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STUDENT BOX HOLDER

Five Alfred Seniors Are Slated For Place In College "Who's Who"

Dreher, Fisk, Hill, Long And Swanson Are Selected By Faculty Committee For Honor

Five Alfred seniors: Helen Dreher, Harriet Fisk, Doris Hill, Margaret Long and Gordon Swanson have been selected to be included in the 1945 "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," it was learned today.

Members were selected by a faculty committee on the basis of scholarship, extra-curricular activities, character, loyalty, and promise of future usefulness to society.

Helen Dreher, who is majoring in Sociology, is president of Pi Alpha Pi member of Phi Delta Epsilon and historian of Phi Sigma Gamma. She is president of the Alfred Christian Fellowship, on the Forum Committee and the board of directors of the Campus Union. In past years she was editor of the Fiat, member of the glee club and the War Adoptions Committee.

Harriet Norton Fisk, a business major, is editor of the Kanakadea, member of National Honorary Literary Society and Phi Delta Epsilon. She has been a choir member for four years. She is now secretary of the Senior Class and house manager of Sigma Chi Nu.

Gordon Swanson, a transfer from the Jamestown Extension, is now majoring in history. He is Managing Editor of the Fiat. Swanson is president of the Senior Class and of the International Relations Club. He is also on the Campus Union board of directors, member of the Forum Committee, Student Senate representative and Sergeant-at-Arms of the Footlight Club.

Doris Hill, now president of the Student Senate, is majoring in business. She is house manager of Theta Chi, member of WAGB, and of the Campus Union Board. For four years she has been active in sports and a choir member.

Margaret Long, a Spanish major, is president of the Women's Student Government, president of the Women's Athletic Governing Board and president of the Drama Club. She is active in sports and a choir member.

This year she is acting as a counselor in the Brick.

The honor these students have achieved is very high and sought after by college students all over the United States.

"End In Sight"

Twenty-two junior and senior ceramic artists are racing against time to complete their projects for the Albany exhibit and contest before October 28.

Those competing in groups are Edna Levy '46, Billie Folts '45, Jane Pattan '45 and Ann Hooker '46. Beatrice Jackson '45 and Grace Kobernuss '45 are working together. Paul Cook '45, Alice Van Gaasbeek '46 and Gloria Burshell '45 form another group.

Working with Eunice Adams '46 are Violet Dunbar '46, Virginia Harley '45 and Elaine Locke '46. Carolyn Banks '46 and Frances Bovee '46 comprise another group. Martha Miner '46 and Marie Basciani '46 are doing a project together.

Working alone in the contest are Isabelle Dobson '45, Jean Hauth '45, Sylvia March '46, Doris Coutant '45 and Marilyn Fitzroy '45.

Winners will be announced in the next Fiat.

Service Alumni Number 573 On Honor Roll

The Roll of Honor listing alumni and staff of the Agricultural and Technical Institute in the armed forces has been hung in the entrance hall of the Ag-Tech building, recently.

A floodlight will be installed over the plaque to insure adequate lighting. To date the roll of honor contains the names of 573 alumni in the service and seven members of the faculty and staff.

Members of the staff include: Captain Paul B. Orvis, on military leave from his work as the director; Captain Bror H. Anderson, former head of the Department of Floriculture; Lt. (j.g.) Robert H. Brown, former instructor in mathematics and physics; Archie E. Small, instructor in floriculture; William B. Harrison, C.E.M., instructor of Electrical Shop; and Y 3/c Marion Inglee, former secretary for the War Training Program.

There are ten gold stars on the roll of honor, including the following names: Lieut. John C. Eggleton; Air Cadet Harry Fuller; Lieut. William J. Stickle; Lieut. Gordon Root; Lieut. Edward Schuler; Lieut. Fred E. Schrodell; and S/Sgt.s Roger Potin, James Conway, Fred Scoonmaker and Robert Hakenson.

Three alumni are missing in action to date: Pvt. John Peters, Lieut. Charles Clark, and Lieut. Albert Ripley.

William Haag, John Dytman and Alvin Enos are prisoners of the Germans; and Nicholas Fratangelo, Charles Heffron and Eunice Young are prisoners of the Japanese.

The Roll of honor is dark brown with a border of laurel leaves, the traditional emblem for heroes used since the days of ancient Greece. It is crowned with a bronze eagle and wreath of oak leaves.

Independents Plan Sadie Hawkins Day Dance

The Independents met Monday, October 16, at 9 p.m. in the large ceramic lecture room. At this time plans were made for their Sadie Hawkins' Day Dance.

Paul Cook, social chairman of the organization, is general chairman for the affair. Chairmen for the various committees were appointed and they are to select their own assistants.

The following chairmen were named: Eunice Adams, publicity; Edna Levy, decorations; Gloria Coppelman, entertainment; and Eva Rodies, refreshments.

Watch the Fiat for further developments. Be sure, however, to nab your man early!

Campus Calendar

Tuesday, October 24

Inter-sorority council meeting, 7:00 p.m., Sigma Chi.

Fiat meeting, 7:15 p.m., editorial staff; 7:30 p.m. editors, Fiat office.

Math Club, 8:00 p.m., Physics Hall room 20.

WSG, 7:45 p.m., Kenyon

Wednesday, October 25

Men's Glee Club, 1:00 p.m., music studio.

Fencing for girls and men, 7:00 p.m., South Hall.

Movies, 7:00 p.m., Alumni Hall Student Senate, 7:30 p.m., Physics Hall.

Thursday, October 26

University Assembly, 11:00 a.m., Alumni Hall.

Men's Glee Club, 1:00 p.m., music studio

Veteran's Meeting, 5:00 p.m., Ag-Tech Library.

Church Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Church.

Girl's Glee Club, 8:00 p.m., Music Studio.

Friday, October 27

Movies, 7:00 p.m., Alumni Hall. Senior Meeting, 7:15 p.m., Ceramic Building.

Saturday, October 28

Movies, 7:00 p.m., Alumni Hall. Recreation and dancing, 8:00 p.m., Social Hall.

Sunday, October 29

ACF Music Hour, 2:00 p.m., Social Hall.

ACF Forum, 7:00 p.m., Social Hall.

Monday, October 30

Girl's Glee Club, 8:00 p.m., Music Studio.

Men's Glee Club, 7:00 p.m., Music Studio.

William Eames '45 Heads American Ceramic Society

Bill Eames '45 was elected president of the American Ceramic Society at the first meeting of the organization last week in the Ceramic School.

Other officers include Dominic Lowrie '45, vice-president; Patricia Crofoot '48, secretary; and Paul Meissner '47, treasurer.

The ACS is an engineer society which brings in various speakers to lecture on different types of projects.

We Like It Here . . .

Don Martin

Things are settling down at last at Klan Alpine. The seventeen frosh boys who live there are just about ready to begin a normal existence. The first few weeks of their life at Klan Alpine saw beds being moved from one part of the house to the other, rooms being swapped, bull sessions till two or three o'clock every morning. Now that wonderful thing called peace is once more descending on the Klan.

Any former resident of the frat house at 61 South Main street, would hardly recognize the place. The sleeping porches have been stripped of their beds. (The freshmen residents spent a few chilly nights on the porches and quickly went into hibernation in their rooms). Decoration—by Varga and Petty—now brighten the walls of the two upper stories of the Klan. Quiet hour rules are observed by most freshmen but there are those few who insist upon playing radios or phonographs as loudly as possible or who congregate in the halls to serenade sleepers and the more studious fellows with "Bell Bottom Trousers" or something similar.

Dinner at Klan Alpine is like dinner nowhere else. As grace is said each night, hunger filled eyes wander up and down the table and thirty young

Here Thursday



Dr. Wing-Tsit Chan

Dedicatee And Theme Chosen For Year Book

The dedicatee and theme for Alfred's year book, the "Kanakadea," were selected by the editorial staff at a meeting held Monday, October 8, in the livingroom of Sigma Chi house.

Plans were made for the yearbook layout, and the staff decided to put up the posters which appeared in the dormitories, sororities, and campus union recently for students interested in signing up for work on the "Kanakadea." At the next meeting of the editors to be announced by the editor-in-chief, Harriet Norton Fisk, staff members will be selected from the lists submitted.

Yearbook editors assisting Mrs. Fisk are: Art editor, Grace Kobernuss, replacing Marjorie Munzenmair, ex '45; business manager, Doris Hill, replacing Sydelle Fisher, ex '46; photography editor, Donald Neimeth.

Plans are underway for Alfred's yearbook, the "Kanakadea" with two meetings of the student editors having been held during the last three weeks. The next meeting is to be announced by the editor-in-chief, Harriet Norton Fisk.

Harvest Dance

There will be a Harvest Dance at the Alfred-Almond Central School, Saturday, October 28. Dancing will be on the program from 9:12 p.m., with music by the Campus Cheers.

Dr. Wing-Tsit Chan, Chinese Educator, Will Be Assembly Guest

"China's Present And Post War Problems" Announced As Topic Of Dartmouthian

Dr. Wing-Tsit Chan, Professor of Chinese Culture at Dartmouth College, will speak on the subject, "China's Present and Post-War Problems," at the University Assembly this Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in Alumni Hall.

Chaplain Takes Speaker's Place At ACF Forum

The Alfred Christian Fellowship series of discussions of inter-faith questions has been lengthened because this Sunday, Chaplain Napier was pinch-hitting for Rabbi Movsky, who because of ill health, was unable to be present. Next Sunday, Father McMinn will speak as planned, and a rabbi will be secured to complete the lectures the following week. An open discussion meeting, however, is planned tentatively to conclude the series.

Chaplain Napier discussed the theory of religion, and in doing so presented several questions for the group to answer. He at first asked: "What Is Religion?" To this he supplied a statement by Frazier that "Religion is a propitiation or conciliation of powers superior to man which are believed to control nature and man's life."

The second question the chaplain asked was: "What Makes Man Religious?" Three answers to this are need, fear, and a sense of curiosity concerning the unknown. Other questions were: What is the Scope of Religion? What is the Attitude Toward Approaching Religion? and What Ought to be Our Attitude Toward Other Faiths?

Several points were brought out in regard to these questions. Religion results from man's ability to conceive of something higher and better than self-satisfaction. As a rule, one brought up under a particular faith will cling to it during his life-time, but prejudices against other faiths can often grow too strongly. Tolerance, respect, and even recognition of superiority in other faiths should be motivated. We know that Jewish leaders, the Catholic Pope, and leaders from all faiths have undergone hardships in teaching religion to the world.

Among the first questions asked by attendants was: "What is the difference between religion and theology?"

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Head Of Nurses Attends Meeting

Mrs. Hazel H. Harvey, Director of the Department of Nursing, attended a conference for school nurses of the Corning area in that city, Friday, October 20.

The meeting was called by Marie Swanson, R.N., State Superintendent of School Nursing, for discussion of a short Public Health Course for the cadet nurses affiliated with Corning Hospital. This would entail field visits to homes and public school, Mrs. Harvey explained. A second conference was scheduled for November 1, in Hornell, to complete plans.

Mrs. Harvey spent last Wednesday in Olean visiting former Alfred cadets who are in training there.

Sports

Don't forget to attend the football game this Friday. Details found on page three.

STUDENT BOX HOLDER

Dr. Chan, a prominent Chinese educator, has lectured not only in our Western countries, but also in the Far East. He is a representative Chinese having a thorough knowledge of both the old and new China.

Born in a rural district of China in 1901, Dr. Chan was brought up in the old style of confucian education. At sixteen he went to a modern school in Canton and graduated with the A. B. degree in 1924.

Then he came to Harvard where he received a Ph. D. He returned to China by way of Europe, Egypt, Asia Minor, and India, served as dean of the faculty of Lingnam University for six years, and concurrently lectured on philosophy and art in several Chinese universities. During this period, he represented China in a number of international conferences, including the World Conference of Educational Associations in Geneva, the Far Eastern Conference on Higher Education in Manila, the Yale-Hawaii Conference on Pacific Education in Honolulu, and the Institute of Pacific Relations Conference in Yosemite.

He served as chairman of the Council of Christian Higher Education for China in 1934, and has been member of the Philippines Committee of the International Institute of Shanghai since 1934.

In 1936, Dr. Chan became Professor of Chinese Institutions and Philosophy at the University of Hawaii, Honolulu. He was there when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor. In 1937 he was in Peiping when the Japanese attacked that city.

Dr. Chan has written numerous articles on Chinese philosophy and Chinese life, is part-author of several books on Chinese art and philosophy published in Honolulu and New York, and has contributed many articles on Chinese thought and religion to several dictionaries recently published in this country.

Dr. Chan has lectured at the Naval War College, Cornell University, University of Pennsylvania, and many other educational institutions; the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the Frarian Institute, the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences; the Third Free World Congress, the Albany United Forum, and other organizations; Rotary Clubs, women's associations, church groups, and many other social and civic organizations.

Dr. Chan comes to us with a rich background of experiences and information to draw upon. Authorities and students of Chinese learning have been astounded at his ability to present his subject in such a clear and enlightening manner.

Just one of the countless comments about his deliveries comes from Professor Paul Weiss of Bryn Mawr College, who writes: "Your delivery and organization were superb, your knowledge and range outstanding. Your being here was an event in the history of the college. We shall not only not let it slip from our memories; it will not slip from our being."

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1944

Hats Off

Today is a great day for the five seniors who were chosen to appear in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

And today is a great day for Alfred. For these students who are to be included in Who's Who are a part of Alfred; Alfred is a part of them. These students have served our University in many ways. They have led discussion groups; they have headed literary associations; they have participated in acquiring a great sports program for us; they have given us a more liberal student government; they have helped us establish a real social center. They have been our leaders. They have helped and directed us in making Alfred a greater university.

We are indeed proud of these individuals. We are grateful for what they have given us. But we know that theirs was not all give. For unconsciously in giving their all, they were receiving. These benefits which they received will be applied in again giving their services to the betterment of society.

We will lose much when they leave Alfred but what they have given us can never be taken away. They have sown the seed for us. They leave to us a challenge—an opportunity to develop and enlarge the good they have planted here.

Prejudice

Kenneth Spencer's appearance on Alfred's campus was most enlightening in many respects: especially in its aggravation of the racial problem.

In every community there are some narrowminded individuals. Alfred is no exception. Previous to Mr. Spencer's arrival, posters announcing his coming were displayed around campus. It seems that certain students bore such a prejudice to the negro race that they were not reluctant to deface and mar the posters themselves. Had such action been done in an effort to be artistic or to attract undue attention, we would pass it off as mere adolescence. But such was not the case. Actually existing is real racial prejudice—a prejudice toward color and positions in society. Somewhere along the way, these people have acquired a feeling of scorn and contempt toward peoples of a different coloring from theirs. They have come to regard the negro as an inferior race unworthy of their association. With such an attitude they have entered our University. Fortunately, these individuals are few. But should these few be influential, society will eventually suffer. These few who need enlightenment, these few who need to broaden their points of view, we charge with not yet allowing themselves to take full advantage of their college opportunities. Fortunately, also, most of them have already acquired an open mind and have been quick to observe that neither color nor social position make the man. Kenneth Spencer is adequate proof. During his forum program, we were impressed by a great artist, not a colored man of inferior position; we were impressed by an illuminating personality.

In the future, let us think before we act. Let us not only climb over the fence of racial prejudice but put ourselves to the task of breaking it down, getting to the bottom of the issue, and build a new framework based on justice towards all.

EDITOR'S MAIL BOX

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Is it too much bother to place the American Flag in the assembly? Whenever and wherever there is a large gathering the Flag is to be seen. That is not true in Alfred.

Of course we see the Flag displayed quite prominently on days like Columbus Day and Election Day. Is the Flag only to be seen on special occasions? Is it to be something connected with getting dressed up to parade through the streets?

Some people have said that patrio-

tism is something which comes from within. Quite true!

I maintain that our Flag should be permanently placed in Alumni Hall for all to see every day, not for just a convention.

It is also true, isn't it, that it is only American to want to see the symbol for which our boys are fighting? If this simple wish of mine, and probably many others, is something at which to be scoffed and shrugged off, then there surely is something wrong with some people in Alfred.

Jewell Karpel '46

Alfred's Blue Book

By Shirley Lane

All Freshmen and transfer girls are cordially invited to a tea at Pi Alpha on Sunday, October 29 from 3 to 4 o'clock. The tea was postponed from October 15 to this date because of sudden illness at Pi Alpha. Phyllis Little '45 and Peg Knight '46 are co-chairmen of the tea. The refreshment committee consists of Genevieve Mezey '46, Virginia Larson '45, Kalope Giopoulos '46, Fay Jargstorff '46, and Marcia Noyes '47. Helen Dreher '45, Doris Beswick '45, and Jane Parvin '45 are in charge of favors and Jean Moore '46, Genevieve Polan '46, and Shirley Lane '47 are the decoration committee.

The Castle girls entertained at a buffet supper on Saturday night; each girl living at the house invited a guest. Dr. and Mrs. B. Davie Napier were specially invited guests. Dancing and games followed the supper, with Jean MacDonald '46, in charge of the arrangements.

Miss Stella Brodie was the guest of Mrs. Hazel Harvey at Theta Chi Monday.

Dinner guests at Theta Chi on Wednesday were Dean and Mrs. M. Ellis Drake.

Mrs. J. Lee Folts of Mount Morris and Mrs. Stetson of Kenmore were guests of Billie Folts '45 at Theta Chi on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. B. Davie Napier were entertained at dinner Sunday by Theta Chi.

Lt. Clayton R. Roberts was a dinner guest at Theta Chi Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Roland Waddill and daughter Beau Bette, and Miss Jean Robertson of Westerly, R. I., were dinner guests at Pi Alpha, Thursday evening.

Jean Torrey '43, Pi Alpha, was a weekend guest at Pi Alpha.

Shirley Dulman '48, was visited by her parents over the weekend.

Mrs. Chester Conklin and Mrs. Sullivan were guests of Jacqueline Conklin '48 on October 15.

Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Fuller of Batavia and son Wesley of Batavia, visited Marie Fuller '48, and Alfred relatives Sunday, October 15.

Most of the Pi Alpha girls went to their respective homes over the weekend. Carol Colway '47 and Renee Suchora '47 went to Carol's home in Oneida, N. Y., and Genevieve Mezey '46 accompanied Marcia Noyes '47 to her home in Orchard Park. Doris Bes-

LANIE ASKS

Have You Met . . . ?

Isabel Smith

A pretty, 21 year old, smoothly dressed, brown eyed and black haired senior is Isabel Smith. Although raised amongst the glass factories of Corning, New York, and having a glass technologist for a father, "Izzie" is majoring in the business course here in Alfred, and by her marks, neatness in dress as well as actions, we know she will have no trouble being an excellent secretary. This year she is working for Dr. Scholes of the Glass department.

Being president of her sorority, Sigma Chi Nu, president of the Intersorority council, secretary of the Footlight Club, president of Phi Sigma Gamma, on the Forum Committee and senior editor of the Kananadea take up most of her time, but she still manages to send a daily letter to her fiance, a former Alfred student, Pvt. Al Baker of the paratroopers now stationed in New Guinea.

Her interests consist of chop suey, steaks, sea food, and reading plays. Her talents as to acting have been well demonstrated in the shows, The Eve of St. Mark, Air Raid and others.

A wonderful sense of humor and a knack of having people like and have confidence in her, "Izzie" promises to be a credit to Alfred University.

Ruth Ann Weitz

Ruth Ann Weitz? Sure you know her. When sports were in full swing last year you couldn't help but know her. If it wasn't rushing down a football field or making baskets on the basketball court, it was whacking neat home runs out on the baseball field.

You must know her—tall, dark hair, brown eyes, alive and commanding personality. Besides being manager of basketball, manager of baseball, on the All Hockey and All Alfred Basketball teams, WAGB, she is also treasurer of her sorority Theta Chi, president of the Honorary Society, Alpha Tau Theta, vice president of the W.S.G., vice president of A.C.F., and secretary-treasurer of Inter-Sorority.

She is 20 years old, a senior this year and majoring in Sociology, psychology, and philosophy. Two pet manias of hers are: falling off cliffs, especially the Palisades, near Grantwood, New Jersey, where she lives; and the wearing of striped socks and plaid skirts (the latter she attributes, not to taste but to the alarm clock in the morning.)

So if at any time you see someone racing down the campus or the sports field, look twice, for its bound to be one of Alfred's top seniors, Ruth Ann Weitz.

HEADLINES FROM THE FRONT LINES

Roberta Bliss

Good news came to Alfred last week, when Lt. Henry Barnes ex-'44, Klan Alpine, appeared on campus, only two weeks after the Fiat had reported him missing in action. When asked about that latter episode, Harry replied "Oh, that was a long time ago." We hope that as time goes by there will be many instances when the Fiat can turn sad news about Alfred alumni into good news in much the same way as we have been able to do this week.

Ensign Bob Sinclair '43, Lambda Chi, is in the South Pacific area. In addition to his engineering duties he now has ship service.

Lt. Ray Hall '42, Klan Alpine, is stationed with the Army Engineers at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Cpl. Malcolm L. Crump is serving with the Signal Corps of the Army in the Pacific area.

Lt. A. J. Haecker, Jr., '41, writes that the Fiat is just about the first news I have had from my Alma Mater since I graduated". He is stationed at Bainbridge, Ga.

David R. Powell ex-'47, Kappa Psi, is a seaman first class at the U.S.N.T. at Stillwater, Okla.

Pvt. William Eisenberg is with the 846th Infantry Regiment in the European area.

Sgt. Richard Wilson ex-'45, Kappa Psi, is with the infantry at Camp Swift, Tex. "Dick" was formerly with the ski troops in Colo.

Harry Parker R.T. 3/c, ex-'45, Lambda Chi, has been assigned to the U.S.S. Shea, operating in the Atlantic theater.

Ensign Kenneth A. Robinson, 465 W. 159th Street, New York City, last week reported to the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois, for duty. He was commissioned September 27th, and was previously a Chief Petty Officer assigned to the Third Naval District. The new Ensign is a graduate of Alfred University and prior to his enlistment in the Navy he was a Parole Officer of the New York State Division of Parole.

Maurice Allen '37 is instructing in aviation at Craig Field.

Dan Minnick, former Alfred coach, has recently completed his boot training at Sampson Naval Training Center and is spending his leave here.

"They Also Serve..."

The theme song on campus this year might well be "I'll Walk Alone," but don't forget to add "Don't Blame Me". Yes, there is something missing this year—or haven't you noticed? There is a decided prevalence of treble voices and girlish giggles with all too few bass rumbles to break the monotony. We realize, of course, that we aren't the first generation to be subjected to such conditions, but it's all new to us and it will take us a while to get acclimated.

Let's suppose that we are spectators at a typical evening's activity in a sorority. At seven-thirty, some of the occupants have left—for the library. The rest are keeping up their spirits by chattering incessantly, reading magazines, playing cards, or just singing. A few souls might even be caught studying. If the radio is still in working order, the voice of Frank Sinatra or Bing Crosby (we're really very impartial) might fill the house and most of the village. One or two couples, both leader and follower being feminine, of course, might be dancing half-heartedly around the room. If the tune happens to be one that recalls particularly sweet memories of someone, don't be at all surprised or startled to see that person dash out of the room to cover her head with a pillow in some more obscure corner of the house.

For one or two moments the tension might be broken by peals of feminine laughter—the practical joker can't be squelched, war or no war. And thus the evening drags on. Ten-thirty rolls around and everyone agrees that they thought it was at least midnight. Oh well—tomorrow is another day and one

... Of Cabbages And Kings

The main problem which faces the peoples of the Asiatic world is that of industrialization. The western powers, however, will permit this advance only where it does not compete with their already well-defined interests in the area. To these western powers Asia means mainly a source for raw materials.

Especially in the case of India must industrialization be further developed in the near future. It is an absolute necessity if her surplus population is to be adequately provided for. The average Indian farm is about the size of an acre and eighty three percent of riches of the native rulers were to be the Indians are farmers. If the idle used for constructive purposes, the land could be started on the right path.

For India is a territory with tremendous potentialities. At the present time she is but two percent industrialized, yet in this field she surpasses Canada. The largest steel industry in the British Empire is to be found there. India's sugar industry is the greatest in the world, and she can supply three quarters of the world's manganese and mica requirements. The United States ranks second to India in mineral wealth.

If international cooperation is continued, then the East has a chance to compete with the great powers. At monetary conferences the needs of India, to be specific, can be made known to these other nations. These needs are principally machinery and sufficient international credit to enable her to commence upon her program.

The principle of self-determination of peoples must be applied to the Asiatic situation. If India is not free, then China is hamstrung. If, on the other hand, China is given rank among the great powers, none of the other Asiatic nations will be satisfied. Asia has "arrived," and there can be no gap between China and the others.

Much of the present thought on the matter favors a series of regional alliances which will serve to bind the area together. Such union would be a very great asset in the post-war world. All areas with economies which closely resemble each other should be linked by some arrangement of identical or at least similar nature.

But the world organization should not be handicapped by these unions, for such unions should not be exclusive. That is to say, the union and the world organization should be mutually supplementary.

The coming of the air age has upset the maritime balance of power which was pretty obviously held by Great Britain with her bases and dependencies all over the globe. In the present system contiguous land masses are necessary for the maintenance of power. A lack of adequate transportation facilities kept the union of Asia from successful consummation. Now the dominance of land routes favors just such a union.

The Asiatic region, then, possesses all the attributes of a geographic pivotal area in which the seat of power is located. This is good, for if the power is to lie in an area which, on the whole, is without a large and long record of aggression in the past, we have some foundation for building a peaceful world.

Movie Time Table

Wednesday, October 25—"DOUBLE INDEMNITY" starring Fred McMurray and Barbara Stanwyck. Shows start at 7:00 and 9:28. Feature at 7:43 and 10:11.

Friday and Saturday, October 27, 28—"TWO GIRLS AND A SOLDIER" starring June Allyson, Gloria DeHaven, and Van Johnson, with music by Harry James and Xavier Cugat. Shows at 6:55 and 9:30. Feature at 7:27 and 10:02.

can never tell what it will bring. What's to do about it?—"Let's turn out the lights and go to sleep." And so, an ancient Alfred tradition is broken—everyone is in bed at eleven. Don't misunderstand—we're not complaining. We like to play bridge.

Intra-Mural Football Takes Limelight In Active Campus Athletic Program

Game Friday Afternoon Will Open Feud Between Teams Of University And Institute

Ever since inter-collegiate football was abolished, the sport has been just a forgotten memory at Alfred. This year, with intra-mural sports in full swing, football will move back into the limelight.

Not wasting any time, the Intramural Association has scheduled a series of three to five games pitting the Ag-Tech Institute against the University. Friday afternoon, October 27, at 3 P.M. at the practice field we expect a turnout of the entire school to watch the two teams in action.

Coach Gompers Guarino of the Ag-Tech Institute announces a squad of fifteen athletes: George Bennett, Herb Rubenstein, Mac McNeil, Saben Cicel, Charles Brockman, Whittle Whatt, John Farwell, Vincent Sehivali, Ellison Scott, Bill Gaul, Ralph Bosen, Bob Merril, Frances Krause, Pat Puivino, and manager Gompers Guarino. Practice makes perfect as far as Gompers is concerned. He has put his team through scrimmages regularly.

Manager Ken Harris has not disclosed any information pertaining to the University's squad or practices. They must have something up their sleeve.

Cross-Country Squad

At the meeting of the cross-country squad last Tuesday night, manager Jim Heasley '47 formed two teams of six men each. Practice started Thursday and will continue for at least a month before the two teams run against each other. The teams will practice separately on different courses. The teams were chosen so as to facilitate practice and avoid conflict.

FACULTY WELCOME

Encouraging competition, Manager Fred Clark invites the faculty to participate in the tennis tournament along with the sixteen students already signed up. Any other students interested in the tournament should see Fred immediately. Watch for all notices on the bulletin board pertaining to the scheduling of matches.

Due to rain the games scheduled for last Saturday were postponed. Manager Fred Clark will announce the time when these matches are to be played.

Soccer Gets Going

Manager Jerry Blair announces a meeting of all students interested in soccer tonight at 7:30 in South Hall. Soccer games will be played after the football season is completed. In the interim, Jerry would like to form teams and get everything set for the coming games.

Since Professor Schurect left Alfred men's fencing has become practically extinct. Alfred, now, has two capable men, Alejandro Giampietro and Javier Fuenzalida, who have volunteered to coach all students in this art. Mr. Fuenzalida has studied fencing in Chile. His college team consisting of two other members and himself won all of South America. In contrast, Mr. Giampietro was taught to fence at Brooklyn College. All men interested in this art should report to South Hall, Monday, October 30, at 7:30.

Don't forget the football game Friday, October 27. Set it down as one of those big days at Alfred. Let's get out and cheer for the Ag-Tech's and the University's teams.

Seniors Please Note!

There will be a short but very important meeting of all seniors Friday at 7:15 p.m., in the large lecture room on the first floor of the Ceramic Building. Matters pertaining to commencement and class activities must be attended to at once.

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Forum Review

Dr. Herman Poppelbaum

Some of us had heard Mr. Spencer over the air; others had seen him in the movie "Bataan". All were eager to hear and see him in person. For a whole day his tall and slender figure had stood out here and there on the campus. His voice, talking with abysmal resonance, had impressed many. So had his jolly but modest laughter.

Then he stood on our stage, on the first Forum Evening last Wednesday.

Smiling first; but as he began, he drew his eyebrows down from the small forehead and seemed to frown. Then, the words "Thanks be to Thee, O Lord," (Handel) streamed forth.

Home on a leave, the holder of the DFC and Air Medal, smiled a little sheepishly as he recalled how a "jerry came out of a cloud" on Aug. 31, over enemy-occupied France. He was flying the borrowed Mustang because his own plane was not available.

"It was while I was busy with a couple ME-109s that the jerry caught me off guard from above," Lieut. Barnes recalled. "I made a crash landing somewhere deep behind the German lines. What happened after that is a military secret . . . but I reached England, none the worse for the experience. . . ."

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Rochester Man Elaborates On Our Heritage

Mr. William Pidgeon of Rochester, well-known business executive and philosopher, was guest speaker at last week's assembly held in Alumni Hall, Thursday, addressing the students on "What We Owe to Europe".

"Sometimes when I speak to young people, I become almost speechless, for soon all the reign of world power will be in their hands," Mr. Pidgeon said.

"The world now in the making will bring all peoples closer together, and exchanges between nations—intellectual, economic, political, and cultural—will be frequent and intimate. In the past, the habits, way of life, and contributions of the European peoples have not been understood. We will be better citizens not only of the United States but of the world if we appraise them more justly."

Among the values of Europe to the world are the political treasures of the United States—the Declaration of Independence, the Bill of Rights, and the Constitution—which date back to the drawing up of the Magna Charta in England in 1215. Many of the political ideals in which we believe today came out of the French Revolution for "liberte, egalite, and fraternite," Mr. Pidgeon pointed out.

"In 1600, the people of England persecuted because of their religious beliefs found freedom in Holland," Mr. Pidgeon related. "Sometime later, Robinson, one of the great figures of the time, conceived the idea that these people should have a land of their own. The group of refugees returned to England and set sail on the Mayflower for the rocky New England coast. Robinson, who had dreamed of the new world and convinced his followers to follow destiny there, died before the Pilgrims left and is now buried in a little Dutch churchyard of Leyden."

A middle class Italian professor, Galileo, evolved the idea of the pendulum, thermometers by the expansion of mercury, and the grinding of concave and convex glass for the telescope.

"In France, Pasteur gave the world the theory of bacteriology previous to Marie Curie's outstanding discovery of the new radiological element, radium."

Mr. Pidgeon explained that in the world of music, also, everlasting impressions on the minds of men are made by such masters as Schubert of Germany, Strauss of Austria, and composers of the sad and deeply moving music of Russia. He also pointed out that the music and lyrics of hymn books have been written by men of every race, color, and creed.

Touching briefly on outstanding works produced in Europe's literature, Mr. Pidgeon mentioned "Origin of the Species" by Darwin, Shakespeare's personification of 700 characters, the St. James translation of the Bible, fairy tales of Perrault, and "Les Misérables" by Victor Hugo. "Out of books we get the riches of all past history. We owe them a debt that can never be paid."

Mentioning specific examples, the speaker talked of the riches of art contributed by such men as Millet, Van Gogh, and Gaughin and stressed the importance of a full realization of the debt the people of the United States owe to Europe in the development of the American heritage.

"I have gained much from my talk with you young people, creators of the coming world, much more than I can hope to give you," white-haired Mr. Pidgeon said in his conclusion, "but I hope that, in some future time, when your life is enriched by some instance of your heritage from Europe, some little spark of inspiration may have come from the hour we spent together."

We have been informed through reliable sources that the Beacon is being rebuilt. Foundations are being laid.

SO THEY SAY

Jerry Price

Question: Do you think the faculty at Alfred is trying to get the students to think for themselves, or merely trying to indoctrinate the student with their (the faculty's) ideas?

Carolyn Torrey '46: With what experience I have had at Alfred I have found that the professors do not consciously indoctrinate the students. However, if a professor strongly believes in his theories, it is only human nature to attempt to put his points across. Most students need some basis from which to form their opinions. In order to get this, the professors must encourage further discussion. The instructor should be able to take the negative of any point of view given by the students, thus encouraging individual thinking.

Gladys Imke '46: Some of the professors encourage the students' own thinking. With others, though, it is just the converse. Some professors, in a subtle manner, get the students to believe they are thinking for themselves, but in reality, they are merely being indoctrinated with the opinions of the professors. I feel the students should be encouraged to think for themselves. If they are not, democracy will become a farce.

Paul Cook '45: Every student should be encouraged to think for himself, and not merely accept the ideas of a professor as his own. The nature of each course obviously affects the degree of indoctrination which is necessary. A certain amount is inevitable. As for my own courses, I feel I am given an ample opportunity for the growth of my own individual ideas. I firmly believe that all students should be allowed, even encouraged, to participate in class discussions, and question some of the faculty's ideas.

Herman Poppelbaum, Faculty: Truth must grow in man and cannot be forced into him. The greatest truth is debased and its highest value made invalid by indoctrination. Besides, it is an offense against the students who are expected to mature into free human beings. Indoctrination can merely make them into fanatics, know-it-alls, quacks, or snobs. Those, however, who are of "better stuff" resent the attack and may even turn against the truth just because it was "implanted". In medical therapy we inoculate against something. The serum makes the patient immune against further attack. I suspect that indoctrination works the same way: making people truth-resistant.

Joseph Seidlin, Faculty: Everybody is constantly indoctrinating everybody else. The sooner we realize that the better. As to encouraging students to think for themselves, that is probably the foremost intention of all the thinking members of the faculty. So far as I know, encouraging someone else to think is more difficult than thinking for one's self, but there is no particular glory to encourage someone to poorly. Cows think, so does Einstein.

In social studies, there probably is no such thing as a purely objective treatment, and if there were I doubt if students would like that treatment. Besides, the student will be indoctrinated, if not by their teachers, by outside agencies. There is, though, no escaping some form of indoctrination in teaching. You can't encourage a student to think for himself before having given him certain basic facts.

Don Moses, Ag-Tech: The professors are trying to get the students to think for themselves. The manner of teaching is all right as I see it. When the student comes to Alfred we find him already indoctrinated by outside forces. The professors are trying to change their way of thinking into an analytic one.

Penny Heebner '46: I think most of the professors try to make the students think for themselves. However, since all thinking people have their own opinions in which they firmly believe, and since Alfred professors are, of course, thinking people, they cannot help but let their own ideas creep into their lectures and perhaps unconsciously indoctrinate their students.

Nature Discussed "En Francais"

Nine French students, on a recent hour's walk out West University street, received practical experience speaking French under the supervision of Prof. Eva Ford.

Once at the destination, a treasure hunt was formed which resulted in the discovery of a box of Concord grapes by Mary Lord '48. The group also sang the "Marseillaise," French folk songs, and more recent liberation songs.

This is the first of a series of excursions which have been tentatively scheduled by the French Club.

I think it is very difficult without a certain amount of education.

Toni Allen '45: From observation and experience, I have arrived at the conclusion that some of Alfred's professors are trying to make the students think for themselves; other professors merely indoctrinate. However, one must remember that teaching students to think presupposes this ability to think on the part of the student. Students at Alfred quite often blame a professor for indoctrination when in reality the students themselves are too lazy to think. Teaching a person to think cannot be accomplished unless that person is willing to think. So, I believe that we should not judge too harshly, but take into consideration our own shortcomings.

Waite Teft '46: "Indoctrination" has become, in recent years, a rather horrid word, associated with swastikas, and super-races, and intolerance. We have all seen its power in the wrong hands. Consequently, we may forget that we, too, have all been indoctrinated. From childhood our opinions have been based, to a great extent, on the opinions of others. The difference lies in the fact that we have been allowed to choose the sources of these opinions, think about them, discard, accept, or add to them. The instructors with whom I have come in contact have not been adverse to stating their own beliefs, or arguing in defense of them, but opposing opinions of students have not only been tolerated but encouraged. Thus, individual thinking has been stimulated.

Gloria Woodward '46: During my college work, I have found two extreme examples of an instructor who has tried to indoctrinate me with his own ideas and those of the textbook; and one whose lectures have proved a stimulus to my own ideas. Following closely to the text, one instructor's methods have proved stifling, making me afraid to assert my own opinions for fear of conflicting with the literal word of the text. The other instructor, who is of a forceful personality, has proved only inspiring to the evolution of my own thoughts. The force of his personality has unconsciously influenced some students to his way of thinking, but for those with independent minds, he continues to provoke their personal and independent ideas.

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Spencer Tours Campus With Student Guides

Immediately after his presentation to the faculty at a luncheon in the Coffee Shop, Kenneth Spencer, forum artist last Wednesday night, began a whirlwind tour of the campus. He was accompanied by Gordon Swanson '45 and Helen Dreher '45, members of the Forum Committee, as well as several of the lesser lights of "Ye Olde Rag" on his three-hour hike.

Mr. Spencer was met in Hornell by Prof. C. D. Smith and driven around campus and to Jericho.

Spencer was particularly impressed with the Campus Union, where he instantaneously won the students with his good humor and broad smile. Establishing a precedent for forum artists, he presented his autographed picture to the union (a la Brown Derby).

Nomadically wandering over the grounds, he commented favorably on every phase of activity that he saw and quickly caught the College spirit. After stopping at the Terra Cotta, inspecting the Ceramic College, and visiting the union, Mr. Spencer and company went up Alfred's favorite walk to the Steinheim.

Evincing considerable interest in the Ceramic College, this personable artist was shown various phases of ceramic production by Profs. Charles M. Harder, Clara K. Nelson, Donald Schreckengost, and Dr. Samuel R. Scholes. A ceramic elephant (no token of his political belief) was given him at the college to add to his collection of elephants from all over the U. S., South Pacific, and Caribbean areas.

After six months in the South Pacific entertaining servicemen and women, he found it difficult upon his return to the U. S. two weeks ago to adjust himself to the normality of civilian life. It surprised him—and shocked him—to find a complete unawareness of the war. He reported that the men overseas are also of the opinion that the folks back home, for whom they are fighting, could contribute much more to the war effort. "The gay, normal life we are leading may be a sign of the economic strength of the United States, but is it not also a sign of moral weakness?" Spencer asked.

Even though there are few obvious signs of war on the Alfred campus, Kenneth Spencer had much to say on the role of the student in wartime. College students, he said, will not have much part in the physical winning of the war, but it is up to them to exert their influence and shape the post-war world.

Everything Spencer and his troupe of five other entertainers presented was gratefully received by the boys—from boogie woogie to the classics. The unit ate with each military group.

Presbyterian Pastor Traces Faith Growth

The history of the development of Catholicism and Protestantism from the Jewish faith were outlined by Dr. W. W. McCall, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Hornell at the meeting sponsored by the Alfred Christian Fellowship Sunday night, October 15, Howell Social Hall. A lively discussion, representing the views of Jewish, Catholic, and Protestant students followed.

This was the first in a series of three meetings in which a Protestant minister, Jewish rabbi, and Catholic priest are to present an explanation of their respective faiths. Rev. B. Davie Napier, campus chaplain, said Sunday night that a fourth meeting will be held as an open forum, if the students are sufficiently interested.

Frankly explaining that he must be prejudiced if only because of his reformist tradition from ancestors in Scotland and North Ireland who were forced to worship in a cave and signed a covenant in blood against Catholicism. Dr. McCall gave a chronological survey of the separation of the Christians from the Jewish faith of their fathers and gave the main points of differences between the three religions.

"I believe that there is no desirability for organic union, but spiritual union and co-operation should come between Jews, Protestants, and Catholics, for they have the same Bible and the same code of ethics and morals," Dr. McCall concluded.

they were entertaining with only occasional celebrations of turkey dinners and other trimmings. A USO veteran, he completed a previous tour of the Caribbean area last year, but was reticent about both trips and said he wanted to forget them.

His future plans include several benefits with Mrs. Roosevelt in New York City and with Henry Wallace at the Chicago Stadium. Three weeks will be spent touring colleges in Texas and another week will be given to an engagement at the New York Civic Center with Pearl Primus, Jimmy Savo, and Richard Dyer Bennett. After these engagements he will settle down to private study in New York, until "I get what I want."

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Christmas Program Is Planned By Spanish Club

Spanish Club plans a meeting devoted to slides, movies and Christmas preparations at the tentative date of the second Saturday in November, Mrs. Ovadia Y Visé announced recently.

One part of the program will be a travelog on Chile, presented by Joe Fuensalida, a special student with a showing of associated colored film slides. Moving pictures, obtained through the Mexican Government Tourists' Bureau, will depict the sociological aspects of Mexican life.

At this meeting, members will learn Christmas songs and begin work on a play for that season.

Takes Speaker's Place

(Continued from Page One) This caused other questions to be presented, and Chaplain Napier was kept busy explaining confusing terms. Aticism was discussed at length and contrasted with religion. True atheism was said to be the denial of anything worth giving allegiance to. Possibly a false atheist is one who may deny the presence of a supreme being but admit a personal adherence to the principles of right and truth.

The term "supreme being" was then taken up. "These words," as was stated, "seem too limited when used to refer to God. Since God is superhuman, He cannot be depicted in the word "being" as we know it. God is represented in virtues such as "love and truth".

At the conclusion of the discussion period the word "agnostic" was defined by one as, "merely a mild form of scepticism". In explaining the inclination of one to doubt the existence of God as he acquires more factual knowledge, Chaplain Napier made this statement: "If the principles which believers cling to are more desirable than those of unbelievers, then the God from whom they gain strength must be a reality. No one can admit there is nothing beyond our comprehension. We are therefore not competent to say there is no God."

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