



## ALFRED PROFESSORS DO EXTENSION WORK

It may be of interest to know that several members of the University faculty are conducting courses in extension work in this vicinity.

Dr. Joseph Seidl is conducting a course in mathematics for credit, in Hornell, and Acting Dean Conroe is considering giving a course in public speaking, also in Hornell.

For some weeks past, five members of the faculty have been speaking at a series of Forums, held Sunday evenings at the Universalist church in Hornell. Dr. Norwood gave two addresses, Dr. Campbell and Professor Crandall each two, Dr. Drake gave his second last Sunday night, and Professor H. O. Burdick will give the last two of the series. Much interest has been exhibited in these Forums by the Hornell audiences.

## NEW INSTRUCTOR FOR HISTORY COURSES

The election of Dr. J. Nelson Norwood to the acting presidency made necessary the appointment of a temporary teacher for the second semester to carry his work in the Department of History and Political Science. After a careful canvass of available candidates, Dr. Willis C. Russell has been appointed to the position.

Doctor Russell, of old American stock, pursued his undergraduate course at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, where he earned the bachelor's degree. His graduate degree, master of arts and doctor of philosophy, were won at The American University, Washington, D. C. His major was history and his minor international law. He also did graduate work at Boston University and at Harvard University.

His teaching experience began as a part-time teaching assistant at Boston University. For three years he was Professor of History at Ozark Wesleyan College in Missouri, which position he resigned to complete his doctorate. Since receiving his Ph.D. degree he has taught at Westbrook Junior College in Maine.

Speaking of Doctor Russell, Professor Charles C. Tansill of The American University says:

"Soon after he entered my classes it was very evident that he possessed a keen, incisive mind that can quickly and impartially weigh every type of Historical material and arrive at a very just estimate of its value. He is an indefatigable student with a discriminating enthusiasm that has led him to master a large portion of the literature of American History; there are very few good monographs on American Political History with which he is not familiar. There is a certain breadth in his views that is distinctly refreshing, and withal an objectivity that marks real scholarship.

"His personal characteristics are quite attractive. He has a fine ideal."

## SALARIES OKAYED FOR CERAMIC FACULTY

It has been learned that the Governor has submitted his budget to the legislature. Although his committee has recommended cuts in the salaries of the state employees, it is interesting to note that the budget records no cuts in the staff of the Ceramic College. He has, however, deferred approval of the Ceramic College's request for an appropriation for an Engineering Experimental Station and additional new equipment. It is, nevertheless, thought that the idea of an experimenting station has been so thoroughly sold to officials in Albany that it is probably certain to be secured next year.

## Footlight Club To Give Play Late This Month

"The Clean-Up," a play by Barry Connors, is to be presented by the Footlight Club late in February, at Alumni Hall. It is an hilarious comedy in three acts telling the story of a young married woman who enters politics. The cast includes some interesting new dramatic talent as well as some old favorites well known to Alfred audiences.

### CAST

Willie Marsden—Louis Abel  
Nina Buckmaster, a young wife—Elizabeth Hallenbeck  
Mrs. Clifford Collder, a publicist—Eleanor VanTyle  
Mrs. Lucretia Aswell, another publicist—Bernice Tanner  
Elizabeth Moore Madison, a newspaper woman—Rose DeRossi  
"Butch" McKenna, a politician—William Henning  
John Buckmaster, Nina's husband—Robert Childs  
Brooks Cadwell, a capitalist—Lloyd Smith.

## HARDER PRODUCES RARE GLAZE

The two pairs of vases for the Knowles Chapel of Rollins College, Florida, have been completed by Professor Charles Harder of the Ceramic College. The preparation for the making and glazing of these pieces has involved a great deal of study and experiment on the part of Mr. Harder, since he determined to glaze one pair in that most elusive but highly desired of all potters' glazes, the copper red.

Professor Harder has been interested in developing this glaze for the past four years; he had achieved some remarkably successful approaches to the color, but the hue had never quite equalled the glory of that choice Chinese ware which has been described as resembling freshly drawn blood.

Perhaps it would be well to explain here that this unusually color is produced chemically by a loss of oxygen content in the cooper oxide. This coloring agent, when used under conditions of perfect combustion imparts a green hue to the glaze; when however oxygen is restrained from entering the kiln at certain temperature in the firing a clear transparent red is produced by the same oxide. The problem is, therefore, to control exactly the amount of oxygen present in the kiln during the fire in order to ensure this chemical change. Mr. Arthur Baggs, a former student of the

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## ANNUAL SENIOR BALL THURSDAY NIGHT

Thursday evening from nine to one the Senior Ball will be in progress in the Gym. Charlie Boulanger and his entertainers are to furnish the music for what promises, according to all advance reports, to be a gala night. A committee has been working hard decorating for the dance and the scheme of decoration is novel—one never before used in Alfred.

## Corning Man Receives C. F. Binns Art Medal

The Charles Fergus Binns medal for distinguished achievement in the field of Ceramic Art has been awarded to Mr. Frederick Carder of the Corning Glass Company. There will be a formal presentation of the medal at the Convention of the American Ceramic Society at Cincinnati, as well as later at Alfred. This medal is awarded every year by a jury representing the important ceramic organizations of the country, and is given to the man or woman having produced the most outstanding work of ceramic art this year.

## EMERGENCY COLLEGE STARTED AT BATH

Organization of an emergency freshman college at Bath, under the supervision of Alfred University is now under way. It is hoped that accredited college instructors will be secured to permit the opening of regular classes next week. Regular freshman courses in English, history, mathematics and a language will very likely compose the curriculum. If the character of the work is deemed worthy, full college credit will be granted by the University. Some sixty high school graduates are ready to take advantage of this opportunity, according to the opinion of Superintendent VanDerHoof of Bath.

As yet negotiations for the establishment of an emergency freshman extension center at Jamestown have not been completed. Dr. H. H. Horner, Assistant Commissioner for Higher Education, and Acting President Norwood, are investigating the circumstances further. On Friday, they will be in Jamestown in connection with the development of that project.

## NORWOOD CONFERS WITH STATE DEPT.

Doctor Norwood was in Albany on January 26th, to attend a conference called by the State Education Department to discuss the problem of Extension Work. Included in the discussion were some dozen topics among which were several in connection with the desirability and undesirability of organizing freshman courses and the methods of managing them. This was of direct interest to Alfred University, because of its sponsoring such an institution at Greenwich, N. Y.

## Frosh Defeat R. B. I. In Hard Fast Game

Scoring their sixth straight victory of the season, Alfred University's crack freshman quintet defeated a stubborn Rochester Business Institute team Saturday night on the hardwood of the Alfred gymnasium by the score of 32-29. Although the visitors never once had the lead, the score was deadlocked no less than a dozen times during the game.

### The summary:

Alfred Frosh (32)	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Babeock, r. f. ....	1	1	3
Schacter, l. f. ....	3	0	6
Davis, c. ....	4	0	8
Oberhanick, r. g. ....	4	1	9
Cudebec, l. g. ....	2	0	4
Fargione, l. f. ....	1	0	2
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>32</b>

R. B. I. (29)	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Watts, r. f. ....	2	1	5
Nuceli, l. f. ....	3	1	7
Owens, c. ....	0	0	0
Phillips, r. g. ....	4	3	11
Kurchin, l. g. ....	2	2	6
Goldman, r. f. ....	0	0	0
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>29</b>

Officials: Powers, Hornell and Di-Russo, Alfred, referee and umpire; Perrone, Alfred and Burdick, Rochester, scorers.

In accordance with the policy of the Fiat Lux of attempting to give the University an increasingly more representative college paper, the managing board wishes to announce its admittance to membership in the Associated Collegiate Press of the National Scholastic Press Association. The enclosed "Collegiate Digest" will be a regular weekly feature in this paper and comes as a result of the new association of the Fiat Lux with the national organization.

## ROCHESTER DEFEATS SAXON TEAM 31-29 IN LAST MINUTE SPURT

### Soehner Rochester Forward Scores Three Points In Closing Seconds To Put Game On Ice

## Varsity Streak Intact As Alumni Lose 44-21

The Alfred University varsity quintet scored its sixth consecutive win on its home court just before semesters when they defeated the Alumni team handily 44-21. The Alumni team boasted five former court captains, but condition told in the final count.

### The summary:

Alfred Varsity (44)	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Minnick, r. f. ....	0	0	0
Young, (c), l. f. ....	4	2	10
Edelson, c. ....	6	2	14
Trumbull, r. g. ....	3	0	6
Hayward, l. g. ....	1	0	2
Java, l. g. ....	0	0	0
Whaley, l. f. ....	1	2	4
Wessels, r. f. ....	0	0	0
Kingsley, l. g. ....	2	0	4
Loyatty, l. f. ....	2	0	4
Whitford, l. g. ....	0	0	0
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>44</b>

Alfred Alumni (21)	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Nichols, r. f. ....	5	0	10
McGraw, l. f. ....	0	0	0
Dickens, c. ....	1	1	3
Dunbar, r. g. ....	1	0	2
Fenner, l. g. ....	2	2	6
McMann, c. ....	0	0	0
Dickens, r. f. ....	0	0	0
Cripps, l. f. ....	0	0	0
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>21</b>

Officials: Miles, Wellsville, referee; Hill, varsity and Duke, alumni, scorers and timers.

## RADIO CLUB STARTS THEORY CLASS AGAIN

The Alfred Radio Club begins its new theory class in the new Ceramic Building at 9:30, Wednesday evening, Feb. 7th. Earl Beeton will have charge of the classes. It is promised that the course will be "simple enough for a high school student and complete enough for a college professor".

The text, "The Radio Amateur's Handbook," may be purchased at a discount through the club. Four new people have signified their intentions of joining the classes. Anyone interested, is invited to attend the first meeting.

Howard Gould, and Oliver Young, the club operators, have "chatted with several stations, receiving Q. S. L. cards from WSKBT at Horseheads, N. Y., and WSLGU at Gloversville, N. Y. Other stations "talked to" were: WSBWF at Attica, N. Y.; WSKKR at Syracuse, N. Y.; W8FMX at Waterville, N. Y.; WSKFA at Kenmore, N. Y.

Students and townspeople are invited to bring messages to the club on Wednesday evenings, Thursday afternoons, and Saturday mornings. Mr. Gould, or Mr. Young will be there to transmit them free of charge.

Radio text books have been placed on the reserve shelf in the library for the convenience of club members. The Alfred Radio Club will gratefully accept the responsibility of caring for any radio books or magazines loaned to it by interested friends.

### CERAMIC COLLEGE NEWS

A meeting of the Ceramic Society will be held this week in the assembly room of the new building. The educational feature of the meeting will take the form of a movie; plans for sending a delegation to the Ceramic Convention in Cincinnati will be discussed.

### NOTICE

There will be a Fiat meeting Wednesday in the Gothic at 8:15 P. M.

Barney Soehner played the hero roll with a Frank Merriwell touch last Saturday night at the River Campus as Louis Alexander's Varsity charges handed Alfred its second basketball setback of the year, 31-29. With less than a minute to play Soehner tied the score at 29 all with a foul basket.

He came right back second later with a field basket, after Rochester had called time out and then pulled a sleeper to give Soehner the ball under his own basket. It was a thrilling battle from start to finish with neither team able to get away to a commanding lead.

At half time Rochester led, 18 to 17, and all the way down the stretch the battle was close. Craytor played a strong game despite a recent sickness. The win avenged an early-season setback at the hands of Alfred.

Captain Geddes and Soehner led the Rochester attack with eight points each. Edelson and Trumbull led the invaders with eight points apiece.

### Summary:

Alfred (29)	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Minnick, r. f. ....	1	1	3
Whaley, r. f. ....	1	0	2
Young, l. f. ....	2	1	5
Edelson, c. ....	3	2	8
Trumbull, r. g. ....	4	0	8
Adessa, l. g. ....	0	1	1
Java, l. g. ....	1	0	2
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>29</b>

Rochester (31)	F. G.	F.	Pts.
Soehner, r. f. ....	3	2	8
Bla'ers, l. g. ....	3	1	7
Exter, l. f. ....	3	1	7
Craytor, c. ....	1	0	2
Boinker, c. ....	1	0	2
Seddes, c. ....	3	2	8
MC'ley, l. g. ....	0	1	1
Zutes, l. g. ....	0	0	0
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>31</b>

Score at half time, Rochester 18; Alfred 17; referee, Murray; umpire, C. A. O'Brien.

## WESSELS IS ELECTED KERAMOS DELEGATE

Activities in the Ceramic College are now pointing toward the Annual Convention of the American Society to be held at Cincinnati, Ohio, the week of February the eleventh. Several of the faculty and students are planning to attend. The convention affords an opportunity for becoming informed of all important research developments of the year, as well as to meet other ceramic engineers from all over the country and to visit industrial plants in Cincinnati, Louisville, Dayton and other cities. Students who attended last year, were so completely satisfied with the trip that they were sold on the advantages of attending the convention. Doubtless, the social functions of the convention are important considerations.

Vincent Wessels was elected as this year's delegate at the last meeting of Keramos.

## Varsity Grapplers Lose To Stroudsburg

Alfred's wrestling squad suffered another disastrous defeat last Saturday night, when Stroudsburg Normal won every match to score the worst defeat handed any Alfred grappling squad in years.

In returning from the match, one of the Alfred cars was damaged in an accident caused by the icy pavement, and the occupants were badly shaken up, with no serious injuries.



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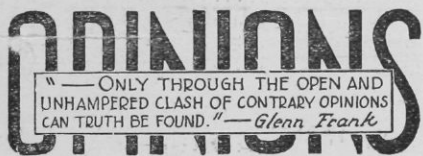
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## Are You One of The Moaners?

Today is a day of reckoning. Early in June there will be another. Today we hear cries of mild burglary having been performed at the students' expense. In September many good resolutions were made. By October many good resolutions had been broken. By November redemption was still possible. December was so close to vacation. January was so soon after vacation, but still exams were coming, however, three weeks' time was so short it seemed hardly possible to do anything about it. Exams came and now marks have come. The injured, who cannot see other than that they have been discriminated against, may have another try next fall. The chances are the whole procedure will be repeated. And still we will hear that the jails are sadly underpopulated.



## I MAY BE WRONG

In criticizing our college paper, I think that on the whole it is a well written paper. It is the work of members of the student body as their contributions to the college. When I say work, I mean work, because most of the staff are so interested that it is really work for them to publish this manuscript.

It is really something that they can say is their own and should be cherished as such.

I therefore believe that they should uphold the standards that they have set and bar items from the paper that would have a tendency to disintegrate the character and standing of members of our student body.

I am referring of course to the article in the "Blessed Events," column in our last issue pertaining to the so-called football team. This item has caused considerable comment on the campus.

Considering this article it gives me an opportunity to ask the staff to refrain from such things as this, that may cause the student body to lose their faith in their leaders and cause the "Fiat Lux" to have its standards lowered.

## TO THE SCHOOL

Examinations are over. We assume that the faculty have again regained their eyesight. Twice a year during these examinations anywhere from 40% and up make use of the age-old custom of cribbing. The methods adopted are so crude that it is difficult to believe that it is unobserved by the powers that be. The enforcement of non-cheating regulations is very similar to that of prohibition. A large group of students honestly or dishonestly believe that cheating is proper as long as detection is avoided. I find this group generally consists of students with a .8 index and above. If a student is found adopting the above methods by some conscientious prof, the penalty hardly seems adequate from the point of view of the

honest student. He who cheats tends to raise the class average. As many of our faculty employ the standard curve in grading the poor student who refrains from these practices receives a low rating even if the mental ability of both is equal. It is then that the parents of such unfortunate offenders are notified. In spite of this it never achieves the publicity it deserves and which is necessary for the elimination of this moral cancer. Why not publish the names of such culprits in the Fiat Lux. Public opinion and ridicule would be far more effective than the penalty of a mere F in the course. The honor system failed because the character of the average student was not high enough to render it a success. Supervision is certainly actually harmful when not enforced to the nth degree because rather than preventing, it fosters cheating. —Junior.

## CERAMIC NOTES

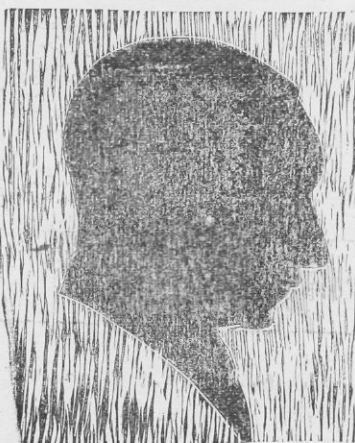
The new catalog for the Ceramic College is being mailed out with announcements that admissions next year will be limited to those in the upper two-thirds of their classes in High School. This and other restrictions on registration are necessary on account of the very large enrollment in the college at this time.

## SOCIAL NEWS

### Bartlett Dorm

"Pop" Tesnow first disappeared Sunday night, after dinner. Monday night he disappeared again. This bears watching—was what everybody said. So—Tuesday night, a few of the fellows trailed him to his room and—what do you think they saw? They saw "Pop" standing in front of his mirror talking to himself. Upon further investigation, they discovered him to be reading and learning (one hopes) Modern Manners, written by Emily Post. He was learning how to put on the "dog". The reason was very obvious.

You know (oh—you surely must) that the fellows of the Dorm are fortunate. Fortunate in having those good looking girls of the Brick over for dinner every Wednesday night. You



President J. Nelson Norwood

## PRESIDENT J. NELSON NORWOOD

By Clarida Greene

In President Norwood's accounts of his childhood, spent until the age of sixteen in his birthplace, England, we are given a glimpse of a small lad of eleven ambitiously tending the cows which belonged to the villagers living in the English cottages. For this task, he received the sum of one dollar and fifty cents per week. However, he much preferred helping on the threshing machine, as his one great aim at that time was to become an engineer.

At the age of sixteen, he crossed the ocean and came to live with his uncle in Alfred, working on his farm. At the end of three years, having been graduated from grammar school with a smattering of academic subjects, he went through Teacher's Training Class and then taught thirty-five youngsters their A. B. C's. at "Goose Pasture" country school. During this time he had studied up in Latin, History, Rhetoric, and Economics by himself except for a bit of tutoring in Caesar by Dr. Tittsworth, then just Paul Tittsworth. However, having abandoned his former plan of being an engineer he now turned to Social Sciences and majored in them. Dr. Norwood was graduated from Alfred in 1906. Later he received his M. A. degree at Michigan and his Ph. D. degree at Cornell.

Surprising as it may seem, the Dean's office in Kanakadea Hall was not always a Dean's office. It was the apartment where the young janitor of that Hall (then the Alfred public school) roomed and cooked his own meals. Little did he dream then that he would later occupy that room in the guise of the Dean of Alfred University. But Dr. Norwood did that very thing!

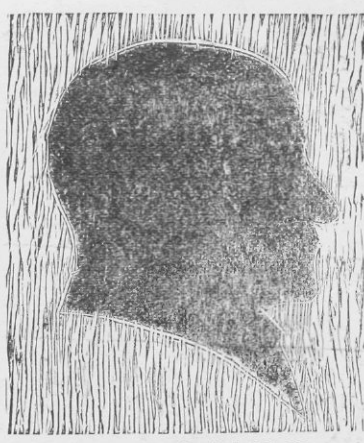
An unusual sense of humor is demonstrated in Mr. Norwood's pet prank of college days at Alfred. He and a couple of youthful collaborators built a box large enough to hold Dr. Main's son with his guitar and mouth organ. Dr. Norwood and Company, dressed in most original costumes, would drag this astonishing box onto the stage of the Orophilian Lyceum. It was fitted with a crank like that of a music box and also a pointer which announced that such song hits as "Massa's in de Cold, Cold Storage" would be played. Whereupon, after much alternate bowing to the president and the audience on the part of the young men on the stage, melodious music issued forth from the box.

Mr. Norwood's hobbies, when there is time away from Dean or Presidential duties, includes his cottage at Keuka Lake, gardening, and carpenter construction. Dr. Norwood himself made the clock on his garage which has seen Freshman coming in and Seniors going out for eleven years. This piece of workmanship which has run with excellent time for so many years seems to us to be a symbol of President Norwood's efficiency, thoroughness and his ability to do a thing well.

see—every Wednesday night, thirty girls change places at the dinner table with thirty fellows.

It was during one of those "bull" sessions that Bob Paul told his story about his girl. He told everyone (with the most innocent expressions) how Sylvia Sydney (the actress) used to play marbles (or was it marbles, Bob) with him in his back yard.

Just to look at some of them you would never think that Gregory's middle name is Spring; Bob Paul's, Champlain Hulse; Hardie Frieberg's,



Professor Frederick W. Ross

## PROFESSOR FREDERICK W. ROSS

By Lucile Bailey

If one visits this professor in the fastness of his stronghold, the Steinhelm, it doesn't require too great an imagination to gather that here is a man interested in probing into the secrets of the earth, telling us of its ageless history.

Surrounding his laboratory you can find all sorts of interesting rock formations which he has collected from the eastern part of the United States and Canada, especially from Bar Harbor in Maine. But not only rocks do you find, but floral specimens as well for Professor Ross is not only a geologist but also a botanist, though as we shall see later his interest have been many and greatly diversified.

As a boy brought up alone in the small village of Kandall, N. Y., near Lake Ontario just west of Rochester, he had few playmates. As a consequence he and his father became close friends, and it was from him that he learned to love nature in all its different phases—astronomy, geology and botany in particular.

At the close of high school the youth entered Brockport Normal School for the usual four-year course. Then he went to Rochester Business School for that course. Following that he took up drawing at Mechanics Institute for a year. In continuing his education he attended Rochester University for the next seven years. Here he took every course offered by the college that interested him, including: Chemistry, the Classics, Italian, French, German and the Sciences. He remained there to teach geology, conducting the field trips which he enjoys so much. Before leaving that university he had obtained his master's degree.

Subsequent to his college career he worked as an electro-chemist in the United Barium Company in Rochester. Finding this work too confining he became a civil engineer for the state, supervising the road construction east of Rochester.

Later in connection with his work at Art and Button, Inc., of the same city, he was sent to the Philadelphia Textile School to learn the process of coloring buttons. He was concerned with this phase of the industry for twenty years, at the same time maintaining his liking for the outdoors.

He has not regretted taking any of the various courses he took since he has had many occasions to use them all, especially the languages in connection with his reading, and also the foreign correspondence that was carried on in the factories where he was.

The last eight years, Professor Ross has been in Alfred, and many can testify as to the interest of his courses, for he has such a sparkling, jolly, personality that no one can fail to carry away something worthwhile from his classes.

If you want to know what his future ambition is, you may have to use the dictionary to interpret it! Cecidology is the subject upon which he is concentrating, at present working in the graduate school of Cornell toward the completion of his thesis—"The control of Plant Galls," a subject which has fascinated him from a youngster up.

Horace, and last but not least is Art Wells' which is Percival. (And he weighs almost 200 pounds.

Fanny the Frosh says she's afraid that after exams it will be: "Fanny Doesn't Live Here Anymore".



Professor Clifford M. Potter

## PROFESSOR CLIFFORD M. POTTER

By Margery Sherman

Prof. Clifford M. Potter was born in West Union, a minute town near Alfred. Soon after, his family moved to Five Corners. Every morning Prof. Potter unlocked his bicycle and set off for Alfred high school or the Seminary. He says that he made the three miles in fifteen minutes by wheeling his bicycle to the top of the hill and coasting down. In winter the trip no doubt took a little longer.

During college, he was president of the Student Senate and manager of football. In his senior year in the Seminary, Prof. Potter was drafted in the war and sent over seas. His voyage across the Atlantic was made on what had previously been a cattle transport boat. During a battle he was wounded, and while recuperating, spent some months as an assistant in an army hospital. An interesting story concerning Prof. Potter is told, when he was in the infantry.

It was early on his afternoon off. An officer came into the men's quarters and asked if there was a mechanic among them. Prof. Potter thought this a fine opportunity to enter another troop and find more interesting work. With a cool smile he stood up. "I, sir, I am a mechanic," he said. The officer looked at him a moment, as if judging his ability.

"You'll do," he answered tersely, "we need someone to put on screen doors this afternoon."

When the war was over, Prof. Potter spent some time in Germany with the Occupational army. He returned to Alfred, and was chosen Prof. of Industrial Mechanics and later of Physics.

Prof. Potter has a thirteen year old son of whom he is very proud. The boy has a hobby for building just as he himself had. Perhaps some day he will be a Professor of Physics, too.

But whether it is putting on screen doors, building his house, hunting with Prof. Hildebrand, or teaching Physics to Alfred students, Professor Potter accomplishes things with a friendly smile and a twinkle in his eye.

## BLESSED EVENTS

By John Orzano

Did you notice all the Brick girls walking up to Bartlett to dine with the boys? All the girls think that is a great (?) idea, now don't y-o-u girls. If they reach, just use your fork.

Kappa Nu has been going social, that is some of the boys, and they say that our famous 'Center' has discarded his semester shirt. There are only two reasons for that and I'm sure he isn't going out of town. Not by a long shot.

The Frosh are still wondering why Java hasn't sent out any "campus court" cards lately? Going-social—"Red"? They do miss it s-o-o-o much.

Rumors are that a certain Senior skips a class or two for some unknown reason; someone has just informed me that, should any professor wish to have him present for class, the latter may be found out in front of the Post Office talking over old times with an old friend. I wish she would make up her mind.

A gentleman (?) walked up to Larry Hopper and asked him the directions to the depot. Said Larry, "Go left and you'll be right". The man became provoked and Larry added, "if you go right you'll be left."

Fanny the Frosh says "Drafting must be such chilly work it's no wonder people don't like to do it."



**GREENHOUSE, ALFRED UNIVERSITY, ALFRED, N. Y.**Spec. Nos. 7787, 7788, 7789, 7790  
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Separate sealed proposals covering Construction, Heating, Sanitary and Electric Work for Greenhouse, New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University, Alfred, N. Y., in accordance with Specifications Nos. 7787, 7788, 7789, 7790, and accompanying drawings, will be received by the Commissioner of Education, State Education Building, Albany, N. Y., until 2 o'clock, P. M. (Eastern Standard Time) on Friday, February 16, 1934, instead of as previously advertised.

Proposals shall be accompanied by a certified check or money deposit of 5% of the amount of the bid. Successful bidder will be required to give a bond in the sum of 50% of the amount of the contract. Corporations submitting proposals shall be authorized to do business in the State of New York. Drawings and specifications may be examined free of charge at the following offices:

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Fanny the Frosh says she certainly hopes Soft Lit, will be as easy as it sounds.

**INTRAMURAL LEAGUE STANDINGS**

LEAGUE A				
Team	Won	Lost	%age	
Beta Phi Omega	7	0	1000	
Delta Sig	3	1	750	
Kappa Nu	4	2	666	
N. Y. Beta	3	3	500	
Bartlett A	2	3	400	
Pine Knots	1	4	200	
Kappa Psi Pledges	1	4	200	
Campus Club	0	3	0	

LEAGUE B				
Team	Won	Lost	%age	
Non-Fraternity	6	1	855	
Kappa Psi	4	1	800	
Klan Alpine	4	1	800	
Theta Nu	1	2	333	
Burdick Hall	1	3	250	
Bartlett B	1	3	250	
Alpha Zeta	1	4	200	
Kappa Nu Pledges	0	6	0	

Tisi: "Can you love two girls at once?"

Bing: "Immediately."

Toby: "Shall we have a friendly game of cards?"

Gale: "No, let's play bridge."

**Will Rogers Picks A Story For This Spot**

By WILL ROGERS

A LOT of rich folks is buying Spanish castles and furniture and bringing them over to New York and Hollywood and setting



them up for movie theatres and garages. And there is some rich oil men out in Kansas and Oklahoma is building them some mighty fine Spanish houses and filling them full of Spanish antiques.

One oil lady was talking to the architect that was planning her big new house. The architect says, "Now, the third floor we have made into three Spanish bedrooms."

"What the devil did you do that for?" she says, "We ain't got no Spaniards here. Our maids is all Irish. Can't you change it?"

(American News Features, Inc.)

**HUMOR**

Prof. Bond: "What are bacteria?"  
She: "The back door of a cafeteria."

"Well" said the stranger in the family, picking up one of the children, "what are you going to be when you're a man?"

"Nuffin," said the child.

"Nothing? Why so?"

"Because," said the child, "I'm a little girl."

The strong man, gleaming knife in hand, gazed at the smooth, white body in the water.

"I can't do it!" he groaned. "It's not a man's work." Tears streamed down his cheeks.

The woman, with a look of utter scorn, seized the knife—and finished peeling the onion.

Visitor: "Why are you here?"

Insane person: "For no reason at all."

Mike: "I dreamed that I was in heaven last night."

Novi: "Did you see me there?"

Mike: "I did. Then I knew I was dreaming."

"I shall now illustrate what I have in mind," said the professor as he proceeded to erase the board.

Optician: "Weak eyes have you? Well how many lines can you read on that chart?"

Patient: "What chart?"

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Doctor Norwood gave a speech to Sunday school children on liquor which they enjoyed very much. (Alfred Sun)

Who were the two Senior girls who nonchalantly strolled into Doc. Campbell's Philosophy class, just three-quarters of an hour late?

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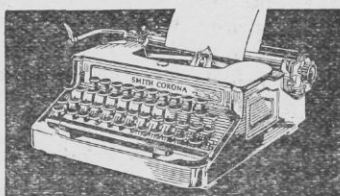
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## LIBRARY NOTES

## BEST SELLERS, 1933

It is no surprise to announce that "Anthony Adverse" was 1933 best-selling novel. In fact, it may have set a new record for the first six month's sale of any novel, having passed the 300,000 mark in December.

All of the books on the list of the ten best sellers in fiction are 1933 publications, except the two by Lloyd C. Douglas. He is the only author to have two books on the list, the only one who was also the author of one of the ten best sellers in 1932, and the author of one of the two oldest books on the 1933 list. "The Magnificent Obsession" which is fourth on the 1933 list, and was eighth in 1932, was a best seller during every month of 1932 and 1933. It was published in 1929, and has sold better during 1933, than in any previous year.

The proportion of women authors of the ten best fiction sellers has decreased during the past three years. In 1931, seven were written by women, in 1932, five, and in 1933, three. There is a much larger proportion of American authorship for 1933: John Galsworthy, English; Mazo De la Roche, Canadian; and Hans Fallada, German, are the three foreign authors, compared to five in both 1931 and 1932.

Non-fiction best sellers for 1933, include a greater number issued during the current year. Only two books on the list were published in 1932; the leader, "Life Begins at Forty" is one of these, published in October, 1932. "Van Loon's Geography" the oldest of the non-fiction books, is also the only title that was also a 1932 best seller.

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## FICTION

- \*"Anthony Adverse" by Hervey Allen
- \*"As the Earth Turns" by Gladys Hasty Carroll
- \*"Ann Vickers" by Sinclair Lewis
- \*"The Magnificent Obsession" by Lloyd C. Douglass
- \*"One More River" by John Galsworthy
- \*"Forgive Us Our Trespasses" by Lloyd C. Douglas
- \*"The Master of Jalna" by Mazo De la Roche
- "Miss Bishop" by Bess Streeter Aldrich
- \*"The Farm" by Louis Bromfield
- \*"Little Man, What Now?" by Hans Fallada

## NON-FICTION

- \*"Life Begins at Forty" by Walter B. Pitkin
- \*"Marie Antoinette" by Stefan Zweig
- \*"British Agent" by R. H. Bruce Lockhart
- \*"100,000,000 Guinea Pigs" by Arthur Kallet & F. J. Schlink
- \*"The House of Exile" by Norma Wahn
- \*"Van Loon's Geography" by Hendrik Van Loon
- \*"Looking Forward" by Franklin D. Roosevelt
- "Contract Bridge Blue Book of 1933" by Ely Culbertson
- "The Arches of the Years" by Halliday Sutherland
- \*"The March of Democracy" vol. 2 by James Truslow Adams

## Stories of Men and Women Who "Did"

These stories of men and women who "did" compiled from The Dictionary of American Biography are merely indicative of the many human interest stories contained in that work. It is a collection of biographies of American nationals so interestingly portrayed that it may be read for pleasure as well as profit.

## The Man With the Lid on His Stomach

In October, 1832, there was executed at Plattsburgh, N. Y., a contract the like of which has probably never been written. Under its terms, Alexis St. Martin, Canadian woodsman, bound himself to serve for one year as the subject for any experiment that Dr. William Beaumont, army surgeon, might wish to make upon him. In return he was to receive "good sustenance, suitable housing, wearing apparel, washing, and \$150."

The events which led up to this unusual agreement were quite as interesting as the agreement itself. On

June 6, 1822, St. Martin, a hardy day laborer, had been accidentally shot, receiving at short range a full load of buckshot and powder in his left side. Beaumont, then acting as Post Surgeon for Fort Mackinac, was called immediately. In his diary he wrote at the time "in this dilemma I considered any attempt to save his life entirely useless. But as I had ever considered it a duty to use every means in my power to preserve life when called to administer relief, I proceeded to cleanse the wound, give it a superficial dressing, not believing it possible for him to survive twenty minutes."

The patient survived however. Beaumont placed him in the military hospital where he dressed the wound once and often twice a day for more than a year. Ultimately, St. Martin fully recovered—except for a wound in his stomach; a flap of the inner lining formed a valve, closing the orifice, but easily pushed back exposing the interior of the organ. All of Beaumont's efforts to close this opening were unsuccessful.

The idea of using his patient for scientific studies in digestion did not occur to Beaumont, apparently, until 1825. By this time, St. Martin, had become, so Beaumont's diary reveals, "quite a lusty man, capable of doing heavy service such as chopping wood and keeping the house fires burning." The doctor then began to experiment; he studied the temperature of the stomach in digestion, the movement of the walls, the relative digestibility of foods; he discovered that the gastric juice, when removed from the stomach and placed in a bottle, digests food in the same way but more slowly than under natural conditions.

With his experiments only fairly begun, Beaumont awoke one morning to find that his patient had stolen away. It was only after a four years search that the truant was located in Lower Canada, where he had married and become the father of two children. At Beaumont's expense the whole family was transported to Fort Crawford on the upper Mississippi, where the doctor had been assigned. The experiments were resumed and continued for almost two years, when St. Martin and his family, again increased by two, were allowed to go home with the promise to return when requested.

In the fall of the next year, Beaumont summoned his patient in the hope that he might be able to take him to Europe for further study. Having had the unfortunate experience in losing the subject of his experiments, the canny doctor sought to safeguard himself this time. It was on this occasion that was executed this unique contract.

Early in 1834, the patient "with the lid on his stomach" returned to Canada, and although Beaumont succeeded in locating him and made many attempts to have him return, he failed. St. Martin lived twenty years longer than his doctor and died at the age of eighty-three. His family refused an autopsy and buried him eight feet below the surface in order to make attempts at resurrection difficult.

The results of the experiment with St. Martin were published in book form by Beaumont in 1833, at his own expense. The paper was poor; the illustrations were crude; typographical errors were many; but it constituted one of the greatest contributions ever made to scientific knowledge.

## HARDER'S GLAZE

(Continued from page one)

Alfred Ceramic School, now a professor at Ohio State University, has obtained favorable results in reduplicating this color by means of a reducing agent contained in the glaze; Mr. Harder, on the other hand, determined to produce his color by the method used originally, that of with-holding oxygen from the kiln.

Mr. Harder estimates that he carried through to completion some ten pairs of vases without obtaining a result satisfactory to him, in the time between June of last year and the present. Not only did he have to overcome the difficulties of glaze formula and kiln conditions, but he had a difficult task in producing two identical pieces of a porcelain body; each to be thrown on the potter's wheel. These pieces were fired at 1240 degrees.

A reproduction of a Chinese Copper red has been the desideratum of all potters in all ages, and even the Chinese did not know certainly by what means they obtained this color. At some time in his career almost every potter has developed some trace of the glaze, but it far too often defied duplication. Mr. Harder feels that at present he can offer nothing new in the way of exact information about obtaining the glaze to persons unfamiliar with its history. How-

ever, he is engaged in making an exact chemical analysis of the blue glazes at different stages of the firing of the kiln, with the hopes of determining the true amounts of oxidation and reduction necessary for producing a perfect specimen. This determination and a chart of the firing procedure will be a great advance in the research centering around this glaze.

In working for this copper red glaze Mr. Harder has encountered some other interesting lines of research. He has obtained some excellent specimens of the Chinese Flambe Purple, a milky purple stained with red, and, of the Peach-Blow color, a soft pink blending into green. He has likewise been able to develop a copper red underglaze stain which permits the distribution of the color in certain areas and not in others.

The pair of vases bearing the copper red glaze are 14 inches high standing on a high foot which curves inward. From the point where the foot joins the actual base of the vase the contour flares gently outward; it is a graceful and subtle curve. The second pair which are glazed a medium dark blue are shaped somewhat after the fashion of the Greek Amphora, with a swelling line from the base, a small neck and a little flare at the rim.

It was the suggestion of Dr. Paul Emerson Titsworth to his friend, President Holt of Rollins College, which resulted in the commission for these vases being assigned to the State College of Ceramics.

## "BLESSED EVENTS"

By John Orzano

We have a few more weeks to enjoy the beautiful campus before the outer world is to receive a new recruit. .... The frosh especially are the customary losers. .... Minnick and Trumbull have taken care to keep their scoring average nicely. .... Some co-ed in back of me kept us laughing with her cries of "aren't they cute". Another one was the time a Buffalo man got a basket and she sang out "I'll bet that it was his silk shirt that helped him get it." .... Still her knees did make good back props. .... The St. Boni confest was either a good wrestling match or a football game. .... Did you see Sancomb on the floor? No, he was leading a cheer for the boys. .... The co-eds demonstrated the proper evening attire last week-end—Not pajamas. .... When it comes to nerve, I have to hand it to a certain would be Sophomore. The lad walked out of a one-hour exam fifteen minutes before the time was concluded. The instructor happened to open the blue book and found the exam incomplete. The last word was written thus "TIME". .... "Money given away" said a notice on the bulletin board, and at that it was signed by "Bob" Foote. .... No one seems to have believed it. .... What fellow has lived in the Bronx some ten years and then tried to tell me he got lost there. .... Now, you know! .... One of the pros who fell down the library steps was slightly embarrassed when a passing freshman sang out, "Old Rocking Chair's Got Me". .... There was a notice in the post office put up by some student who wants to go home very badly. .... She must be some woman. .... The student riding master will continue to forget his German book as long as that charming "Fraulein" will continue to bring hers to class. .... Have you a grandmother, who would like to ride in a rumble seat, that doesn't knit? No, but I have three grandmothers who would like to ride home in a rumble seat—(Maybe I'm wrong)—How can you have three grandmothers?—Why not, haven't you got forefathers?—And they say "Love thy neighbors". .... Kappa Psi should join the NRA to protect their members, who, after sitting up all night, did not get credit for their work. .... The Senior Ball is on its way and don't forget to tell your "Pals" your suit is home, that is if you don't expect to get it back.—Now that the semester exams are over and all your enery consumed read this:

(Professors, read down)  
They like it  
Professors, so  
Cheer up the  
Students, and  
In the class room,  
Take off that vale of tears,  
And grin and  
Smile  
And  
Smile some more  
Please.  
(Students, read up)

Famous land marks on the campus—Grohe's hat on a cold, cold, cold wintery day. .... Our Star Center has discarded his semester shirt. .... Not going social I hope. .... What Sophomore bemoans the recent demise of his three little pet "gold fish"? .... What next! .... The three ages of woman—mud pie, mud pack, and mud slinging. .... To ye Social Hall goers come and trip the light fantastic to Beta Phi's donation of twenty new records. .... I recommend "You're O. K." by Isham Jones and his orchestra. .... What theatre in Hornell claims that you can sit in the "Orchester" for 40 cents? .... Wonder if Turner expects to board at the "Brick" this semester?

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