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## AG-TECH PLANS ALL-CAMPUS DANCE

### Christmas Service To Be Presented Next Sunday By The University Choir

**Program Will Include Carols By Soloists And The Chapel Choir; Christmas Story To Be Narrated**

A long awaited announcement was made today—the twenty-third consecutive Christmas Candlelight Service will be held at the Village Church, Sunday, December 10, at 7:30 p.m. These Christmas programs, originated in 1921 in the Wee Playhouse directed by Dr. Charles Fergus Binns, through the years have become part of the Alfred tradition.

The great Christmas carols of all nations will be sung by the choir which numbers sixty-five voices. The first number, "He Cams Also Still," will be sung by the University Chapel double quartet. As a background for the Christmas Story, narrated by Chaplain B. Davie Napier, the choir will sing: "Good King Wenceslas," "O Bethlehem," "The Little Door," "Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep," "Away in a Manger," "Sleep of the Infant Jesus," "Jesus Thou Dear Babe Divine," "Late One Night," "Golden Carol," and "Noel."

Incidental solos will be handled by Mrs. Raymond Hitchcock, Mrs. Samuel R. Scholes, Miss Miriam Tooke, '48, Miss Ellen Levy '48, Herbert McKinstry '47, Paul Meissner '47, and "Mr." Joseph Seidlin.

The service is under the direction of Mrs. Samuel R. Scholes, who will be assisted by Gordon Swanson, '45, Russell Leinhos '45, Joe Fuenzalida, and Alex Giampietro. "Mrs." Ada Becker Seidlin is the organist.

Members of the A. C. F., under the direction of "Miss" Marian Fosdick and "Miss" Clara Nelson, will have charge of church decorations for the service.

The choir will sing a Moravian Carol, "Angel Choirs Are Sweetly Singing" by Luvoos and "Gesubambino" by Yon at a special service, Sunday morning, December 10, which will be given at the Village Church.

An invitation to attend both services and to participate in the singing of the traditional Christmas carols is extended by those in charge of the program to all Alfredians.

### Alfred Seniors To Practice Teaching

Each semester those Alfred seniors who are preparing to be teachers are required to go to some high school for a period of two to four weeks. During this time they obtain experience in teaching which will help them in the future.

Three Alfred Seniors will be practicing-teaching in Hornell during the next two weeks.

Doris Hill will teach business subjects, Theone Allen and Emma Burdick will teach English under Miss O'Connor who is head of the English department in Hornell.

The first week will consist of several observation periods; the second, of teaching these same classes.

### Girl Trio Sings in Belmont

The Frosh Trio, composed of Norma Jacox, Lois Sutton and Miriam Tooke, will sing at the noon hour banquet of the County Grange in Belmont on Wednesday, December 6. "Mr." Ray W. Wingate will lead the assembly in song and will present the trio.

### Schreckengost Talks On Post War Housing

"Mr." Don Schreckengost presented a brief talk on the topic, "The House of the Future" to the Political Science 21 class Tuesday, November 28.

"Mr." Schreckengost emphasized that he was approaching the subject from the purely "construction viewpoint" of the immediate post-war home. "Radical innovations are not expected at once," he warned, "for the post-war house will be a 1942 model plus a few changes."

New structural techniques will include the disappearance of the basement, which the innovation of radium heating will render unnecessary, and the appearance of the kitchen as a work center. The compartmentalized in-line bath will also be introduced.

The cry for adequate storage space will be answered in the future, according to "Mr." Schreckengost, by specially designed closets for specific articles concealed in the walls.

Other trends include the revival of fireplaces for decorative purposes, convertible rooms, large spacious light areas, planned placement and landscaping of the home, the suction cleaner, improved air conditioning, prefabrication, and more extensive use of indirect and fluorescent lighting. "Mr." Schreckengost emphasized the latter point as the most radical. "Complete color changes in a room will result from the use of the violet rays in lighting," he explained.

In the discussion which followed, the fact that the use of new materials and faster means of production will greatly reduce building costs was brought out. Improvements in prefabricated houses already have been made to the extent that they are constructed as well as, if not better than, most present homes.

"Mr." Schreckengost also displayed five posters containing illustrations and explanations of interiors of modern houses, deep freezing units, storage spaces, experiments in furniture styles, and the installation of radium heating devices.

### Treasurer Attends Meeting

Mr. Burton B. Crandall, Treasurer of the University, attended the 25th Annual Meeting of the Eastern Association of College and University Business Officers, November 26, 27 and 28, at the Hotel Biltmore, New York City.

### Addresses Nurse Cadets

Father Gerald McMinn, vice president of St. Bonaventure College, was on campus Friday, November 24th to address the nurses.

### Campus Calendar

**Tuesday**  
W. S. G., 7:45 p.m., Kenyon Hall

**Wednesday**  
Chapel, noon, Kenyon Chapel  
Men's Glee Club, 1:00 p.m., Music Studio  
Orchestra Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., South Hall  
D'Artagnan Fencing Club, 7:00 p.m., South Hall  
Movies, 7:00 p.m., Alumni Hall  
Senate, 7:30 p.m., Physics Hall

**Thursday**  
University Assembly, 11:00 a.m., Alumni Hall  
Men's Glee Club, 1:00 p.m., Music Studio  
Veterans' Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Ag Tech Library  
Church Choir, 7:00 p.m., Church  
Badminton, 7:30 p.m., South Hall  
Girls' Glee Club, 8:00 p.m., Music Studio

**Friday**  
El Centro Luncheon, 12:15 p.m., Dog Cart  
Movies, 7:00 p.m., Alumni Hall

**Saturday**  
Movies, 7:00 p.m., Alumni Hall  
Christmas Dance, 8:00 p.m., South Hall

**Sunday**  
A. C. F. Music Hour, 2:00 p.m., Social Hall  
Annual Candlelight Service, 7:30 p.m., Church.

**Monday**  
Men's Glee Club, 7:00 p.m., Music Studio  
Girls' Glee Club 8:00 p.m., Music Studio  
Intramural Basketball Games, 7:00 p.m., South Hall.

### New Orchestra Solicits Talent

"The newly-formed campus orchestra is now soliciting prospective members. Individuals who play string instruments are especially welcome," stated Roberta Wells '47, president of the organization.

Rehearsals take place every Wednesday evening at 8:00 p.m. in South Hall, under the direction of W. P. Austin, music director at Alfred-Almond High School.

Other officers include Betty Lou Fontaine '46, vice-president; and Joan Baird '48, secretary-treasurer.

### Louis J. Alber Guest Speaker For Assembly

"His personality is not simply colossal—it's super-colossal," declared Louis J. Alber, guest speaker, in painting a word picture of "The Irresistible Winston Churchill" at Assembly, Thursday, November 30, on the 70th birthday anniversary of Mr. Churchill.

Using numerous anecdotes, the speaker attempted to present a revealing sketch of the British Prime Minister. His success was evident, judging by the ovation which he received at the end of his speech and by the numerous comments of approval overheard on campus.

Remarking on the appropriateness of his topic in relation to issues of present world concern, Mr. Alber declared that the future of all nations depends in part upon American ability to understand and cooperate with England. As he considers Churchill to be a very real representative of the British people, Mr. Alber feels that a better understanding of Britain's war leader would effect a more sympathetic American attitude.

"Mr. Churchill is the staunchest and most understanding friend America has had since the time of Lafayette," the guest asserted.

"High, fighting courage—magnetism—genius"; these were attributed to the Prime Minister. "He is the living symbol of the essential unity of the English speaking people throughout the world." Mr. Alber referred to Churchill's as the "most remarkable political career" in the history of the English republic. The speaker's personal association with Mr. Churchill began when "Britain's Man of Destiny" was persuaded by a financial reverse suffered in the New York stock market crash in 1929 to come to America for a lecture tour. As agent for Mr. Churchill, Mr. Alber was closely associated with the celebrity for a period of six consecutive months, advising and assisting him. On the strength of this intimacy, he describes Winston Churchill as "the most forthright man I have ever known."

The Prime Minister is equally well marked by impatience, the lecturer revealed. In Churchill's early career in Parliament, he was known by the sneering appellation, "Young-Man-in-a- (Continued on page four)

### Ag-Tech School To Sponsor All-Campus Dance This Saturday

**South Hall Gym Dressed Up For Christmas Will Be Scene Of Gala Semi-Formal Affair**

The time is drawing near for the Christmas dance being sponsored by the Ag-Tech School, Saturday night, December 9, in South Hall, from nine through midnight, to the music of the Campus Cheers. The affair marks the first semi-formal open to the entire campus this season.

### Yuletide Greetings

As this issue of the Fiat will be the last one published before Christmas recess begins, the staff members are taking this opportunity to wish all Alfredians a very Merry Christmas and an extremely happy New Year—back at Alfred. The next issue of the paper will appear Tuesday, January 9.

Students should make a note of the fact that Friday, December 15, and Wednesday, January 3, are to be "no cut" days, "lest they forget," in the general Yuletide hubbub.

Tuesday nights, at least for the next two weeks, will be open nights for Fiat staff members as the usual meetings have been cancelled.

### Dean Whitford Gives Address At Zeno Club

The first official meeting of the "Zeno" Club, formerly known as the Math Club, was opened Tuesday, November 28, with an outstanding talk by Dean A. E. Whitford on residues.

According to Dean Whitford, residues are the remainder when a number is divisible by nine. He also reasoned that if numbers are added, residues are obtained, and that if numbers are added, subtracted, or multiplied they can be checked by similar operations with these residues.

Following numerous examples, Dean Whitford concluded that: The difference between any number and the sum of its digits is divisible by nine, and if a number is divisible by nine, the sum of its digits is divisible by nine, and conversely.

During the course of the evening several tricks were performed for the benefit of all those present and refreshments were served by Mrs. Lowenstein.

"Mr." Nevins and "Mr." Seidlin were the special guests of the evening. No meeting will be held until after the Christmas holidays. The date and time are to be announced.

### Interested Seniors Are Urged To Apply Now

Seniors who after graduation might be interested in analytical research or clerical work, with training at full salary in a specialized school in the Army Signal Corps in Arlington, Virginia, are urged to make application now. The address and other details may be secured from Dean Degen. A recruiting officer for the New York region plans to visit Alfred in the near future.

Christmas bells and stars, a gaily decorated tree, evergreens, and mistletoe will transform the university gym to a dancing hall appropriate to the Christmas spirit of the winter season. The decorations are planned in the traditional colors of red, green, and white, which along with the girls' evening frocks will make a bright and colorful scene. Suits will be "suitable" for the fellows, while the girls are to wear their long semi-formal gowns.

A varied program of entertainment has been planned, and refreshments will be served. To chaperon the affair, the following university instructors have been invited: "Mr." and Mrs. B. Davie Napier, "Mr." and Mrs. Samuel Scholes, "Mr." and Mrs. George D. Gregory, "Mr." and Mrs. C. Duryea Smith, III, and "Mr." and Mrs. George W. Whitney.

Heading the Decorations Committee is Natalie Page, who will be assisted by the following Ag-Tech girls: Rosalyn Banks, Patricia Spear, Estelle Hungerford, Valerie Mercier, Marna Voke, Roberta Guilford, Jean Stone, and Shirley Thompson. Among the fellows who will give the girls a helping hand in the heavy work at South Hall will be Herbert Rubenstein, Charles Brockman and Francis Krause.

Publicity for the dance is being handled by Dorothy Owen and Marlon Wilson. Pat Pulvino and Sam Guarino are in charge of refreshments, while Helen McRae is chairman of the Ticket Committee.

### Brent Fellowship Will Have Supper

Calling all Episcopal students! Calling all Episcopal students! There will be an important meeting of the Brent Fellowship next Sunday, December 10, 5-7 p.m., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Mitchell of 56 South Main Street with Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Elsie Binns as supper hostesses.

At this meeting the new officers of the Brent Fellowship will be chosen for the year.

Also, you sleepy heads, don't forget that this will be Communion Sunday, with Communion at 9 a.m., at the Gothic Chapel

### March Of Time Scheduled

"The Assembly this Thursday will feature the latest 'March of Time' and various short selections. There will be no assembly program on December 14," Dean M. Ellis Drake stated.

### Infirmary Notes

Mrs. Alice C. McDermott, R.N., and Mrs. Clara B. Mann, R.N., report four bed patients in Clawson Infirmary. They are Mildred Collan, N.C., Jerry Price '47, Shirley Dulman '48, and Ruth Macauley '48.

### A Gift For Alfred's Stocking

Dear Santa Claus:

We are in college now, and writing to you is much more difficult than it used to be. But there is something about Pine Hill, covered with the first snow, and the chimes of the Carillon, that makes this Christmas seem very important. With its blanket of snow, Alfred has all the trimmings.

But Santa, in all these Yuletide preparations there has been something on our minds. We are thinking about Bill who is in England, and can't be home to hear the Carillons ring. And there is Jack who is piloting a bomber over Italy. Christmas won't be like last year with Mom and Dad and that special date with Mary.

You see, Santa, we are just students here, but we seem to have become a part of Alfred. We have been drawn into her yearnings: yearnings of Americans all over the country this year. So that is why we are writing—to ask you if you would please put a very special present in Alfred's stocking on Christmas night. Give her a peaceful, quiet snowfall to make Christmas Eve a night long-to-be-remembered. Then, most of all, give her the faith, and hope for the future, that Jack and Bill will be home soon.

This may not seem like a very big present, but when it is all fixed up in a cute little package, it will bring "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

Marjorie Thompson  
Valerie Mercier  
Patsyann Wildman, Ag-Tech

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## Faculty Resolution

At their last meeting a resolution was adopted by our faculty which does away with formal faculty titles such as Doctor, Professor, Associate Professor, and Assistant Professor.

Such a proposal is indeed commendable. We are proud to note that such liberalness is unanimous with our faculty. Yes, many of us as freshmen, have often been confused by such titles; others of us who are no longer freshmen are still confused. This preference will greatly simplify matters and eliminate much embarrassment.

Not only is the movement democratic, it also makes for a friendlier relationship between the faculty and students.

True, it will take some time to break precedent and for both the students and faculty to become accustomed to this innovation. Changes are good and such a change is most desirable. If we students put such requests into practice, our constant usage of Mr., Miss, and Mrs. will serve to break down the already established titles of Dr. and Prof.

So let us comply with the preference of the faculty. But let us remember, too, that a certain respect—for intelligence and for work well-done—should be observed.

## Vacations Again

The faculty and administration of Alfred University met recently to discuss various phases of the vacation schedule.

Our plea for a real Thanksgiving recess was answered by giving us the Friday after Thanksgiving off as well as the day itself. This will allow most of us to enjoy Thanksgiving Day at home as well as the following weekend. Such a change is much appreciated.

As for the "exams before Christmas" schedule, however, the faculty could arrive at no really satisfactory conclusion. The plan for starting the college year about the middle of August is not financially feasible; if we want our exams before Christmas, we must start at such a time. Many high school graduates do not decide until very late in the summer months about the college they want to attend. If Alfred should open sooner than other colleges, we would lose about 15 to 20% of the possible enrollment. This would make it impossible for the University to stay open.

Another factor presented by the faculty is that the summer school sessions under such a system would leave them with one week or less between the summer school and regular college courses. Summer sessions can not begin sooner because high school teachers are not free until early July.

A plan was presented which would have Alfred open in October thus bringing mid-semester just before Christmas. This, however, would mean that the University's second semester could not be completed before July. This program would bring the termination of such a semester at an even later date than our present schedule and the possibility of acquiring positions would be diminished.

It seems, then, that until some other more satisfactory calendar can be worked out, that our University will continue to start in September, have semester examinations after Christmas, and end the academic year in early June.

We do appreciate, however, that the faculty did discuss our problem and did try to make our calendar more satisfactory for us. We thank them for trying.

## EDITOR'S MAIL BOX

Editor Fiat Lux:

Last year a group of students felt the need of a clean place where they could spend their leisure hours and enjoy a coke or a cup of coffee. They found that most of the campus, faculty, as well as students, was behind them. And so they went ahead, as far as they could by themselves, and laid plans for a Campus Union. The idea and ideal behind it "caught on" and everyone did his bit to help put the Union on its feet. And now the Campus Union is an established fact.

But if you walk into the Union today, you will see dishes and coke bottles on the tables, ashes in cups, salt

and pepper mixed together and other disagreeable sights. I don't know who is at fault, but I do know that the Union is being taken for granted; people are forgetting the original purpose and ideal—"to provide a place where all Alfredians . . . may gather to share the mutual enrichment of social activity in its largest sense;" and they are overlooking the fact that it is a cooperative enterprise.

Since this is the first Campus enterprise initiated and run by students, it is their responsibility to make it a success. Let's not let the University lose faith in our ability to carry out our responsibilities. Cynthia Lehan

## Alfred's Blue Book

By Shirley Lane

Santa Claus put in an early appearance at Alfred this year when he visited Sigma Chi's toyland on Saturday afternoon. This party was the second in a series of freshmen parties given by the sororities.

The house was appropriately decorated with Christmas trees and Santa Claus and the members of the sorority were dressed as dolls in the toyland. Entertainment was a scene taken from a typical Christmas time toyland and each guest received a Christmas stocking as a favor. Refreshments of punch, Christmas cookies and popcorn balls were served. Sylvia March '46, Marie Basciani '46, Jeanne Hauth '45 and Marion McKenna '47, composed the favor committee. The other girls were on the following committees: Decorations, Dorrit Last ex-'46, Frances Bovee '46, Penny Heebner N.C., and Connie Brennan '47; Refreshments, Harriet Fisk '45 Hannah Saunders '47, Dottie Freyer '47 and Dottie Burdick '46; Entertainment, Carolyn Torrey '46, Ada Egbert '46, Doris Comfort '46 and Peg Long '45.

The first semi-formal dance of the year was the Snow Ball given by the Brick. Music for the dance from 8 to 12 o'clock was furnished by the Palmer Sound System. In keeping with the theme of the dance, programs were small snow men and the lounge was decorated with blue lights, white candles, evergreen boughs, and a Christmas tree. Guests were twenty ASTP men from St. Bonaventure College and campus men. Chaperones were Mrs. Dora K. Degen, Mrs. Edith Burdett, Mrs. Lillian Hill, "Mr." and Mrs. H. O. Burdick and "Mr." and Mrs. B. Davie Napier. A trio of Marian Tooke '48, Norma Jacox '48 and Lois Sutton '48, provided entertainment during the intermission and additional music was furnished by Marilyn Neville '48, Daphne Phillips '47 and Dr. Napier. Refreshments of cokes and cup cakes were served. Nancy Terry '48, Nora Utal '48 and Brenda Wilson '48, were general chairmen. The decoration committee was composed of Neysa Jean Dixon '48, Doris Weaver '48, Peggy Baker '48, Janet Matson '48, Charlotte Albiston '47, and Mary Mulaney '48. The refreshment committee was Grace Congdon '48, Peggy de Broske '48, and Roxanne Roberts '48. Entertainment was in charge of Joan Baird '48.

Mrs. Jane Bowen White was taken into Theta Chi as an honorary, Sunday. After the initiation services cookies and coffee were served.

Mitchell Bliss S 1/c and his father, H. C. Bliss of Wellsville, visited Roberta Bliss '45, Sigma Chi, last Monday.

Pi Alpha entertained the Castle at a buffet supper Friday night.

Ensign Benny Soldano '43, is a visitor on campus and was a dinner guest at Pi Alpha, Tuesday night.

Kay Hoyt and Nonie Hilt of Corn- ing were guests of Barbara Adamy, N.C., over the week-end.

Ray Hollinsworth S 2/c, stationed in Rhode Island, was the guest of Marilyn Neville, N.C., for the Brick dance.

Mae Harper, N.C., and Evelyn Donnan, N.C., were the guests of Marjorian Magnuson, N.C., at her home in Jamestown over the week-end.

Marcia Adamy spent the week-end with her sister, Barbara Adamy, N.C.

Christmas decorations and the soft glow of candles adorned the home of Mrs. Samuel Scholes, Friday afternoon when she entertained University Choir members at tea. Small singing angels were used on the tea table where Mrs. Raymond Hitchcock, Mrs. William Crandall and Mrs. Ellsworth Hauth '45, presided at the urns. The affair preceded a choir rehearsal in preparation of the approaching Christmas Service.

"Mr." Not "Prof." Please

A proposal to abolish all formal faculty titles was presented at the faculty meeting last Thursday afternoon, and unanimously agreed upon by all those present. The proposal, read by "Mr." Scholes, was stated as follows:

"Whereas: academic degrees do not properly furnish titles for social address, and in particular the appellation Dr. belongs very definitely to a Doctor of Medicine; a certain amount of confusion and even embarrassment is occasioned by the search on the part of a person speaking to a member of the faculty and attempting to choose between Doctor, Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Mr. or Miss, as the case might be.

Whereas it would be far more democratic and in keeping with the American and not the German approach if academic titles were avoided in conversation.

Therefore, be it resolved that the faculty of Alfred go on record as preferring to be addressed as "Mr." "Miss" or "Mrs." respectively, with the exception of the president and deans, who should retain their official titles. Be it further resolved that we encourage the use of these simpler forms of address by the students and all with whom we have business or social contact."

LANIE ASKS

Have You Met . . . ?

"The Burdick Twins"

Wednesday nights at the Castle last year; that was Bible Class night, the Burdick twins were always there; that's how I got to know Esther and Emma. They helped straighten us out on many problems that arose. Rockville, R. I., sends forth these, our only senior twins. They were born in a family of seven. Emma is the older, dark haired, and born in the winter, Esther is the younger, light haired, and born in the spring, (midnight in 1923).

Emma is small, dark haired, dark eyed, and majoring in English. Competence and dependability have led her into participation in newspaper work, including the Fiat, and the "Beacon," a Seventh Day Baptist newspaper; membership of the A.C.F.; choir, Glee Club, and orchestra. An ardent stamp collector, piano and cello player, she prefers classical music, chocolate pie, corn on the cob, and tomatoes. I'm sure you've seen the twins. I

## SO THEY SAY

Jerry Price

Question What do you want Santa Claus to give Alfred?

Ruth Ann Weitz '45, Peg Lore, '47, Barbara Guillaume, '47: What we would like to see started on this campus is a sorority that is liberal enough in its views not to let race, creed, or color influence its choice of members.

Peggy Knight, '46: In wishing of the gifts I'd like Santa to give to Alfred, many things come to my mind. The majority of these gifts are of a material nature. But the gift I wish for is not a material one. I wish that Santa's gift to Alfred would be the elimination of all types of race prejudice from the minds of all Alfredians. This gift would also instill in us a kind of zeal that we would go out from Alfred teaching our principles of race equality to others. A gift such as this would not be Alfred's alone but would become a gift of America and perhaps of the world.

Jan Shepardson and Norma Kelderhouse, Ag-Tech: Dear Santa: We would like you to aid in bringing the girls of the Ag-Tech School and the rest of the University girls to be more closely associated with each other through better arranged athletic schedules. Perhaps you can inspire each student on the campus to put forth greater efforts in keeping up Alfred's traditions. Let's keep in mind Lincoln's words, "All Men Are Created Equal." A friendly "hello" will result in more respect for you on the other fellow's part. Friendliness is a part of school spirit. May Alfred's school spirit prevail!

Paul Meisner, '47: When I first thought about what would make a good Christmas present for A. U., all I could think of was a swimming pool and a big recreation center. These would sure be great to have but I think the best Christmas present Alfred could get would be the return of all her students. Maybe I'm greedy, but I sure wish Santa would drop, on Alfred, my dreamed up swimming pool and recreation center with all the old gang thrown in.

"Spooky" Kramer, Special Student: I am afraid that I don't believe in Santa Claus. My brother (the cad) enlightened me to the facts of life when I was twenty years old. Therefore, I am afraid that I couldn't ask him for anything. Even if there were a Santa Claus, I doubt if he would give us anything. We have been very bad children this year (haven't we?). I'll bet at least half of you scholars have flunked "Collegiate Lab". If I did believe in Santa, I could ask for a swimming pool (just like Lana Turner's), but what's the good of the pool without Lana? I could ask for a Gin Mill, but I don't drink, so I guess that's out too. I like Alfred as it is.

Renee Suchora, '47: Alfred's social life is almost limited to the movies, so we go to Alumni Hall to watch Hedy and Henri through dangerous entanglements. While doing this, though, a certain section of our body begins to ache. We squirm and twist to no avail. There's nothing you can do about it; the seats are as hard as can be. Santa, how about some cushioned seats for Alumni Hall? It would prevent callouses anyhow! ! !

Ruth Wilson and Dottie Owen, Ag-Tech: The main item would be more entertainment, namely a smooth skating rink and in the summer turned into a colossal swimming pool. Maybe we could find a Johnny Weismuller or even a Sonja Henie here and there. What's more, girls, it improves the figure. No one over looks that other physical booster, horse-back riding. A stable in Alfred would be appreciated by more than a few, I'm sure. And Santa Claus, please not Saturday morning classes.

Elvira Monocelli, '46: By Santa Claus sending members of the Armed Services to Alfred's campus, our social problems would be elevated. Their presence would raise the morale of the girls, help with the financial status of Alfred, and make Alfred's students war-conscious. Yes, members of the Armed Services could do a great deal for Alfred. How about it Santa?

Jean Stom, Sue Santual, Ginny Hills, Ag-Tech: We three have one main wish for a Christmas present, not only for Alfred, but for the whole world—peace! ! Of course, there are a few personal items; shorter classes, longer evenings and some exciting entertainment to fill those evenings. More dances, more men, an indoor swimming pool, and last but not least, an ample supply of cigarettes.

Pat Spear, Roberta Guilford, Estella Hungerford, Ag-Tech: We think it would be nice if Santa brought us all skis, toboggans, and bob-sleds for Christmas. We also think it would be nice to have some escalators or elevators in the Ag-Tech building and bus service to classes on cold windy mornings.

## .. Of Cabbages And Kings

A tremendous job falls on the shoulders of Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., as he assumes his new position of Secretary of State. The first months of his administration will be spent in trying to obtain the participation of the United States in the international security organization which was proposed at the Dumbarton Oaks Conference.

Toward this end conferences have been held with senators who form a representative group for the purpose of explaining the aims of the envisaged plan to them. Talks have been conducted with diplomatic representatives of several of the smaller Latin-American nations with regard to the relations of such states to the organization. It is indeed a mammoth task the like of which has not been undertaken since Woodrow Wilson fought for the now defunct League of Nations.

If it were not for the fact that there is a competent staff to help him glean the necessary information from all quarters of the world, the task of administering the country's foreign policy would be far beyond the capacity of any Secretary of State. It is a post which requires the ultimate of skillful handling, political insight, and a thorough knowledge of the details of all the major questions.

Diplomatic and consular reports are among the chief sources of information, and these are supplemented by communications from foreign envoys, newspapers, and other sources. Such information is then correlated with the departmental reports by the staff and sent to the secretary.

Because the State Department was the first to be founded by the government its head becomes a sort of "Premier of the Cabinet". It is his duty to represent the department in its relations with other bureaus and with Congress. The very nature of the office dictates that the Secretary must work in very close cooperation with the Chief Executive.

According to many analysts it is the intention of Mr. Stettinius to increase the jurisdiction of his organization along the lines of international trade and the economic problems which will appear in the post-war world. Under this head would fall the removal of any trade barriers, and the possible extension of the program of reciprocal trade agreements established by Cordell Hull. These trade treaties were perhaps the greatest contribution which Mr. Hull made to world stability.

With regard to the Latin-American situation it seems that the new secretary's most pertinent problem is that of dealing properly with the Argentine government. It is to be hoped that he will formulate a policy which will be more stringent than that pursued by his predecessor, who was all too lenient with the dictatorship.

Movie Time Table

Wednesday, December 6—"Hall the Conquering Hero," starring Eddie Bracken, with Ella Raines. Shows start at 7:00 and 9:27. Feature at 7:48 and 10:15.

Friday and Saturday, December 8 and 9—"Dragon Seed," starring Katharine Hepburn, with Walter Huston. One and only complete show starts at 7:40.

Corinne Herrick '47:

I would request St. Nick to give Alfred beautiful, white snow for Christmas. I love to see the campus covered by a white blanket, the trees weighted by heavy snow. I love to tramp through the brisk winter air, thinking all the while how lucky I am to be in a peaceful place like Alfred at such an inspiring time of year. Alfred itself can furnish the Christmas spirit, so I'm asking Santa Clause only to provide a snowstorm to complement this spirit.

Anonymous '45 and '47:

I want Santa Clause to bring Alfred lots of ways to spend our leisure time (?). Namely a bowling alley. Have Santa knock out more partitions in Burdick Hall and build it there. Also I'd like Santa to bring Alfred a swimming pool, lots of men, and lots of dances.



# Ten New Members Are Added To French Club

Ten new members were accepted into the French Club Monday night, November 27, in Social Hall following an interesting program which included talks, singing, and a short skit.

The amusing skit, "Au Clair de Lune," a flirtation scene in a French park, was worked up and delightfully acted by Margaret "Peggy" DeBroske '48 and Aaron Putnam '48.

In remembrance of St. Catherine, the saint of unmarried women over 25, Leah Raptis '46, read a poem to the saint, who was played by Roxanne Roberts '48. Talks in defense of the mind and manners of the French and American woman were entertainingly given by Jean Barber '46, and Mary Aldrich '45, respectively.

Edna Jane McBride '46, secretary-treasurer, opened the meeting, and Miss Raptis presided. After the singing of several French folk songs, the meeting was closed according to custom with the singing of La Marseillaise.

The new French Club members are: Jean Bonham, Jennie Fiorentino, Fay Jargstorff, Mary Estas Lord, June Allen, Gloria Claire Coppelman, Miss DeBroske, Aaron Putnam, Gloria Elizabeth Woodward, and Donald Niemeth.

## Louis J. Alber Speaks

(Continued from Page One) **Hurry.** This impatience made enemies for him, but it proved to be the impetus which successfully and rapidly mobilized Britain for war.

Winston Churchill is "easily pleased with the best of everything," according to Mr. Alber. His personality is not "simply colossal—it's super-colossal!... He puts people at their ease as quickly as he can." In regard to his writing and lecturing, Churchill is his own "severest critic," hard-working and talented.

Churchill has a prodigious memory, as he proved when he remembered Bernard Baruch's telephone number, which he had not used in four years. The Prime Minister has unexcelled resilience, an obvious sense of humor, and an evident kindness. His face reminds Mr. Alber of a "self-indulgent cherub." He is far taller than is generally thought, coming just under the six foot level. Churchill's smile is an "impudent grin" which displays a true "boy's spirit."

Continuing, the lecturer declared, "He doesn't walk; he canters or lopes, head ahead of the rest of him." He is a "supercharged" dynamo, and an honestly religious man. "I would say that Mr. Churchill is the best great man and the greatest good man of our time," Mr. Alber asserted.

Britain's leader may be credited with the great power of concentration which spells success. Nothing is ever trivial to "Winnie"; everything he does is accomplished precisely and well. Born with both a stutter and a lisp, he has gradually overcome these defects so that now his skill and effectiveness as an orator is generally acknowledged. Possessing no tendency toward defeatism, he can determine salient point of a proposition, decide what is to be done—and does it.

The unconquerable spirit of Churchill, expressed in the cheer of a Canadian audience, "Good old Winnie! You can't down Winnie!" is in reality the spirit of Britain, the spirit we in the United States must learn to understand and honor, the speaker concluded.

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# Freshmen Pass W S G Exam

Frosh women took an examination on W. S. G. rules and the Alma Mater October 23. The results are now ready for publication. Since it is important that campus women know these rules, the Frosh who did not pass the test will be required to take it again.

Names and grades of those who passed the W. S. G. exam are: Lillian Lombardi 88, Shirley Dulman 90; Gloria Copelman 90. Ruth Macaulay 91, Miriam Tooke 86, Marjorie Thompson 95, Lois Berlinger 94, Trudy Epstein 92, Joan Ehrens 90, Anne Seely 96, Virginia Hills 98, Clare Worden 97, Marian Coats 97, Marian Hatter 97.

And Patricia Spear 98, Bertha Gallo 94, Mary Alice Butler 98, Margaret Baker 95, Brenda Wilson 96, Nancy Terry 96, Rose Rizura 94, Betty Strayer 92, Audrey Zwicker 98, Roberta Guilford 98, Natalie Page 92, Rense Berg 91, Elvira Manacelli 97, Marian Miller 96, Jean Willey 92, Rosalyn Banks 96, Evelyn Donnan 92, Ruth Hartman 95, Joyce Dietrich 85, Millie Albert 91, Astrid Johnson 94, Marilyn Neville 90, Christine Krusen 95.

And Jean Stone 90, Patricia Crofoot 95, Helen Squires 96, Mary Ann Goodrich 93, Eleanor Schein 85, Marie Fuller 89, Lois Sutton 86, Jeanne Morgan 94, Elise Berg 96, Barbara Kohn 94, Phyllis Hurlburt 94, Patsyann Wildman 93, Sara Pepe 96, Ruth Wilson 97, Nora Utal 95, Mary Barney 97, Roxanne Roberts 97, Mary Belfi 97, Norma Kelderhouse 97, Linda Jean Allard 95, Luella Phillips 95, Beryl Robinson 97.

And Helen Gelb 96, Phyllis Pelton 95, Katherine Clark 97, Dorothy Owen 94, Ingrid Anderson 97, Irene Schulman 89, Valerie Mercier 97, Mary Dibble 92, Marion Limpitlaw 98, Mae Harper 96, Arlene Smith 90, Jeannette Shepardson 92, Joan Baird 98, Doris Weaver 91, Peggy de Broske 98, Florence Westcott 88, Mildred Collan 92, Ellen Levy 92, Jane Rupprecht 89, Mary Mullaney 90.

And Marion Wright 94, Marjorie Duggan 96, Joan Gaffney 92, Adele Ormsby 99, Jill Hutchison 94, Mary Lou Watt 95, Doris Margolin 93, Daphne Phillips 92, Jean Conklin 93, Betty Smith 95, Ellen Smith 90, Verna J. Church 98, Helen Zorow 98, Sarah Richards 94, Selma Rapps 96, Margaret Roach 90, Jean Martin 93, June Allan 95, Dorothy Martin 89, Janet Matson 92.

And Marjorian Magnusson 96, Shirley Shepard 96, Rosemarie Springer 98, Ann Huntington 95, Harriet Seager 96, Marie Cherichette 92, Estelle Hungerford 93, Caroline Flowers 94, Neya Jean Dixon 93, Barbara Adams 90, Pamela Space 96.

### Errors Will Slip In

Mrs. George Hobart, not Mr. Hobart was a Thanksgiving dinner guest of Mrs. Madeleine Burdick. Mr. Hobart was out of town taking an oral examination in connection with his Doctor's degree.

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## Third Group Of AU's Cadet Nurses

The third group of Cadet Nurses, containing 30 students, had just passed the first midsemester mark of their two semesters at Alfred University. The earlier two groups are in hospital practice at Corning and Olean. A fourth group is being selected for admission early in February at the beginning of the second semester.

The present group, pictured above, includes left to right in the back row; Mildred Macauley, Sherrill; Sara Pepe, Hackensack, N. J.; Doris Sick, Andover; Arlene Smith, Hornell; Barbara Adams, Corning; Marilyn Neville, Niagara Falls; Ruth Galloway, Dewittville; Betty Jean Smith, Whitesville; Marjorian Magnuson, Jamestown; Gladys Heebner, Stewart Manor.

Middle row: Lillian Lombardi, Baldwin, L. I.; Evelyn Costella, Avenel, N. J.; Ingrid Anderson, Wyandanch; Jane Rupprecht, New York; Pamela Space, Glen Rock, N. J.; Mary Dolan, Andover; Irene Schulman, New York; Shirley Shepard, Lockport; Harriet Seager, Dalton, Ellen Smith, Dewittville; Jacqueline Conklin, Port Washington, L. I.

Front row: Mildred Collan, Irvington, N. J.; Astrid Johnson, East Aurora; Evelyn Donnan, New York; Madge Evans, Plainfield, N. J.; Mae Harper, New York; Mary Barney, Onoville; Mary Dibble, Chester; Bertha Gallo, Patterson, N. J.

## Cadets Receive New Instructor

Notes of interest from the office of "Mrs." Hazel Harvey, Director of the Department of Nursing, has revealed that Mrs. Muriel Kennedy, formerly Miss Muriel Matson of Corning, is the new clinical instructor for the Cadet Nurses now working in the hospital at Corning, New York.

Mrs. Kennedy succeeds Miss Louise Dreher of the Alfred University Department of Nursing, who has been spending some time in Corning. Mrs. Kennedy is a graduate of Corning Free Academy, and studied two years at Allegheny State Teachers College. She was graduated from the Presbyterian Medical center, New York City, and received her Bachelor of Science degree from Columbia University.

The new teacher has been with the Corning girls since December 1. Miss Dreher plans to assist Mrs. Kennedy in her new duties for approximately a week, before resuming instruction at Alfred.

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## For Girls Only!! But Men Can Peek!!

Before we know it, the old year will be retiring to make way for 1945. And this year that event is going to mean more than a chance to "let off steam" in the traditional New Year's style. It's going to signify one of two things to each coed and its meaning will depend entirely on her! Will she look back on an opportunity lost or an opportunity well utilized?

Yes, girls, another leap year is fast approaching its close. According to custom, it's perfectly proper for the female of the species to "pop the question" to the man of her choice. An opportunity such as this comes but once—every four years. And though that last New Year's binge may seem like it happened only yesterday, open your eyes, count on your fingers, and you will find that almost ten and a half months of old 1944 have already become but pages in a history text. Will it be said that you hung back and let all twelve months slide merrily by with never a thought for your future? Don't be shy! The most he can do is say "No".

So—if the man in question is near at hand, open that bottle of "Femme Fatale" you've been saving for a special occasion. After all, what could be more special than this? That slinky, black formal that's hanging forlornly in your closet, waiting for the first big Victory dance, could be put to use now. And it will be your victory! Oh yes—throw in a little candlelight and soft music just for good measure.

Of course, the process would be much simpler if he's not in your immediate vicinity. Just write a letter on pale blue note paper; sprinkle it lavishly with his favorite scent; seal it; put an airmail stamp on it—upside down; and then just relax and await developments.

Good luck, girls! Don't forget—you haven't much time—there are only twenty-seven more shopping days 'til New Year. Let's see now—where did I put that pale blue stationery?

Buy bonds, today, for the 6th War Loan.

## "Sarge" Toughie

Sigma Chi has gained another new and dear member, Sargent Toughie, the name being evidence of his nature and of his mistress' birthplace, Sargent, Colo.

This new arrival is really reminiscent of a menagerie—he is part shepherd, part beagle and a little bit cocker, hops like a rabbit, and eats like a horse. He was eight weeks old on Tuesday, but even at this ripe old age has already learned to pick on the local cats; the one which belongs to Fran Bovee fights back, but Scottie Large's merely ignores him (say, in case you're wondering, "Sarge" also belongs to Scottie).

"Sarge" is already quite experienced in the ways of the world—he's learned how to make Scottie think he needs to go out, she opens the door, and he runs to the cat's dish in the kitchen. He's really quite a sottie, though—he takes two bones to bed with 'him every night and sleeps with the teddy bear (when he's not with Scottie). He gets around, too...from Theta Chi with Mac to Pottery at Miss Fosdick's, where he takes his daily nap in the closet.

His taste for the best things in life shows when he unerringly chooses the nicest sweaters and most prized slippers to chew on. And he shows his superiority over the common dog by liking soap and water...even goes so far as to eat it. But he shows his human side, too...won't even let Harriet Fisk's Rusty eat his bones in peace, and simply won't tolerate a strange dog around the house.

So much for "Sarge," but as for his mistress...well, any information about how to transport a lively, frolicsome puppy from Alfred to Glenwood Landing, L. I. via the Erie will be greatly appreciated.

Only 14 shopping days left until Christmas.

## All This And 14 Shopping Days Too

It's hard to tell just what our fellow students will be doing when "the night before Christmas" rolls around. It's not likely that any of them will be doing calculus or writing a feature for the Fiat. But—

Three weeks before Christmas (more or less) and all over the campus, Alfredians are starting out for their eight o'clock classes by the light of the silvery moon and a sprinkling of stars if it's going to be a clear day. If it's not, those treacherous little patches of ice on the hill from Alumni Hall to Kenyon are concealed by the pitch blackness. The ordinary student usually takes a second look at the clock these mornings just to make sure he hasn't made the horrible mistake of arising an hour or two early. But to his dismay, he finds he hasn't and once out of the house, there's no turning back—momentum and the force of gravity take care of that.

And so the day continues. By noon a sickly light is half-heartedly showing itself and most of our professors have wholeheartedly outlined our schedule right up until the time for departure on the Erie R. R. (This schedule may continue beyond that point, but as was said before, we won't be doing calculus on Christmas Eve or any other eve from December 15 to January 3.)

Evening comes, although the only sure way to tell it from daytime is that it comes just after supper, not after breakfast or lunch. And with it, the real work begins. It has already been mentioned that the professors are handing out their annual gifts of extra long assignments, requests for "short" term papers, book reports, and all the other little tasks so dearly loved by college students. Between hurried efforts at packing preparations, these pre-vaction requirements are fulfilled.

Yes, it's three weeks before Christmas, but in the words of one of our favorite profs—"Cheer up—the worst is yet to come!"

## New Weapons To Be Introduced In D'Artagnan Club

In past years the D'Artagnan Club has emphasized the foil as their most important weapon. However, this year, the epee and saber will be of primary importance.

At a meeting of the D'Artagnan Club last Wednesday, it was decided that the epee and saber would be presented to the men. Mr. Fuenzalida, president, explains this change in that the epee and saber are much more intriguing and are used by the majority of fencers throughout the country.

Alessandro Giampietro was elected to assist Mr. Fuenzalida and Don Laurie was elected Publicity Manager, both very capable men.

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