



## Entremont To Play For Second Time At Forum

Thursday, immediately following the Christmas recess, the Forum Committee will present, in the newly painted Alumni Hall, Philippe Entremont the young pianist who was heard in concert here in 1952.

Philippe Entremont is 20 years old, and young as he is, he has already visited most of the important cities of the world. Since his first American tour he has played throughout North Africa, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium and France. In his native country, besides giving recitals in the major cities, he has performed at the Salle Gaveau, the Theatre des Champs Elysees and the National Conservatory in Paris; has been soloist under such eminent conductors as Charles Munch and Darius Milhaud and has played frequently over the Paris radio — Diffusion Nationale, as he has been heard on radio stations throughout the continent.

Just as he has made a success of playing before the public so too has Philippe Entremont been fortunate whenever he has played before juries of the most eminent musicians in the world. First of all, when he was twelve he won the first prize in sight-reading at the famed National Conservatory in Paris; at fourteen, first prize in chamber music; at fifteen, first prize in piano; at sixteen, or ten years after his first piano lesson, he became Laureat in the international Long-Thibaud competition held annually in Paris, and at seventeen was named Laureat again, this time in another international piano competition, the Queen Elizabeth of Belgium Contest in Brussels. Last year he became First Laureat and Grand Prize Winner, City of Paris, in the Long-Thibaud competition.

## Cinemascope Makes Debut

The long-awaited cinemascope picture made its debut on the screen of the Campus Theatre Wednesday, Dec. 1, with the feature showing of "King Richard and the Crusaders." In making the announcement, Prof. W. Varick Nevins, III, manager and operator of the theater, said the new equipment was purchased from Projection Optics Company, Rochester, and was in the planning since September.

The new apparatus, including the screen, which was installed in mid-September, cost approximately \$2,500, Mr. Nevins estimated.

The primary reason for installing cinemascope facilities, Mr. Nevins said, was that increasingly films were made for cinemascope presentation, and cannot be shown on ordinary apparatus. He foresees no box office increase in the long run because of the cinemascope installation, but would not be surprised if the attendance is upped during the initial period of the new installation.

Justly proud of the Campus Theatre, which now boasts facilities for both ordinary and cinemascope films, a feature unusual in itself, Mr. Nevins pointed out, "But it will only mean more work for me." This was with reference to the fact that, during a double-feature showing, when only one of the films is cinemascope, some of the equipment will have to be changed accordingly at the interval. However, despite a lot of planning involved in the operation in such a case, Mr. Nevins said it will actually take him three seconds to effect the change-over, and "the audience wouldn't feel it."

During the next two or three months, Mr. Nevins expects, about 60 per cent of the films at the Campus Theatre will be cinemascope presentation, and even more will be cinemascope thereafter.

Prof. Nevins said that his interest in moving pictures began as a hobby, and dates back to his student days at Alfred University. He has been operator at the Campus Theatre since its opening in February 1932.

## Messiah Performance Poses Questions For Reporter

by Bert Katz

The recent performance by the University Chorus of Handel's *Messiah* brings to mind a series of questions. The first question deals with the concert as it was presented the evening of December 5, should the presentation be considered on a critical basis? And the next most important question, accepting the validity of a criticism, what is there to be criticized?

On the grounds that a criticism can be valuable in improving future presentations and pacifying those that were musically dissatisfied with the latest performance, I shall proceed to state my opinion.

On a comparative basis of last year's performance of the same oratorio I found a good performance on one hand and a comparatively poor performance on the other hand. On the one hand, if we speak of balance between chorus in varying ranges, and in relation to the orchestral accompaniment it was a fine concert. A very handsome balance between these parts was achieved. However if we speak of genuine feeling and understanding of the music there was a weakness which I thought was quite evident. At least some of the exuberance of last year's concert should have been an ingredient of this year's concert—paradoxically since this was the only criticism of last year's performance.

Special note should be made in respect to understanding the music; Craig Hankinson the bass soloist, who in my opinion did a magnificent job complete with a masterful technique, incorporated deep insight and feeling in his solos, Marilyn Richard, the Alfred-alma soprano did a very much improved job this year especially in the soprano solo "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," which I thought her best. Other soloists were: Charles House, tenor, and Phyllis Rochaw, alto. Charles House is soloist of the First Presbyterian Church in Rochester, N. Y., as is Phyllis Roccohow. Craig Hankinson recently is appearing in scenes of the opera workshop at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester.

The final question that occurs to me lies in the "tradition" attached to the Handel work. A contemporary of Handel, one J. S. Bach, has also contributed some great oratorios for the Christmas occasion. His Christmas Oratorio for instance strikes me as being quite as profound as the *Messiah*. Would it not be possible for the Music Department to consider presentation of this work next year? The other members of the production follow:

Ada Becker Seidlin at the piano and Lawrence Hardy performed the organ parts. The orchestra was a composite of Alfred University musicians and a group of very professional Wellsville High School students under Adelbert Purga's direction.

William Fiedler, chairman of the music department, ably directed the entire production.

## TV For Union

The Alfred Student Union is having a new addition.

The Student Union Board whose chairmen are Dan Shelker and Barbara Scott announced that a television set will be installed in the reading room at the Union. It will be arranged so that it can be moved into the lounge if necessary. Having the set will enable the student body to see sports events, campaigns, elections, and news. It must be remembered however that the care of the set is also up to the student body.

The television set which is to be a twenty-four inch size will be able to get Channel five from Rochester and Channel four from Buffalo.

It is hoped that the set will prove useful and enjoyable and that great care will be taken with it.

Erie tickets on sale today. Bus tickets too.

## Hearst Rifle Tournament Held

Last Wednesday night the ROTC rifle team participated in the thirty-fourth annual William Randolph Hearst ROTC Rifle Tournament.

This competition was established to stimulate increased interest in the proficient use of small arms in the ROTC program. The competition is run in a step basis. Each ROTC unit sends to its army area command the targets of its top teams; then there is an elimination to get the army area champs and it is these teams that compete for the national championships.

This year, as in previous years, the first place team from the senior Army, Navy and Air Force matches will compete for the coveted William Randolph Hearst National Defense Trophy.

This year Alfred has entered two teams in the competition. Working under a nucleus of Chuck Dyer and Pete Ramko, both members of last year's entry the first team consisted of Nate Finch, Ell Goldowsky, Dave Lipman (alternate) and Lee Swanson in addition to the two already mentioned. Phil Feld, Dave Feinbloom (alternate), Sumner McDaniel, Lee Sobon and Don Weaver comprised the second team. One interesting aspect of the evening's shooting was that the high man came from the second team; Don Weaver fired a 175 while pacing the second team to a 748 total to the first team's 782.

Captain Foss, range officer, has announced a partial list of schools with which postal matches have been scheduled. This list includes: Cornell, Niagara, St. Bonaventure, U. of Oklahoma, Syracuse, St. Lawrence, Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Penn State and the University of Kentucky.

Sgt. Thomas, enlisted man in charge of the range and coach of the rifle team, has announced that while a team has been organized it is by no means permanent. "There are many men around campus who are capable of making the team, all they need is a little practice," said the sergeant and he added that the range is open every afternoon and that they would like to see many more men down there than have already shown up.

## Preliminary Plans Begun For Library

Preliminary plans are in process of being made for the new library. Questionnaires concerning the location and other vital facilities of the building have been sent to members of the faculty and student leaders. Any interested person may obtain a copy of this questionnaire in the library. President Drake said that he is delighted with the response. Some very good suggestions have been received.

As yet there have been no definite decisions made. The students and staff will be kept up to date as plans are made. A library planning committee which has not been chosen as yet will make the plans for the new building. The final decision, however will be made by the Board of Trustees.

After Christmas there will be a meeting to discuss the essential features, such as reading rooms, storage space, etc. An architect will submit preliminary sketches which will be open to criticism and suggestion.

## Noted Biologist To Speak Here

Dr. John T. Edsall, Professor of Biological Chemistry at Harvard University, will speak in Alfred at Binns-Merrill Hall at 8:15 p. m., Monday, January 10.

Professor Edsall entitles his talk, "Aspects of the Structure and Interactions of Proteins." He is recognized as one of the foremost authorities on protein chemistry and has devoted his studies to the physical chemistry of proteins, amino acids and peptides since his student days in medicine at Harvard.

The appearance of Dr. Edsall on our campus is promoted by the Corning Section of the American Chemical Society acting jointly with our Alfred University Sigma Xi Club. Students are cordially welcomed to this meeting.

## Alfred Delegation Attends Model U. N.

Last Friday and Saturday a group of four students and one faculty advisor went to Syracuse University for a model United Nations Council meeting.

The delegates were Mike Ostrow, Bruce Elkin, Ernie La Follette, Sid Landau and Professor Daniel B. Sass as faculty advisor. Alfred's delegation represented the United Kingdom.

The topics discussed were the question of the membership of Red China into the United Nations, and the revision of the veto provisions and rearmament of Germany.

## Chaplain To Speak On Trip To Holland

The Hillel Club will hold a meeting on January 8 in Alumni Hall. They will have as their speaker Chaplain Bredenberg.

The Chaplain will speak on his trip to Holland. All are invited to attend this meeting.

The Executive Board held a meeting before the Thanksgiving vacation. They planned a bagel and lox breakfast for the very beginning of next semester. The possibility of having a joint dance with the other religious clubs on campus was also discussed.

Students who are interested, are reminded that Friday night services are held every week. Dr. Bernstein conducts these services and also gives an informal talk. Everyone is invited to attend.

By proclamation of the President of the United States Wednesday, December 15, has been declared Safety-Day. It is the President's sincere request that this day be as accident free as possible. Only you can make it so.

An Erie representative will be selling tickets in room No. 2, Kanakadea Hall at 12:00 today, to those students wishing to ride to New York.

They are offering a special rate of \$16.01.

## Carnival Queen Finalists Elected



The five winners of Wednesday's and Thursday's Sno-Queen Election — Jeanne Fields, Ruth Ansel, Joyce Smith, Beverly Baase, and Audrey Bingham. (Photo by Bouck)

## Greeks Tap 116 Eligibles

The Alfred University Fraternity rushing season was formally closed Sunday, November 21, with the traditional preferential parties at the various houses. On the following Tuesday these men were tapped in their residences and pledged to their respective fraternities.

LAMBDA CHI — R. Anderson, W. Wagner, B. Dick, J. Stein, F. Tatnall, A. Welzel, B. Pierce, D. Wilcox, A. Seaman, P. Bacher, B. Boulton, B. Clark, E. Law, E. Clough, J. Williams, E. McGuire - Sophomore, G. Fox - Junior.

TAU DELT — M. Bell, P. Richman, A. Namm, D. Brzmitz, D. Wise, M. Kotick, B. Hbins, P. Sheldon, D. Morris, B. Elkin - Sophomore, M. Delin - Sophomore, D. Story - Junior.

PHI LAMBDA — V. Babu, M. Paris, B. Orologio, D. Goodman - Junior.

DELTA SIG — P. Boehme, J. LeCoug, D. Heimback, R. Urode, J. Fitzpatrick, B. Pepitone, V. Byczkiwicz, F. Romano, J. Stagnitti, H. Buback, L. Ursitti, J. Brill, D. Smith, J. Farnan, N. Teta, J. Ryan, D. Brennan, R. Greene, T. Curtin, J. Hartnett, T. Swart, J. Cameron - Sophomore, T. Fritts - Sophomore, G. Wright - Sophomore, R. Petrie - Chellin.

KAPPA NU — R. Chellin, L. Cozza, N. Helm, H. Jarolmen, S. Kapner, B. Kohn, C. Landau, W. Mintz, R. Nagan, A. Newman, S. Ren, R. Sak, S. Schwartz, E. Walker.

KAPPA PSI — G. Shupe, L. DelRosso, J. Donnelly, R. Fahey, E. Fell, E. Gillette, S. Glover, D. Greene, B. Hausler, B. Hart, D. High, B. Hoskyns, P. Katsampes, C. Marvin, P. Partington, D. Rockford, S. Smith, J. Swartz, J. Sproule, W. Wales, D. Whetstone, D. Lim - Sophomore.

KLAN ALPINE — D. Jacobs, E. Kast, J. McNamara, H. Keener, P. Lauck, W. Warren, W. Marcus, E. DeChristopher, S. Hulbert, E. Vieux, E. Lasky, E. McMurtry, E. Lewis, L. Odinov, E. Weiss, D. Hughes, P. Lak-tasich, E. Colby, K. Beltz, W. Metz, C. Maier, D. Nelson - Sophomore.

There will be a special bus from Alfred to the Erie Railroad Station in Hornell on Wednesday, December 15th at 10:15 A. M. Price 40c.

## Sak Chosen For Term In Capital

Each year there are several students from Alfred who spend one semester at the American University in Washington, D. C.

Right now there are three students there from Alfred. They are Jenny Gohert, Marvin Rosenthal, and Jerry Slater.

During their stay there, students take two or three courses and also visit various government agencies.

Each student who takes this course must write a project which is worth three credit hours. Last year Fred Gibbs and Ben Perreault were there. Their projects were respectively, The Niagara Power Project and President Eisenhower's Legislative Influence.

This coming semester Allen Sak is going to be in Washington.

This program is open to all students but as yet only Political Science students have gone. It is now the second year that this plan is in progress.

Santa has just announced that the two days immediately preceding, and the two days immediately following Xmas vacation are NO-CUT DAYS. Violators of the above edict need not listen for the prancing of tiny hooves.

## IF Comes And Goes

Another Interfraternity Ball has come and gone, leaving memories of rustling gowns and soft music.

In the Men's Gym, capped with the blue "formal dance" curtain and decorated in blue and silver, members of the ten University and Ag-Tech fraternities and their dates danced to the music of Les Elgart and his orchestra. Each house had a buffet or cocktail party before the dance, and a party during the intermission. Orange punch and hor d'oeuvres were served, as refreshments at the dance.

## Five Girls Chosen From Candidates Of Both Schools

In elections held last Wednesday at the University and Thursday at Ag Tech, five finalists were chosen from seventeen candidates for Snow Queen of the Winter Carnival.

The original candidates, one from each house on campus except Dobson and the Brick, which were allowed two entries due to

their size, were: Ruth Ansel, Theta Theta Chi; Diana Barry, MacKenzie; Beverly Basse, Pi Nu Epsilon; Audrey Bingham, Henderson; Rosemary Bracker, Campus House; Kathleen Ehresman, Rosebush; Liz Constantine, Castle; Jeanne Fields, Sigma Chi Nu; Jean Gross, Dobson; Diana Graesel, Brick; Phyllis Gozelski, Pi Alpha Pi; Dee Hiller, Dobson; Bennie Levin, Merriam House; Jan Mason, Brick; Marion Sapienza, Alpha Beta Chi; Joyce Smith, Kezia; Ann Straka, Alpha Kappa Omicron. The candidates from Theta Theta Chi, Pi Nu Epsilon, Henderson House, Sigma Chi Nu and Kezia were the final choice of the student voters for Sno-Queen.

Ruth Ansel of Theta Theta Chi is one of the many students from the New York area. A ceramic designer, Ruth is in her sophomore year here. Her many campus activities include the Footlight Club and the office of historian for her sorority.

A native of Rochester, Beverly Baase of Pi Nu Epsilon is in her senior year of secretarial training at Ag-Tech. Beverly is a member of the Commerce Club and is also interested in piano and sewing.

Audrey Bingham, representative of Henderson House, is well known in Alfred for her work in the Charlatans, the Ag-Tech drama organization. A student from Alma, she is completing her senior year of laboratory technology.

Sigma Chi Nu's Jeanne Fields from

Islip, Long Island, is a ceramic design sophomore at the University. Among her campus activities are membership in the Alfred Outing Club, the Student Christian Fellowship and the Kanakadea staff.

Joyce Smith from Kezia is a freshman student in secretarial science from Niagara Falls. Besides her work as social chairman of her dormitory, Joyce also finds time to sing in the Varsity Choir and Mixed Glee Club.

These five girls will attend the Queen's Tea early in February, where they will meet judges from the University and Ag-Tech faculties. After the tea the judges will decide which of the girls will be Sno-Queen for the Winter Carnival Weekend. Their decision will be announced at the Sno-Ball February 11 at 11:00, when the new queen will be crowned by last year's queen, Rhoda Young. The other four girls will comprise the queen's court. All five girls will receive engraved cups and gold necklace charms as tokens of their success.

The Winter Carnival Committee has also announced several new features for this year's program. The free ice-skating of past year's Saturday evening will be replaced by a series of Snow Bunny contests for unskilled, would-be winter sportsmen. Sled and toboggan races, snowball contests and wars, and other unusual contests will be open to all men and women on campus.

## Varied Assemblies Given; Carols Contrast FBI

"Take off your shoes!" These were the opening words in a talk given by the Honorable John D. Young in the assembly of December second. The talk was entitled "Life in the F. B. I."

After some reminiscences of his days on the Alfred campus Mr. Young proceeded to speak about the many peculiar and shocking things which are part of the F. B. I.

Mr. Young pointed out that the principles which apply to working in the F. B. I. also apply to instances in daily life.

These qualifications for an F. B. I. agent are either three years experience as a C. P. A. or being a lawyer and member of the state bar. All applicants are investigated and their records examined. A written exam is given and upon notification from the bureau an oral interview takes place. When the applicant passes all of the foregoing he is sent to Washington for training. The program of training by the F. B. I. is a very practical one. In addition to the primary training program there is a retraining session once a year.

Mr. Young recalled one of his first days in training with the F. B. I. The instructor came into the room and said, "Take off your shoes. Stand up and put your feet on the ground. You don't have your feet on the ground," he said. "Take off your socks. You still don't have your feet on the ground. Close your eyes, picture yourself in Oklahoma working in a field. Now you have your feet on the ground. See that's where they are at all times."

Through various stories Mr. Young exemplified happenings in the F. B. I. which could apply in many sets of circumstances.

An agent was sent to Washington. With him he had a stack of cards listing various uncompleted cases. In leaving an office where he had been he left one of the cards behind. A new agent came in shortly afterwards to pick up his cards and by mistake took the card of the older agent. By carefully following the rules this new agent was able to catch a criminal which the older agent hadn't been able to apprehend. He caught his man

The annual Christmas program was presented at the assembly last Thursday.

Chaplain Bredenberg led the audience in several songs, Jingle Bells, White Christmas and Deck the Halls With Boughs of Holly. Joyce Eumick accompanied on the piano.

Mrs. Lois Scholes, the director of the chapel choir, was then introduced. The choir, which was composed of fourteen girls, sang three "fun carols"; Noel Nuvele, a Coccoo Carol and one of Mrs. Scholes' own arrangements. These were followed by Carol of the Bells and a song dedicated to Dean Certz, "O Holy Night."

The chorus then divided into two groups and sang "My Heart This Night Rejoices" and "What Can This Mean?" This last was about the wanderings of the people who were brought with the Kings at the birth of Jesus. This was followed by "On the First Day of Christmas."

Dr. Bredenberg again led the audience with "Joy to the World," "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Silent Night" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

The choir walked in singing and holding candles. They made a formation on the stage and sang their final number which was a lullabye.

where others had failed because he was still in touch with class room tactics. From this example Mr. Young derived the rule, follow your instructions.

Morals drawn from experience, such as be prepared and always make sure your gun is loaded before you go after your fugitive applies in many, many instances. Needed at all times are care, patience and planning. Make use of minute details as well as what is learned in school. Among things learned in the F. B. I. school are jujitsu and the use of firearms. J. Edgar Hoover comes in at the beginning of each new class at the academy at Washington, and when the course is over bids farewell. His parting comments ran something like this. In the F. B. I. we do not make mistakes. Humans do slip at times but even if you're forgiven you have to pay for them. The difference between success and failure is slight.

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The future of the United States of America rests not in rearmament or atom stockpiles, but in EDUCATION. The long range success of the dream that American statesmen made a reality over 250 years ago depends on the quality of citizens that the educational system will be able to produce in the future. This we firmly believe.

To acknowledge this is to acknowledge that the most important profession in the American scheme of things is that of TEACHING. It is in the power of the members of that profession to raise or lower the overall quality of the citizen; it is in their power to raise or lower the overall quality of America.

Is it not reasonable to assume that such an important occupation should attract only the most capable people? However, the attracting powers of that profession rest not in its importance. As in everything else, more practical considerations govern people's decisions on choosing their occupation. Thus it is that the cream of the college crop — the top students from universities all over the country — turn not to teaching, but to more rewarding occupations. It is a rare person who will let his love of humanity and desire to serve his country over-rule his need for a decent living. Furthermore, it is not right to ask anyone to do this.

But that is exactly what is being done today. The teaching profession offers insufficient material returns to compensate for the years and money one must invest to qualify as an educator. Teachers are forced to use the free time (that is so often pointed to as one of the attributes of the profession) to earn more money. In the New York City High School system, this situation is not exceptional.

What are the results of this situation. One result, which we have implied already, is that the profession is not attracting the quality of people that such an important job requires.

Another result can be found in the work college students turn in as excuses for themes. The quality of spelling and ability to write English has deteriorated in the last few years. This is a reflection of the poor quality of elementary and high school teachers throughout the country. There are other similar results.

This situation is a pressing one. It deserves the immediate attention of the American people. It deserves the immediate attention of the Alfred University administration. The place to start any program at alleviating this condition is here at home.

Would it not be possible to use some of the endowments or other funds, now being used to expand the University, to "expand" the teacher's bankbooks? Would not this type of "building" prove as concrete as any brick structures the University could build? Would not such an investment pay dividends to the Alfred student and eventually America dividends that any investor would be glad to reap? Does not this situation bear the consideration of the University officers — and the country in general? We firmly believe it does.

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The National Association of Manufacturers recently published and distributed to its 20,000 members the findings of two studies on the financial problems of education.

The reports, entitled, "Our Public Schools and Their Financial Support," and "Our Colleges and Universities and Their Financial Support," have received wide editorial acclaim in the nation's press. Briefly the reports emphasized these disturbing facts:

The nation's educational facilities are not keeping pace with the growth in population or with the rise in our national income. Serious shortages of both teachers and classrooms exist and the situation is getting worse.

Enrollments are increasing far more rapidly than are funds for new schools, more teachers and higher teacher salaries.

Additional financial support must be provided to assure America's youth the education it must have to share in and contribute to a better future for all.

If states, communities and private individuals and organizations fail to provide this needed support, the federal government will step in to provide the money. This would mean higher federal taxes and reduced local control of education. But, much more important, federal support would necessarily require federal control over the kinds and quality of education. Diversity would give way to uniformity.

Enrollment Increases

There are 947 names listed in the latest edition of "Students in Attendance, First Semester, 1954-55," just issued by the Registrar's office.

Of those listed, 116 are veterans and 90 are married. The total, representing enrollment in both the University and the College of Ceramics, showed a gain of 24 over last year.

S-Day tomorrow. Be careful!



"Among the inconveniences that'll disappear if you ignore them long enough are snore and adolescence."

Washington Outlook

by Marvin Rosenthal

Another mid-term election has come and gone. Some people are happy, some are sad, while others remain blase.

Certain political implications of the elections could be discussed at this point such as whether the results indicate a victory for the Eisenhower popularity, such as the Alsops believe, or an

Eisenhower loss as believed by Lipman. Is the Neuberger victory in Oregon indicative of the triumph of conservatism and a repudiation of the policies of Eisenhower and McKay (Secretary of the Interior)? Does the Eisenhower endorsement of Case in New Jersey show a triumph over McCarthyism and right wing Republicanism? How much did the last minute Deway-Hoves tactics contribute to the election of Harriman as governor of N.Y.? Will a Democratic Congress tend to change our foreign policy? These questions are highly significant and an attempt to partially resolve them would prove not only valuable but interesting.

Although these questions are certainly worth our consideration, the writer would like to deviate from the basic problems and tell of one interesting, once-in-a-lifetime experience that happened to him on election night.

A group of us decided to spend election night at the headquarters of the Young Democrats. At their headquarters scoreboards were set up showing up to the minute results of the returns. We got to talking with one of the officials there and we were informed that the Democratic National Committee was having a party also but that it was for party members, Congressmen, and other big wheels, and by invitation only. By a little coaxing and wheedling we were able to find out from him the approximate location of the meeting place. So yours truly immediately headed for that general direction.

However, there were no buildings around that in anyway resembled a place for a meeting. Spying a photographer, I followed him. He entered a building, walked straight to an elevator, got out and walked down the hall. I was close at his heels. He walked into a room filled with people, TV sets, scoreboards, cocktails, etc. I did likewise. Uninvited — in the Democratic National Headquarters. Not wanting to look out of place, I took off my coat, lit a cigarette and got myself a cocktail. I was now one of the group. Then I saw a door that was conspicuously closed. Summoning my nerve and boldness, I opened the door, walked in and sat myself down in a very comfortable couch. There were a few people in the room but I really didn't recognize any of them. I proceeded to strike up a conversation with the man next to me to find out where I was. His response threw me. This was the private office of Stephen Mitchell, chairman of the National Democratic office and he was holding a private party for some of the candidates, bigwigs in the party and

personal friends. Included in the group were Stephen Mitchell (on the phone), Mrs. Mitchell, a just elected representative from Louisiana, Mrs. Estes Kefauver, Hy Raskin, who is the number two man in the party echelon, Clayton Fritchey, number three man of the hierarchy and other dignitaries. The gentleman I was talking to was Senator Russel Long of Louisiana (Huey's son). Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Kefauver came over to talk with Mrs. Long. As it happened, I was drawn into the conversation and humbly interjected my viewpoints. Naturally, I could not deviate from the Democratic party line. Mrs. Kefauver and Mrs. Mitchell seemed to be extremely affable people and very easy to talk to. All this time, my identity remained unknown — lucky for me.

I was very interested in the reactions of these people to the election tabulations that were coming over TV and Mitchell's private phone. Instead of watching TV I was watching the people.

Early in the evening when the Democrats were doing especially well, Leonard Hall, chairman of the Republican National Committee was asked on TV what he thought the trend was. Hall said that it was too early to predict and that the race would be very close in both houses. This brought big smiles from the Democrats, a few big laughs and a few remarks concerning Hall.

Again, while the Democrats had an apparent lead, Edward R. Murrow announced that all was gloomy in Democratic Headquarters. This elicited tremendous laughs from all.

The later N.Y. governor returns brought great concern and apprehension from the Democrats.

While I was intensively scrutinizing and dissecting these people, there was a phone call from Adlai Stevenson. Sorry to say, I do not feel that I should relate the conversation that transpired between Stevenson and Mitchell concerning "the lesson the Democrats learned from this election."

Drinks (not soft), sandwiches and coffee were brought into the room. When they were passed around, I was wondering whether or not to partake. But I did not want to look conspicuous, so I indulged.

But the time was now 3 a.m. and I was very tired, so I nonchalantly got up and walked out of the sanctuary. I assume that some of these people wanted to know who I was and how I had ever been invited.

I feel that this was a wonderful experience for me. I certainly shall never forget the night I spent in the private office of Stephen Mitchell at Democratic National Headquarters.

Group Unification Key To Presentation Of Noah

by Mel Millman

It seems, somehow, that no matter what the student body may say to the contrary, the choice of children's plays, for the benefit of the youngsters in the area, will always be the mode for opening the Footlight Club's theatrical season at Alfred.

Noah, however, by Andre Obey, is more than just a children's

play. Although the excellent use of group action by the author makes it a very fine production for youngsters, the great importance of the message it conveys to adults makes the understanding of the play a must for the modern audience. Important as the message may be, however, this reporter would prefer to see an adult message conveyed through an adult play.

As the title suggests, the entire play revolves around the biblical character Noah, played by Reverend Leroy Moser. Mr. Moser's performance was, on the whole, quite good. Bringing to life an allegorical character, such as Noah was in this play, is an extremely difficult task, and Mr. Moser's complete understanding of the character coupled with a great amount of effort on his part to do well made its execution quite successful. Unfortunately, the performance was not as even as it might have been. During the more tranquil episodes, especially at the beginning of the play, Mr. Moser seemed too overly conscious of the fact that he was acting a part and not living it. In marked contrast to this, his performance was at its best when Noah was rallying against God, Evil or Nature with dynamic power fully capable of rising the desired emotion from the audience. In both performances, Mr. Moser seemed to improve as he progressed, although this discrepancy in quality was most apparent in the second performance where a lack of concentration in the first few scenes caused the play to lose much of the sparkle so apparent in the initial showing.

In direct contrast to Noah's unshakable belief in the Almighty, there was presented his son Ham, played by Gail Feldman, the personification of modern empirical cynicism. Like Mr. Moser, Mr. Feldman also possessed full understanding of his part as well as motivation to perform to the best of his ability. His difficulty in slipping himself into the part was the cause, unfortunately, of some overacting. In deed, it was thought by many, from the way he was presented, that poor Ham would have become neurotic before the end of the performance. The unnecessary power exploded by Mr. Feldman caused a sort of burlesque humor which was not meant as part of the play. His performance would have been much finer had he only tempered his emotions somewhat.

Karen Olsen was her usual wonderful self in her excellent and fully convincing portrayal of Mrs. Noah or Mamma. Mamma was as real, as lovable, as simple, and as sympathetic as she was meant to be. Miss Olsen took a character out of a script, blended her own personality into it, and presented it as well as could be expected of any performer. Her change in moods throughout the play were fully visible, as well as fine concentration and complete understanding of the role.

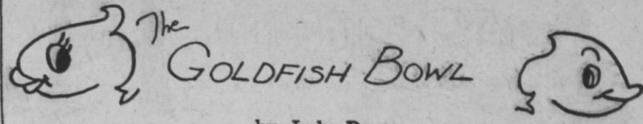
Shem and Japhet were adequately performed by Phillip Partington and David Cohen. A little more effort on their part, however, would have added considerably to the quality of their performance. It may be granted that the parts in themselves were shallow, but a greater combined endeavor might have brought more life into the characters. However, they were sufficiently convincing so as not to hurt the overall quality of the production.

Fine acting on the part of Ann Link, Jean Stillman and Linda Napolin, who played the ingenue roles of Norma, Sella and Ada, respectively, was easily apparent. Individually, each girl did an equally fine job, but it was the wonderful feeling for group participation that brought their acting up to a high level of quality. Each girl was just individual enough to allow for fine contrast and sufficiently similar to allow for their necessary differentiation in the plot structure as a group. As is the case with any good performance all three girls displayed a full understanding of their roles.

It might also be added that when the three brothers, the true fathers of the human race (as opposed to Noah, a guiding spirit of unshakable religious belief), acted together as a group, their performance was particularly fine. The excellent overall quality of the final scene was due to a great extent to their efforts.

Ted Ronick played the part of an obnoxious representative of the decayed race of man destroyed by the great flood, in a most lively and convincing manner. Mr. Ronick indicated complete understanding of the type he portrayed as the power of his performance spoke its full meaning to the audience.

It is this reporter's opinion that the use of animals in the story was primarily what, in all the juvenile content of the play, would tend to make it most unacceptable to a col-



by Judy Dryer

Hi! It sure has been a long time since I last wrote. Lots of news has been made since then, with the Interfraternity Ball most outstanding. Of course, all the fraternity houses had parties before the ball and during intermission. Santa Claus has been seen around town lately, in the form of many different campus personalities.

At Delta Sig's Punch Party Friday, Mr. Reid, Professors Ruoff and Buckley, Mrs. Orcutt and the Reichovichs were chaperones. Obie pinned Phyl Gozelski of Pi Alpha Pi. Sigma Chi went to Delta Sig for dessert Thursday night. But never fear! This didn't interfere with the regular meeting of the Thursday Night Club. A new club, the Wednesday Night Club, is being formed by members of the Tuesday Night Club and the Thursday Night Club.

Kappa Nu had a buffet dinner before Interfraternity. Their Christmas Party Saturday was chaperoned by the Leaches and Mr. Reichovich. Marv Lipper appeared as Santa Claus, spreading joy and good cheer to all.

Tau Delt had a buffet dinner before the dance on Friday night. Chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hardy. During intermission all the boys and their dates went to Wellsville to hold a party at the Hotel Brunswick. A good time was had by all. Saturday night Dr. Bernstein and Mr. and Mrs. Millman chaperoned TD's New Year's Party in the house on Main Street. At last Sunday's meeting the house elected new officers to take over in February. They are as follows: president, Jack Friedland; vice-president, Al Posner; secretary, Stu Bednoff; treasurer, Howie Mendes. Al Posner's sister was up for IF and spent the weekend in Alfred. Congratulations to Steve N. Bender and Mike Schneider on their acceptances to dental schools. Also to be congratulated are Hal Geller and Carol Tenowitz who are now seeing quite a bit of each other. Speaking of Tau Delt, it seems as though Pi Alpha has two new regular visitors from the house.

Captain and Mrs. Spellman, Mr. and Mrs. Kruzas and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scheffer chaperoned on Klan Friday. Their Christmas Party Saturday night was entertained by the junior class and mistletoe. George Myer was Santa Claus. Klan's president, Ron Francis, pinned Phyllis Berger, of Sigma, on Friday night.

The Brandalls, the Trumans, the Kumans and the Orrs were at Lambda Chi Friday night. Bill Sherman was jolly ol' St. Nick at the Christmas Party for the kids Sunday. Lambda Chi went to ABX for dessert Wednesday night. Fran Peterson is playing steady with Pat Warner of ABX.

Kappa Psi had their Christmas Party Saturday night. Don Weaver played Santa Claus. I hear "The General" broke a long-established precedent that night. Roland "Muscles" Claus and Jean "Peaches" McDonald are going steady.

Omicron had their Birthday Banquet Sunday afternoon at Howell Hall. Ann Marshall was Santa Claus at the house Christmas Party Monday night. AKO is sorry to say good-bye to Cindy, the little dog who's going back to Annie Straka's house tomorrow after staying at the house since Thanksgiving vacation. Donna Seifert was at Omicron last weekend. Congratulations to Jan Jarvis and Fred Gibbs, who are to be married December twentieth.

The Castle had a party Saturday night for the girls and their dates. Congratulations to Lynn Sunshine of Pi on being accepted to graduate school at Indiana University. Pi had Angie Zegarelli to dinner Thursday. Their Christmas Party was Wednesday night, the third. Miniature beer mugs were given as favors. The house Christmas party was Sunday. Phyll Young played Santa.

Lynn Hogle, of Sigma, was married to Frank Waith Sunday at the University Church. The reception was held at Sigma. Their Birthday Banquet was held Monday night in Howell Hall. Visiting nurses last weekend were Barb Frierichs, Barb Fifield, Ruth Purple, Nancy Jackson and Sue Olsen. Out-of-town guests were Marilyn Miller and Chris Bugalo.

Theta Chi's Christmas Party was Wednesday night, with Gretta Hansen as Santa Claus. The Brownells were dinner guests at Theta. Weekend guests were Mimi Scott, San Ellsworth, Carolyn Van Cott. Guess that's all now. Merry Christmas everybody!

Judy

Letters

Response

Dear Editor,

I read Mr. Graine's letter in the FIAT, November 16, a number of times, not because it was profound and its meaning hidden, but because of its incoherency.

It seemed to me the plain text of the letter was concerned with his views on fraternalism, rather than Freshman Elections.

I respect Mr. Graine's opinion, because we are living in a country where everyone has the freedom of thought. Whether or not I agree with him is another matter.

However, it is very difficult for me to respect his views when he hides his feelings on fraternalism behind a letter dealing with the Senate. I am sure if he wrote an honest letter on fraternalism, he would receive a great deal more consideration.

I would like to go on the assumption that the letter did deal with the Senate. I wonder how much Mr. Graine was moved by the article. His participation dealing with student government has been almost negligent, yet his indignation over my predictions was overwhelming. Mr. Graine reminds me of a man throwing pop criticisms from a white tower, refusing to correct any of the situations.

Still going on the assumption that he is concerned with the Senate, Mr. Graine should be informed as to certain facts — which he so conveniently left out.

If he attended a Senate Nomination's meeting he would realize that only the most diligent workers of the senior class are nominated. It is also evident that in the past years every fraternity did not put up a candidate.

If Mr. Graine would check the records, Stan Small's work this year has not been to project the Greek Letters of his fraternity onto the campus, but has been in the main interest of Alfred University and the student body. This can be said very easily for the work of Marlin Miller, Student Senate President of 1953.

Gil Chollick

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its success. It was this unified group feeling which enhanced the entire performance. This feeling is difficult to describe. It must be felt, as I am sure it was, by the group itself. The director may be given credit for its initiation, but for its eventual follow-through in the performance it is the entire crew that deserves credit.

Congratulations on a fine execution of a difficult job.

# Senatorially Speaking

by Gil Chollick

The Senate will not achieve the success that seemed so inevitable at the beginning of the year. It is due to no individual member, but the entire group.

It is true that there is new organizational structure, since the five standard committees were formed and that it now has the flexibility which was so sorely needed, however, the Senate with all its new structure is still afraid to enforce a law that would make representation on the Senate a privilege to every house on campus.

Just recently the Senate refused to enforce a law that is written in the Constitution, on the basis that it would deplete the membership within the group. The law states, if a Senator is absent twice consecutively his vote will be taken away for the duration of the semester. Two weeks ago, nine senators were absent from the meeting.

Action was delayed on the recommendation that the Cabinet members review the problem and report to the Senate at the following meeting. Due to the negligence of some of the members no action was taken and the problem still exists.

If the Senate had taken action immediately and some of the houses lost their representation they would soon realize the necessity in having an organization as the Senate. This in turn would give the Senate the power and prestige it so vitally needs. As of now

the Senate is composed of members going through the motions, and it will take this group an even longer period of time to achieve the success it could so easily obtain.

**SENATE JOTTINGS:**  
The Functional Service Committee is conducting a survey concerned with the extension of the library hours. The survey started December 1 and will extend through December 12. The cooperation of every student is needed. Estimates for new curtains are being received by the Activity Coordinating Committee. The reaction of the administration to the purchasing of new curtains is favorable.

According to the Treasurer's Committee, student dues might be raised to one dollar.

The students have voted overwhelmingly for membership in the National Student Association. Marv Lipper has been elected by the Senate to be the NSA Campus Coordinator.

Talk on the floor of the Senate has been directed toward the creation of a debating team. The Activity Coordinating Committee is handling the operations.

# Student Outlook

by Steve N. Bender

According to the latest US Department of Labor statistics the job opportunities for women engineers are excellent. The release stated that women are being given an ever widening field of choice. In the field of civil engineering, the largest field of specialization, opportunities have increased for women at the expense of those for men. Electrical and chemical engineering are the two other major fields for employment of women engineers.

The Department of Labor also announced that there is a great demand for women medical technicians. This field is wide open and the need for properly trained and educated female personnel is at an all time high.

Are you sick and tired of Alfred's cold and snow? Do you long for the smog of California? If so, see Dean Gertz. He has information concerning North American Aviation's (Los Angeles) needs for chemists, physicists, mathematicians and technical writers.

Bloomington, New York City department store, is interested in interviewing graduating seniors and alumni interested in retailing. If you are interested in obtaining further information, Dean Gertz is interested

in seeing you in order to satisfy your interests.

Applications are now being received for the Yale-Reid Hall Summer Session in Paris. The six week session which includes tours of various sections of France, and offers courses in French, Contemporary French Literature, French art and French politics. These courses are taught at the Louvre and the Sorbonne and are open to students, who have completed two years of French at the college level.

Further information and application blanks are obtainable from Professor Andersson, 133 Hall of Graduate Studies, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.

The Oslo Summer School Admissions Office has announced that the summer session courses this year will be taught in English. Courses are offered in humanities, social studies, literature and social and political problems. Veterans wishing to attend these courses may do so under PL 346 & PL 550. Requests for applications and complete information should be addressed to Oslo Summer School Admissions Office, St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Dean Gertz is in possession of data giving the dates and details of the US Civil Service examinations for the positions of engineering draftsmen and librarians.

The Institute of International Education has announced that the French government is offering thirty university fellowships and forty teaching

assistantships to US citizens. The fellowship awards are for students with definite academic projects or study plans. The assistantships afford language teaching experience and an opportunity to become better acquainted with France.

The University of Ceylon, Peradeniya, is offering two fellowships to American graduate students for the 1955-56 academic year. Dean Gertz has further information.

The Christopher Association has announced a \$4,000 contest for stories

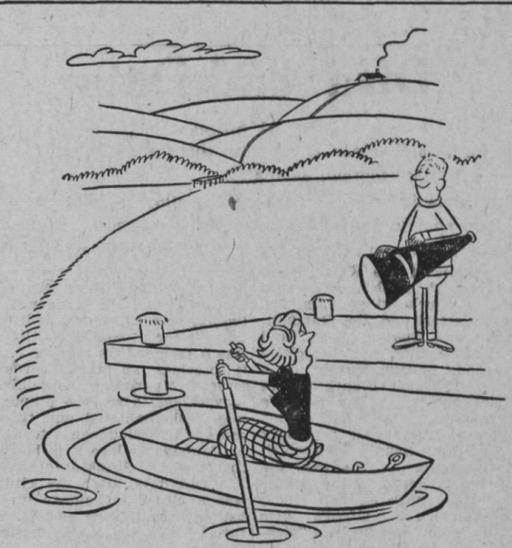
whose basic script can be used as the plot for a half hour television show. The story must be on one of four following topics: 1. Teen-agers can shape the future. 2. Improving labor relations. 3. Earnings and property the right of all. 4. Changing the world thru the housewife. The Dean of Men has complete contest information.

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## SEASON'S GREETINGS

# D. C. PECK



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# Years Gone By . . .

by Max Inselberg

From the first issue in 1924—The eighty-ninth year of Alfred University was most successfully begun on Monday, September 15, 1924, when the doors of the Kanakadea were opened to the first of 360 students—114 of whom were freshmen, the largest class in the annals of Alfred.

From a December, 1924 issue—The farmers have found that scarecrows are so successful in orchards and cornfields that a lot of produce merchants are now putting them on the stands in front of their stores, to keep the policemen away from the fruit.

From a January, 1925 issue—Pull helps only the man who has to be dragged. It is of no use to a pusher.

From September 29, 1925—Alfred University is starting its ninetieth year. The graduates number well over 1,000.

From October 30, 1925—The mystery is solved! Marian Trowbridge was late from the Eta Phi party because of a huge bat on the third floor (of the Brick). The top floor is not unusually batty in any sense of the word though.

From November 10, 1925—The number of Alfred students is large who apparently lack knowledge of the rudimentary points in good social usage. What would the students think if some morning a professor should come into class with his hat on, vigorously chewing gum and talking all the while his pupils were trying to recite, scuffling his feet when the class is over and finally rushing out ahead of the women members of the class?

From November 24, 1925—The townspeople and the students have for the most part indicated their pride in the town and the college by keeping it clean and neat.

From December 3, 1925—President Davis announced that there were about fifty students in the college with a minus index from mid-semester grades. This looks bad. In all but a few cases this should be remedied by February.

From December 3, 1925—Can you picture Main Street as the "Great White Way?" To put it in the words of the barber, "It won't be long now" before we have electric lights.

From January 19, 1926—When the Dean of Women of some University made a ruling prohibiting automobile riding in the evening, forty men and women there went buggy-riding instead.

From January 19, 1926—A new regulation at a college in Washington State requires that the women wear their dresses not more than 12 inches from the floor. Three students who refused to obey the ruling were expelled.

## Rodriguez Attends Spanish Meeting

November 19th and 20th, Professor Rodriguez-Diaz, chairman of the Spanish department, attended a meeting in Buffalo. The meeting was of the Association of Spanish Teachers of Western New York.

This organization meets semi-annually to discuss business, arrange program, and plan policies.

In addition to attending this meeting, Professor Rodriguez had some other news which was of interest.

It has been noted that there has been an increase in the number of students studying Spanish. Spanish is now going to be taught on an elementary level. In several elementary schools languages are already being taught.

Not only is Spanish going to be studied by more elementary school students, but also by students in seminars. Last October there was a meeting of Bishops and Priests of New York. At this meeting it was decided that order for a Priest to be ordained in this state, he must be able to speak Spanish. Other states which have this ruling are Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and California.

## Education Workshop

The New York State Department of Education, on December 2 and 3, at Howell Hall, sponsored a workshop for Adult Education program directors.

The purpose of this workshop was to discuss and find new methods for directing the adult education program.

About 35 directors attended the workshop. Among them was Professor Norton of the Graduate School.

## Message From Santa

Santa has just announced that the two days immediately preceding, and the two days immediately following Xmas vacation are NO-CUT DAYS. Violators of the above edict need not listen for the prancing of tiny hooves.

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# Basketball

by Irv Schwartzman

They say new uniforms help a ball club.

This may be the case for the Saxons as approximately the same club that looked bad during most of last season has looked great at the outset of this one. Two seconds have been the difference between a 1-1 record and a 2-0 slate.

The first meeting of the year between Hobart and Alfred on December 8 saw the Statesmen from Geneva take a thrilling 51-49 win. A driving lay-up by Sonny Wilson, with one second left in the game gave the Saxons their first defeat of the year. With 8 seconds left the score was tied 49-49, as John McNamara sank two fouls to even up the contest. Then Hobart got the ball and Wilson went to work.

The game started slowly with the first basket being made by the ex-Sampson Air Force Base star, now the Hobart center, Art Lambert. The lead exchanged hands eight times in the first half with Sonny Wilson getting only 6 points. A basket by Lambert with two seconds left gave Hobart a 20-19 lead at the half.

Alfred started the second half very coldly and couldn't score a field goal for all of 5 minutes. In the meantime Hobart had built up a 12 point edge.

Hobart tried to go into a freeze but expert ball stealing by Bob Greene, Lennie Hapkin, Gene Greenberg and George Wright took care of the freeze.

The Purple and Gold battled back to 45-47 on the excellent shooting of Bob Corbin and John McNamara. With 27 seconds left in the game John McNamara was fouled. He sank these two free throws to put the game even at 47 all.

McNamara fouled Stan Cohen of Hobart as they tried to break the tie. Cohen put them both in and the Saxons trailed 49-47. When the Saxons got the ball Mac was fouled and he made the first foul shot, called time out to discuss some strategy and then evened it up. Here's where Wilson took over.

The top scorer in the contest was Bob Corbin with 20 points. John McNamara had 16. For Hobart the top man was Wilson with 17, followed by Weisglass and DeFrancisca with 13 and 10.

The game took its toll as Corbin and Greenberg came out of it with dislocated fingers.

The Saxons play their next two games up in Canada against Toronto and McMaster on January 7-8 and on the twelfth they take on the Yellow-jackets of Rochester in the Men's Gym.

# Disa And Data

by Al Siegel

The basketball season is here but there are still some notes left over from the past football campaign.

After consulting with some of the players here are some of the brighter spots of the season, as picked by them... Biggest action all season was the gun going off to the last quarter of the Kings Point game... Hymie's catch... the running of John Zluchoski and Jim Ryan... Pat Lattari and Jim Hartnett, who throw some fine passes... and some of the nice catches... especially that one made by Jim Murphy on a great pass by Tucker Blanchfield in that Ithaca game... Don Carlin's block of a pass against Ithaca which Chuck Shultz caught and ran back for a TD... John Dennis' PAT which beat St. Lawrence... the pass defense of Jay Abbott... the purple tent's half time shows and the ROTC pregame shows... Alfred's nice play at Hobart... Don Carlin's "pick-up" tackle in the Hobart game... Bill Lewis' defensive work... and the great play of lineman George Meyer, John Dennis, Nick Teta, Chat Micche, Al Bilanski, Chuck Shultz and Don Carlin...

Alfred even gets writeups in the service papers over in Japan... Thanks to Alan Littell, an alumnus and a former roommate of Les Goble, we have this story, which talks about two new stars in the pro ranks who came from small schools... "Because Les Goble hails from Alfred University (N.Y.), enrollment 600 men... the Cards are still a tough club in the league..."

Jim Ryan and Leo Nemo went to a dinner along with Coach Alex Yunevich for the Alle-catt all-stars...

This is a busy time of the year for Coach McLane, the Athletic Director... Last week he was in New York working on future AU schedules and right after the Christmas vacation he will be heading back to the big city with Coach Yunevich for some football dinners... It is rumored that AU will have some new teams as the opposition in the future years...

Congratulations to Coach Jay McWilliams and the entire varsity basketball squad for their fine performances in the first two games of the season... If only that second half against Hobart was for nineteen minutes and fifty-eight seconds instead of twenty minutes... Just think, AU has to play against Sonny Wilson of Hobart only one more time before he graduates... Wilson tallied 43 points against McMaster in his last outing before coming here... he got 17 here but those last two were something.

Hats off to Tom Curtin who is doing a fine job as basketball trainer.

He is making life much easier for the coach and the manger... While I'm handing out laurels I'd like to mention the recent basketball clinic, which was a tremendous success... I hope it becomes an annual event as it serves two purposes... the high school players get to see the proper way to play basketball and any time Alfred can get to scrimmage a team as good as Canisius College it is bound to aid the team... Speaking of scrimmages... two days after the clinic there was a closed scrimmage in the gym between the Saxons and St. Bonaventure, with their All-American Mal Duffy...

Jim Murphy has come up with a new shot, a charging-changing-hands in-mid-air, combination scoop-hook-jump... On his first try, to every ones surprise it went in... The new varsity uniforms and warmups have gone over big... It seems that Hobart might get the same type of uniforms after getting a look at the Purple and Gold's... The freshman squad has gotten lots of hustle and speed and it looks like Captain Foss, who is coaching the frosh will come up with a winner...

Right after the Christmas vacation the Intramural Basketball League will go into business... This year should prove better than ever with many more teams than in the past... Plans call for two leagues with all of the seven fraternities and the "fabulous freshmen" along with two independents in the first league... Basketball will be the first sport in which Phi Lambda Alpha, Alfred's newest fraternity takes part...

There is also the possibility that the intramurals will include a new sport, rifle... Major Avery would be all for it and if the houses want it, arrangements probably could be worked out with very little trouble...

I hear that some of the girls who have used the rifle range have had some great scores... Chuck Dyer and his boys of the ROTC rifle team had better keep on their toes...

Rumor has it that the girls' basketball leagues will be very strong this year... More about this in Ellen Lipsey's column on Women's sports...

S-Day tomorrow. Be careful!

# Mat-Men Season Starts January

Coach Alex Yunevich has announced that on Monday, January 10, 1955 the formal wrestling season will start. Sessions are from 4-6 p. m. daily.

Only one letterman, John Dennis of football fame, is back from last year's team. Al LaPera and Hank Graham, non-lettermen from last season are also back.

Three new candidates are expected to report for the opening practice. John Errico, a footballer will grapple at either 157 or 167 pounds, and Bill Reid will be in the 167 or 177 pound class.

The third man will be Hal Snyder, Alfred's great runner. While in high school, at Alfred-Almond Central School, Hal was a high school wrestling champ. He will be in the 123 or 130 pound class.

As a warm-up for wrestling Mr. Snyder once again did some running. Some of the feats were in the Niagara District AAU cross-country meet and in the National Junior AAU run. He also was the first man in the 57-year history of the Buffalo Thanksgiving Day run to ever win that race from scratch. Now he turns his thoughts to wrestling for the first time in five years.

The coach is looking for an unlimited class grappler. Anyone around 190 pounds or more is invited to come out. Also open are the 147 and 177 pound classes.

If there are any students who would like to jump the gun and have some informal workouts between now and January 10 the gym will be open and all are invited to report for gear and lockers anytime between 3-6 p. m. daily.

The first match of the season will be Saturday, February 5th against Ithaca College in the Men's Gym. The remainder: Buffalo at AU; February 19, Rochester at Rochester; February 23, Colander at Alfred; February 26, Cortland at Cortland; March 5, Buffalo at Buffalo; March 11-12, The Cleveland Invitational Meet.

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# Frosh BB

by Spence Young

The score doesn't tell the whole story. How many times have we heard the same story. Yet, in the case of the Alfred freshmen basketball team it's the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Despite the fact the Captain Foss' frosh were downed by both the Brockport and Hobart freshmen by the scores of 78-76 and 61-56 respectively, they showed the spirit and ability of a winning ball club.

How can they miss with such outstanding ball players as Paul Boehme who scored 25 points against the Hobart five and Sid Smith who scored 18 against Brockport. Not to be taken lightly is big Phil Baker, who, although hampered by fouls, came up with two 10 point games. Phil and Stan Ren have also given the Fossmen two good men under the boards. Along with them we have Dick Brennan and Harry Bubnack both good hard team players with some great shots.

The frosh play good hard basketball coupled with fine sportsmanship. In their next game the frosh face Rochester at AU on January 12. With but a few good breaks and continuance of their present calibre of play the frosh of Alfred can't help but chalk up a win.

# Women's Sports

The basketball season is now in full swing. The manager of the league is Dorsey Weir.

Each house is supporting a team, and each has its own manager. They are as follows: Mary Inskip and Sonya Rudy, The Brick; Dorsey Weir, Campus House; Jo Mandato, Pi Alpha Pi; Phil Burges, Sigma Chi, and Barb Shattara, Theta Chi. Referees and other officials have also been chosen.

There was a playday at Cortland on December 11. Alfred participated in basketball, badminton, and volleyball.

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