

Read the comments on the proposed Student Association Constitution made by students and faculty members. Further information regarding its ratification is in the mails.

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Saxophonist Featured On Third Forum Program; Mrs. Seidlin Accompanist

Sigurd Rascher Includes Both Modern And Classic Works On Wednesday Evening Program

Sigurd Rascher, "the Paganini of the Saxophone," will appear in concert tomorrow evening, December 8, at 8:15 in Alumni Hall. This will be the third Forum attraction presented this year.

The program tomorrow night will include PRELUDE, Pugnani-Kreisler; SONATO No. 3, G. F. Handel; PRELUDE TO CANTATA 12, J. S. Bach; VARIATIONS ON A GAVOTTE (arr. Glaser-Rascher) Corelli; 4 BAGATELLES, Erwin Dressel; DANSE DU SATYR, Freda Swaine.

The artist has appeared as soloist with the Boston Symphony orchestra, the New York Philharmonic, Washington National Symphony, and the Detroit Symphony in the United States and has given many outstanding concerts both in this country and abroad.

In every city where he has appeared Mr. Rascher's musicianship has drawn enthusiastic praise from the press.

The DETROIT NEWS stated: "Rascher can make the sax do everything but recite the Gettysburg Address."

Professor Ada Becker Seidlin of the Department of Music will serve as accompanist for Mr. Rascher's Alfred recital. Professor Seidlin has appeared in concert many times, several years ago having had the distinction of appearing as guest artist with the Stradivarius String Quartet.

Saxophone Underestimated

The saxophone, as an instrument, has scarcely been examined for the possibilities of which it is capable. It is for this reason, together with the fact that there are few great saxophone performers in the classical field, that the saxophone is regarded principally as an instrument for producing popular music. Already, there is a great respect for the saxophone soloist.

The instrument on which Mr. Rascher performs is in no way different from any standard model which may be obtained by a saxophone enthusiast.

Mr. Rascher has proven himself to be not only a great artist, but an interesting speaker as well, and to possess a sense of humor uncommon among great artists. The entire community may look forward to the coming forum, as an opportunity to hear some of the greatest feat of musicianship ever performed on the saxophone.

\$1,000 Left To Ceramic College

Messrs. Peterson and Brown of the Tilo Roofing Company of Connecticut visited the Ceramic College on Thursday, and left a fund of \$1,000 for use in developing processes for applying ceramic coating to concrete shingles. The work is to be done by Prof. Merritt, with members of the College staff acting as consultants.

This brings the total of contributions by the ceramic industry for the current year above \$30,000.

Five Treated During Week At Infirmary

Bed patients at the Infirmary this week were Wilma Jean Stevens, Richard Betts, Jean McCormick, Edna J. McBride and Beverly Large.

Mrs. Edna Miller, cook at Pi Alpha, was treated for a badly burned foot.

Visiting Nurse Is Here Today

Miss Elizabeth Cogswell Phillips, assistant director of the Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service and special instructor at Teachers College, Columbia University, is at Alfred University today as a college field representative of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps.

While at Alfred Miss Phillips is discussing nursing as a wartime profession and a post-war career for college students, and is presenting the advantages of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps, at no cost to themselves.

She is available for informal group meetings and individual conferences. Anyone interested in these meetings should consult Mrs. Hazel M. Harvey, Director of Nursing Education at Alfred University.

Miss Phillips' participation in the College Field Program for recruitment of student nurses is but one of the many roles she has filled in the wartime activities of American nurses. In 1941-42 she spent fifteen months in England as Associate Chief Nurse of the American Red Cross with the Harvard Field Hospital Unit engaging in a study of epidemic diseases as they have developed throughout the British Isles under wartime conditions. She is an authority on the contributions and importance of the nursing professions in wartime and in the post-war reconstruction period.

A graduate of Buffalo Seminary, Miss Phillips took her professional training at Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing, where she studied psychiatry. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree at Teachers College, Columbia University, specializing in the supervision of schools of nursing, and later did special work in public health nursing at Teachers College, where she received her Master's Degree in 1936.

In addition to the several administrative and teaching positions she has held, Miss Phillips has practiced public health nursing in both urban and rural sections of the country. Her versatility is further evidenced by her literary contributions to nursing magazines and journals, and by the fact that she is a member of several prominent nursing associations.

During her day on the campus, Miss Phillips is being entertained by various groups. A luncheon will be given for her by the nursing department, and at 4:00 p.m. she will be honor guest at a tea in Social Hall, which the faculty and students are invited to attend.

In the evening she will have dinner at Delta Sig as a guest of the nursing students. The rest of her visit will be taken up with conferences with faculty members and interested students.

Resigns Position



Prof. H. G. Schurecht

Prof. Schurecht Leaves Alfred

Prof. H. G. Schurecht's work as professor of research in the Ceramic College has been so successful that it has attracted nationwide attention, and he has received many offers of employment at large increase in salary.

He has rejected all of these until he recently received an offer from the Champion Spark Plug Company of Detroit, Mich., so attractive in respect to income and other considerations that he felt he could not turn it down. Accordingly, he has resigned, and will leave at the end of December to take his position as Director of Research in the Champion Co.

His going will prove a serious loss to the Ceramic College, and will result in considerable shifting of the college staff. It is expected that the position will be filled in the near future, and work will go on as it formerly did.

"When the Experiment Station was established in 1933, I undertook to select for the head of the Station the most outstanding man in Ceramic Research in the country available, and I chose Prof. Schurecht from a large number of applicants. He has justified our confidence in him and has made an outstanding record", stated Dean Major E. Holmes of the College of Ceramics.

Group pictures for the Kanakadea were taken on Monday and Tuesday, December 6 and 7, at Susan Howell Social Hall by Richard Faulkner '44.

Harry C. France, Writer, Lecturer, To Speak In Assembly Next Monday

Harry C. France, writer, lecturer and financial counsellor, will speak on "Mountains of Money" at a regular assembly next Monday, December 13, at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. France has under his management five million dollars worth of capital funds belonging to corporations, churches, religious organizations, and individuals.

He is the writer of a column on finance which is syndicated in many large newspapers including the Gannet chain. This column provokes widespread interest and comment. For the past 20 years he has lectured on money at universities among which are Columbia and New York University.

Mr. France graduated from Wesleyan University and the School of Oratory at Northwestern University. He spent four years at the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia as a graduate in the study of finance.

It is possible for us to have Mr. France as our assembly guest at Alfred due to the fact that he is enroute

Alfred Nursing Course Rates Full Approval

The Alfred University Department of Nursing Education has received full approval and credit from the United States Health Service, the division through which federal funds are furnished for Cadet Nurse Training. Certification for the Alfred program came within the last few days.

It has been announced that a group of twenty-five nursing students will be admitted the second semester. More than half of the students of this group have already been accepted for admission.

Green Gables, former cooperative house on North Main Street, is being prepared as a residence for these women. There is a possibility that some other house will also be opened.

'Twas The Dance Before Christmas

The spirit of jolly Saint Nick will rule the big pre-Christmas dance at South Hall on the night of December 18. All V-Males of Alfred are invited to Blitzen their troubles and escort their Sugar Plumbs to dance to the holiday music. Each prancer expects to ring the sleigh-bell of his choice, seek out his favorite reindeer and with her dashaway to the evergreen-decked ballroom. As he enters, each dancer will deposit his name in a Christmas stocking and at the grand drawing may pull out the lucky plum.

Regardless of the pleadings addressed to the North Pole, only those who love exams could possibly expect such rewards as sleds or skates or skis. "Kris" Genné will open his pack of Sparklers. Carolers will serenade. The Campus Cheerfuls will Jingle Jangle. Jingle Elves will dispense popcorn and ale-ginger ale.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! All good boys and girls of Alfred! All grownups who believe in candle-light! All who wear kerchief and cap for the Holiday Dance!

Organ Vespers, Sunday

The annual series of Organ Vespers began Sunday evening, December 5, with an organ recital by Professor Ray Wingate from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. These recitals will continue during the winter.

108th Commencement Exercises Scheduled Sunday, December 19

First December Graduation To Have Pres. Norwood, Dr. Steidle As Principal Guest Speakers

Alfred's 108th commencement exercises, the first to be held in December, will take place Sunday, December 19.

Graduation Speaker



Dr. Edward Steidle

Annual Christmas Service Planned

This service consists of Christmas Carols of different nations and periods sung by the choir which contains 55 members and is directed by Mrs. Samuel Ray Scholes with Mrs. Ada Becker Seidlin at the organ.

Opening with an organ prelude by Mrs. Seidlin, the program is divided into groups of carols, with scriptural passages from the Christmas story to introduce each.

"The Merals" is the title of the first group—"Good Christian Men, Rejoice," The Processional, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," Invocation, "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence," Response, "Silent Night".

In the second group, "The Little Town," and "O Bethlehem," "The Little Door," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

"The Visit of the Shepherds" includes "Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep," "Whence Come Ye," and "While By My Sheep".

In "The Visit of the Kings" are the carols "Lullaby on Christmas Eve," "The Golden Carol," and "Late One Night" and the organ offertory.

"Infant So Divine" and "Sleep of the Child Jesus" make up the group called "The Baby in the Manger".

The Prelude to Prayer, "Away in a Manger" is followed by silent prayer, the pastoral prayer, and the choral response, "Joy to the World".

The Recessional, "Angels from the Realm of Glory," the benediction with choral response and the organ postlude close the program.

New Officers Installed At Kappa Psi Meeting

Thaddeus A. Kupinski '45 has been elected president of Kappa Psi Upsilon fraternity for next year.

The other officers are: Wesley Bell '46, vice-president; William Walmsley '46, chancellor; David Powell '47, secretary; Paul Meissner '47, treasurer; Robert Wightman '47, corresponding secretary; Frederick Clark '47, house manager.

The new officers were installed at the Kappa Psi meeting last evening.

"A Large Place" is the topic of the Baccalaureate address which will be given by Dr. J. Nelson Norwood at the Baccalaureate service at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. Prof. Ada Becker Seidlin, Mrs. S. R. Scholes and Chaplain William H. Genné are in charge of the Baccalaureate music.

At 12:30 p.m., the President will have luncheon with invited guests.

The graduation exercises will begin at 2:30 p.m., in Alumni Hall when Dean Edward Eteidle of the School of Mineral Industries at Penn State will address the Seniors and their friends on "Inter-American Relations with Respect to the Mineral Industry". Music at this time will be under the direction of Prof. Ada Becker Seidlin.

The annual Carillon Recital will take place at 4:30 p.m., with the President receiving the graduates, in Susan Howell Social Hall until 6:00 p.m.

On Saturday, December 18, at 6:00 p.m., in Social Hall, the President's dinner will be given for the Seniors.

Founder's Day, which has not yet been acknowledged this year, will be recognized on commencement day.

Candidates for a Bachelor of Arts diploma are: Carolyn Gladys Casper, William Barber Cottrell, Raymond John Dry, Robert Harry Goodell and Donald Hale Wattles.

Helen Isabella Crawford is the only candidate for a Bachelor of Science degree.

Those applying for Bachelor of Science degrees in Engineering are Cory Verle Campbell, Elmer Scott Fitzsimmons, George Lamoreau Cornwell, Frank Jackson Hickey, Jr., David Monley Ingham, Carl Harry Jacobi, Fred Kaplowitz, Thomas Edward Knapp, Richard Saunders Lowe, Donald Grey Phillips, John Arthur Powell, Leo Pozefsky, Heinz George Rodies and Maurice Scott Wilson.

Bachelor of Science diplomas in Glass Technology candidates are: William Fenn Hopkins, Charles Henry Riech, Jr., Richard Mayhew Rulon and Kenneth Austin Waldron.

Applying for a degree as Bachelor of Fine Arts are: Jane Kirby Bray, Rhoda Louise Large and Norma Elaine Stockwell.

Ceramic Guild Sale Scheduled Thursday

The Annual Christmas Sale of the Ceramic Guild will be Thursday, December 9, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., in the Ceramic Lounge. The public is invited, and tea will be served in Miss Nelson's studio.

Many varied articles will be sold, such as ash trays, flower pots, dishes, cigarette boxes, vases of all kinds, pitchers, and salad bowls with forks and spoons. Some of these pieces have been on display in Ellis' Drug Store window.

Fiat Meeting Tonight

"The usual meeting of the editorial board of the Fiat will be held tonight at 7:30 in Physics Hall. The entire editorial staff will meet there at 7:45," announced Helen Dreher, editor.

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Not a Trivial Matter

A copy of the new constitution for the Students' Association of Alfred University will soon be in the hands of every student. This constitution has already been ratified by the members of the present Student Senate and is nearly ready to be voted upon by the students at large.

The adoption of a constitution such as this is not a trivial matter; it cannot be treated in the same manner as an election for the St. Pat's Queen. It must be carefully considered by each and every member of the student body for an affirmative vote means sanctioning the placement of a great deal of power in the hands of relatively few and the acceptance of the responsibility to select these few because of their outstanding leadership, their progressiveness, and their ability to think beyond the next collegiate lab.

An opportunity to discuss the various phases of the constitution will be made available to every student before the final balloting takes place. Already some students and members of the faculty and administration as well have presented their viewpoints on the proposed constitution on other pages of this issue of the "Fiat Lux". These criticisms, which are all constructive in that they are individual attempts to clarify, to correct and to perfect the document, should be carefully considered before any discussion is reached.

We must all recognize the fact that because no two human individuals ever react in the same way to any one situation, and because we aren't living in Utopia, we cannot have a perfect constitution, nor for that matter a perfect government. We can only strive for perfection by making our Senate constitution as democratic as possible, our Senate as representative as possible and our student body as responsible as possible.

In order to achieve the first goal we must consider the constitution with respect to Alfred University and the students enrolled here, not with regard to an idealized situation as outlined in some obscure book on governmental theory. We must consider its defects and weakness; correct them if possible, be aware of them if they are not conceivably correctable at the present moment.

Then we must approve the constitution thus announcing our acceptance of power and responsibility. After that we must set forth to affirm our announcement by using every privilege granted in that document to achieve the latter two goals. When we have done this we will have gone a long way toward attaining the independence for which we have been clamoring.

We must not unthinkingly vote yes for the new constitution but we must not vote no just because we are unwilling to think about improvements.

A New Responsibility

When three student organizations combined their efforts to bring to Alfred's campus as a visiting counsellor, Dr. Florsa Thurston, they suggested a new student responsibility—that of providing channels through which expert counsellorship in various fields can be made available to students.

Dr. Thurston in her talks to various groups of women and in her lectures in several of the sociology classes, dealt with the problems of war-time marriage, the loosening of family ties, the position of women with regard to war. In this way she gave each individual a clearer picture of the "growing-up" processes in which each college girl is involved. For some women that was sufficient, they could solve their problems through understanding them. Others needed more personal guidance. Their problems were of such a nature that they could not be dealt with generally. In an effort to discuss such difficulties personally, Miss Thurston was available for personal consultation.

Because a visiting counsellor was something new to the present Alfred students, Miss Thurston's visit was viewed in several different ways. Some expected her to hand out glib solutions to problems in a Mr. Anthony style; others wondered at the audacity of an individual who supposedly professed to "know the answers".

Since Miss Thurston's visit, however, we have all come to realize that she did not try to sell us six lessons to happiness nor did she profess to know all the answers. Rather she helped us as individuals with individual problems, or lack of problems to understand our particular positions, to think of possible solutions in the light of basic information and our own resources.

May we extend to the ACF, the WSG and the Student Senate our thanks for having brought to Alfred such a person as Dr. Thurston and suggest that perhaps a return visit sometime next semester might be in order. May we also suggest that the field of vocational guidance offers another opportunity for constructive work.

Editor's Mail Bag

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Since leaving Alfred the Fiat has kept me posted of Alfred and its men in the service. Many Alfred athletes are in the armed forces and I feel that they will distinguish themselves on the field of battle the same as they did on the track, grid and court. It was a sad day when I learned of the loss of Johnny Eggleton and Ted Ienczewski.

Through the Fiat I would like to send my best regards to the men I have known and worked with at Alfred. Some of you men are in foreign areas and some are here in this country. Wherever you are I would like to say "Keep on scoring".

My work here at Lakehurst deals with the physical training of aviation cadets and paratroopers from the Marine Corps. However, after the first of the year I am looking forward to foreign duty in the Pacific area.

Mrs. Yunevich and I send our warmest regards to boys, faculty and townspeople of Alfred. I would sure like to hear from some of your boys. Drop me a note to Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, New Jersey.

A. J. Yunevich
 Lieut. USNR

Editor, Fiat Lux:

I just want to drop a short note to thank you and tell how much I appreciate your weekly copies of the Fiat.

The names of students I knew seem to be less in number all the time but it still reminds me of Alfred. It helps to strengthen my resolve to come back and finish my college studies on a campus that means quite a bit to me.

Twenty-four hours from now I am leaving for Corpus Christi, one more step closer to Navy wings of gold, as I have finished my courses and flying at this base. I would appreciate it if you would continue to send the Fiat. I'll send my new address when I get settled.

I'd like to see more news of fellows of Alfred in the Service since we are scattered and never seem to run into each other.

Thanks again, and I hope that you and Alfred can keep up the swell record till the rest of us fellows can come back and pick up where we left off and start to live again.

Don Dreyer ex-'45

Editor, Fiat Lux:

This is being written at Basic Training Center No. 10 at Greensboro, N. C., and I thought you'd like to know that a number of Alfred men are and have been down here.

A couple of weeks ago, in the town of Greensboro, I ran into Red Fenton '43, and then into Al Baker, ex-'44. The three of us had a merry time and celebrated our gathering in real Alfred style.

I also ran into Jim Crawford. He's still here at camp awaiting shipment. Lou Kelem is about 80 miles from here at Seymour Johnson Field, N. C. Robert Colburn is at Hampton Roads, Norfolk, Va., awaiting shipment to Northwestern University.

Guess that's all for now. Will write you when something new comes up.

Chick Berger, ex-'44

Spalding Comments On Autobiography

Albert Spaulding, violinist, who will appear on the forum program of April 19, commented on his autobiography, "Rise to Follow" last Saturday over the Columbia network from 2:00 to 2:30 p.m.

"Rise to Follow" is Mr. Spaulding's first literary effort. His commentaries were broadcast on the radio program "Men and Books" from Hollywood.

Said the New York Times of his book: "... it proves that one of the world's superb musicians is also one of its finest writers."

"Last Issue"

This is the last issue of the Fiat for this semester. The next issue will be published January 11, 1944.

KAMPUS KAPERS

By Jeannette E. Milnes

The last week of social events is drawing to a close. Saturday Evening was a gala occasion at South Hall for the cadets and students. This Saturday will mark the close of the semester social season. Pledge dances will be held by all of the sororities.

Theta Chi's dance will take place in their house from 8 till 12. The Palmer Sound System will provide music for dancing. Faculty guests will include Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Scholes, Dean and Mrs. M. Ellis Drake, Prof. and Mrs. Wendell M. Bufditt, and Miss Erma Hewitt. Billy Folts '46 is in charge of all preparations, Janet Secor '44 is in charge of refreshments, Jean Gardner '45 has charge of chaperons, Alice Van Gaasbeck '46 is in charge of decorations, and Jane Bray '44 is in charge of programs.

Pi Alpha's dance, from 8 till 12 will be held at Social Hall. Jane Parvin '45 has charge of chaperons, Genevieve Mezey '46 has charge of the music, Jean Moore '46 is in charge of decorations, and Kalope Giopulos '46 takes charge of refreshments.

Sigma Chi's dance will be held at their house. Other arrangements for the affair have not been completed as yet.

The engagement of Wilma Jean Stevens '46 to A/C William Delaney of Buffalo, N. Y. was announced last week.

Jane Eluffert '40, Mrs. Patricia Ray '42, and Peggy Dodd ex '41 were guests last week at Sigma Chi.

Hannah Saunders '47 was a Friday overnight guest at Delta Sig.

Pi Alpha entertained Beau Bette Waddill on the occasion of her first birthday Saturday afternoon. Charry Beth Williams from Wellsville was a guest.

Dr. Flora Thurston was a guest at Sigma Chi for dinner Tuesday evening. Jeannette Milnes '45, Pi Alpha, and William Cottrell '44 Kappa Psi, announced their engagement during the Thanksgiving vacation.

Guest Column

"Life certainly is tough! I have two practice teachers every day. There are four of them here, though. Guess I'm lucky to have only two."

This perhaps was the sentiment of most of the Hornell High students when they found that Alfred University had sent four student teachers to their school. We, as those guests of H. H. S. in the commercial, history and English departments did not share that same sentiment, but the qualms, the tension, the nervousness that we felt on that first morning as we reported for duty in Principal Coake's office were not comparable to any feelings previously experienced.

At first it was difficult for us to master the "arrow system" which prevents balking a stream of traffic advancing in one direction in the corridors and stairs. The yellow arrows painted on the corridor floors, the whispers of "Practice teachers" and the requests of senior boys for dates were not the major difficulties, however. We worried more about that day when we would have to confront and take over the classes of high school sophomores, juniors and seniors. Observing all ranges of classes was interesting and enlightening, but we were apprehensive about actually facing these same pupils and teaching them.

Teaching, however, proved to be very exciting. The look of understanding in the eyes of students after an explanation, the quick answers to questions and the intelligent discussions certainly were encouraging. We only hoped that the students would be as cooperative when we were teachers as when being observed.

Though students of Hornell High School were undoubtedly very happy to have their regular teachers again resume their duties after having had to endure practice teachers for two weeks, we regretted having to leave. The experience of teaching and contact with these pupils was fascinating. The students and teachers in Hornell had treated their guests with all consideration and respect.

Dr. Flora Thurston was a dinner guest Monday evening at Pi Alpha.

Frank Occhipinti ex '46, of the U. S. Navy was a guest at Kappa Psi Tuesday night.

Mrs. Roland Waddill and Mrs. Jessie Ferguson entertained the Sophomores and upperclassmen of Pi Alpha at a tea and shower Sunday afternoon in honor of Jeannette Milnes '45.

Show Me The Way To Go Home

A train trip, these days, is one of the most morale-breaking experiences a person can have. One nearly has to beg the company for an accommodation. The train (the 8:45 out of Hornell presumably arriving in Jersey City at 6:09) is fifteen minutes late in arriving and fifty-five in leaving Hornell. You think you'll sleep—Oh yeah!—You've got another think coming, as the train (passengers included) have allied themselves against you. You've borrowed some coats, curled yourself around the seat, and are hitting the road to oblivion, when the train turns a sharp curve. The next thing you know, you're on the floor, laughing (just so the others won't think you're a drip). Some one picks you up and dusts you off. They barricade you back into your seat, and you're nearly asleep, when you are violently shaken by somebody, wanting to know if you have any idea how far Alfred is from Tokyo. You tell 'er to—go sun 'erself and try again—oh, no! Come back here. You don't want to go to sleep yet.—Now your crazy train-mates want you to play poker with them. No go! By this time dawn is nearly breaking (Ever watch the dawn break? It doesn't!) And you are so slap-happy you fall asleep on some boy's shoulder. . . .

Dirty, freezing air hitting you in the face announces Jersey City. The time is 8:00 a.m. You look around the cold, bleak station; and, as it's too early to face the world alone, you follow the others to the subway. That's usually a mistake as you don't quite know where you will land. The subway is crowded-understatement—. Prim old ladies stare at you, wondering where the younger generation is going—"home first, lady, then where you think"—. You eventually land at Penn Station and there wish that you could dig yourself a foxhole and die. However, a friendly Marine is always ready to assist a damsel in distress, and you get packed into a cab and head for home. . . . happy vacation!

Alfredians In The Service

Sgt. Robert Humphrey '42, has been moved from Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indiana to Fitzsimmons General Hospital in Denver, Colorado. . . . A/S Martin J. Davidson '45 is now stationed at Maxwell Field, Alabama. . . . Frederick Seegert, formerly at Camp Croft, South Carolina, is at Fort McClellan, Alabama at present. . . . A/C E. P. Schleton is in the aviation school at Orlando, Florida. . . . Cpl. Newell Wallace and Sgt. John L. Dougherty, Jr., have left the country. . . . Jack F. Rainear '43 writes that he is now in the V-5 at R.P.I. in Troy N. Y. He wishes the gang good luck, in their finals. . . . Ensign Robert R. Sinclair '43 has graduated from U.S.S. Prairie State and is now studying at Cornell University. . . . The Fiat Staff was sent a copy of "Stars and Stripes," the United States armed forces publication from Italy by Pfc. Sandy L. Davidson, who is in the Engineering Battalion there. . . . Lt. Ed. Gehrke is studying at the United States Submarine Base at Little Creek, Virginia. . . . Robert Baker ex-'45, is studying at University of Cincinnati, under the ASTP program.

One View

By Alvin Glaser

Many proposals have been set forth for the world to be divided into regions, each being self-sufficient. Japan is striving for a "Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere;" many advocate a European federation; others prescribe to the idea that the Pan-American Union should continue in existence as one of the regions; while many others recommend that the British Commonwealth of Nations should be one of the regions. The most complete plan for dividing the world into regional spheres comes from Ely Culbertson. He states that there should be eleven regional unions closely connected by a world organization. As you can see, the idea of regionalism is based on the principle of the joining together of various nations of one continent or hemisphere. The basis of the formation of the regions would be their self-sufficiency.

The continental or hemispheric regions are to be found together by a League whose only duty would be the specific settlements of world problems. As Hoover and Gibson have so adequately stated the main principle of regionalism, I shall just quote what they have said. "The proposers of these plans or continental separation, except for co-operation in pacific means, believe that each continent should set up its own police force or, alternatively, that the Allies in this war should do the policing, each in their own hemisphere."

Regionalism, in other words, is just a larger alliance. We have already noticed the fallacies and faults that are present when alliances are made and so we shall not again go into that. Self-sufficiency, instead of being tried on a national scale, would be attempted on a regional scale. Self-sufficiency attempts by nations have always caused wars and the only effect of regionalism would be to cause wars on an ever larger scale than they are now being waged. Autocracy would also tend to be on a larger scale than is now the case. What sense and benefit would there be in having such a situation?

There is one other main argument against regionalism with which I would like to deal briefly. This argument deals with the idea of the balance of power. Nations, down thru the ages, have striven for self-sufficiency so that they would be more powerful than their rivals and thus make it easier in regard to conquest. This has been impossible to a certain extent because no one nation has had all the essential raw materials needed for self-sufficiency; but a continent or hemisphere has. With each continent or hemisphere self-sufficient and allowed to have its own armed forces, the balance of power would be an armed one. It would only last for a short time before the regions would be at each other's throats trying to become the world's dominant region. This is the situation as far as nations are concerned. It is strange, unintelligent or unrealistic to believe that the regions would not act in the same manner as the nations have acted in the past?

It is my belief that regionalism is not the answer to a world peace that will be both just and lasting. We must go one step further and form a Federal Union of the world. The working of the Federal Union will be discussed next week and the reasons why it is the only basis on which a just and lasting peace can be attained and maintained will also be discussed and explained.

Movie Timetable

Thursday, December 9—"The Fallen Sparrow," starring John Garfield and Maureen O'Hara. Shows start at 7:00 and 9:30, with feature at 7:57 and 10:27.
 Friday and Saturday, December 10 and 11—"We've Never Been Licked". Show starts at 7:00 and 9:26, with feature at 7:43 and 10:09.

New Constitution Is Ratified By Senate

Document To Be Submitted For Vote of Student Body

The new constitution for the Student's Association has been ratified by the Senate and on Thursday and Friday of this week it will be submitted to the student body as a whole for final acceptance or rejection. Copies of it have been mailed to all voters so that each one may be thoroughly familiar with it before he casts his ballot. More definite information concerning the voting will be posted.

"This document is not a half-way measure," stated Robert Meyer, President of the Student Senate. "It has taken its spirit from the sense of responsibility which has appeared on this campus—from the sense of responsibility which says that we, the students, are willing and able to assume a large degree of control over our own lives. We are no longer children who need to depend upon the rules of other people to keep us out of trouble and grief.

"The constitution creates a strong Student Senate. One of the great weaknesses of our present system of student government has been the lack of clearly defined authority. Different groups working independently have tried to achieve reforms only to find themselves blocked by an unsettled debate as to whether or not they had the power to make those reforms. This situation will be abolished under the proposed constitution. Every group will know just how far it can go and it will know that if it should exceed its powers, it will be the elector representatives of the students in the Senate who will determine it. This country became great and powerful only when it gained a strong central government. Student government in Alfred will become powerful and responsible only when it has a strong central group and its head which will act with decision and authority on all disputed questions.

"Yet that central group must really represent the students as a whole rather than selected groups of them. A new system of apportioning senators will give representation to every class and every residence unit on the campus. It will give groups of 40 or 50 students more influence than groups of ten or twelve. It will make the Senate larger, more diversified more representative, and far more powerful and effective.

"A third major provision establishes a source of direct contact with the faculty and administration. We should have here not a war between students on one hand and the faculty on the other but rather we should have a cooperative enterprise in which everyone works together for the good of the whole. A faculty advisor committee will help students to understand better the problems which face the administration and it will help the administration to understand the problems and needs of the students.

"A vote for the new constitution is a vote for a more powerful, a more democratic, and a more effective student government. If you believe we are old enough to make many of the rules and decisions which regulate our life in college, vote "yes" on the ballot sheet. If you believe that we should leave our college government very largely in the hands of the administration, vote "no."

The following comments with regard to the constitution have been made by various students and members of the faculty:

"The Senate is to be congratulated upon the thoughtful manner in which it has approached and organized its constitution.

"Finally, since I am part of an institution of higher learning, I should like to see, preferably in the preamble, some mention of the fact that our chief "common interest" is EDUCATION. But maybe that's sheer bias on my part.

"Congratulations on producing a sound document!"

"The new student constitution is on the whole commendable," states Kalope Giopolus '46. There are, however, several criticisms I have to make. The first has to do with the method of amending the proposed constitution. I feel that amendment by a unanimous vote of the Senate gives the Senate too much power. May I suggest a three-fourths vote by both the Senate and the students?

"Another point I would like to comment on is the power of the Senate to prevent group recalling of its representative. It seems only right that if a group feels a representative is no longer representing them, they should have a right to recall him regardless of the Senate's approval. Concerning the election of the president and vice-president, would it not be better to put them both on a single ballot as done in our national election?"

"The last criticism concerns the Independent representation. If they are to be represented as separate residence units and again as Independents, I don't think it's fair. Perhaps a definition of the membership of that organization should be put in the constitution.

The following comments were made by a senior:

- Article II, Section 2.
 - Twenty members is too great a number. Even in regular years some fraternities and sororities find their membership below that. Why not one representative for the first 15 members and one for each 20 more?
 - Would not the provision concerning residence units run into difficulties when the sorority and fraternity members are active or inactive in other residences?
 - During normal times, there must be about 200 students defined as independents. About 20 of these are active in the organized group. Why give ten senators to such an inactive group? Or is the number limited to three? If three, why that many?
 - Doesn't it seem that the senate would be too large under the proposed set-up? Since each senator votes the way his group desires, why have two senators from one unit who will vote the same way on every proposition. It seems that with too large a body, the senate would be in confusion. After all, there are only 43596 representatives in Washington out of 130 million Americans.

Article III, Section 1. What about organizations with no constitution such as the Math Club, ect?

Article IV, Section 7. Impeachment vote by only a majority seems rather low. Wouldn't a three-fourths vote be better?

Article V, Section 3. Excellent idea.

Article VI, Section 6. Isn't Professor Polan the official

Dr. Thurston Counsels Coeds

Responsibility was the keynote of the speech which Dr. Flora Thurston of Cornell University delivered to Alfred University women recently at Social Hall. Dr. Thurston's presence on the campus as a counselor to coeds was sponsored by the Student Senate, the Women's Student Government and the Alfred Christian Fellowship. This is a new service of these organizations to the student body.

Dr. Thurston discussed the problems of personal relationships and self-development, life on campus during war time, and the college student's place in the world at large, stressing the need for the coed to assume responsibility in each situation.

Women's Athletic Program Listed

Miss L. E. Creighton, girls' physical director, has announced the following program to take place at South Hall this week.

There will be an archery class for both advanced and beginning students from 7:00 to 8:00 p. m. on Tuesday.

The Table Tennis Tournament will follow from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. All girl students are urged to participate. Winners from each month will compete at the end of the year for the championship.

The singles tournament in badminton will be played on Tuesday from 8:00 to 10:00. The doubles tournament will be played Thursday, December 9.

auditor of all student groups' books, already?

Article VIII, Section 1. I am definitely opposed to this unanimous vote for amendments. One person could stop progress. I feel that a three fourths vote should be required. In general, shouldn't there be some mention of a Senate sponsored Frosh-Soph contest? What about the Frosh Court?

"The new Student Senate constitution seems to indicate a fine balance between student, faculty, and administration. I think it will be wonderful if such a system can be put into practise. It will certainly demonstrate the kind of cooperative and democratic spirit we all want Alfred to have. Each person in any way connected with this school owes it to himself to read and study this document and fully understand what a great step this is in the way of government on our campus," remarked Ruth Ams Weitz '45.

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High Scoring Prevalent In Court Games

High scoring prevailed Tuesday night as all four girls' basketball teams tried to outdo the other to gain victory. The Seniors conquered the Juniors 28-16, the Juniors downed the Sophomores 29-13, and the Sophomores beat the Freshmen 25-7.

The Senior team ran ahead in the early stages of the game with the Juniors lagging behind 7 points at the half time. The second half proved to be more exciting with the Juniors scoring heavily but not being able to catch up with the Seniors. Mary Lou Jeffrey snagged 14 points for the winning team while Doris Hill scored 8 points for the Juniors.

The Juniors victory over the Sophomores was apparent in the first half when their scoring was done from all angles leaving the Sophomores a 9 point deficiency at the half. Although the Sophs put up a strong defense to keep the Juniors from scoring heavily in the second half, the Junior team marched on, winning by 12 points. Ruth Weitz, the highest scorer on the Junior team, made 10 points. Marie Bascianni was the high scorer for the Sophs.

The Sophomores won over the Freshmen with a surprising score of 27-7. Realizing the growing strength of the fledgling Frosh, the class of '46 put on a hard drive, forcing the Greenies on the defensive. Carolyn Torrey and Marie Bascianni each scored 10 points while Janice Fulmer was the high for the Frosh with 6 points.

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Kay-Dets Conquer X-Rays 35-26

Reversing the usual procedure, the Kay-Dets, an ASTP basketball team representing the Brick, dished out a lesson to the X-Rays, a team composed of their classroom instructors, Sunday afternoon in the College Gym to the tune of 35-26.

In the hard fought battle between the seasoned veterans and youth, age was the telling factor as the X-Rays could not match the speed of their adversaries.

Only Coach Minnick displayed the zip and vitality remnant from his college days at Alfred as he flashed about the court sinking long shots from way out, chalking up twelve points. Coach McLane also showed that he still has his shooting-eye as he countered for ten.

For the Kay-Dets, Jake was the outstanding performer, his ability to leap high and far accounting for most of his fourteen points. Stetson came through with some spectacular one-handed portside shots to pile up twelve markers.

Sixteen Enrolled in Corning
Sixteen students are enrolled in the radio and communications course at Corning which began Monday, November 29.

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Cecil Drummond Dies Suddenly

Cecil Drummond, employee of the Ceramic School, died suddenly at his home on November 30.

"Drummie," as he was fondly called by all who knew him, grew up in the ceramic industry. He came to Alfred at the age of seven. At the Terra Cotta plant, where his father was superintendent, he learned his trade as a kiln fireman.

Later he was employed by the Ludwici Celedon Brick Company at Coffeyville, Kan., and was Superintendent of the Kane Brick Company at Kane, Pa. He was also superintendent of the Watsontown and Clarion, Pa., plants and of a plant in Grafton, W. Va.

Since June 1933, he and his family have made their home in Alfred.

Three World War II Veterans Enrolled

On Wednesday, December 1, three veterans of World War II enrolled in the Ag-Tech Institute under the auspices of the Veteran Administration Program in the agricultural and technical fields.

These veterans are Dewey Cardillo of Utica, Charles Cameron of Rochester, and Donald Moses of Binghamton. They are now taking the two year courses in laboratory technology, agronomy and mechanical drafting, respectively.

All three men have seen action—Cameron at Pearl Harbor, Cardillo as a member of Medical Corps in the Sicilian campaign and Moses in Alaska.

Dean Holmes Named To New Committee

Dean Major E. Holmes of the Ceramic College has been appointed chairman of a committee consisting of representatives of the State Department of Geology, the State Department of Commerce, and the Ceramic College, which will conduct an extensive survey and testing of the ceramic resources of New York State.

An addition is to be made to the college staff, with the incumbent devoting all of his time to this work. The results will show prospective manufacturers what use can be made of New York State raw materials, and will develop information on the best processes for utilizing them.

Eunice Raniff, who is practice-teaching in the Alfred-Almond Central School, was observed last week by Miss Eva Ford and Dr. Joseph Seidlin.

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DATE	8:00 - 10:00 A. M.	10:30 A. M. - 12:30 P. M.	2:30 - 4:30 P. M.
MONDAY DEC. 13	Review Period English 35 Physics 33	Review Period Physics 31	Review Period Ceramics 205 Mathematics
TUESDAY DEC. 14	Review Period Ceramics 115	Review Period Mathematics 77 Chemistry 75 Spanish 73	Review Period English 1 (all sections) Mathematics 73 Spanish 45 Petrography 1
WEDNESDAY DEC. 15	M. W. F. 1:30 o'clock classes Ceramics 103 French 1 German 1 Spanish 1 X-Rays	T. Th. 3:30 o'clock classes Chemistry 41 Education 51 Industrial Mechanics 3 Minerology	M. W. F. 2:30 o'clock classes Business 13 Ceramics 105 Ceramics 113 Ceramics 203 Mathematics 15 Nursing 1
THURSDAY DEC. 16	T. Th. 8:00 o'clock classes Nursing 3	M. W. F. 9:00 o'clock classes Economics 35	M. W. F. 3:30 o'clock classes Business 33 Chemistry 71 Education 31 Mathematics 5
FRIDAY DEC. 17	T. Th. 1:30 o'clock classes Industrial Mechanics 31	T. Th. 10:00 o'clock classes	T. Th. 4:30 o'clock classes Mathematics 39 Political Science 13
MONDAY DEC. 20	M. W. F. 8:00 o'clock classes Biology 13 Biology 52 Industrial Mechanics 1	M. W. F. 10:00 o'clock classes Latin 3 Nursing 5	M. W. F. 4:30 o'clock classes Business 11
TUESDAY DEC. 21	T. Th. 11:00 o'clock classes	T. Th. 2:30 o'clock classes Chemistry 11	M. W. F. 11:00 o'clock classes Mathematics 11
WEDNESDAY DEC. 22	T. Th. 9:00 o'clock classes	Holiday Recess	Holiday Recess

The mid-year examination period which includes two block days will begin Monday, December 13, and end Wednesday, December 22.

Examinations for December graduates and for courses which meet at irregular times are scheduled for special periods. Following are the courses for which tests will be given at a special time:
Biology 13 and 52; Business 11, 13 and 33; Ceramics 103, 105, 113, 115, 203 and 205; Chemistry 11, 41, 71 and 75.
Economics 35; Education 31 and 51; English 1 and 35; French 1; German 1; Industrial Mechanics 1, 3 and 31. Latin 3; Mathematics 5, 11, 15, 37, 73, 77 and 80; Mineralogy; Nursing 1, 3 and 5; Petrography 1.
Physics 31 and 33; Political Science 13; Spanish 11, 45 and 83; and X-Rays.
Hours for Chemistry 76 and Physics 41 are being arranged.
Students are urged to be prompt to check with their instructors concerning the place where examinations will be given.

Russell Leinhos '45 was elected director of intramural basketball at a meeting of the team representatives held recently.

He will be in direct charge of the entire program.

Mr. Julian Rayford, who has been serving as assistant in the Ceramic Arts Department, has resigned, effective December 1. His place has been filled by Mr. Alexander Giampetra, who will assist Prof. Charles Harder in the pottery laboratory.

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Registration Held Here Last Week

Registration for the second semester took place last week at the Registrar's Office. Freshmen, Special and Graduate students registered Monday and Tuesday, Sophomores on Wednesday, Juniors on Thursday, and Seniors on Friday.

Changes in registration for the second semester (without receiving the grade of W for dropping a course) must be made within a week after classes begin, or not later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 14, 1944.

No student will be eligible to attend classes the second semester whose first semester accounts have not been satisfactorily taken care of. Upon completion of registration the students are required to take the tuition bill, which has been issued at registration, to the Treasurer's office sometime between the date of registration and January 5, 1944, at 4:00 p. m., when the account must be paid and receipted.

Class cards will be issued at the Registrar's Office any day after December 15, upon presentation of the receipted tuition bill. These class cards must be presented to the instructor at the first meeting of each class. A fee of one dollar will be charged for duplicating lost class cards.

Classes for the second semester start Wednesday, January 5, 1944, at 8:00 a.m. Failure to make payment on or before this date, or an absence from any class on the first day of the semester will be interpreted as late registration, for which a charge of five dollars will be made.

Keramos Initiates Five Members November 29

Keramos, the honorary ceramic fraternity, held its December meeting at Kappa Psi Upsilon last Monday, at which time the following new members were initiated: Mr. Samuel F. Walton of the Exolon Co., Tonawanda, N. Y.; Mr. Leon Bassett and Dr. T. Dunkelberger, of the Ceramic College staff; and Ernest Raust '45 and Robert Collin '45, students.

Arrangements were also made for the annual banquet to be held a week before graduation.

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Radio Features Educational Problems

Educational problems of our nation will be discussed over a nation-wide network each Monday night under the sponsorship of Education for Freedom, Inc.

Mark VanDoren will be the first speaker in this new series and will be heard on Monday evening, December 13, from 10:15 to 10:30 p.m., over station WOR and a Mutual network.

Education for Freedom, Inc., a new non-profit organization, has been formed by a group of citizens concerned with the educational situation. It believes that American education must reawake to the need for better informed, more responsible and more thoughtful citizens.

Some of the speakers who will appear on this program in the future are: Walter Lippmann, noted journalist; Stringfellow Barr, president of St. John's College, Annapolis; Pitirim Sorokin, professor of sociology at Harvard University of Chicago; Alfred Noyes, educator and author, and Mortimer Adler, author and a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago.

Mr. Cecil E. Bales Addresses Ceramists

Mr. Cecil E. Bales, president of the American Ceramic Society, and vice-president of the Ironton Firebrick Co. of Ironton, Ohio, addressed the student branch of the ACS at the meeting last Monday evening. Mr. Bales spoke on the topic of "A Quarter-Century of Progress in Refractories".

Mr. Bales opened by noting that since 1915, the value of refractory products has leaped from \$15,000,000 to \$90,000,000 per year. 50% of all refractory products produced today are consumed by the iron and steel industries.

In the remainder of the address, Mr. Bales gave a summary of the various methods of forming, pressing, and drying brick that have been used in the past 25 years. He also gave details of the research carried on by various companies and institutions for

Miss Duffield Gives Address To A. C. F.

Miss Katherine Duffield, traveling secretary for Christian Youth groups, spoke to the Alfred Christian Fellowship, Sunday evening, December 5, on the topic, "A Reason For Living".

Miss Duffield feels that the way in which we live gives our best answer to the reason for living. Some give a negative answer in saying that good qualities exist only in the mind and have no eternal value as shown by the suffering and destruction in a world whose nature is supposedly dominated by love. To this, Miss Duffield gives a positive answer—as man endeavors to understand the laws of nature and advances economically and socially he will inevitably reduce suffering by working in close cooperation with God through the channels of love.

She believes that the fundamental reason for living is the desire to have a share in building a society in which all men and brothers; in which there is supreme allegiance and faith in the God that Christ taught. She also stated that she believes the organized church would be a basic part of this society.

AC Kelem Arrives For Training In N. C.

Aviation Cadet Louis Kelem '44, arrived this week at the Aviation Cadet Pre-Technical School at Seymour Johnson Field, N. C., a station of the Army Air Forces Eastern Technical Training Command.

He will be stationed there for Officer Basic Training, after which he will be sent to advanced technical school for specialized courses. He entered the service on August 31, 1942.

He will receive his degree in engineering here on December 19, 1943. While attending Alfred University, Aviation Cadet Kelem was business manager of The Alfred Engineer, editor of the yearbook, columnist on the Fiat, and president of Pi Delta Epsilon.

the improvement of refractory products. The types of brick now made, and their method of manufacture, were reviewed.

Mr. Bales closed his address by extending greetings from the administration of the ASC. A discussion period followed the talk.

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