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## Norman Thomas Speaks At Weekly Assembly On "Program For America"

### Socialist Believes Economic Program Must Be Solved For World-Wide Peace

Internationally known Socialist statesman Norman Thomas addressed the University Assembly, Thursday, April 25, speaking on the subject "A Program for America," and met with several classes for forum discussion periods, during the afternoon.

Beginning with the economic phase of America's present-day problems, Mr. Thomas expressed concern over the existence of large numbers of unemployed. Not only does this situation apply to the United States, but to the nations of Europe as well.

Solution of these and similar pressing economic difficulties rests not upon one nation, but upon all, he stated. In the past it has not been conventional to finance peace, but it has always been respectable to finance imperialism.

"We have been living in a society where war has solved many economic problems. . . . It took a war to raise the standard of American living". Mr. Thomas supported his assertion with statistical evidence, stating "We raised the median line of family incomes from \$1900 to \$2700." He further suggested that if nations would apply themselves to the problem of production for peace as they did to the problems of war production, the aims of world unity would be closer to fulfillment.

"There is no device under the sun to rid us of the threat of war, unless unnecessary poverty is removed. Hungry people can't be converted to democracy. It is an everlasting disgrace that my generation did not apply its technological skills to the solution of this problem." Mr. Thomas went on to say that the underlying cause of poverty is the inability to produce enough goods, but that perhaps this problem could be solved now with the releasing of atomic energy.

World government cannot be superimposed on social problems, the speaker continued. The achievement of a Federal Government in the United States did not solve all the problems here. So, the mere super-imposition of a better form of world government on unsolved problems of hunger, race relations, imperialistic attitudes will not bring peace. It is only the kind of world government, in itself or in its potentialities that will win peace."

In answer to the question "What can we do now to further the cause of world peace?" Mr. Thomas designated several approaches. One of these is through fear. This has come to be an important factor, especially since the use of the atom bomb; but it isn't enough. Fear often makes individuals and nations stupid rather than wise. Peace can never come through fear.

Neither is our policy of thrift adequate for preserving peace. The United Nations made the blunder of not realizing that a broken Europe would be continually hungry. Amid the confusion in Europe now, little if any planting is being done. The continent should have been kept an integrated whole. "Our program of thrift has brought unnecessary hunger—we have substituted vengeance for justice.

## Vets Sponsor Candidate For Student Senate

A "third party" calling itself the Progressive Party, has taken its place in the political life of the campus of Alfred University. Through the members' support of William "Bill" White, a veteran, as candidate for the Student Senate presidency, they hope to bring added maturity to campus government.

Members of the Progressive Party and their candidate have endorsed the following platform, which they feel includes several major issues which students should work out with the administration:

- I. Investigate Progressive School Programs in order to determine what improvements can be made in the Alfred curriculum.
- II. Vice-President of each house to become a Senate Representative automatically.
- III. Senate to be represented in the Town Council, in order to give the students a voice in affairs which directly concern them.
- IV. Request town representation in the Senate, for closer cooperation between town officials and student body.
- V. Regular Reports from each of the houses to the Senate concerning student decision on each issue.
- VI. Poll of student opinion on each major issue to be presented to the Faculty.
- VII. Annual Winter Carnival and Junior Prom under the auspices of The Winter Sports Club and the Junior Class.
- VIII. Stronger Intramural Athletic Activities.
- IX. Definite Program for Moving Up Day with a Senior Prom as the climax.
- X. Engagement of experienced, full-time Social Director to plan weekly social activities.

Adopting the slogan, "Unite with White," the party members are circulating a petition urging the candidacy of Mr. White to be presented to the Student Senate tonight. The petition states in part: "By our support of this candidate we indicate our desire to waive the requirement of one year's Senate membership in order that veterans may have an equal opportunity to be elected to this office."

Elvira Monacelli '46, president of the Newman Club, announces that there will be a Newman Club Meeting for all Catholic students at 7:15 Thursday evening in Kenyon Chapel. Heads of committees must be present at this time, as final arrangements for a semi-formal dance Friday evening, May 10, will be made.

## Ward C. Tooke Accepts Post In Vicinity

Ward C. Tooke, plant manager and chief engineer at Alfred University, has tendered his resignation to accept a position as superintendent of plants and equipment for the Huguet Fabrics Corporation. His duties will be divided among the three mills, Hornell, Wayland and Canisteo. He came to Alfred in the sum-

### Plant Manager



mer of 1939 to accept a position as chief engineer. When Harry C. Greene retired after some 30 years as superintendent of buildings and grounds, the two positions were combined and Mr. Tooke was placed over both departments as assistant plant manager and chief engineer.

In 1941, he supervised a number of improvements in the heating plant and campus heating system, such as resetting the boilers, installing mechanical soot blowers, water softeners, a pre-water heater, and the Webster moderator system, resulting in fuel economies of several hundred tons of coal a year. In 1943, he supervised the connecting of South Hall to the Central Heating System, with both steam and electricity, for further economies and better service.

As assistant plant manager he started the inventory system of office and classroom equipment, the cost-per-building records, and the perpetual inventory system for the store room. He supervised the refacing of Greene Hall (an "idea" which originated with John Reed Spicer), and managed the landscaping of Bartlett Dormitory, the Infirmary, Greene Hall, and part of the new plantings in front of Hall of Physics, Social Hall, and the east entrance of The Brick, with little or no expense to the University.

Before coming to Alfred, Mr. Tooke was employed by the Pennsylvania Department of Highways as principal assistant Superintendent. For several years prior to that he was Sales Engineer for the Huber Stoke Co. He served as director in the National Bronze Co., and the DuBois National Casting Co., both of DuBois, Pa. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge in DuBois, and a member of the Consistory in Coudersport, Pa., an honorary member of the Delta Sigma Phi, and vice-president of the American Bowling Association. Formerly he was a member of the Hornell Country Club and the Industrial Club. For the present, he and his family will continue to live at Alfred.

## Mme. M. Cheval Returns After Eight Years

Mademoiselle Marie-Louise Cheval has returned to Alfred after an absence of eight years. She has been on a leave of absence from the University faculty.

Mademoiselle Cheval came to Alfred in 1931. She was largely responsible for the inauguration of the annual French Week. She is an honorary member of Sigma Chi.

In 1938 she left Alfred for a year of studying in Spain. Prior to the outbreak of war she was recalled to Paris by the serious illness of her father who died during the occupation.

Mademoiselle Cheval was not able to communicate with her Al-

### French Visitor



fred friends from 1941 to 1944. After the liberation of Paris she was able to get word through. She found that Alfred University officials had extended her leave of absence due to the circumstances.

During the occupation Mademoiselle Cheval taught English in the Public Schools of Paris. The past year was partially spent entertaining Alfred students in her home along with other American soldiers.

From the time of the liberation, Mademoiselle Cheval had hopes of returning to America. She was pleased to meet an ex-Alfred student, Larry Leonard, while in the Embassy obtaining her necessary papers. He was of great assistance in speeding up the procedure.

While in Alfred, she will be the guest of Miss Eva Ford, Mrs. Arthur M. Cottrell, Sr., and other friends.

## Campus Women To Participate In New York Career Survey

Alfred University, among twenty-five colleges in New York State chosen by the New York Women's Council, will cooperate in a survey on the career interests of the post and pre-war college women.

Senior women on campus will be sent questionnaires to fill out. A similar questionnaire will be mailed to each of the women who graduated five years ago. This is an attempt to establish an understanding of the relationship between career interests and job opportunities which exist for women in New York State.

When reports are all in, results will be tabulated and an analysis of findings will be made and published.

## Blair Bolles, Writer And Lecturer, Speaks At Final Forum, Wed. Night, May 1

### Foreign And Diplomatic Correspondent To Discuss 'Washington Views the World'

Blair Bolles, director of the Foreign Policy Association's Washington Bureau, will present the fifth and last of the current Forum series in Alumni Hall, 8:15 Wednesday evening, May 1, speaking on the topic "Washington Views the World".

### Forum Guest



Mr. Bolles, in constant touch with U. S. Government Officials, Congressmen, and Representatives of Foreign Governments in the Capitol, writes a weekly "Washington News Letter" on a basis of these contacts. The column appears in the Foreign Policy Association Bulletin, and similar publications are included in the fortnightly Foreign Policy Reports. Among these are "Oil: An Economic Key to Peace," "Congress and Foreign Policy," and "Roosevelt's Foreign Policy."

The writer and lecturer was born in St. Louis and educated at Exeter and Yale. From 1935-1944 he was on the staff of the Washington Star specializing in foreign and diplomatic news. He is co-author with Duncan Aikman of "America's Chance of Peace," and a frequent contributor to the Nation, Harpers, Saturday Review of Literature, and other periodicals. From time to time, he participates in short-wave and domestic radio broadcasts.

Mr. Bolles will be introduced to the Forum audience by Dean M. Ellis Drake, chairman of the program. Following a forum discussion at the conclusion of the lecture, a reception will be given in honor of the guest speaker, at Social Hall.

## Fiat Elections Scheduled For To-night, 7:00

"Tonight's the Night"—FIAT elections take place this evening (Tuesday) at 7:00 in the FIAT Office in Kenyon Hall. The first item on the agenda will be the election of a new editor-in-chief to replace Corinne Herrick '47. A revision of the paper's constitution makes possible the election of any Junior or Senior who either has served two years on the staff or has had enough previous experience to warrant his receiving the position.

After the election of the editor, a managing editor or co-managing editors, to fill the position being vacated by Carolyn Banks '46 will be chosen. A business manager to succeed Doris Comfort '46 will also be named to the Editorial Board. Several nominations for these positions have been made and the floor will be open for more, prior to the elections. All other staff positions also will be filled by popular vote at this meeting.

"Pope" Giopulos '46, former editor of the paper, was named chairman of the annual banquet, a "war casualty" which will be revived this year. The date of the banquet, open to all staff members, will be announced tonight.

## Pan-American Week Stimulates Interest In Latin Countries

The prime purpose of Pan-American Week was the stimulating of Alfredians' interest in Central and South America. The most important event of the week was a banquet and cultural program held last Thursday evening, April 25, at Social Hall.

At the banquet, which was held in the Dining Room of Social Hall, gave members of the Spanish Department a chance to brush up on their Spanish and sing a number of Spanish songs. The successful banquet was followed.

## Footlight Club To Stage Mexican Play

Have you ever seen—a "Red Velvet Goat?"

If not, you have a treat in store when a one-act play of that name is presented by the Footlight Club on Thursday, May 9, at 11:00 in Alumni Hall.

Called "a tragedy of laughter and a comedy of tears" by its authoress, Josephina Niggli, the plot revolves around a play within a play, and the characters become dizzy through such revolutions.

Playwright Niggli, born in Mexico twenty-six years ago, was transplanted to the University of North Carolina, and there began her activity in dramatics, both in acting and in writing. Revealing the colorful lives of her people, her plays are the Spanish types of drama unknown to the English speaking stage, but are widely popular forms of village entertainment in Mexico.

Under the direction of Margaret Laurie, assisted by Joan Heise, a fine cast has been assembled. The production has been shrouded in secrecy, and, behind guarded doors, several full rehearsals have taken place.

Will He get the Girl?—I do not know.

Will She get His goat?—I will not tell.

• And what of the fugitive from "Lost Week-End" who sings almost as well as he staggers? Come, and you will find out.

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**The Exodus**

April 1945-April 1946. Scientific Phenomenon: a year elapses in half its normal time. Certainly it was no longer than five or six months ago that the present outgoing FIAT staff took over the reins from its successors of '44-'45; yet the calendar has measured off twelve months. Obviously the calendar, through seniority as a time-measuring device, is more to be trusted than students' emotions. Consequently, with unswerving eyes fastened on the calendar, we have decided that it is time to step down from the driver's seat and climb into the back. The change is made easier by the confidence which we have in those who are in line to succeed us. They have proved their aptitude and conscientiousness. We are not dubious about placing "our" FIAT in their hands.

Alfredians some generations hence, browsing through the musty library files may happen upon a bound volume marked "FIAT LUX, 1945-46," murmur "ah, the Year of Change," pull it down and leaf through its pages to find accounts of the founding of Alfred institutions which have become essential parts of their college life.

The new FIAT and President J. Edward Walters made their debut together in September—the President with an address at the opening assembly of the 110th Academic Year, the FIAT with its special Frosh Issue. A total enrollment of 539 students—a 33 per cent rise from that of the previous semester—was recorded, remarkable at the time but not at all astonishing in comparison with the expected jump in the enrollment next fall. The inauguration of Dr. Walters as the Eighth President of Alfred University and the accompanying visit of Governor Thomas E. Dewey was the cause of a special November issue and the St. Pat's Festival brought forth a REAL Irish issue with St. Pat taking the place of honor on the front page.

The inclusion of the School for American Craftsmen in the University, one of the significant changes in the history of the school, was recorded recently in the pages of the FIAT. Ag-Tech has used the paper to make its representation in campus affairs heard and the controversy over more music for the "masses," as well as the request for "planned weekends," has been aired in the editorial columns. At present the Veterans Organization is voicing its opinions through their paper, the FIAT, "student newspaper of Alfred University."

We are proud to know that within the files of the FIAT these future students can find these changes and that, in recording them, we have played a minor role in the history of the University.

We have many people to thank for their cooperation and advice. We sincerely appreciate President Walters' frank method in dealing with the student press and feel certain that he will continue this policy in working with our successors. To Prof. Wendell Burditt, University Director of Publicity; to Dean M. Ellis Drake, Chairman of the Committee on Campus Publications; to Dean A. E. Whitford, financial advisor to the FIAT; and to Miss Mary Coleman of the Alumni Office, we offer our sincerest appreciation for their suggestions and interest in the paper.

For their infinite patience with the antics of the present crop of collegiate journalists we thank the force of the Sun Publishing Company whose office we have provided with the motto: "Home of the FIAT."

So, with the passing of one more FIAT staff, the paper will show only a superficial change, remaining still the strong and respected Voice of the Campus. Through its columns an ever-increasing number of Alfredians, asking for representation and justice, will make their voices heard.

**Intermission**

Marcia Noyes

**Cafe Interfraternite Has One Night Opening**

A new night spot opened Saturday, April 27, in South Hall. From 8 to 12 the guests danced to the music of "Tommy Dawsey" and "Wood-he Herman," in other words to the Palmer Sound System. The gym was decorated with posters representing Delta Sig, Klan Alpine, Kappa Psi, Lambda Chi, and Kappa Nu. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served during intermission.

Chaperones were Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Seidlin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nord, Mr. and Mrs. DeForest W. Truman, and Mr. and Mrs. John McMahon. John Heebner '47 was general chairman of the dance.

**Pi Alpha Entertains Faculty at Annual Coffee Hour**

From 8 to 10 p.m. Sunday, April 28, Pi Alpha Pi entertained the faculty. Refreshments of cookies, candy, tea and coffee were served. Senior members received and poured. The decoration committee consisted of Wilma White '46, Gen Polan '46, and Pam Pelton '46. Marcia Noyes '47, Kalope Giopulos '46, Taffy Macaulay '48, and Corinne Herrick '47 made up the refreshment committee.

Mr. Sanford Cole, one of the founders of Kappa Psi, was a dinner guest at Kappa Psi, Friday, April 26. . . . A daughter, Joan Adele, was born to Robert C. Burgess, Kappa Psi '43, and Phyllis Little Burgess, Pi Alpha '45, Wednesday, April 24, in Hornell. . . . Ernie Faust, Kappa Psi, and Harvey Robillard, Kappa Psi, were dinner guests at Omicron, Thursday, April 25. . . . Mary J. Lewis was a dinner guest at the Castle, Wednesday, April 24. . . .

Pledges Robin Cochrane, Artrude Ratchkowsky, Betsy Weingard, Barbara Dahl, Barbara Light, Peg Kelley, Claire Olmstead, and Florence Bunch were initiated into Theta Chi, Monday evening, April 22. . . .

Genevieve Mezey Noyes, Pi Alpha ex-'46, Robert Noyes, Kappa Psi ex-'44, and their son Daniel Robert were visitors on campus Wednesday, April 24. . . . Gloria Burchell, Theta Chi '45 was a week-end visitor on campus. . . . Dinner guests at Pi Alpha, Thursday, April 25, were "Lucky" Lawrence, Kappa Psi, Mary Johnston Lawrence, Pi Alpha '43, Maisie Barrus '46, Barbara Barrus, and Mrs. Helen Saunders. . . . John Johnston was a week-end visitor on campus. . . . Dinner guests at the Castle, Thursday, April 25, were Beatrice Rennell, Pi Alpha ex-'47, and Gordon Swanson '45. . . .

Mary Lou Shaner of Bolivar, N. Y., was a luncheon guest at Pi Alpha, Friday, April 26. . . . Pat Forsey and Bobby Barrus were visiting their sisters at the Castle during the past week. . . . Leon Shaw, brother of housemother Mrs. Laura Chamberlain, was a dinner guest at Theta Chi, Tuesday, April 23. . . . Dinner guests at Pi Alpha, Wednesday, April 24, were Betty Lou Fontaine, Pi Alpha '46, Jean Forsey '47, and her sister Pat. . . . Dorothy Breckon has been visiting her husband, Haldred Breckon, Kappa Psi '47, for the past week. . . .

**The Vet's Column**

By George Klinetsky

The Alvets met in strength last Thursday night, it says here in small print. Elections were finally held, and the following men were elected to their respective offices:

- Commander—Frank Heasley
- Vice-commander—Bill Stoller
- Secretary—Don Jonas
- Treasurer—Joe Crispino
- Sgt. at arms—"Chuck" Radetich
- Publicity Agent—Bob Vincent

Good luck to all of you men. You have a tough job indeed—very tough. At the beginning of the year, the Alvets got off to a bad start. The newly-entered vets were not impressed at the organization which we had already established. In fact, they were as depressed as could possibly be. Over a period of months, this depression was slowly overcome. The club had a reorganization period that lasted up to the present writing.

All of the aforementioned officers have a tough job indeed. Their main obstacle is that of lack

of veteran participation in a club of their own founded specifically for their benefit.

"I have homework to do, so I couldn't possibly attend the Vets' meeting tonight." That seems to be the popular opinion on campus, but the same vets who made the above statement were found in the Union, Collegiate, Almond or some other place. The Alvets is your organization. Do you want it, or don't you? Perhaps the name of the club should be made Veterans minority group in behalf of the few veterans who are interested enough to form such a venture as the Alvets and attempt to solve the problems of the entire Veterans group.

Without the veterans group, vets would not have direct communication with the rest of the campus, including the Administration. Without the veterans' group, extra buses for the week-end would be unheard of. Numerous other difficulties have been solved or relieved due to the actions of the Alvets.

Truly, the officers of such a venture have a tough assignment. Countless veterans will be in Alfred in a matter of months and, if the Alvets hasn't the support of the veterans present, then how well is the club expected to fare next year? Consider this important matter immediately.

True, the Alvets hasn't accomplished much, but how can it without your support? Make up your mind to appear at the next meeting. Join the organization and make it worthwhile and powerful. This is an appeal to all vets on campus. Faculty members who are veterans of World War II are urged to attend, too. Closer cooperation of Administration, Faculty and students is the ultimate aim of the club. Pan-Americanism is the topic of the campus at present. Why can't we have a Pan-Alfred week and eventually Pan-Alfred year?

Whew, that's enough space for politics. The main interest of the meeting seemed to be concentrated on the outing. Brother! I never saw such enthusiasm in any group in my life as far as social functions go. All right, Metzger, stop drooling, it's still weeks off. The refreshment committee is hard at work and taking a census of neighboring—oops, pardon me—soft drink companies.

The next meeting will be held Thursday night in Physics Hall at 7:15 and it is hoped that all members of the club, as well as non-members who wish to join up, will attend. Come down and meet your new officers.

By the way, Student Senate elections will be held in the Union this Friday, so every last one of you should think about the candidates who are running for President. A veteran should be the Alvets' choice for prexy, and every veteran should support someone with the ability to handle so much responsibility. Your candidate will be included in the Assembly "bull-session" next Thursday, so talk to your friends and decide who is the proper man for this heavy job.

**College Town**

By Leonard Lockwood

Well, Daylight Saving Time was ushered into Alfred and numerous people were fouled up including yours truly. . . . Saddest of the crew were the lonely few who took that night to pull a 2:30. . . . So sad. . . .

The advantages of a higher education was very well shown at the Spanish Club dinner, Thursday night. . . . Such versatility. . . . third year student began her talk with the Spanish equivalent of "I'm going to give this speech in English". . . . I'm sure she couldn't have done that three years ago. . . .

To get back to Mrs. Almy (she's good copy) after a very detailed explanation to Corrinne about how she mistook her for herself last week she walked up to Mr. Bassett saying "Hello, Mr. Burdick". . . .

Effect of a night at the K'ant U on local artist's interpretations is very graphically shown in the new drawings at the Union. . . . Edna Levy did both the one in the front room and the one in middle. . . . One of them was after quite a session at our second home. . . . Which one? . . . First ten people to bring the right answer into the Fiat Office will get a free beer check to be used at anyone of the numerous bars in Alfred. . . .

Speaking of bars, Jack Price, local genius, caused quite a furore in Alfred over the vacation. . . . He completed the first three letters in the Barber Shop sign. . . . Traffic was stopped for miles around and Mr. Corsaw had a busy day. . . . Bewildered traffic authorities finally prevailed on Jack to finish the sign and Alfred returned to its usual vacation atmosphere. . . .

Dean Drake was making quite a pronounced impression on us as he expounded the virtues of being in assembly on time. . . . Everyone was listening intently and nobody moved in the place except Mr. Titsworth slipping sheepishly into his seat. . . .

"Bud" MacDonnell, local Eulenspiegel, set his alarm for five to get up and study. . . . Get up he did but settling down with his book he noticed his unshined shoes. . . . Disturbed, he shined them. . . . Then hunger beckoned and he slipped down for a little snack. . . . And so it went at a quarter to eight with no studying done, he had to race to get dressed and make his eight o'clock. . . . Incidentally Bud can be found anytime in the local telephone office making himself useful doing things or just sitting looking approvingly at Phyllis's lovely tresses. . . .

Numerous elections being held around campus and I justly feel that a T.W. (teenie weenie) operator like myself should pull off one of the plums. . . . After looking the field over have decided to start my whispering campaign for president of the Women's Student Government. . . . Sounds like the best deal on the Campus to me. . . .

**Daisy, Daisy**

**New Bicycle for Sale**—English bike, ladies' model Humber, Handlebar gearshift. Three speed gear (Sturmey-Archer). Two brakes. Price \$69.50 plus \$6.75 for large packing crate and express charges. Inquire of Prof. Samuel Kaetzel.

**Used Bicycle for Sale**—Irving Johnson Bike. Pre-war model (1936). Large, in excellent condition, balloon tires. Asking \$40. Write Box H-2, Alfred.

**Carillon Schedule Changed**

The Friday concerts on the Davis Memorial Carillon will resume on Summer Schedule next Friday, May 3, to evening hours—7:30 to 8:15.

The Sunday Concerts remain the same hour—3 to 4 p. m.

**Editor's Mail Box**

Bernal Diaz 19

Mexico, D. F., Mexico

Editor, FIAT LUX:

It is gratifying to realize, through the FIAT, that University social life is once more working itself up to par. That St. Pat has recommenced his annual pilgrimage to Alfred—that eyelids need no longer be lowered shyly at the word "beer"—that "Andy" Carabillo has found his way back to the Beacon—these are small enough things to the great outside world, but they are glad tidings to one who still remembers clearly the dark grey social calendar of '44-'45.

They were pretty grim, those days, and the mad social whirl we all didn't have had strange effects. The most hardened W.S. G. criminals of the year before worked overtime turning in their friends for being five minutes late—a one night campus was a tragedy because it meant missing a bi-weekly movie—everybody got more and more virtuous because there wasn't anything else to be anyway, and more and more miserable, until the general feeling got around "Let's purify everything and wipe out those HORRID SORORITIES." Then the bitter, the scintillating, the forceful conversations that roged over that campus—diverting greatly and accomplishing nothing.

Now, however, with things to do, with dances and dates and house parties, Alfred seems to be getting pretty much back to normal. There will be less time, undoubtedly, to reproach and reprove, but then we all have to sacrifice something.

It must be full spring in Alfred now and Western New York springs really have it all over Mexican ones as far as I'm concerned. There's no difference here, No snow to melt, and the birds and flowers have been evident all winter so there is no spring fever, and not even a Kanakadea to roar. Especially now, in this season, I wallow hopelessly in Alfred sentiment when I get a FIAT. By the way, how did St. Pat get there? I missed that issue.

Regards to all,  
Waite Tefft, ex '46

Editor, Fiat Lux:

When it gets to the point where girls have to teach fellows manners, life must be getting pretty low.

When fellows get to college it's about time they knew how to be courteous to the girls they take to a dance. Unless a fellow and a girl are really in love, going steady, engaged or married, it is taken for granted that the fellow shouldn't monopolize the girl for the whole evening. At a program dance, the programs aren't made just to have the escort's name scrawled all over both sides to indicate that the girl hasn't a chance to circulate. The young man may think that the girl is going to be highly flattered to dance with him all night, but unless he's Van Johnson, Bing Crosby and Arthur Murray all rolled into one, I'm afraid his ego is going to get a lot of pin-pricking before the dance is over.

A girl likes to get around and meet fellows, as much as a fellow should want to get around and meet other girls. Even at a regular dance it's the easiest thing to go up to your best friend and ask if he and his date would like to double-cut. A boy may be very proud of the girl he has taken to the dance, but it's about time he thought of her for a change.

I hope that the misinformed young men on campus take heed of this letter and learn a lesson that they should have known long before this.

Anon.

# Sigma Chi Nu Climaxes Girls Basketball Season By Victory Over Town

## Two Undeclared Teams In Decisive Match Tuesday

Tuesday night, April 23, Sigma Chi proved its superiority on the basketball court by capturing the Girls' Basketball Trophy, subduing the undefeated Town Team by a score of 31-13. This was the eighth and final time which Sigma Chi has won the award.

With strenuous work on the part of the Sigma Chi guards, the ball was kept with their forwards throughout the game. The first quarter was a period of continuous passwork, not much attempt at shooting baskets, or at sinking them. Thus, the quarter ended with the low score of 4-1.

In the second quarter, Tooke's speed and action were the only redeeming features of her team. However, the only points her team acquired were through foul shots. The score at the half was 12-3.

The rest of the game was played the same as it had started. Luck was with Sigma Chi, and with the luck came a certain amount of assurance. Toward the end of the game, Town pulled out of its low slump to make nine points. The whistle blew leaving the final score 31-13.

The most outstanding scorer for Sigma Chi was C. T. Torrey, who accumulated 15 points. High scorer for the Town Team was Mimi Tooke with five points.

Lineup:  
**Sigma Chi**  
 Edith Fagan  
 Norma Jacox  
 Carole Torrey  
 Sylvia March  
 Fran Bovee  
 Grace Congdon  
 Substitutions: Edna White, Maria Becerra, Jean Martin, Helene Bayko.

The women's basketball season lasted from December to April 25. Class games were played before inter-house games. The two undefeated teams, the Senior Class and Sophomore Class, played their decisive games, the Seniors winning with the close score of 21-19.

Inter-house games were played following Christmas vacation. At the beginning of the season the strongest teams were Pi Alpha, Town and Sigma Chi. This threesome remained most prominent throughout the season.

Attention, however, should be called to both Brick teams which showed a great amount of athletic talent for teams composed almost entirely of Fresh girls. With more practice and training they will be an addition to any team.

Much credit for these games must be given to Fran Bovee, manager of Girls' Basketball. It was almost impossible to work out a perfect schedule without some forfeits and postponements. Miss Lavinia Creighton, Girls' Physical Education Director, is due a vote of thanks for her patient help at practices and service as referee for each game.

The final standing of the teams is:

	Wins	Losses
Sigma Chi	4	0
Town	6	1
Pi Alpha	6	2
Brick II	3	2
Brick I	2	4
Theta Chi	1	2
Bartlett	1	5
Kappa Delta	0	3
AKO	0	4

# Socialist Talks With Students At Open Forum

Mr. Norman Thomas met informally with students and faculty members Thursday afternoon, April 25, in Kenyon Hall Chapel. Mr. Thomas indicated his willingness to answer any questions on Socialism or the Socialist Party.

The first question asked Mr. Thomas was what the status of the Socialist Party in America is. From a quantitative point of view, the status of the Socialist Party is poor. The speaker explained this fact by stating that a movement was started around 1912 to monopolize the ballot for the old parties, and for this reason it has been difficult for new parties to stay on the ticket. This movement was started as a result of a scare that the old parties received at two presidential elections. First, in 1912, both the Progressive and Socialist Parties received a big vote, and in 1924, the Socialist Party again received a good vote.

Mr. Thomas believes that a minority party should have the right to become a majority party. Today, it is practically impossible to get three parties on the ballot.

The Socialist Party would like to set up a system like the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation of Canada. There would be no block voting under this system, since one would have to join the party to vote. The Socialist Party believes itself to be the educator of a new mass party, which would be based on some definite set of principles. In the old parties, according to Mr. Thomas, the principles are the same.

A question was then asked Mr. Thomas as to what the principles of the Socialist Party are. The speaker set forth five or six main points. First, the use of resources and machinery should be for the good of all people. The natural resources such as oil, coal, and iron, should be socially owned and controlled. Under this system there would be no collectivization of land. Second, money, banking and credit would be socially controlled under a socialist system. Monopolies and semi-monopolies, including public utilities, would also be subject to social control. Another principle of the Socialist Party is the necessity of a planned economy. The Socialist Party also believed in guaranteeing a minimum wage to all families. The last principle mentioned by Mr. Thomas was that the Socialist Party favors a system of World Government.

In the course of the rest of the questions asked him, the speaker gave his opinion on a variety of subjects. He explained the difference between collectivization and socialization by stating that socialization is for the individual, and not for the glorification of the higher-ups in society, which is an explanation of collectivism. The people of the country, through government channels

# Interfrat Rush Parties Nearing Climax Tuesday

Last Saturday evening at South Hall the Interfraternity Council presented its first all-campus dance. A mixed crowd of fraternity men, eligible men and their dates danced to the strains of "T. D.", Glenn Miller, etc., through the courtesy of the Palmer Sound System. Approximately 100 couples attended the affair.

Caricatures of the five frat houses, including Kappa Nu's puppet or "Dream of a Castle," formed the decorative motif for the dance. Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Seidlin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nord, Mr. and Mrs. DeForest W. Truman, Mr. and Mrs. John McMahon were invited to act as chaperones.

Friday night, May 3, the fraternities will hold open house from 8:00 until 12:00. Rushes may visit the fraternity or fraternities in which they are interested.

Saturday, May 4, each eligible man will receive a post card from Miss Lelia Tupper on which he is to check his first and second choices. These cards are to be mailed back to Miss Tupper immediately. She, with the aid of an impartial faculty committee, will match each man's preference with a corresponding fraternity preferential list.

Tuesday evening, May 7, the fraternities will tap the men of their choice.

On Sunday, May 5, Bishop Bartel Reinheimer of Rochester will be in Alfred, and will hold a confirmation service at 9:30 a. m. at Christ Chapel, the Gothic.

This is the Bishop's annual visit to Alfred, and all Episcopalians on campus are cordially invited to attend.

would decide where to draw the line in which industries should be socialized.

This forum session was undoubtedly enlightening to many who attended the session, for Mr. Thomas cleared up a great many questions as to the position of the Socialist Party in American affairs.

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# Wilbur Getz, National Track Star, To Coach X-Country At Alfred University In Fall

## Famous Athlete Returns To Alma Mater--First Meet Scheduled For Oct.

Prof. Wilbur C. Getz of the Ag-Tech Institute has agreed to coach cross-country during the fall of '46 according to a recent announcement. Several men are already running in preparation for the scheduled program.

# Klanmen Down Sigma Chi In Recent Game

Wednesday night in South Hall the girls of Sigma Chi met the challenge of the fellows of Klan Alpine in an exhibition basketball game. After learning the girls' rules, the Klanmen led the game to a point of near exhaustion for the girls. The final score was 24-13.

The first quarter was a work-out for both teams. With the ball in the territory of the Klan forwards the entire first quarter, Sigma Chi was unable to score while the frat men checked up seven points.

In the second half, Sigma Chi rallied by making one point, a foul shot by Carole Torrey. Klan succeeded in making six points, raising the score to 13-1 at the end of the first half.

The second half was played speedily, with little accuracy. Klan kept the ball continually, team members throwing the ball from one court to the other. Heebner, high "foul-maker" for the fellows, also was high scorer. Carole Torrey was high scorer for the girls.

# Alumnus Represents A.U. At Minnesota University

Rev. Neal D. Mills of New Auburn, Wisconsin, was the official representative of Alfred University at the inauguration of James Lewis Morrill as eighth president of the University of Minnesota, April 23-25.

Mr. Getz, whose biography appeared in last week's edition of the FIAT, seems very pleased with the schedule. He remarked that very few schools can boast of as good a setup as Alfred's.

Several men have been training daily at the gym for the past couple of weeks. Mr. Getz plans, in a week or two, to hike with team members over the Alfred cross-country course to acquaint everyone with the countryside involved.

Mr. Getz is probably the most famous athlete to ever come out of Alfred. During his last two years of college, 1928-29, he won several Intercollegiate races in both cross-country and track. In 1929, he won the National Collegiate mile and set an Alfred record which still stands.

The cross-country schedule for next fall is:

- October 5—RPI at Troy
- " 12—Buffalo State Teachers at Alfred
- " 19—Cornell University, at Ithaca
- " 26—Colgate
- November 2—University of Toronto at Alfred
- " 9—Middle Atlantics at Bethlehem, Pa.
- " 18—Intercollegiate Meet at New York City
- " 25—National Collegiates at East Lansing, Mich.

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Radio is not Gene's only interest as he loves to play the piano. The fact that he lost the four fingers of his left hand in an industrial accident has not discouraged him. He works on the music he wishes to play, rearranging the bass in a manner which produces a result similar to the harmony of a Strauss waltz; that is, he plays the lead bass note with his left hand, using the right hand to fill in the harmony with chords and to play the melody. The result is a pleasing one of close and delicate harmony. You heard him, no doubt, at the St. Pat's Dance when he played an original composition.

As if these activities were not sufficient, Gene is completing the Ag-Tech radio course in one year. After finishing school this versatile Alfredian is planning to pursue a career in radio. We wish him lots of luck in his chosen profession.

# Latin Club Plans Annual Affair

Tonight, Social Hall will be the scene of the Latin Club's annual banquet. The members of the Latin Club attending the banquet will be in Roman dress, and the program will consist of a Latin play and a number of Latin songs.

E. J. McBride '46 is general chairman of the banquet; Pam Pelton '46 is head of the Food Committee, Janet Matson '48 is head of the Scrolls Committee, and Peg Kelley '49 is head of the Program Committee.

# 'Neath Sentimental Pines . . .



Roger: "While we're sitting here in the moonlight, I'd like to ask you—"  
 Barbara (breathlessly): "Yes—"  
 Roger: "Couldn't we move over? I'm sitting on a nail."

## Know Your Alumni

In an attempt to acquaint present students with alumni, this column will present the story of the careers of one or two former Alfred students each week.

### Dr. Grace I. Crandall

The Class of 1898 remembers Grace Crandall as an awkward, shy red-headed girl who was an excellent student with a flair for languages. Her college intimates like to relate anecdotes of her high spirits and bluff determination.

After graduating from Alfred with a liberal arts degree, Grace Crandall went to New York where she took a nurses' training course at Memorial Hospital. This goal attained, her ambition carried her on to a medical degree at Hahnemann Medical School in Chicago. For several years after this she practised medicine at Milton Junction, Wisconsin, taking tender care of her invalid mother.

After the death of her mother, Dr. Crandall took up her chosen work, for which she had so painstakingly prepared, that of medical missionary to China.

Perhaps the fact that she arrived in China during the revolution when the Manchu Dynasty was overthrown and the republic set up had something to do with her interest in Chinese politics and her keen observation of Chinese affairs. A good linguist, Dr. Crandall, with characteristic thoroughness, has gotten much of her information about Chinese things directly from native newspapers, rather than depending on news through English language sources as all but a handful of Americans and Britons do.

Dr. Crandall joined forces with Dr. Rosa Palmberg, also of the Seventh Day Baptist Mission, at Liu-ho, near Shanghai, where they carried on medical work, building up Grace Hospital which eventually cared for more than eighty-five bed-patients, as well as large clinics and many out-calls. She found time to try to interest the farmers in producing long-stapled cotton, raised vegetables and built up a dairy herd to provide milk for the patients.

The indomitable doctor adopted two underprivileged girls. One she has educated as a nurse, and the other as a doctor of medicine.

Dr. Crandall worked with the Chinese leaders of Liu-ho in improving sanitation and health, doing much in the way of vaccination and immunizations and handling relief after wars had twice devastated the countryside. In 1924 the hospital was very badly damaged by shell-fire during a battle, and had to be largely rebuilt. Dr. Crandall stayed with her patients and staff throughout the siege.

In 1940 she foresaw the imminence of war between America and Japan. Since Liu-ho was untenable, she resolved to strike inland where mission work was new. With her daughter, Dr. Esther Pan, she got passage on a small Chinese ship which after a false start or two managed to outwit the Japanese and land them with their medical supplies at a point from which they could proceed to the interior of Kiangsi Province. This adventure was a disappointment in that during the war years she was unable to do the service she had planned because of severe illness. Dr. Pan carried on Christian medical work and cared for her mother. After the conclusion of hostilities the two made the very arduous trip by inland routes back to Shanghai, where she is now convalescing. She is busy teaching English and making plans to assist in the rebuilding of Grace Hospital as her health permits.

### Infirmary Notes

The only student who was a patient at the infirmary last week was William Pidgeon.

## How About A

Identify these personalities and send your answers to the FIAT by Wednesday noon. An appropriate prize will be awarded.



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## Alfred Alumni And Ceramists Attend Meeting

Eight gatherings of Alfred University Alumni were scheduled for the months of April and May, according to W. Harold Reid, director of finance at Alfred University and acting executive secretary of the Alumni Association. Some of these meetings have already occurred.

On April 13, a meeting was held at Hotel Martinique, New York City. Burton F. Bliss, 26 Main Street, Hastings-on-Hudson, president of the New York City group, made the arrangements. The 93 alumni present elected new officers. F. Hamilton Whipple '25 was elected president, Mary Stein ex-'44 was elected secretary, and Edward Lebohner '27 was named council member.

Under the leadership of Frank M. Hill, Ashaway, R. I., the Rhode Island group met at Westerly on April 14 at 2:00 p. m. at the Knoll Dining Room. At this meeting there were 31 present, and the new officers elected were: Eugene Van Horn '36, president; David S. Clarke '41, secretary; Frank M. Hill '14, councilmember.

On the following day, April 15, at 7:00 p. m., Alfred Alumni in the Boston area convened at the Harvard Faculty Club. Mrs. Sam Scholes, Jr., of 775 Broadway, West Summerville 44, was the planner, and the 23 alumni present elected Sam R. Scholes, Jr., '37, president, Anna Houghtaling Stoddard '24, secretary, and Betty Gillespie '35, councilmember.

Tonight, April 30, a joint group of Alfred Alumni near Buffalo and the Ceramic group attending the Convention in Buffalo will

## Choose Senate Prexy Friday

All-campus elections for the '46-'47 president of the Student Senate will occur in the Union this Friday, President Mae Barrus '46 announced today.

Roberta Wells '47, member of the Senate last year, at present is the only candidate on the ballot, Bob Brant '47 and Barbara Guillaume '47 having withdrawn their names.

Miss Barrus pointed out that a petition containing 50 names supporting the candidacy of any non-Senate member would be considered by the Senate at its meeting tonight at 8:00. If there is enough sentiment favoring the waiving of the one-year's service requirement, the name of such a candidate also will be included on the ballot. Campaigning will be done in Assembly, Thursday morning.

have a 6:00 dinner in the Georgian Room, Hotel Statler. Walter L. Gibbs, 411 Ashland Avenue, Buffalo 13, is in charge.

The last two meetings are scheduled for May 11 at the Hotel Langwell, Elmira, and May 18, at Rochester. Ralph S. Austin, 759 West Clinton, Elmira, is the president in Elmira, while in Rochester, John C. Nevius, 392 Magee Avenue, will be host for the Alfredians gathering at Spring House, 3001 Monroe Avenue. A gathering is to be held for alumni in the Albany area on May 17 at the Hotel Governor Clinton in Albany.

## Sigma Chi Initiates

Informal initiation was held Friday evening at Sigma Chi for sixteen pledges. Refreshments of fresh-strawberry whip and angel-food cake were served. Initiated were: Joyce Kilian, Emily Harrington, Grace Bradley, Joan McQuillan, Rose Schuster, Dorothy Dill, Marie Burnett, Marilyn Schneider, Mary K. Ellis, Joyce Sherwood, Joyce Swaney, Joyce Bovee, Sally Swish, Donna Watlengel, Nancy Curtiss and Audrey Foote.

New members an honoraries, Mrs. Gerald Lewis, Mrs. De Forest Truman, Mrs. Henry Nord and Miss Coleman, were formally initiated at Sigma Chi on Sunday afternoon. Honoraries were present. Tea and cookies were served. The house was decorated with snapdragons and greens.

## Pan American Week

(Continued from page one) lowed by the cultural program, to which everyone was invited.

Mistress of ceremonies for the evening was Elvira Monacelli '46, who introduced each act or speaker on the program. The program consisted of two movies, shown by Spike Rodies '47, two solos by Jean Camagni '46, soprano, a trio by Lois Sutton '48, June Allan '48, and Norma Jacox '48, a piano solo, "La Malaguena," by Grace Bradley '49, a number of talks on Latin American art, music, and science, by Janet Matson '48, Maria Becerra '46, and Corinne Herrick '47, respectively, and a talk by Miss Mabel McCrimmon, who is visiting Alfred at the present time.

Students of the Spanish Department are indebted to Miss Mabel Taylor, Head of the department, and Spike Rodies, general chairman of the week's activities, for a successful Pan-American Week.

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## Ceramic Art Seniors Take Plant Trip

Leaving Alfred this past Sunday, the Senior Ceramic Art students will include Buffalo and Toronto in their annual trip.

In Buffalo, the faculty of the New York State College of Ceramics and the students participating in the trip are attending the Ceramic Convention being held April 29-May 1. The museums' art exhibitions are to be covered there also.

The group will visit various museums in Toronto, returning to Alfred, Sunday, May 5. The trip is being made by train.

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