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STUDENT BOX HOLDER

Ag-Tech Radio Courses To Train Men, Women

Designed to Meet Military, Civilian Needs; Open in Seven Centers

Two classes in radio technician's instruction were started here this week following the plan set up by the Agricultural and Technical Institute, which is supervising seven such centers in the Southern Tier. The other centers are at Bath, Corning, Jamestown, Olean, Salamanca and Wellsville.

Sponsored by the Engineer, Science and Management Defense Training program and with the cooperative effort of the National Association of Broadcasters; various military, naval and civil organizations; local boards of education; and the Ag-Tech, the courses will be operated during the evenings, nine hours a week with a total of 144 hours necessary for completion.

To Be Supervisor



George F. Craig

Purpose of the course, according to Director Orvis, "is to impart fundamental technical radio training to supply men for industry, civil service, the U. S. Army and Navy, who have expressed an almost unlimited need for trained men to operate and maintain radio equipment."

Instructors for the work have been obtained both through the cooperation of the boards of education in the cities where the centers are located and from the Institute. To facilitate operation of the program, the latter is loaning the services of George F. Craig, head of the radio department, who will supervise all the centers under the Institute's jurisdiction. In all, officials expect over 300 students to be enrolled from the area.

The course is designed to train in two specific fields:

1—For young men anticipating entrance into military service. With the increased use of radio and communications equipment in the army mechanized service, and the expanding use of frequency apparatus in all naval operations, the need for trained radio mechanics and technicians has become critical. Youth completing the local course who enter military service, will immediately receive intensive specialized training at the service radio training centers before being allocated to the Signal Corps or other communications work.

2—Civilian technical employment. A wide range of civilian occupations are open to men and women who have aptitude for radio technician work. Following the completion of the local course the trainee may enter employment in two major directions. He may enter private industry in the manufacturing and testing of electrical equipment, or he may enter one

of the many branches of civil service with its high task of wartime production. It is anticipated that a considerable number of civilians in industry which has been curtailed by the war effort will train for civilian technical occupations through this program.

40 Percent Budget Increase Allotted A&T Institute

Recent release of the New York State Budget shows that the Ag-Tech receives approximately 40 percent increase in the regular budget allotment for 1942.

Effective on July 1, this increase includes addition of five instructors, two in the industrial departments and three in agriculture; regular increase in salaries for all members of the staff; additional equipment; repairs; and utility expenses.

Officials state the increase, together with over \$115,000 Federal allotment for defense work, enables the Institute to carry on the expanding program.

Expansion of the staff allows instructors for air conditioning, electrical theory, general and dairy bacteriology, agronomy and rural engineering and farm shop.

Matmen Journey To Meet Buffalo Wrestlers

Five lettermen will lead Alfred's grunt-and-groan artists in their first contest of the year, Wednesday afternoon at the University of Buffalo.

The Yunevichmen take on a heavy schedule after a month and a half of conditioning with the prospects bright for a successful season. Big Mearl (Mike) Greene in the heavy-weight class, Reggie Miner at 165 lbs., Royce Luce at 145 lbs., "Frenchy" LeBlanc at 136 lbs. and Don Limberg at 121 are all back in harness. All were letter-earners last year.

Bill Hurley, another veteran, will wrestle at 175 lbs., while the 155 and 128 classes are being hotly contested. Eliminations will be held to nominate the first-stringers between Rog Knapton, Hall Totten and Mike Lockhart at 155, and between Sam Cuilla and Johnny Heebner at 128. Knapton and Cuilla look to be the logical winners.

Buffalo was taken into camp twice last season by the Yunevich-coached grapplers, once by a perfect score with every man registering either a pin or a decision.

Alfred's man-of-all-work, Mike Greene, who was undefeated in dual competition all last year, and lost but one match in the championships, is due for another bright season according to Coach Yunevich. Mike will weight in at 215 lbs. and is much faster and smarter than in his last campaign.

VE-ND Machine Shop Adopts 24-hour Day

Increasing the program up to a 24-hour day, two new 400-hour Defense Training Machine Shop Courses have been added at the Ag-Tech, according to Walter C. Hinkle, director of that phase of the work.

The first new class of eight hours a day, which was added last week, will run from 11:30 p. m. until 7:30 a. m., six days a week and will enable trainees to complete the required time in ten weeks. The other, which started this week, is of three hours a day, five days a week, and runs from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Addition of the two 20-man classes brings the number in machine-shop training at the Institute center up to 100. Mr. Hinkle said. The classes are now filled, but there will be vacancies about the first of April, he pointed out.

The new classes make two of eight hours a day, 40 hours a week, as well as two of four hours a day which meet a total of 16 hours a week, and the one of three hours a day, five days a week. The latter will be completed in 26 weeks.

Dean Announces Second Semester Defense Courses

"Certain Defense courses may be taken for credit in the second semester by students in the College of Liberal Arts either as elective or in some cases as substitutes for requirements in a field of specialization," is a statement made by Dean Whitford to a reporter of Fiat Lux. This is in accordance with an announcement made by President Norwood at a recent Assembly. Although most students have already registered, still there is an opportunity for any student to revise his list courses for the second semester, if he wishes to do so.

The following is a list of such Defense courses for which credit will be given:

1. Contemporary World Politics
2. Business English
3. Typewriting and Stenography
4. Public Speaking
5. Elementary Woodshop
6. Fundamentals of Machine Shop
7. Auto Mechanics
8. Drafting and Blue Print Reading
9. Photography
10. Air Navigation
11. Meteorology
12. Special Course in Radio

Students can get information concerning these courses at the Registrar's Office.

Bennett Commissioned U.S. Navy Ensign

J. James Bennett of 187 Nursery Avenue, Geneva, has been commissioned an Ensign in the U. S. Navy, according to an announcement received from U. S. Naval Air Station at Jacksonville, Florida. Bennett was graduated from the Ag-Tech with the Class of 1939.

Ensign Bennett, who participated in Cross-Country activities while in school, will be attached to the Air Station at Jacksonville upon returning from leave. He attended The New York Merchant Marine Academy and completed elimination Flight Training at Floyd Bennett Field, Brooklyn prior to training at Jacksonville.

GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION NOTICE

The following costume must be brought to all P. E. Classes starting February 6th:

1. Sneakers (not saddle shoes)
2. Gym Suit
Freshmen and Sophomores—Regulation pink or blue gym suit
Upperclassmen—Regulation suit, pink or blue, or approved shorts and white blouses
3. Towel—Shower shoes and cap
4. Sweater or jacket
For archery, hiking, and mild games, sweaters and skirts and low heel sport shoes.

Students May Register For Civilian Defense Tomorrow

On New Time February 9

Alfred, in accordance with the recently adopted national Daylight Saving Time Law, will set clocks an hour ahead Monday morning, February 9, at 2:00 o'clock.

In previous years, Alfred went on daylight saving time in May, but national legislation has made it necessary for all towns and cities to adopt Daylight Saving Time next Monday.

A.U. Ranks Eighth In Issuance of Teaching Permits

Alfred University was ranked eighth by the New York State Education Department for the number of certificates issued valid for teaching Secondary School Subjects from July 1, 1938 to June 30, 1940. This compilation did not include State Teachers Colleges and Normal Schools.

During the two years given, Alfred was not preparing teachers for any special subjects (Home Economics, Music, Physical Education, Commerce, etc.) which were in greater demand, viz: In 1939, of the 903 teachers placed, only 332 were in academic subjects; in 1940, of the 990 new teachers placed, only 342 were in academic subjects.

	1938-39	1939-40
Syracuse	292	162
Cornell	152	86
Ithaca	121	45
New York University	116	60
Columbia	90	55
University of Rochester	80	31
Kent State College	60	25
Alfred*	46	25
St. Lawrence*	43	35
Hartwick	41	26
Bassett State College	40	24
College of St. Rose	39	24
College of New Rochelle	37	22
University of Buffalo	37	19
Canisius College	33	12
Colgate*	32	21
Houghton	32	16
Schuyler	30	10
College of the City of N. Y.	29	24
Adelphi*	21	10
Nazareth	20	13
Union	17	18
Hobart	16	10
(Including Wm. Smith)	16	10
D'Youville College	16	9
Niagara	16	9
Hamilton	16	9
Canisius College	13	9
St. Bonaventure	10	11
Manhattan	10	6

(* Academic subjects only)

State Men Complete Closing of NYA Centers Here

Closing of the NYA Resident Centers became a reality last week-end when the 53 residents constituted a minor exodus to the far corners of the town from the two residences at 9 Main and 117 North Main Street.

State Finance Manager Asa Elias, and Donald C. Stevens of Morrisville, temporary director, are attending to the closing of the two centers and transferring of equipment. Charles N. Roberts, Jr., who had directed the youth project since 1939, left January 25, to accept a position in the contract and order department of Curtis Wright Propeller Division of Curtis-Wright Airplane Corp., at Caldwell, N. J.

Most of the 73 residents who received the announcement late in November that the Center would be closed on February 1, because of Federal Budget revisions, are going to be able to complete their course.

Red Cross Contributions Announced by Chairman

Mrs. Ruth M. Reynolds has announced the contributions to the Red Cross drive as follows:

Social and Fraternal	\$ 87.00
Secretaries	\$ 38.50
Faculty (Including Institute)	\$ 543.51
Students	\$ 207.10
Business and Industries	\$ 183.00
Alfred Station	\$ 70.00
General	\$ 147.85

ACCEPTED FOR TRAINING

Four men have been accepted by the Aviation Cadet Examining Board for Aviation Cadet training. Two men already sworn in, Gordon Prior '42, and Richard Shinebarger '43, will leave Elmira for Maxwell Field, Ala., Feb. 10. The other two men were accepted but have not been sworn in.

Remember Volunteer Registration!

Blue Key Men to Help Register Men, Coeds at Firemens Hall from 8-8

Students who wish to express their desire to participate in Volunteer Civilian Defense Program may do so tomorrow by registering between the hours of 8 A. M. and 8 P. M., at Firemens Hall.

Changes Made In CPT Training Course

Spring session of the Civilian Pilot Training program is scheduled to start within a week, according to an announcement by W. B. Harrison, coordinator of the local program.

Several changes in procedure are announced for this course as a result of wartime measures. Students will be deferred from the Selective Service draft as usual although they must show an affidavit saying they will enlist in the Air Corps or continue CPT training upon completion of the primary course.

Other major changes in requirements are the physical examination which is now the same as given to students entering the secondary course. However, if a trainee goes directly into secondary training upon completion of the primary course, he will not be required to take any further exam. Mr. Harrison pointed out. It is also necessary for applicants to go to Buffalo for the eye refraction part of the exam.

Officials expect the exam for review students will be held February 19. Completion of the Spring session will be about May 15, requiring Ag-Tech students to remain about a month after the Institute closes.

About 8,000 students are being enrolled in the elementary college CPT courses for the Spring session, officials state. In addition to that are 1,200 in elementary non-college and 3,000 in secondary college training.

New Tractor Course Slated at Ag-Tech

A new 300-hour course in tractor and farm equipment service will be started at the Ag-Tech, Monday, February 9, according to Walter C. Hinkle, head of the Farm Machinery department.

Sponsored by the government for training men in the maintenance and repair of farm machinery, classes will be conducted for six hours a day, five days a week for ten weeks.

Complete tractor service will be covered including valve grinding, piston and ring service, bearing, differential and transmission, starters, generators and magneto. Equipment such as plows, mowers, binders, pump and milking machines will also be covered. Local farmers will furnish the equipment to be serviced.

ANOTHER FIAT GENERATION

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley C. Orr of Elyria, Ohio, Saturday morning, a daughter, Nancy Lucile. Mr. Orr was editor of the Fiat Lux in 1936-37, while Mrs. Orr, formerly Miss Dorothy Saunders, held the position in 1935-36.

Green Registration Cards Greet Potential Selective Service Men Feb. 14, 15, 16

When men between the ages of 20 and 45 register in New York state on February 14, 15 and 16, the registration card materially will be no different than heretofore used except it will be green in color, Brigadier General Ames T. Brown, New York State Director of Selective Service, said today.

The card used for registration between October 16, 1940 and June 30, 1941, was white, and melon was used for the color of the cards used in registration on July 1, 1941 and since then.

Information will be placed on the cards by the registrars as the result of questions asked the registrants and, General Brown said, the latter should be prepared to answer the following questions:

It is the aim of the local defense committee to find out what students can and would do in the case of an emergency. Registration is on a purely volunteer basis. Furthermore, registration is not necessarily an obligation or promise to render future service. Surveying the qualifications of students for an emergency will aid defense councils in planning an effective home defense program.

This registration is being conducted by the local committee and chairmaned by Mrs. DeForest W. Truman at the request of the Allegany County Defense Council. When the first day of registration was held last week, 45 men, 8 men students, 51 women and 4 women students registered.

Any other townspeople who still wish to register may do so tomorrow. Members of Blue Key, campus service organization, will aid in registering.

The greatest registration of men was in the following, air raid warning, auto mechanics, dairy, farm work, fire arms, fire fighting, first aid, gardening, house repairs, house wrecking, photography, public speaking, recreation work; fewer tabulations were clerk, entertaining, filing, medicine, Morse code, police work, radio, road repairs, telephone service and maintenance, sewer service and water service. Several signified their willingness to donate to the blood bank.

The women signified more willingness to serve in canteen work, household service, home service, social service, and nursing aid. Fewer signed for typing, chauffeur, office service, and entertainment.

Saxons Meet Larries For Golden Jubilee Basketball Game

Dr. James Naismith, inventor of basketball, will be honored Wednesday night at the gym when Alfred's Saxons tangle with St. Lawrence in a Golden Jubilee basketball game—but the main objective of the Minnickmen will be to hang a defeat on the Larries and get back into the win column.

The Up-staters will bring an able five to Alfred featuring their veterans Varsoke, Hefti, Wicke, Bartlett, and Faulkner. For the Saxons Pike Trigglio, Ludie Johnston, Andy Kulakowich, Bob Jolley and Captain Willie Gamble will constitute the starting five.

An added feature of the contest will be a between-the-halves reproduction of the first basketball game ever played—complete with the original rules.

In the preliminary go the Purple and Gold yearlings who will meet the Jamestown Extension quintet in the first meeting of the year between these two teams. The Extensioners are reputed to have their best team in years and may provide some stiff competition for the charges of Coach Bob Humphrey.

THIRD REGISTRATION New York State Selective Service

At Firemens Hall in Alfred.
Saturday, February 14, 1942.
Sunday, February 15, 1942.
Monday, February 16, 1942.

Local Board will be open from 7 o'clock A. M. to 9 o'clock P. M.

Registration to cover men who reached their 20th birthday on or before December 31, 1941, and who have not reached their 45th birthday by February 16, 1942.

You need not register if you have registered previously.

1. Full name of registrant;
 2. Place of residence (this is very important as it determines the Local Board having jurisdiction);
 3. Mailing address;
 4. Telephone number;
 5. Date of birth;
 6. Place of birth;
 7. Occupation;
 8. Name and address of person who will always know the registrant's address;
 9. Employer's name and address; and
 10. Place of employment or business.
- To this will be added a physical description of the registrant and the registrant is required to affirm that his answers are true.

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BLOOD BANK

Why don't you write home this week? And when you do write, why don't you enclose a Blood Donor Registration Blank to be signed by your parents? Take the trouble also to add a paragraph pointing out that this is one way in which students can greatly aid the whole national defense scheme.

Even though examinations are and should be foremost in our minds, we should try to remember that thousands of men are gladly giving their entire services to help bring victory to us in this time of international chaos and we should, therefore, be willing to take the trouble to send these permits home so that they can be properly signed and returned before the Mobile Blood Bank Unit comes to the campus March 2.

At the present time, the Blood Bank project on this campus needs more donors if it is to be successful. It should be unnecessary for anyone to go out and solicit donations for this particularly worthy enterprise. There certainly must be 200 students and faculty who want to be contributors.

Let's do our part in "Keep Them Flying".

Civilian Defense

Student have been wondering what they could do to help win the war while they are still in school. Since the beginning of actual fighting great strides have been taken in organizing home defense programs and training people for any emergencies which may arise.

The Mobile Blood Bank Units have been traveling around the country to collect supplies of blood to be reserved for emergency use. First aid and home nursing courses, and extended physical education programs have been established.

Tomorrow has been set aside for Student Registration Day for Volunteer Participation in the Defense Program. Students can greatly aid home defense planning by registering tomorrow so that those in charge will know what experience they have had along various lines, and also what they could and would do in case they were needed.

Students, you've asked what you could do to help. Here it is.

Many Civil Service Exams Announced;

Men qualified in aviation, orthopedics, lithography, photogrammetry, and topography are being urged by the U. S. Civil Service Commission to apply for examinations announced this week and open until further notice. No written tests are required.

Trainee junior inspectors in aeronautics, who are paid \$2,600 a year, will be given a training course by the Civil Aeronautics Administration and map progress to inspector positions paying from \$3,200 to \$5,600 a year. Young flyers, 21 to 30 years of age, who have had 4 years of appropriate technical experience in aeronautics may apply if they have a current commercial pilot's certificate of competency; or if they have completed the Civilian Pilot Training Secondary

Editor's Mail Bag

The Fiat Lux welcomes its readers to express their opinions on various issues through its columns. Readers who have criticisms or suggestions or are in disagreement with any matter which is printed in the paper are urged to express themselves in a clear, concise fashion. All letters must be signed, but the signatures of the writers will be withheld, if the writers so desire.

Editor, Fiat Lux:

I have meant to write several times since I first started getting copies of the Fiat Lux and try to express my sincere appreciation. It has been quite some time since I left Alfred yet the references to fraternities, former class buildings and familiar names of my former professors strike a pleasant note. Even more, the fact that you remember to send us the paper is typical of the ideals set forth by Alfred University in both scholastic and sporting endeavor. Such ideals would stand the members of the armed forces in good stead. More and more colleges throughout the country are sending copies of their paper to their men in the service. I, for one, appreciate the fact that Alfred was one of the first to do so.

Since my Alfred days I've become a nurse and am now instructing the Medical and surgical sections of my company. We're a field hospital company and are ready for our mission to the combat zone which we feel will come in the very near future.

In my company is one Corporal, John H. Huber, former Delta Sig, who is another ex-'40. With mine go his sincerest thanks for being able to read about by-gone scenes.

Sincerely yours,
P. F. C. Joe VanDuzer
Co. "H," 134th Medical Reg't,
Fort Bragg, N. C.

Editor, Fiat Lux:

I wish, through the medium of The Fiat Lux, to thank the students of the University for giving so generously and willingly to the Red Cross Relief Fund. Their splendid contribution made it possible for us to over-subscribe our quota by such a large margin.

I take this opportunity to express my special appreciation for the work done by the Blue Key in collecting the student gifts. The Alfred Branch of the American Red Cross is extremely grateful to you all.

Sincerely,
Ruth M. Reynolds,
Chairman, Alfred Branch

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Recently, Miss Georgia Smith requested that you send me the current issues of "The Fiat Lux" in line with your policy of sending this paper to alumni in the service.

I want to thank you for the issues I have thus far received. I have enjoyed the tie which they make between me and the University. It is a fine idea of yours to keep the service men in such active association with the intellectual world—a world which could become quite foreign to men in ships and fields.

Until I give you further notice, please send future issues of The Fiat Lux to Allegany, New York. They will be forwarded to me at my station. Needless to say, they will be welcomed.

Again, I thank you.
Very truly yours,
Arthur W. Forbes,
Ensign, U. S. N. R.

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and Cross Country courses and also have a civilian pilot's certificate of competency; or if they have graduated from a flying school of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard and have active service. College study may be substituted for part—and in some cases, all—of the technical experience.

Dr. Kamiel Lefevere Pays Tribute To Prexy Davis in "Bells" Article

(Editor's Note: In tribute to the late President Boothe Colwell Davis, Dr. Kamiel Lefevere, Carillonneur of the Riverside Church in New York City wrote the following article which he called, "Bells, Symbols of Peace and Goodwill in a World of War and Aggression". This article will appear in the next issue of the Alumni News and is reprinted in this issue of the Fiat Lux through their courtesy. Dr. Lefevere conducted the Davis Memorial Dedication Service. He also plays the annual Commencement Day Carillon Recital.)

The following inscription discovered on an old bell dating 1653 reflects in some way our present world situation.

It reads:
'In the Yeare 1653
When all things sacred were
Through Ye Nation
Either demolisht or profaned
This Bell was cast
Whose singular praise it is
To do the best in Ye worst times'
How very true this is of every bell or carillon that still has the freedom to ring or sing and raise its voice into the heavens for the return of peace, tolerance and justice.

And how very welcome it would be in certain countries if it were really possible for the prayer of superstitious peoples of the olden times to be back with us, so that the bells would in full reality obtain the 'supernatural power to soften the cruel, scatter the storms of every kind, prevent wars and plagues and drive away the evil spirits.'

Although bells never obtained such supernatural powers, they have nevertheless always taken the side of justice, hope, faith and tolerance and fulfilled their duty and mission with 'full honors'.

Whereas the strange, wild tones of quivering metal used to arouse, summon and even frighten the primitive tribes, they also never failed to console, cheer and inspire the people in their darkest hours.

The first World War took a terrible toll of bells and carillons, especially in Belgium and France. Unrivaled examples of architectural masterpieces, belfries, towers and cathedrals, expressions of community spirit and racial culture, together with the bronze voices of famous bells and carillons, who had been singing the praise and served the people for ages, fell the prey of destruction under modern warfare. And even then they still continued to tell their story. A beautiful carillon, destroyed and buried under the ruins of the magnificent Cloth Hall at Ypres, in Belgium, continued its mission, from a little wooden tablet with white letters, as follows:

'This is Holy ground,
No stone nor metal fragment may be removed.

It is a heritage for all civilized people.' A recent report over the radio stated that all the bells in Austria will be dismantled and their metal be used for war purposes. Only one bell will be spared to every church, but every other bell, whether for religious or civil use, will be destroyed, and thus become the victims of cruel warfare.

In England all the bells have been silenced. An official order was issued last June permitting church and chapel bells to be rung only in the future as a warning of the approach of parachutists or other air-borne invading troops.

A recent speech delivered by Prime Minister Winston Churchill from Ottawa, Canada, was accompanied by the singing of the carillon from the Peace Tower of the Parliament Buildings, thus inspiring greater confidence and trust with the people. The part of the carillon however was omitted from the air, when the speech was broadcast to Great Britain, to prevent any confusion or misunderstanding, because of the previously issued order to have all the bells silenced.

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London also possesses a unique 'distress bell,' which hangs in the marble halls of the Lloyd's of London, the mighty insurance organization. This old ship's bell, salvaged from the frigate Lutenia which was wrecked in 1799, sounds a dolorous note in the main hall whenever a ship is lost.

This age-old custom has now been imitated over the German radio to tell its listeners of the sinking of British ships. If this was also done to announce the sinking of Japanese ships in the Far East, it is very doubtful whether only one single bell would be able to do it, because a full carillon would be needed for the large number of ships at the present rate.

At 11 o'clock on the night of September 15 each year the President of Mexico tolls the bell that hangs in front of the National Palace in Mexico City, in commemoration of 'El Grito de Dolores,' the call to arms at Dolores. And as the bell sounds the people of republican Mexico are reminded of the old padre de Dolores, who in defiance of Spanish rule and in danger of his life rang that same bell to gather the Indians of his parish and exhort them to fight for their native land.

The mysterious effect of bell sounds has also often been used in the more simple ways of our everyday life. For instance, all the church bells in Nebraska rang on election day in 1934 for ten minutes in every hour. Over 1800 ministers of the state had been invited to ring their churchbells to remind the voters to cast their ballots on the day of repeal of State Constitutional Prohibition.

And again on another occasion all the bells rang at Hogansburg, N. Y., on the St. Regis Indian Reservation as a warning against the dangers of a flood, when the St. Lawrence River had risen to a 12-foot level behind an enormous ice jam.

At Kingston, Ontario, the well-known poet Wallace Havelock Robb has a beautiful poet's bell on his Abbey Dawn Sanctuary. One morning Mr. Robb sent his truck and one of the men into the 'back country'. The weather had been wet and disagreeable for several days. The back country man asked why Robb's bell hadn't been rung for several days. 'Oh, poets are temperamental,' the truck driver said, 'gloomy weather and all that, you know. Come sunshine and the bell will ring.' The man told Robb the story upon his return and ever since the bell has rung regularly every day at sunrise and sunset. This bell has rung itself into the hearts of all the neighboring folks, when they await its call with every sunrise.

We are indeed very fortunate to be able to live in a country where democracy still prevails and where a carillonneur can climb into his beloved 'bell-nest' to send his 'musical wishes and greetings' over the land, almost like a musical version of the Bill of Rights.

This sentiment was only recently fully expressed when the carillon of the Riverside Church in New York took a principal part in a Christmas broadcast to the occupied countries of Europe, to send them a greeting of hope and faith in their darkest hour, with the full knowledge that the voice of the bells would be fully understood by the people under such circumstances. In the old days Christmas brought joy, happiness and laughter into the homes of the people. The

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bells and carillons would ring out at midnight and they would be echoed by the bells of the little churches in the smaller villages. And up and down the whole country every home was bright with the lights of peace and the ringing laughter of the happy children. Today darkness and hunger prevails, also hope. . . .

Some of us probably do not yet fully realize what it means to hear the bells sing, to be able to listen to the carillonneur sending his message over the land, 'uncensored and in its full meaning,' singing of life, happiness and freedom, of open minds and free expression. Yes, also reminding us of loyalty and duty in this great struggle, so that all this freedom and happiness may be saved and preserved for the future.

Bells also sing the praise of great men, who have endeared themselves to the whole world. The message of the 'Boothe Colwell Davis Memorial Carillon' has become a new symbol of loyalty and devotion. President Davis has passed away, it is a great and irreparable loss to Alfred University and the world, but the voice of the bells will continue to sing his virtues and devotion as a living message and an inspiring encouragement for the future.

Kamiel Lefevere
January 28, 1942

SOCIAL NOTES

By Marie Ingalls

To show the bonds of good-fellowship between Kappa Delta Sigma and Theta Gamma, the two fraternities are holding a joint dance Friday, February 13. Edson Wilcox and Maxim Bobinski, social chairmen of the two groups, are in charge of the affair. Other committee members are Andrew Nicholls '42, John Trent '42, Edward Flanagan '42, Luther Johnston '42, and Frank Trigilio '42.

James Arthur ex-'42, visited Theta Gamma during the week. He was on furlough from the Brooklyn Navy Yards, where he is in the Transportation Corps of the U. S. Army.

Although the students at Alfred did not have a chance to attend the President's Birthday Ball, they did have the opportunity to do their share in furthering the worthy cause by attending the March of Dimes dance sponsored by the Ag-Tech Indies in the Institute Library, Saturday night. All proceeds from the dance were turned over to the fund for the cure of infantile paralysis. Theta Gamma and Kappa Delta Sigma donated their records and Mr. Craig donated the radio department's recording system. Mary Callea was chairman.

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'Natural Singer' Pleases Alfred Audience

Singing naturally and easily the songs of his own heritage, Paul Robeson won the approval of nearly one thousand hearers when he sang on the Forum program here recently.

Assisting Mr. Robeson on the program was Miss Clara Rockmore who played the theremin, an instrument named after its inventor. It is unique in that the performer never touches the instrument while playing. The tone is produced when the performer enters an electro-magnetic field that is developed about the instrument. The music produced on the theremin resembled a combination of a stringed instrument and the human voice.

Miss Rockmore played the instrument very well, phrasing with understanding. Presenting a program composed largely of negro folk music, Robeson maintained his aim to remain always a perfectly "natural" singer. He stated that in his singing he wanted to remain what he was by nature, and not be changed and molded into something else. In discussing music, he showed that the music of any country is the result of the sound of the spoken language. The tone pattern and rhythm depend, he said, on the language. He demonstrated how music grew out of the language of Nigeria.

With a pleasing smile and pleasant air, Mr. Robeson won his audience which asked for repeated encores. These were graciously given.

Accompanying Mr. Robeson at the piano was Lawrence Brown who has arranged many of the songs which Robeson sings. Brown sang with the performer two selections, "Ezekiel saw de wheel" and "Joshua fit de battle ob Jericho". William Schatzkammer accompanied Miss Rockmore at the piano.

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