the Honor System at Alfred. Some one has said, "If you define liberty you limit it, and when you limit liberty you destroy it." This is, it seems to me, the very state in which we find our Honor System today.

When I came here as a Frosh, the System really worked, or at least those who cribbed were rather careful about it—they did not flaunt it. Last year I watched it go to the dogs—and this year I have seen the dogs die.

Perhaps it is true that the student body has failed somewhat in that it has not been too faithful in reporting offenses, but it also seems to me that the Senate is not over strict in the sentences that it passes. In one Southern University I know of, only one man was reported in a period of four years. This was a military school, and the matter came before the officers of the student body one hour after the affair was reported. Ninety minutes later the guilty party was summoned in civilian clothes to the parade ground, where the entire school was arrayed in formation. The charge was delivered by the tribunal, and the culprit was dismissed from the college in full sight of every student who was not ill in bed. The man in question was then given ten minutes to remove himself in a permanent fashion from the environs of the school.

One dose of this treatment to one member of our student body, and this



Again I repeat

This is

Leap Year.

She wanted him.

She was rich.

He was poor.

Then the news

Came to her

That he had

Broken his engagement

With the other girl

So she telephoned

At once,

"Will you marry me?"

And she prepaid

The return fee

Which allowed

Ten words.

But he was Scotch.

So the answer came,

"Yes, gladly,

Willingly,

Joyfully,

Delightedly,

Gratefully,

Lovingly,

Yes, yes, yes."

She paid for ten

And got them.

—A—

Today's pun by Bill Brown:
Bill says that a man doesn't feel his oats as much as he does his shredded wheat.

—A—

There are times when the color blind man thinks that he feels blue when it really is only the yellow streak.

—A—

This is the age of efficiency. Take the modern girl. She dresses in six moves, one for each shoe and stocking, one for her dress, and one for the unmentionables.

—A—

There is less iron in spinach than there is in a bridge lamp or a pound of nails, but it is more easily chewed.

—A—

Medicine will not cure a pain in the neck.

—A—

If a girl's clothes fit her like she had been poured into them, watch out. She may be all wet yet from the pouring.

F. Jay

sort of thing would not only stop—it would be forgotten as something far more foolish than anything that Steve Brodie ever attempted.

Personally, I am more in favor of a modified proctor system than the weak device we now employ.

If cribbing is to be done, let us make a game of it!

A Junior.

Sportsmanship can be shown in the classroom as well as on the athletic field. Sportsmanship means fair competition, according to the rules. Alfred has its rules for the classroom under the name of the Honor System, but it is very evident that some of the students, even some of the athletes, do not show fair play in their classes. They believe in the old saying, practiced by unsportsmanlike teams, "win, at any cost".

Alfred has the honor system which is intended to work for the promotion of fair play and competition. Cribbing and cheating gives any sport a black eye, and so they do to the Honor System. Every true supporter of the purple should have sufficient pride and self-respect to try to be sportsman enough to stop violations of the rules in one of the student body's most highly prized institutions.

CHAPEL

Chapel exercises this past week have been conducted by Professors W. A. Titsworth and M. J. Rice. The first three days of the week, Registrar Titsworth talked on "The Evolution of the Concept of God." He traced the concept of God from the anthropomorphic idea, to the idea of God as the Creator; then as the God of law and order; and finally, with the concept of God as the Father, as such, leading to the brotherhood of man.

Professor Rice asserted that there is such a thing as Faith in religion.

He stated that we can believe things in religion that we do not need to see proved. The same, he said is true in Science, as there are many things which we believe but cannot explain. On the second day of his talks, Professor Rice carried this same thought forward and showed the concept of miracles as brought on by this perception of Faith.

Chapel goers pronounced the week's services as among the most interesting of the year thus far.

FOOTLIGHT CLUB

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to a whisper, and only so can the term find its natural form.

Phyllis Clifford as Sydney Fairchild is the heroine of the play. Miss Clifford has already established herself by other performances. Her voice and presence are always pleasing. On this occasion she had to make the most of a rather unimportant part. She was little more than the pivot upon which the wise fools revolved. It seemed that she became sophisticated rather suddenly. One would have expected more of the ingenue to continue, for the month anyway. The scene with Benny was very good and was perhaps the most dramatic part of the play. Her last entrance did not seem to fit into the circumstances. She had disappeared taking "not a thing" with her and she reappears from a hiding place, a radiant girl in evening dress and opera wrap.

Mary Day carried the rather simple part of Saunders effectively. Her use of "Sir" was not that of a servant, as has already been mentioned.

The stage setting was effective and very well done, the staircase especially. The lighting effects were also good, particularly in the scene between Sydney and the burglar.

Taken as a whole the play was very good as to its performance but half an hour could have been cut off, or out, with advantage. The movement at the end of the second act and through the third was slow and even tedious. On the other hand the supposed half hour between these acts was far too short for the happenings. The pursuit of the girl, the activities of the police, and the entire reorganization of the household would seem to need several hours, at least. These points, however, are of the play and not of the performance.

While not exactly within the province of dramatic criticism, it may be suggested that on future occasions a survey of the stage be made from the auditorium. There was in general an absence of "picture" sense. In the birthday scene a large pot of flowers eclipsed Sydney; the portrait on the wall was not visible and the shades on the floor lamps were so high that

TETE A TETE

Toujour gai's my motto kid.

Glaring Misprint!

By well-nigh unanimous petition from the males we are here correcting a glaring falsity which appeared in last week's issue and which read as follows:

"If you have never been out on a necking-party this is no place to start. These Alfred wimmen are not running a prep-school!"

Most of the boys opine that the latter sentence should have read: "These Alfred Wimmen are Neophytes themselves, not Pedagogues!"

This is the time of the year when the hearts, the heads, and the loves of us mortals are lightest.

It was a beautiful evening. The kind the poets rave about. The silvery beams of the moon leaping above Pine Hill cast an auroral sheen of splendor across the be-shrubbed campus.

We were returning homeward across said campus from play practice. The Frosh-Soph Plays to be exact. We were alone amidst the night's grandeur. Suddenly we felt our hand clasped in a cold and clammy grip. Our heart leaped, we leaped, a dark form leaped, and arose from its concealment behind one of the be-shrubbed shrubs.

"Oh wondrous one, be mine, please-please-please." said a sweet feminine voice.

"Be yours? And who are you, Diane? that you stalk abroad in the moonlight?" said we.

"Does it matter who? Isn't it enough that I love you adorable one?"

"Dear little thing" we answered, "allow us to escort you to the Infirmary. What you need is an examination."

"You horrid thing" said the dear little sprite leaping up and tugging at our arm. "Don't oo-ums know that this is Leap Year?"

"Yes-ums, oo little Leaping Lenums, but we-ums ain't, leaping. Good night-ums."

We extend our sympathy to all of our suffering brethren who have been similarly Amazon-handled.

After seeing the play in Assembly last Thursday we wonder what a girl's inner-self says when her outer-self says—"Oh don't feel badly, it's got to go to the cleaner's anyway."

A girl feels that she is "misunderstood" when she has been taken lightly in a love affair—a fellow when he has been taken seriously.

We read the other day—that in China a man can divorce his wife for Talkativeness.

Let's go to China, boys!

This really happened in Alfred. A stunning blonde in Frosh English gave as an outside reading report—"The Virginian," by Olier Twist.

We wonder why some men are unsuccessful in love when a mere parrot can be taught to say—"You are wonderful!"

There's a dance or two in the old boy still.

Toujour gai's my moto, kid.

the lights glared in the faces of the audience; and, finally, while a rocking chair might swing at one drawing of the curtain, there is no excuse for this occurring every time.

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GREEK PERSONALS**Theta Kappa Nu**

Winslow S. Anderson, Grand Archon of Theta Kappa Nu, was a weekend guest at the house.

The boys wish to thank Mary Rogers for acting as hostess Wednesday night at the Parish House. They agreed that they don't know but what she might be compared to the dinner.

Verne Sisson blew in Thursday to say hello to the fellows, remaining for a couple of days. Hump returned with him to Lima.

As a result of Dr. Hutchinson's lecture Tuesday night, Rog. Salisbury was found to be a very, very easy subject.

James Patrick Morris enjoyed a most delightful week-end in New York. Whether it was to see one of the flapperets of Bronx Park or of Broadway we have been unable to find out.

All movie actors have a double. Bill Murray had a double Saturday night. Thus Bill becomes a movie actor.

Kappa Psi Upsilon

Kappa Psi announces the pledging of Walter Le R. Chauncey.

Reed and Kinzie spent the week-end at the latter's home in Elmira. Other week-end absentees were: "Carlos" Getz and "Kid" Voorheis to Friendship (via Wellsville); Jimmy Waldock, to Cuba.

Mike now believes in hypnotism since Korsgen started waving a flag for Crossman.

J. Weaver staked himself to a new second-hand typewriter, guaranteed not to make mistakes.

Pi Alpha Phi

Judging from the number of "Girl Athletes" around the house, spring must be coming. E. Smith is the latest convert to "heap much exercise."

The dwarf's room was deserted this week-end. Marge, Bud and Maretta went home.

In spite of all hoping and coaxing, none of the invalids came through with any "spots." False alarm again! Alas, no measles—and no quarantine.

Hear ye! E. Smith can cook! Her "Floating Island" was good and incidentally no deaths have been reported. Note: Something tells us that Audrey was the "power behind the throne."

Audrey spent the week-end at the house—for a change.

Delta Sigma Phi

Mills, Bidwell, Kickham and Crisfield were put through the informal Friday night.

"Scotty" Ahern, "Dick" Claire, "Alvie" Dunbar and "Ken" Nichols were here during the past week.

Foti has now been stricken formally. He passed the cigars.

The two "Petes" and "Dan" spent Saturday and Sunday at their respective homes. Competition, Jerry.

Theta Theta Chi

Theta Theta Chi takes pleasure in announcing the initiation of Mrs. Paul C. Saunders into honorary membership.

Morgan Hall has been rivalling the Infirmary during the past week. The general impression is that the "red house" won by a nose, but you can't know.

Theta Chi wishes to congratulate the Footlight Club on its excellent presentation a week ago. This would have appeared last week, but we really wanted to see the play first.

Klan Alpine

Klan Alpine is pleased to announce the formal initiation of Professor Murray J. Rice, James W. Sadler, William H. Peters, and William F. White.

Ed Turner and "Mac" McGraw visited us this week.

Bob Bassett is recovering from the measles. In the meantime "Van" is staying at the house.

With Prof. Rusby boarding with us, economics has become a topic for table discussion.

Tubby and Bruce report a successful Bridge given by the Vupt Club at the Brick, Friday evening.

Mother King and the Seniors gave the Faculty a party Saturday night. The Faculty, it seems, had late permission.

FRENCH CLUB

Members of one of the French III classes presented the play "La Modestie," in a pleasing manner at a meeting of the Advanced French Club on Wednesday evening. After the play, French songs were sung and French games were played.

The Auxiliary French Club, which met on Monday evening, enjoyed an interesting dramatization of two scenes from "Le Voyage de Monsieur Perrichon" given by Garnet Blackmore, Margaret Behm, Clarence Atwood, Dwight Young and Carmelo Bernardo.

SCIENTIFIC TALK

(Continued from Page One) hypnosis, Dr. Hutchinson cited the following elements:

(1). Restriction of the field of conscious attention. The normal fields of awareness are for the moment shut out. This process may be accomplished by crystal gazing, peering into a mirror or at a light, watching some monotonous action as two constantly moving fingers, or by fixation of the eyes upon some stationary object.

(2). Increased suggestibility. Both positive and negative hallucinations are easily induced.

(3). Delusions. The subject can be made to picture and execute complicated procedures with a meagre foundation of equipment and generous suggestions.

(4). Anesthesia and catalepsy. There can be complete inhibition of the normal reflexes of the muscles.

(5). Loss of initiative and energy. Activity is dependent upon suggestion. If the state is deep, there is complete amnesia after return to normal consciousness.

(6). Rapport. The subject is completely under the control of the operator and cannot be influenced by any other person except by the operator's instruction.

(7). Post-hypnotic suggestion. The subject will carry out after return to normal consciousness some act which was prescribed during hypnosis. This factor is of extreme importance in affecting "mental cures."

Cites Many Misconceptions

Several misconceptions concerning the science of hypnosis were cited and refuted by Dr. Hutchinson. Some of these falsities are:

(1). That the subject must be weak-minded. Hypnosis requires a person of real intelligence.

(2). That only a few people can be hypnotized. In fact it is proven that 90% of ordinary people can be subjected to hypnosis.

(3). That the hypnotist has some occult power over his subject. Nothing is required but technique.

(4). That there is danger in correct or medical use. There is no effect on the will because it plays no part in the process.

(5). That it cures only imaginary diseases. Hypnosis can cure real functional mental disorders, permanently.

Warns Against Abuse

"Hypnosis is a powerful agent," declared Dr. Hutchinson, "and it should not be played with by amateurs. Repeated hypnotism may seriously weaken the subject if he is abused. By its means morally weak persons may be brought to do harm."

The most popular theories of hypnotism, as pointed out by Dr. Hutchinson, are: (1). Pathological. Charcot of Paris thought that it was a symptom of morbid hysteria; but this conception is now discredited. (2). Psychological. A more recent theory is that hypnotism is due to suggestion. (3). Physiological. Long fixation of the nervous system seems to be the real cause of hypnosis.

Has Creative Value

Dr. Hutchinson cited several examples of creativeness, especially in writing, as a result of both hypnotic and post-hypnotic suggestion. In such writings the dominant idea of the subject, even though ordinarily concealed, always shows itself prominently.

Many of the principles which Dr. Hutchinson had been setting forth were demonstrated when he hypnotized two Alfred students. He caused them to do various performances which seemed to prove conclusively the reality of hypnotism to such doubters as happened to be present. During the demonstration the audience maintained an almost unbelievable degree of tense quietude.

Dr. Hutchinson concluded the lecture-demonstration by answering questions suggested by members of the audience, some of which were:

Q. Can surgery be performed under hypnosis?

A. Yes, such methods are growing more popular for less serious operations.

Q. Will purely thought suggestion work?

A. It is now believed that telepathy is false.

Q. Is there mental or physical fatigue after hypnosis?

A. No, except in spectacular performances.

Q. What would happen if the operator left his subject and did not return?

A. He would fall into a normal sleep and subsequently awake naturally.

Q. It is possible to find out what the subject has done or will do in the future?

A. Prophecy is impossible, but past acts can be recalled completely. This fact is of great importance in recalling dreams and especially in restoring to normalcy victims of shellshock.

LOOKING 'EM OVER

By Buel

Dear Buel:

I have been reading this here Fiat for a number of years and I doubt that I have ever read such rank poetry as the bunk that has appeared in your column for the past two weeks. Far be it from me to wish to utter any criticism that would seem vicious or harsh, but I feel that in the interests of the nation, some one should warn you.

You should be careful that this poet idea does not become a mania with you. My uncle Ross got into a mess just because he thought that he was pretty fair in the "old bard." Here is what happened to him. He wrote a lot of bunk that wasn't poetry but he bribed the linotype operator, and that low-life (?) set them so that they looked like it from a distance. This worked all right until the Dean of his college got hep, and the next letter we got from him, we learned that he was enjoying "the world" in the subway to and from work. He was working behind a ribbon counter in a department store. The vice still clung to him, however, and it wasn't long before he moved into a rebuilt stable in Greenwich Village (Grun Itch Villegge) and married an apparition in short hair that raved about "la vie Bohemien" and "giving her all to her art." About this time things went from bad to worse and Ross fell to free verse, the idea that he was a true Bohemian, and the gift of the Gods to what few "supermen" there were at the time. Ross even lived like a Bohemian, changing his mind every five mintues and his shirt once a month. They were happy. (Sometimes.)

But just about this time his wife left him for a saxophone player in the next garret, who also felt that conventionalities were a bore, and that he must give all his time to his art. Two days later the American Mercury accepted one of his free verse fits and the combined shock was too great—my uncle died.

Remember, I warned you,

Oscar.

SPANISH CLUB

An interesting evening was spent at the last meeting of the Spanish Club on February 22, Margaret Livermore playing the piano, and Daniel Triester playing the violin, accompanied the singing of Spanish songs by the group. Several piano and violin selections were also rendered by Miss Livermore and Mr. Triester.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Wednesday. At this time the group will take part in the singing of Spanish songs, and the playing of Spanish games. The play, "El Doble Roble" will be presented.

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**H. S. SENIOR BALL
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The High School Gym was again the background for one of this year's pleasantest memories when the graduating class gave its annual ball last Saturday night. The management of the affair was placed entirely in the hands of the Seniors, and the whole campus is grateful to them for sending out invitations to the college.

The dance was informal. The exchanges were made among partners, but no definite programs were followed. Many townspeople and members of the High School faculty were seen enjoying themselves—some of the University savants, too! The College Orchestra did its bit towards giving everyone a good time, and it was with genuine regret that the fair co-eds saw their late permissions expire at twelve o'clock.

**KLAN ALPINE SENIORS
ENTERTAIN HONORARY
MEMBERS AT BRIDGE**

Six tables of bridge witnessed the faculty's traditional bent for the game when the Seniors of Klan Alpine fraternity, with Mrs. King's able assistance, entertained their honorary members with their wives, Saturday evening.

The battle of wits lasted till the stroke of midnight, with an interim of refreshments during the evening. The guest list included Dr. and Mrs. Saunders, Dr. and Mrs. Rice, Prof. and Mrs. Titsworth, Prof. and Mrs. Seidlin, Prof. and Mrs. Conroe, Prof. and Mrs. Rusby, and Mr. and Mrs. Coleman.

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ALFRED'S LEADING

Hansen's Verdant Basketeers Win Five Court Contests In Nine Game Schedule

By virtue of their victory over the Monroe outfit last week, the Frosh completed a fairly successful season, winning five out of nine starts. Coach Hansen is to be complimented on the showing his proteges have made, as both he and the squad have labored under various handicaps.

Win First Two Games

The yearlings played their first game with Friendship High on the local court, Dec. 14. After they had tucked Friendship's scalp under their belts as the result of a 24 to 21 victory, the wearers of the verdant green returned from Christmas vacation, journeyed to Wellsville, and brought home the bacon to the tune of 34 to 19.

Tide Turns At Corning

It was a different story the next night at Corning. Passes went wild, the ball would not stay in the basket, and as a result, the Frosh dropped their first game to Corning North Side by a score of 21 to 14. Next came the highly-touted Westfield aggregation, and they were sent home, smarting under a 21 to 17 defeat. The Penn boys wreaked their revenge the next week when the yearlings journeyed to Westfield and took the short end of a 34 to 26 score. The Frosh played the best game of the year in this encounter, but poor

officiating and injuries were to a large extent responsible for the set back.

Yearlings Lose Two Stars

With the loss of Steele and Webster through injuries, the squad diminished to seven men, which made matters that much harder for Coach Hansen to develop a winning team. The yearlings dropped their second straight when they met defeat at Friendship, losing an uphill battle to the tune of 23 to 21, in one overtime period.

The following night on the home court, the Frosh flashed a reversal of form and swamped the Richburg outfit, 39 to 17, in a one-sided game. Hornell, with a re-vamped team and a new style of play, came to Davis Gym and upset the yearlings in a listless encounter, by an 18 to 16 score.

Season Closes With Victory

With the last game of the year confronting them, and the possibility of turning an unsuccessful season into a winning one, the green-jerseyed warriors unleashed a whirlwind attack in the last half of the Monroe (Rochester) fray, to finish on the long end of a 23 to 21 score.

Some promising material has been uncovered among the wearers of the Green, and the Purple should not be lacking for candidates when Coach "Dutch" Heers issues a call for Varsity basketeers next winter.

DELTA SIG AND BURDICK HALL LEAD INTRAMURAL LEAGUE IN 2nd ROUND

Intramural basketball, second round, has been progressing rapidly during the past two weeks. There are only three games remaining to be played, before the play-off between the league champions.

In League A, Burdick Hall is well in the lead, having won all of the games in which the team has played thus far. Delta Sig holds the same place in League B, thus maintaining their reputation as champions of the first round.

These two teams will probably be the ones to battle for the intramural championship. A game between the two contenders promises to be fast and exciting, and will undoubtedly be worth seeing.

An error was made in the last summary of scores, the correct tally for the two games being:

Alpha Zetas (9) vs. Aggies (23).

Kappa Psi (28) vs. Smith Club (15).

The results of games played during the last two weeks are:

Smith Club (2) vs. Teetotalers (0). —Forfeit.

Aggies (7) vs. Theta Nu (35).

Livermore Club (16) vs. Kappa Psi (20).

Burdick Hall (20) vs. Alpha Zetas (10).

Delta Sig (2) vs. Smith Club (0). —Forfeit.

Alpha Zetas (19) vs. Theta Nu (26).

Kappa Psi (2) vs. Teetotalers (0). —Forfeit.

Burdick Hall (44) vs. Aggies (11).

Livermore Club (18) vs. Smith Club (11).

Following are the standings of the individual teams in the two leagues:

League	Won	Lost	P.C.
Burdick Hall	3	1	1.000
Theta Nu	3	1	.750
Klan Alpine	1	1	.500
Aggies	1	3	.250
Alpha Zetas	0	3	.000

League B.

Delta Sig	3	0	1.000
Kappa Psi	3	1	.750
Livermore Club	2	2	.500
Smith Club	1	3	.250
Teetotalers	0	3	.000

Today's pun by Bill Brown:

A sailor calls his ship "She" because the rigging costs more than the hulk.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE FOR GIRLS IS FORMED

A girls' interclass basketball league has been organized, and the schedule started today with the first game between the Frosh and Sophs.

Because of considerable difficulty in securing a court, the girls have been unable to play until now. Last year the games were played in Alumni Hall, but that would be rather inconvenient this season. They now have the use of the High School gym, where all of the games will be played.

Two rounds will be played, each team meeting the others twice on the court. The schedule is arranged to have all of the games played before April 1.

The girls have been practicing under the tutelage of Coach Hansen and formed some good teams. They are using a two-division court, and are playing a five-man team, with a roving center.

The captains of the teams have been elected as follows: Hazel White, 1931; Marjorie Travis, 1930; Rhoda Stearns, 1929; and Dorothy Holland, 1928.

These four girls, together with Janet Decker, will form the executive committee for the league.

For several reasons, largely financial, the girls decided to have student referees instead of outside officials. The following girls, one from each class, have been chosen to fill that capacity: Hazel White, Freshman; Florence Ploetz, Sophomore; Betty Brundge, Junior; and Ruth Lunn, Senior.

When two teams play, the referees from the other two classes will officiate.

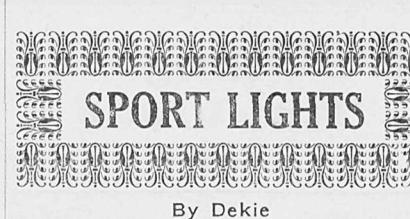
The following is the schedule as arranged:

March 13—Frosh vs. Sophs.	
" 16—Junior vs. Seniors	
" 20—Frosh vs. Sophs.	
" 21—Frosh vs. Juniors.	
Sophs vs. Seniors.	
" 23—Juniors vs. Seniors.	
" 26—Frosh vs. Seniors.	
" 27—Sophs vs. Juniors.	
" 28—Sophs vs. Seniors.	
Frosh vs. Juniors.	
" 30—Frosh vs. Seniors.	
Sophs vs. Juniors.	

TENNIS FANS PREPARING TO START SPRING PLAY

In spite of the heavy March snows, tennis talk has not dwindled since it was started several weeks ago. Many of the aspiring court slingers are fondly stroking their racquets, looking forward to the first call for tennis candidates. Preparations for indoor workouts are well under way.

As soon as the snow lifts and fair weather comes, the lower court of the outdoor courts will be put in shape and reserved entirely for Varsity and Freshmen teams, it is reported.



By Dekie

Announcement of the action of the delegates tabling Alfred's application to join the I.C.A.A.A. to further study the school's eligibility requirements may seem of little necessity to most students. But with the recent proposals of the delegates, it may be necessary for Alfred to adopt the one-year residence rule now in effect on most of the larger colleges, before Alfred can become a member of the association.

Would this rule hurt Alfred to any extent? It does not seem as though it would. Many of Alfred's opponents have the ruling that a student must attend the college one year before being able to compete in Varsity sports, and it would be no more than fair that Alfred should have a similar ruling. Amherst forfeited the football game to Alfred last September because of a violation of this rule. All New York State Conference meets enforce the regulation. With the exception of Lafayette, Alfred was the only team to enter Freshmen in the Middle Atlantics cross country race last Fall.

This rule here would tend to develop stronger freshman teams, and therefore aid the Varsity the following year by moving up stronger teams.

Much more material is needed for the track team. The indoor training is for the main purpose of developing material for the outdoor campaign. Let us have every able-bodied man out for track. Although we can not all hope to make the team, let's go out and give the rest of the candidates some competition, and maybe we shall even fool ourselves by developing into something really good. Princeton brags that 90 per cent of its students are athletes. Let's go Princeton one better and brag that 91 per cent of our men students are athletes.

This includes the dignified seniors as well as the verdant frosh.

President Boothe C. Davis has entered the ranks of the sporting rich. Word from the Bermudas says that "Prexy" has taken up the game of golf and has become quite fond of the sport. In a letter to a friend in college, he says, "The other day I played a New York man and he beat me a little."

Alfred's three-hole golf course may yet become a reality and some of the hopeful Bobby Jones' may be able to be more friendly with the iron and mashie.

Fiat Lux Calendar

Today.

Student Senate meeting, Kenyon Hall, 7:00 P. M.

Klan Alpine vs. Alpha Zetas, Davis Gym, 7:30 P. M.

Delta Sigma Phi vs. Teetotalers, Davis Gym, 8:30 P. M.

Campus Court meeting, Babcock Hall, 9:00 P. M.

Wednesday, March 14.

Union Church Choir, Community House, 7:00 P. M.

Fiat Staff meeting, ? ? ?, 7:15 P. M.

Seventh Day Choir, Music Studio, 7:15 P. M.

Orchestra Rehearsal, Music Studio, 8:00 P. M.

Spanish Club meeting, Community House, 8:00 P. M.

Thursday, March 15.

Assembly, Alumni Hall, 11:15 A. M.

Wee Playhouse Plays, Alumni Hall, 8:00 P. M.

Winner League A, vs. Winner League B, Davis Gym, 8:00 P. M.

Monday, March 19.

W. S. G. Council meeting, Brick, 5:00 P. M.

Auxiliary French Club meeting, Com-

Tuesday, March 20.

munity House, 8:15 P. M.

March 20.

CERAMIC SOCIETY

The meeting of the Ceramic Society this week will feature two films, one on "Heavy Clay Machinery" and another on "The Processes of the Steel Industry." The meeting will be held tonight at 7:45 in Firemens Hall.

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INTENSE TRAINING FOR SPRING TRACK BEGINS

With the intervening training and conditioning period before the first track meet gradually coming to a close, the squad of spring trackmen is rounding into form.

The Varsity runners are reporting every day and are making good progress, both in condition and speed. Captain Ladd, Boulton, Getz, Zschiegner, Coe, Newlands, Voorheis, and others are the distance runners, while Klinger, Shardlow, Olander, Buckley, Shaner, Fredericks, and others are taking care of the field events. In the short distances—McMahon, Zingle, Feldman, Schneider, Wilson, Snell, Burdick, Karthauser, Perry, and a few others are shaping into running trim.

Freshmen May Compete

The Freshmen are turning out some good prospects for the various events and it is hoped that these will develop into good material. Staimen, Galizio, Kuite, Chubb, Obourn, Steele, Crisafulli and Berkowitz are working in their various places. Because the Penn relays are open to Freshmen as well as to Varsity men, the opportunity to compete is looked upon as an added incentive for the yearlings.

The present track schedule:

Penn Relay, Phila., Pa., April 27 and 28. Rochester, Home, May 11. Middle Atlantics, Haverford, Pa., May 18 and 19. State Conference, Canton, N. Y., May 26.

Frosh meets will include, Hornell Wellsburg and Smethport high schools, and other dates are understood to be pending.

NEW BOOKS ADDED TO UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Some of the books which have been recently added to the collection in the Carnegie Library are:

"Tristram" by E. A. Robinson.

"Outlawry of War" by C. C. Morris.

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"Best Short Stories of 1928" by E. J. O'Brien.

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