

Glass Making Explained

In a comparison of the making of peanut brittle and glass, Howard Cooper, a glass technology senior, explains the intricacies of the manufacture of fine glass. Story is on page 4.

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Dodgers To Win

Bob Moebus, sports columnist pinch-hitting for Don Wattles who is ill, predicts that the Brooklyn Dodgers will win the National League Pennant. Read his column on page 3.

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Half of All Seniors Are On Present White List

Fifty percent of the seniors in the College of Liberal Arts and the College of Ceramics made the White List this semester. Forty-eight percent of the Juniors in the two colleges made the list.

Nine Seniors were taken off the list and three were added. Three Juniors added to the list and eight were dropped.

Seniors

Barnes Howard L.; Barr, Seymour J.; Bohrer, John; Breitenstein, John S.; Carota, Mario A.; Ciampa, Thomas; Ciampa, Vincent; Cimino, Anthony; Clarke, David S.; Cleveland, Wendell V.

Cole, Eleanor P.; Cooper Howard E.; Daiber, Franklin C.; Feldner, George M.; Fish, Frances E.; Fried, Bernard; Greenberg, Fay B.; Haacker, A. John; Hanne-man, Eva C.; Hardenbrook, Roy W.

Howell, Janet C.; Humphrey, Richard A.; Irving, M. Annette; Johnson, Harold J.; Kaiser, Betty Tim; Kastner, Kathleen M.; Kirsch, Alphonse J.; Kluth, Lewis A.; Lang, Ruth A.

Latta, Margaret L.; Laundree, Robert E.; Lindstrom, Clarence R.; McGill, R. Bruce; Mason, Lawson E.; Mason, Lloyd W.; Millsap, Jean F.; Morales, Carlos E.; Musgrave, Morris C.; Olney, Margaret L.

Olshovy, Elizabeth J.; Parker, Dortha M.; Plotz, Alfred L.; Richtmyer, Elaine L.; Schacht, Louise B.; Schiffer, Leo M.; Shelley, Cranson B.; Simpson, Doris E.; Tucker, Grant E.; Tuttle, Milton A.

Utter, Joseph L.; Vander, Milton; Vaughn, Ruth L.; Warr, William G.; Washburn, C. Eldyn; Weidel, Robert A.; West, Richard R.; Whitwood, Robert A.; Wilkins, Elmer W.; Williams, Otwen.

Juniors

Anderson, Robert E.; Armant, David L.; Arnold, Joan H.; Austin, Alfred E.; Baker, Burton E.; Bassett, H. Eloise; Beals, Malcolm D.; Burnham, Forrest E.; Carlson, G. Marguerite; Clausen, Judith E.

Cohen, Arthur; Crapsey, Arthur H.; Dows, Robert H.; Eichorn, Herman; Eliss, Marjorie R.; Erdel, Beulah L.; Gamble, Elton S.; Gersh, Marvin J.; Hageman, L. Coulson; Hall, Ira L.

Hardenbrook, Kathryn M.; Hill, Barbara J.; Hotink, Leland B.; Johnson, Arnold G.; Johnson, Edgar R.; Jolley, Robert W.; Kavookjian, Haik P.; Kellogg, George W.; Kleinman, Kenneth R.; Landin, Everett; Lawson, Courtney B.; LeSuer, George T.; Lewis, Jean L.

Lindstrom, Roy C.; Manning, R. Douglas; Meritt, Jean E.; Miller, Esther W.; Mills, Mary Ellen; Morley, Franklin P.; Nordquist, David P.; O'Neil, John M.; Peck, Richard M.; Perry, Sophia.

Peterson, Rachel P.; Petri, W. Arthur; Pettit, Paul B.; Pivetz, Mildred E.; Place, Audrey J.; Polan, Frances C.; Procopio, Josie A.; Prokopec, James C.; Rapp, Nettie Ann; Ray, John G.

Rhodes, Ralph E.; Robinson, Walter H.; Russell, Marjorie J.; Schilz, Dorothy M.; Schryver, Alice E.; Underhill, Donald B.; Wheaton, Laur Don G.; Whelan, Paul T.; Wingate, Margaret P.; Woolley, Seward E.; Wray, Patricia G.

To Present Eight Papers At ACS Meet

Titles of papers to be presented by members of the Ceramic Experiment Station at the Ceramic Convention to be held in Baltimore, Maryland, beginning March 30 were announced today.

Two of them will be presented before the Structural Clay Products Division, four before the Whitewares Division, and two before the Materials Division:

1. "Testing the Drying Behaviors of Clays," by H. S. Schurecht and J. F. McMahon.

2. "The Effect of Steam and Hot Water Together with Soda Ash and Wetting Agents on the Properties of Some Clays," by H. S. Schurecht, J. F. McMahon and C. Major Lampman.

3. "The Influence of Zircon, Talc, and Feldspar Mixtures on some Properties of Whiteware Bodies," by J. F. McMahon and Samuel A. Fossaceca.

4. "Some Factors Affecting Power Consumed in Pugging Clay," by J. F. McMahon.

5. "Testing the Performance of Mixing Equipment," by Wayne Brownell.

6. "The Use of Photronic Cell to Measure the Translucency of Whitewares," by Franck C. Arrance.

7. "The Use of Mixtures of Soda Feldspar, Potash Feldspar and Spodumene as Fluxes in Whiteware Bodies," by H. G. Schurecht, Joseph K. Shapiro and Zeno Zabowsky.

8. "The Effect of Glaze Penetration on the Resistance of Porous Bodies to Crazing and Shivering," by Everett Thomas.

Marketeers Will Hear Oil Executive Speak

J. L. Flanagan of G. L. F. spoke to the Marketeers Club Wednesday evening about the history of G. L. F. in relation to oil and the future of oil with G. L. F.

In addition to the speaker, the meeting featured the Ag School Glee Club Quartet and accordion solos by Donald Neidhart '42.

Plans were discussed for a joint meeting of the Marketeers and the Horn and Hoof Club on March 27.

CAMPUS CURTS

TO SING THURSDAY

A three-school trip is scheduled for the University's Men's Glee Club this week. On Thursday they will sing at Horseheads High School, Elmira Heights High School and Elmira Free Academy.

GRADUATE SPEAKS

Thursday evening, Eugene Harris '39, spoke at the meeting of the Horn and Hoof Club on the subject, "The Opportunities Open To Graduates in The Animal Husbandry Field".

FROSH TO SPEAK

Miss Helen Belovsky '44, will speak at the German Club meeting Wednesday evening on her recent experiences in Germany. The meeting will be held in Alumni Hall at 8:15 o'clock.

CALL FOR ORDERS

Orders for commencement programs and announcements must be handed in to Russ Pardee '41 or Claudia Wheeler '41 before spring vacation.

CONDUCT LENTEN SERVICES

The officers of the Newman Club will conduct Lenten devotions each evening at 7:15 o'clock in the Gothic Chapel.

Ag Indies Make Plans To Organize

Holding their first regular meeting, members of the Ag School Independent group were introduced to their officers by Robert Dygert '41, president of the Student Senate, last Monday night.

Although there were but 31 present, it is expected the group will contain between 75 and 100 members as soon as the organization swings into action.

Organize Plans

Procedure of the evening was principally to organize. An agreement was made to meet bi-monthly on the first and third Monday evenings of the month. Dues will be fifty cents per semester. To eliminate an over-stuffed rollbook, it was voted that a person absent for three successive times would be dropped.

Resigns Post

Gerard LeBlanc '42, who was recently pledged to Theta Gamma fraternity, tendered his resignation for the office of vice president. His successor will be elected at the next meeting.

A committee to draw up a constitution was appointed and will be headed by Louise Santucci '41. Other members were Dorothy Rising '41, Leigh Nojem '42 and Eileen Murphy '42. Inasmuch as the organization will cooperate with the Student Senate, the president asked for members to assist decorating the gym for the "Ideas of March" dance.

Snake Authority For Ag Assembly

Jack Raymon, one of America's foremost authorities on North American reptiles, will be the feature in the Ag School Assembly Friday morning in Alumni Hall.

Mr. Raymon will try to feature something unusual in the line of entertainment, and will attempt to show the plan of Nature which maintains a biological balance in connection with reptiles.

Since 1936, Mr. Raymon has been actively interested in herpetology. He will have with him Friday, 15 live snakes which he will exhibit.

KAPPA NU INITIATES

Burril Friedman '43 and Albert Rosenstein '43 were formally initiated into Kappa Nu last Sunday morning.

Farandole That's What They're Doing



The Farandole, a French folk dance was demonstrated by these French majors at the Fifth Annual French banquet held last Thursday in Social Hall. The dancers are from left to right Margaret Olney '41, Rachel Peterson '42, Jean Millsap '41, and Jane Colberg '41.

Ceramic Activities to Be Shown In Cross-Section at Open House

Presenting a cross-section of ceramic activity, the annual St. Pat's Ceramic Open House will be held in the two Ceramic buildings Thursday evening from 7:00 to 10:00 o'clock.

Visitors attending the Open House will first see the sophomore and junior chemical laboratory exhibits in Binns Hall. Extensive exhibits of chemical products have been arranged as well as showings of other ceramic industry products.

From this exhibit spectators will go to see the testing apparatus, and kiln firing to be shown by the Ceramic Research Experiment Station. In the basement of Binns Hall artists will be at work drawing, throwing pottery on the wheels and casting. The artists' plaster shop will also be open to visitors.

In the new Ceramic building displays of heavy clayware will be seen. The plaster shop will be shown in operation as will the deairing, machines and others. From this exhibit, the guests will be directed to the X-ray laboratory and to the glass blowing demonstration in the kiln room. A glass blower from the Corning Glass Works and his assistant will show how glass is blown into a variety of shapes. How glass wool is made will be shown in another exhibit.

To be included in the glass exhibit is the kaleidoscope designed by Gilbert Mohr. Present plans call for a projection of the image on a two-foot screen.

From the kiln room, the crowd will be directed to the first floor of the ceramic school where they will see the whiteware exhibit. The main attraction of this exhibit will undoubtedly be the display of a fine set of dishes, valued at \$300, by the Lenox Pottery Company of Trenton, N. J. The petrography laboratory will be the scene of the next display.

The next stop on the exhibition tour will be art classes on the second floor of the school. Classes in modeling, drawing and sculpture will be in session. Souvenirs of the Festival will be on sale in the Ceramic Lounge. On the first floor of the school, the last stop before the end of the tour, the department of physics exhibit will be seen.

TO GIVE RECITAL

Ada Becker Seidlín will give a piano recital before the assembly of the Alfred-Almond Central School on Friday afternoon.

Will Hudson Band To Appear At Formal St. Pat Festival Ball

Composer, Pianist Hudson Brings "A" Minus Rating, Fourteen Musicians and Vocalists

Coming to the campus next week-end from an extended engagement in Syracuse and bringing an "A" minus rating by the Metronome critics, Will Hudson, who rose to fame as a co-leader of the renowned Hudson-De Lange Ork of great heights in the music world, will bring some of his recent tunes such as "Start Jumpin'," "Three At a Table for Two," "Hi Ya Mr. Chips," "Peakin' at The Deacon" and "On The Verge" to the annual St. Pat's Ball, Friday night, March 21, in the College Gym.

String Quartet Appears Thrice During Visit

The Stradivarius Quartet concluded a two-day visit on the Alfred campus with an informal program at Social Hall this afternoon.

The group had luncheon with the members of the Forum Committee at the Brick Monday noon and with members of the Assembly Committee today.

Following the formal concert Monday evening the Quartet and Ada Becker Seidlín were guests at an all college reception at Social Hall. Dean Dora K. Degen and Mrs. C. Duryea Smith III poured and were assisted by members of the Forum Committee.

The Quartet, made up of Wolfe Wolfsohn, first violin; Bernard Robbins, second violin; Marcel Dick, viola; and Iwan d'Archambeau, cello, presented the following program on Monday evening:

Quartet in C major, K.465 Mozart
Adagio Allegro
Andante cantabile
Menuetto
Allegro molto
Quintet in F minor, Opus 34 Brahms
Allegro non troppo
Andante un poco adagio
Scherzo Allegro
Finale poco sostenuto allegro non troppo
Ada Becker Seidlín at the piano
Canzonetta Mendelssohn
Londonderry Air Frank Bridge
Scherzo Ravel

Indies Meet Wednesday

Independents will meet in Room 2 of the Green Block Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock to ratify the newly proposed constitution.

Plans for a social function on March 22 will be concluded also. Recently elected officers of the Ag School Indies will be guests at this meeting.

New Poultry House Will Complete Facilities

With the near completion this week of the new WPA-built brooding and breeding house, the poultry husbandry department at the Ag School has completed facilities for instruction in brooding and progeny testing.

The house, built according to modern ideas for labor-saving and economical production, is compact, convenient and easily regulated.

Prevention of soil and water-borne diseases is emphasized. The chicks will not touch the ground until they go on range at 10 to 12 weeks of age, although there is a screened sunporch on the east side over a concrete apron.

Has Double Walls

The house is composed of ten 10 x 12 shed type rooms, sent end to end with a 12 x 12 two-story service section in the center. The double walls of novelty siding on the outside and matched fir inside are insulated with oat hulls and are the same as in the two-story laying house built in 1934.

Heating facilities include gas brooders and hot water auxiliary heat with pipes on the rear wall. A recircula-

tion system of ventilation is achieved by a handy arrangement of inlet and outlet openings.

Will Continue Colony Houses

For practice in the operation of coal-burning brooders, students will continue to use the colony houses on the range adjacent to the main buildings.

At the present time, half of the brooder-breeding house is being used for pedigree activities and progeny testing of breeders and the other half for regular brooding work, although later in the season the pedigree division will be used for broilers.

The incubation program of the farm provides for 1800 chicks for the farm, as well as chicks for students, graduates, and other special orders.

Normal fall flock at the State Farm consists of 1250 layers. The pedigree breeding flock has 100 females and 5 males, one male and 20 females being housed in a 10-12 unit, equipped with trapezoids. Mass mating of selected breeders is carried on in the larger pens of the regular laying house, to which the stock now being pedigreed will be removed as space is required for young stock in the brooder-breeding house.

Just when the former Hudson-De Lange combination was "on top," Hudson was forced to withdraw from the organization because of illness. Eddie De Lange then took over the band and continued to play the fine style of music that had made them famous. They were outstanding because of their art with the composer's pen.

ST. PAT'S PROGRAM

Thursday—
3:00-5:30. Tea Dance in the Ceramic Lounge
5:30-7:00. Open houses for supper at the fraternities.
7:00-10:00. Open house at the Ceramic College.
7:00. Two showings of "This Thing Called Love," starring Melvyn Douglas and Rosalyn Russell at Alumni Hall.
Friday—
3:00-5:30. Variety Show at Alumni Hall.
9:00-2:00. Formal Ball.

Their arrangements are distinctive and feature unison saxes.

This new style of composing is used by Benny Carter, Will Hudson, Eddie DeLange, Red Norvo, Tony Pastor and others. Some of Hudson's fine jobs with the pen brought forth "The Night Is Blue," which was recorded by Red Norvo and featured such artists as Norvo, Chu Berry, Bergigan, Shaw and others. Among his work are "You're Not The Kind" which made Henry "Red" Allen famous and "White Heat" which is still featured by Jimmie Lunceford.

Hudson's band was recently reviewed in "Metronome" and received an A minus rating from the critics. This magazine has given an "A" rating to only a few bands in the musical world. These include Krupa, Lunceford, Ellington, Goodman, Norvo, Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, All Kavalin, Harry James and Glenn Miller.

During the intermission of the St. Pat's Ball, music for continuous dancing will be provided by an additional band which will be on campus.

Breaking all precedents as to price, the St. Pat's board overstepped all previous budgets in signing an orchestra that will undoubtedly overshadow any orchestra ever to have played at Alfred.

Will Hudson and his Orchestra were recently rated by professional musicians' magazines as one of the most up-and-coming young orchestras in the circuit. In a poll conducted by station WNEW (creators of "Make-Believe Ballroom") which has built a name for many of America's largest orchestras, Will Hudson was rated fifth best all-around orchestra on the air.

Brings Group of 14

For the grand Formal Ball which climaxes the St. Pat's Festival on March 21, Hudson will bring to Alfred 14 outstanding musicians and vocalists.

Played Here Five Years Ago

Hudson, himself, is far from unknown among musicians. He was the spark-plug behind the old Hudson-DeLange Orchestra, which was rated among the top-notch solid bands of the country when they played here five years ago.

Hudson is also a musician of no mean ability, handling a piano in a manner comparable to any of the masters. He has been leading his present orchestra for fourteen months—making records for Decca, broadcasting for Columbia Network and has played engagements for many of the large universities including Cornell, Duke, Southern California, Minnesota and Michigan.

STUDENT LIFE TO MEET

The Student Life Committee will meet in Dean Dora K. Degen's office on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock.

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Coming: St. Pats

The Board this year is working with one aim—to please. That is why hot orchestras will make four appearances, (Tea Dance, Variety Show, Formal Ball and Intermission), why the open house program will emphasize action demonstrations, why the entire festive spirit is having its face lifted. Every effort is being made to organize a festival which will remove the stigma of past years' mistakes.

St. Pat's Festival represents the only annual effort to entertain the entire campus. In honor of the patron saint of engineers, the ceramists give Alfred an idea of what the Engineers do and the spirit in which they do it.

Alfred can aid the Board in inaugurating a new festive spirit which can become a worthy campus tradition. Everything cannot be free, but as much free entertainment is offered as possible; and the nominal fee events give promise of really being "the best ever". The fate of the unfortunate Pine Hill Prelude ought not be accorded to Alfred's Big Week-end.—A. P.

Union Now, Or When?

The debate over the passage of the lease-lend bill is a reminder of the widely discussed program of "Union Now" which would attempt to unite all democracies so that they might have a united front to prevent the spread of totalitarianism. With the discussion of the Aid-to-Britain bill comes the thought that some of the democracies which Clarence K. Streit, and Dr. Vernon Nash, who spoke on the Alfred campus last spring on that topic, and others have said could and should be included in a Union Now program are now either in complete subservience to a foreign power or are at least under the domination of that power.

The past year may be used as a fine example of how the totalitarian governments have swept away the freedom of small countries such as Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Holland, Norway and others because these countries have no strong power to back them. Their small parliamentary governments were helpless in the onrush of totalitarianism. In some cases the citizens of these nations now have to aid the aggressor nation in fighting their former allies.

The passage of the lease-lend bill by the Senate, Saturday night, may be indicative of more cooperation between remaining democracies. But it seems the significant factor is that democracies are realizing too late what the great advantages of "Union Now" might have been.

What "Union Now" might have done if it had been adopted before the conflict began is hard to say, but the important thing is that the democracies must work together now to save what is justly theirs.

Swim Or Sink

We hear a great deal about the World Student Service Fund. Perhaps to some of us it isn't much more than a few letters jumbled together. We disinterestedly contribute a few cents to the cause and forget about it.

There is, however, a real need and the students of this country have undertaken to do something about it. Colleges all over the country are making drives and producing generous sums.

Students in the warring countries are having, to put it mildly, a "tough" time. In our comparative safety of the moment, we do not realize their conditions of life and study. Were Alfred University to be suddenly bombed from the map, would we pick up the few materials remaining to us and retreat ever farther into the wilds of Allegany? That's a debatable question, not to be debated here.

European and Chinese student, however, are carrying on regardless, in prison camps and isolated sports. It is for them that we contribute money for books, equipment, food, clothing and medical supplies.

The question is asked, "Why should we bother about students overseas?" And the answer is given that students are an indispensable group for future international reconstruction when and if the world finally gets back to some semblance of sanity. Intellectual life is in danger of disintegration abroad and intellect is going to be necessary later, though it isn't accomplishing much now.

"Will American participation in this work involve her in any danger of war?" And we are told that it will not because funds are

MUSIC

In The Air

By Bob Burdick

Eddy Duchin, well-known for his piano technique, is still a favorite of the less "enthusiastic" dancers. The orchestra is expert in its renditions of sweet, but not sickening, music. The band also plays fast pieces, though less vigorously than the Goodmans and Dorseys. Duchin's artistry is still precise and fluent, which accounts for a great measure of his success.

Next Saturday afternoon, C.B.S. and Frank Dailey's Matinee at Meadowbrook will again present Gene Krupa and his orchestra, with Benny Goodman as special guest. Remember, it's from four to five over C.B.S. stations.

That Jan Garber "short" seems to have had some effect, for we consider another "Mickey Mouse" band, to use Lionel Hampton's phraseology. Henry King, also a pianist, leads a versatile orchestra for the dancers in one of San Francisco's more exclusive nightclubs. The band, strictly on the "read-no-five" side, mixes Latin American rhythms with its "not on the after-beat" music, which appeals to those in love, or those who want to sit and talk.

Another ex-Goodman star, namely Lionel Hampton of the hot vibraphone, heads a remarkable swing orchestra which features a small but expert string section, believed to contain viola and cello. Lionel "mans" the vibes doubling on drums for some hot percussioning. A small mixed combo is presented between orchestral groupings, adding further to the variety of music and styling. The band combines hot with sweet, subtle swing with righteous jazz, and classic strings with "barrelhouse" vibes for C.B.S. in Chicago.

John Kirby and his "biggest little band" are back in New York. No longer on sustaining, the band has a commercial, Duffy's Tavern, for C.B.S. on Saturday night. Flow Gently, Sweet Rhythm was a far better program, but John Kirby is J. K. no matter where he plays.

San Francisco is also enjoying the high-register trumpeting of Sonny Dunham and Glen Gray and the Casa Loma orchestra. This organization is a cooperative band from "way back," playing both sweet and hot. Kenny Sargent and Pee Wee Hunt handle the vocal vagaries with his talented group, which will doubtlessly continue to be a national favorite for many years unless the old selective service does some selecting.

Chicago was considered, a few years ago, to be the deathbed for any bands which were unlucky enough to get a few weeks booking there. Now, however, Chicago seems to be a mecca in the swing world, for many famous bands have had successful dates there. Among these is Larry Clinton's fine band, now at the Hotel Sherman's Panther Room. Clinton, a well-known composer, arranger, and instrumentalist, is indeed fortunate to have a band which interprets his distinctive orchestrations with such ease and feeling.

SPRING SOCIAL CALENDAR

May 2—Band Benefit Dance
May 3—Delta Sig Spring formal
Kappa Delta Spring formal
Independents party
May 8—Theta Gamma banquet
May 10—Pi Alpha Pi Spring formal
Kappa Psi Spring formal
N.Y.A. Spring formal
May 17—Theta Chi Spring formal
Kappa Nu Spring formal
Sigma Chi Spring formal
N.Y.A. Birthday Dinner
May 24—Lambda Chi Spring formal
Klan Alpine Spring formal

MOVIE TIME TABLE

Thursday — "The Long Voyage Home". Shows at 7:00 and 9:35 with feature at 7:51 and 10:26.
Friday and Saturday—"Arizona" with Jean Arthur. One complete show only at 7:40.

administered irrespective of politics, race, or religion. Distribution is absolutely impartial.

Most people complain because they feel that money given may be used to contribute to the war budget of a belligerent country. Reports from the National Committee say that such is not the case. Governments do not confiscate funds, the Committee must report in detail how they are spent, and, moreover, money for European students is sent to Geneva, Switzerland and can not possibly be reached by belligerents.

Foreign students are about to sink or swim. It might be a good idea to help them swim. We may be glad, later on, that we did.—A. S.

Frosh, Soph Classes Unite For Dance, Frats also Listed

Jane Colberg
Society Editor

Traditional rivalries will be forgotten this week-end, as the Freshman and Sophomore classes unite to provide dancing and entertainment for members of the two classes and their dates. Klan Alpine, Theta Gamma and Kappa Delta fraternities will share the spotlight with their respective frivolities.

The university gymnasium will be the scene of the Frosh-Soph informal dance Saturday evening from 8-12 o'clock. It will be a closed affair, in that one of each couple must be a under classman. Music will be by the Palmer Sound system. Bob Bowman '44 and Bob Starr '43 are in charge.

Kappa Delta fraternity will bring its "Hell Week" to a grand finale Saturday evening with a pledge dance at Social Hall from 8-12 o'clock. Music will be furnished by the house sound system. Faculty guests will include Prof. and Mrs. K. B. Floyd, Prof. and Mrs. William Jaeger and Prof. and Mrs. H. E. Sicker. Ken Denca and Rolland Ross are co-chairmen of the dance. Formal initiation for the new pledges was held Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

Pi Alpha Pi sorority held formal pledge service for Louise Konyon '42, Alice Lundy '42, and Mary Jane McAllister '44, Monday evening.

Herman Schrickel '39 and Martin "Red" Dykeman '39, were guests at Delta Sigma Phi fraternity last week-end.

Honorary members and their wives were entertained at Klan Alpine Wednesday evening with games of skill, skits, card games, and stunts in which they all participated. A mid-night supper was served. Singing brought the party to a close.

Ralph Rhodes '42 was assisted by Bob Starr '43, Win Repert '43, and John Breitenstein '41.

The blue of the night, bedusted with silvery stars and the gold of the moon, provided an appropriate background for the informal "Ides of March" dance sponsored by the Agricultural School Senate in the University gymnasium Saturday evening.

The mysterious abode of the celebrated Delphic oracle, alias Frank Bukowski, was the favorite haunt of the dancers between numbers by Bob Cleveland's eleven piece band. Refreshments were furnished by the concession of Larry Caverly. Faculty guests were Prof. and Mrs. C. Duryea Smith III, Director and Mrs. Paul Orvis, Prof. and Mrs. K. B. Floyd, Prof. and Mrs. Lloyd Robinson, and Prof. and Mrs. R. J. Brooks. Robert Dygert '41 was general chairman of the dance.

Sigma Chi Nu will entertain honorary members and their husbands at a card party tonight from 7:30 to 10:30 o'clock.

Miss Ruth Stanton, chairman, will be assisted by Rita Farnham '43, Jane Lawrence '43, Ruth Lang '41, and Eva Hanneman '41.

Kappa Nu fraternity entertained at dinner Sunday for Dr. Joseph Seidlin and his son, John.

Madeline Short '40 was a guest at Sigma Chi Nu over the week-end.

Theta Gamma fraternity will entertain at its pledge dance Friday evening from 8-12:00 o'clock at the house. Music will be furnished by the sound system. Faculty guests will include Director and Mrs. Paul Orvis, Prof. and Mrs. William Harrison, Prof. and Mrs. Walter Hinkle, and Prof. and Mrs. Lloyd Robinson. Harry Gass '41, chairman, will be assisted by Fritz Seegert '41, Charles Conine '41, and Dan Mullane '41.

Klan Alpine fraternity will entertain at an Open House Friday evening from 8-11 o'clock. Music will be by the new house sound system. Prof. and Mrs. C. R. Amberg and Prof. and Mrs. Robert L. Stone will be among faculty guests present. Lloyd Mason '41 is chairman of the dance.

Formal initiation at Lambda Chi Alpha was held Friday night for John Kirchner '43, John Bohrer '41, George

LeSuer '41, Charles Taylor '43 and Robert Hunt '42.

Kappa Delta fraternity entertained at a birthday party for Jack Luttrell, Thursday evening.

DREAMS and SWORDS

CHEERFULNESS BREAKS IN
By Angela Thirkell

To say that this is novel of England in war-time would be quite correct, but it might frighten away a number of people who ought to read it. Let us rather say that it is a delightful novel of England, for that is exactly what a reader to whom the name of Angela Thirkell is familiar will expect.

Such a reader will be glad to know that "Cheerfulness Breaks In" brings together a number of Barsetshire personages from Miss Thirkell's other books. But to one who is not yet a confirmed Thirkellian, we should be safe in saying that in this very English story one will find a little of Jane Austen, a bit of P. G. Wodehouse, a dash of Jan Struther, and certainly a great deal that is original.

After you have discovered the source of the novel's title, you may be a little dismayed to note its subtitle, "A Barsetshire War Survey". Be reassured: gloom is conspicuously absent from the book. Does it then deal with trivialities? Is it merely froth? By no means. It does have to do principally with things which one in this age of staggering events might call "little," but might it not be these very things which will last through and beyond the nightmare?

Nor is there in "Cheerfulness Breaks In" a shred of false sentiment. There is a good deal of hilarity and a little pathos, but it is completely sincere. Although its purpose is indubitably entertainment, this novel points out in a very skillful and subtle way just what well-bred English folk are really like. And anyone should be interested in that.

Surely anyone but a misanthrope with a morning-after head will chuckle with delight at the delicious but somewhat vague Mrs. Brandon: the Mixo-Lyidian refugees; Mr. Bissell, who didn't like "Capittletists"; Rose Birkett, to whom everything was either "foul" or "dispiriting"; and Miss Hampton, who wrote Banned Books of the Month and owned the uncomplaining canine marvel, Smigly-Rydz-Mannerheim. And, as is to be expected, in the midst of all the tumult, romance still has time to flower.—C. B. L.

Editor's Mailbag

Editor, Fiat Lux

The enclosed clipping from this morning's (February 25) Miami Herald has been called to my attention by Mr. Harry Smith of Port Huron, Michigan.

The thing that prompts me to suggest that the "savants" make a study of week-end news is a week-end story out of Alfred, N. Y., where is Alfred University. An important research conducted there reveals that students say "Hello" 175 times each day. That finding, in itself, I believe, is not important: it's implications, however, may be. Mainly, I think, it implies that formality prevails at Alfred. Down here — from Wesleyan at Macon, to the University of Miami — the students simply say, "Hey!" That may not be as polite and conventional as "Hello," but it's certainly more economical and chummy. Of course, I should say that the student north or south, who wants to hit the nail of correctness on the head would say, "How do you do?" (We careless newspaper people—and a lot of the rest of you—say, "Whatta ya know?" or "Whatta ye say?" And we don't give two whoops of thunder what the answer is! It's just a slovenly habit.)

Furthermore, that Alfred survey disclosed that in warm spring and summer "some girls give the salutation (Hello) as many as 350 times a day." In spring a livelier iris grows upon the burnished dove; in spring a young girl's answer is three-fifty Hellos to love!

I am wondering if Mr. Hough's suggestion as to correctness is not absolutely correct, and his statement that the habit, no matter about its form, "It's just a slovenly habit," must be accepted as correct, and is certainly a bad one to acquire.

Respectfully yours,

John J. Merrill

N.B. It is poor advertising at best.

M.

Editor, Fiat Lux

After reading over my Fiats for the past few weeks, I have what I think is a rather brilliant idea, which would not only make things simpler and more direct, but would also save time and effort on the part of your staff, whose efforts, as I gather from rather

BEYOND THE Valley

By George Hyams

When the bad combine the good must associate, else they will fall, one by one, an unpitied sacrifice in a contemptible struggle.

—Edmund Burke

Hitler sent a special message to the Turkish government inviting them to send an envoy to see him in his mountain retreat. The Turks refused figuring that the high altitude would do them no good.

At long last the Lend-Lease squabble came to an end. Let us hope that our aid will be neither too little nor to late.

Herr Hippler, Nazi film official, says that American films are banned in Germany because they are non-artistic. Now we know the real reason why "The Great Dictator" is not being shown in the Reich.

Sherwood Anderson, American scene novelist and short story writer, passed away in Colon, Panama. He, with Thornton Wilder, was headed for South America to make some good will lectures.

Yugoslavia won a moral victory. She was not incorporated into the new and spreading axis. She only signed a friendship pact. Yugoslavia promises not to attack Germany and Germany promises not to attack Yugoslavia unless she feels like it.

Quite a number of people are afraid that we will get into the war right away, officially. They can rest easy because nations never go to war while the snow is on the ground. The cold, cold winter clouds war's glories.

COLLEGE TOWN

By the Editors

Fifth Column, sabotage! Such were the thoughts that ran through the mind of Dr. Kasper Myrvaagnes last week when he entered his class room and found it in rather disreputable disorder.

Some scoundrel bent on destroying the efforts of the German department broke into the classroom. The house-breaker accomplished this task by breaking a window and opening it through the disassembled pane. He then set to work on the rather tedious task of unscrewing the seats from the floor. Having accomplished this end he apparently sought new entertainment by taking the seats apart. He didn't complete this mission, luckily.

Several theories have been advanced by youthful Sherlocks as to the identification of the criminal. He might have been an escapee from the nearby institution for people with such complexes. Then, again he might have been a student who had flunked a recent German test. The idea that he might have been a "she" hasn't been discarded, since sororities have a lot of pledges running around loose. Many think that it's too late in the year to be a frosh trick.

"Hell Week" gives pledges all manner of add jobs. Al Rosenstein of Kappa Nu was told to interview Prof. Potter, perennial candidate for Mayor of Alfred, and get his views on the coming election. Rosenstein rushed up to campaign headquarters, huddled past hundreds of campaign managers and secretaries, had countless buttons proclaiming "Potter for Prosperity" pinned upon him, and finally got in to see the candidate himself.

After hours of deliberation with his political advisers and press agents, "Wendell L." Potter came out with the following statement:

"My friends, I firmly believe that this election will see a Democratic landslide in Alfred"

unkind current comment, are not appreciated as much as they might be.

I suggest you discontinue publishing the Fiat altogether, and begin publication of a little journal devoted entirely to comments on assembly programs, suggestions as to how students should behave in assembly, what is being worn to assembly by our sub-debs, and perhaps some comments from Hyams, from the New Deal point of view, on Dean Drake's interesting little talks. You might call it the "Assembly Digest".

This is only a humble suggestion on my part, but I hope you will consider it seriously. After all, ASSEMBLY is really all that matters in our lives. If you knew how each and every one of us looks forward to each happy Thursday morning, I am sure you would be deeply touched by this plea.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK T. COSTELLO '43

Short Shots of Sport Shots

By Bob Moebus

Again old man ill health has laid our regular columnist low, and consequently, "since the column must go on" the necessity of substitution. However, Don Wattles will soon be up and around again, "waddling" with his usual pleasing style and sports info.

Following a rather gruesome exhibition of wrestling in the last assembly short, Alfred's quartet of matmen will invade Cleveland this Friday to do battle in the Tri-State championships. Grapplers wrestling in the Saxon colors will include Mike Greene, Royce Luce, Frenchy Le Blanc, and Reggie Miner. Great things can be looked for from this quartet, as all the men have proved their worth throughout the season.

Greene especially should bring home the bacon, as he has been the only one of the Yunevich coached men to emerge from the wars undefeated. However, this does not necessarily mean to sell the other Purple and Gold matmen short, as much wrestling talent is vested in this trio, and all are capable of turning in wins.

It is again becoming a pleasure for this writer to read the nation's sport pages, as baseball is again coming into its own. While the blizzards rage on in and out of Alfred, much time can now be devoted to the various hot stove league discussions concerning the various merits of the Dodgers, Yanks, Giants, Cubs and Reds as far as the pennant story will run this year.

It has been an age old custom of all sports writers, pros and us, to predict the world series winners for the following fall. In order to predict, any writer puts himself on the limb, or sticks his neck out. Perhaps it is best not to subject yourself to such treatment, but at last I am going to fulfill a long sought ambition. I predict the Brooklyn Dodgers—yes I said the Dodgers to win the National League Pennant, and I look for the Yankees to use their vast array of rookie stars to a good advantage and to push home the winner in the American League. Please address all comments and discussions to the Fiat Office, Alfred, N. Y. Also, don't say we didn't warn you.

Here and there:—Intramural playoffs start tomorrow night, and and probably will represent the most evenly matched title bouts in many a year. For a great deal of basketball as well as for much local color we would mark this as a must on your sports calendar. We notice in today's paper that Hugh Mulcahey, the Philadelphia Phillies, only pitcher (since the departure of Kirby Higbe) has been drafted. He says he intends to play ball while in the Army. Probably figures that at long last he will be able to pitch a team to the pennant.

Also we notice that the Yankees have come up with Jerry Priddy, who is already receiving nominations as the rookie of the year. From all indications he is a Priddy good ball player. Look for intramural softball to start soon after our return to school following Spring Vacation. We would like to see Intramural Touch Football inaugurated next season to occupy the non-varsity combatants during the fall sports season. It has been tried on many campuses, with a great deal of success and enthusiasm. You people who have packed away the ski togs, and winter underwear had better rummage around in the moth balls and reclaim said articles, because from all indications it will be long before we will be again lounging under the pines on the hills, and taking life as only life can come in the spring. And we still think that a winter carnival would wake up the rather dead winter sports enthusiasts on the campus.

NYA BOYS CHALLENGE
The Boys' NYA wishes to challenge any five-man ping pong team on the campus. Arrangements may be made with Joe DiDemenico, phone 147.

MATH CLUB TO MEET
The Mathematics Club of Alfred University will hold its next meeting next Tuesday night at 7:45 o'clock in Physics Hall. The program has not been decided yet.

Grapplers to Leave for Tri-State Thursday

Varsity Quintet Record Shows 5 Wins; 11 Losses

Record Does Not Tell Whole Story Of 1941 Season

The record of five wins in sixteen starts does not tell the whole story of the 1941 Varsity Basketball season at Alfred. In wins and losses the figures do not lie but in retrospect one sees that the past campaign might just as easily have read eleven wins and five losses.

Facing an ambitious schedule with potentially the strongest hardwood aggregation in a decade, the most pessimistic Saxon rooster was forced to admit the outlook for the season was rosy. But before half the season had passed three of Coach Dan Minnick's starting five were out of uniform and at the peak of the campaign a fourth was inactive. The loss of veterans Russ Pardee, Bob Whitwood and Bo Johnson and sophomore Johnny Young was hard felt and they were not replaced, the squad being reduced to nine men for the last six games of the season.

The opening two games of the season were against Cornell and Niagara with Alfred dropping both; but in losing the team made a fine showing and the games might have been a different affair if played at Alfred.

Opening at home in their new white satin uniforms the locals easily trounced the Hartwick Indians 40-31 to hit the win column. The game was all Alfred as the visitors were completely outclassed.

A hard charging, aggressive Saxon five caused a mild upset in Western New York basketball circles by nosing out Rochester 39-37 on their home court. Fresh from their initial win the preceding week the Alfred five were easily the better team from the start. Pike Trigilio, Bo Johnson, Ellie Hauth, Russ Pardee and Willie Gamble started and played practically the entire game, proving a perfect combination.

Lost To Ithaca

Alfred lost its next game to Ithaca due to a combination of three week's idleness and the inevitable let down which follows an outstanding game. Hartwick played the perfect host the following week and the Saxons came home with another easy victory and an even split in six starts.

At this time Russ Pardee and Bob Whitwood were forced to leave the team to keep up with their studies and John Young left school, leaving Coach Minnick with gaping holes to be filled.

St. Bonaventure's rugged quintet started the second half of the season by beating Alfred but only after a gruelling 40 minutes which saw the Saxons tie the score and force the Bonnies to win in an overtime period. Hobart also took measure of the faltering Saxons jumping to an early lead and never being headed on their small home court.

RPI Won

A three day trip to Albany saw a complete reversal of form as Alfred walloped Union 62-47, with Pike Trigilio and Capt. Bo Johnson leading the attack. The following night Johnson played his last game for Alfred and despite his 18 points, R.P.I. came from behind to win by a scant two baskets in the last minute.

With Johnson gone, the Purple and Gold lost to Buffalo 45-40, then played brilliantly to down Cortland 41-38 before losing their remaining four games.

The Cortland game, the best of the year, was a nip and tuck affair and as the final buzzer sounded the score was knotted 30-30. In the first overtime with one minute to go Alfred was trailing by four points when Pike Trigilio swished the net twice to keep Alfred in the running. A second and then a third overtime period was needed before Bob Humphrey's three points broke up the game.

If Lady Luck Had Smiled
Clarkson, St. Lawrence, Allegheny and Buffalo each beat the Saxons to

Saxonette Sports

By Muriel Strong

Pi Alpha and Theta Chi presented two very evenly matched teams for competition last Monday evening Pi Alpha, fortunate in having Ann Bastow in their line again upon recovery from an ankle injury, presented a better organized team than formerly.

The Theta Chi women played a fast game and usually got the ball as it crossed the center line, but committed numerous fouls. As usual, lengthy Betty Stangl presented a problem for her opponents but was well guarded by Pi Alpha's June Chisholm who could match her in "stretch". For the first quarter Theta Chi held, but the final score was 23-17 in favor of Pi Alpha.

The line-up for the game was:

Theta Chi	Pi Alpha
R. F.—Betty Stangl	Ann Bastow
L. F.—Betty Cosby	Muriel Strong
C. F.—Roda Ungar	Mary Walker
R. G.—Barbara Hill	Gail Rasbach
L. G.—Elsie Richtmyer	Mary Johnston
C. G.—Virginia Shaner	June Chisholm

Again the Brick II showed its superiority in a game against the NYA women later Monday evening. The "Aggies" played better than in their former games, but the perfect coordination of their opponents could not be surpassed. In the third quarter of the game Jean Bates and Peg Hopkins of the Brick team changed from guard to forward position and still perfect teamwork was executed among the forwards.

Millie Pivetz scored 23 out of 42 points made by the Brick women. This is the highest number of points scored by an individual in one game this year. The NYA team made 3 points.

Line-up:

Brick II	N. Y. A.
R. F.—Millie Pivetz	Ellen Barnes
L. F.—Peg Hopkins	Phyllis Czajkowski
C. F.—Trill Thomas	Ronnie Federici
R. G.—Peg Hopkins	Lynn Baldwin
L. G.—Jean Gates	Laura Berry
C. G.—Elizabeth Litchfield	Ethel Griffin

The basketball games scheduled for last night will be played tonight instead. They are:

Pi Alpha vs. Brick I
Brick II vs. Sigma Chi
Practice is held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock for the women who will go to Cornell on March 22.

BADMINTON

Alfred has received an invitation to an open badminton tournament at Bath on March 14-15. The different events will be as follows: Women's doubles and men's singles to be played on Friday evening, March 14; women's singles and men's doubles on Saturday afternoon, March 15; and

complete the season. The Larries won by two baskets and Allegheny's elongated 'Gators eeked out a 41-40 win. Either of these games might have gone the other way to Alfred if Lady Luck had chosen to smile.

Eight of the nine basketballers who completed the season will be back next year. Senior Bob Humphrey is the only player lost via graduation. Returning will be the team's high scorer, Pike Trigilio, Willie Gamble, Ellie Hauth, Toady Rhodes, Chief Cohen, Bob Jolley, Lee Hoitink and Phil DiSalvo.

Aggies Win One, Lose One On Week-end Trip

With a record of one loss and one win the Alfred Aggies returned home Sunday night after a two-game week-end in the eastern part of the state bringing a total of 104 points as against the same number of points scored by the two opposing teams.

Losing by a four point margin in the 51-55 score to Queens College, Friday night they swung into smoother action Saturday night to take the Farmingdale Aggies 53-49. Although the Alfred team had a four point margin at the half, they were nosed out of the victory by the Queens College left forward Wetzel who scored nine points in the second half. The half ended 29-25.

Johnston was High For Alfred

Ludie Johnston was high scorer for the Alfred team with six field goals and one foul point. Wetzel of the Queens College was the game high scorer with 18 points. Johnston was followed by Herb Bense, Alfred's scorer of 11 points and Fritz Seegert, Alfred, who accounted for 10.

Humble Farmingdale

The following night the Alfred quintet humbled the Farmingdale team which had beaten Queens College twice earlier in the season. Striking an early lead the Ag quintet scored 39 points to the 22 of the opponents by the half.

Speiser of the Farmingdale Aggies surged ahead in the second half of the game to score nine field goals and to make the score more nearly even. By his second half spurt he became game high scorer with a total of 29 points, 12 of which were field goals. Johnston came in second place with nine field buckets and three foul points. Seegert of the Alfred team

mixed doubles and consultations on Saturday evening.

Two matches were played in the intra-mural badminton tournament this week. On Wednesday evening the second Pi Alpha team, composed of Gail Rasbach and Muriel Strong, defeated Margaret Ames and Sally Jane Morris of the second Sigma Chi team in a three game match. The scores were 15-11, 13-15, and 18-16.

Saturday morning Millie Pivetz and Esther Miller of the first Brick team gave Pi Alpha's first team of June Chisholm and Eloise Bassett quite a work-out in a two-game match. The Pi Alpha women won with a score of 18-13 and 15-14.

ARCHERY

An open archery tournament will be held at the College gym at 8:15 o'clock on Monday evening, March 17. Everyone is invited to participate. The gym will be open from 7-8 o'clock for practice.

There will be no archery in the gym on March 15 or March 22, because the gym will be in the process of being decorated for the coming dances.

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INTRAMURALS TO SELECT FINALISTS

In the intramural games played last week the four top positions were determined. The results showed that Klan Alpine, Lambda Chi, Delta Sig, and the Ellis Elephants remained in the playoffs. They took the respective positions of first, second, third and fourth.

Two single games will be played tonight to determine the finalists. The games scheduled are Klan Alpine versus Delta Sig, and Lambda Chi versus the Ellis Elephants. The winners of these will play in the finals in a two out of three series to determine the intramural champion and the winner of the cup. Last year's winner was Klan Alpine.

The stars of the season were undoubtedly the Mason brothers and George Kellogg for Klan Alpine, while for Delta Sig the stalwart action of "Mike" Greene, cannot be overlooked in another of his sterling athletic feats, and last year's Freshman guard "Stumpy" Taffuro. In the ranks of the Elephants we have Bill Hurley and "Cadet" Cupota. Lambda Chi has Bob Sinclair as its standout. However, the latter team as a whole is the actual mainstay of its position.

was again runner-up in scoring with 10 points.

Aggies at Queens:			
Alfred Aggies	G	F	T
Allen, rf	1	1	3
Beattie, rf	0	1	1
Stipple, rf	1	0	2
Johnston, lf	6	1	13
McNeilly, c	4	1	9
Seegert, rg	4	2	10
Bense, lg	3	5	11
Squillace	1	0	2
Totals	20	11	51

Aggies at Farmingdale:			
Alfred Aggies	G	F	T
McNeilly, rf	2	2	6
Beattie, rf	2	0	4
Seegert, lf	4	2	10
Johnston, c	9	3	21
Bense, c	2	0	4
Stipple, rg	1	0	2
Squillace, rg	0	0	0
Allen, lg	1	4	6
Totals	21	10	53

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Four Men Selected For Squad

Leaving Thursday morning, four members of the Alfred University wrestling team will en-train with Coach Alex Yunevich for Cleveland, Ohio, where they will enter the annual Tri-State Wrestling Championships on Friday.

These men include Mike Greene, heavyweight; Reggie Miner, 165 lb. class; Royce Luce, 136 lb. class; and "Frenchy" Le Blanc, in either the 121 or 128 lb. class, depending upon which weight he can make.

Includes Five States

On Friday, Alfred's matmen will meet wrestlers from five states including 20 colleges. For the past years Kent State has dominated the tourney, but this year Coach Yunevich feels that it will be another story.

He is quite pleased with the condition of his men, physically and mentally, and expects that they will return with their share of the awards. Medals will be awarded for the first four places in each event.

Greene Is Undefeated

Perhaps the best bouts as far as local interest is concerned, will be those of Mike Greene and Reggie Miner. Greene, undefeated in inter-collegiate competition this year, should live up to his advance notices and put on a good battle, while Miner, always a threat can also be counted on for a good performance. In the light weights, Luce and Le Blanc can also be expected to look good.

The grapplers will return to Alfred sometime Sunday, and will then begin working out for the NCAA Championships to be held at Lehigh University on March 21.

Chaplain Will Speak

Chaplain William H. Genné will speak at the Father-Son Banquet to be held in the Parish House at 6:30 o'clock, Thursday evening, which is sponsored by the local Masons.

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Compares Glass to Peanut Brittle

Glass Tech Senior Makes Comparison Of Candy to Glass

Howard Cooper, glass technology senior, in this article entitled "Peanut Brittle and Glass," compares the making of glass and the making of peanut brittle.

By describing the well known process of making the brittle part of peanut brittle, one can, with very little changing, describe the process of making glass. So forgetting the peanuts, the discussion will continue, revealing the similarities between glass and peanut brittle.

Considers Composition

The composition of the two materials will be considered first. In general, the peanut brittle, which will be referred to as candy, is composed mainly of sugar. In comparison with this, glass is made of sand. Both the sand and the sugar are crystalline, and both have about the same grain size.

Other constituents of the candy are salt, vanilla, butter, and perhaps molasses. In glass, there is lime, decolorizer to take out the undesirable colors, where candy has a small amount of various ingredients that produce the desired color. Aluminum in glass and molasses in candy act toward the same end in their respective batches. Both tend to make the batch easier to "work," and both tend to help keep the batches from crystallizing. This will be taken up in a little more detail later.

Fluxes Included

There is one more constituent of each batch that has not yet been mentioned. These two constituents are soda ash for glass and water for the candy. These play a major role in their respective batches. They act as fluxes. A flux is a substance added to a batch or a mixture of any kind to regulate the temperature at which it fuses or melts. The flux is usually added to lower the fusion temperature.

Of course you are saying to yourself, "Water merely dissolves the sugar and the other constituents of the candy batch." True it does do this. Dissolving the batch is the main reason for which it is used. On the other hand, the mixture is heated so that it dissolves, or melts, if you will allow me to use the term for comparison later, more rapidly and completely. When the batch is well dissolved, it is boiled until all excess water is removed. The fluxing action of the water is chemical as well as physical reaction. For this article, let it suffice to say that both types of reactions occur. A full discussion of this particular point would require considerable explanation which can not be included here.

In the case of glass the soda ash

also acts in two ways at the same time. Chemically it acts on the sand forming a compound known as sodium silicate and releasing carbon dioxide. Physically the soda ash melts first, and, on becoming liquid, helps to dissolve some of the other ingredients of the glass batch. So, the comparison between the water of the candy and the soda ash of the glass is very close.

Candy is boiled to remove water. Likewise, glass is boiled, at a much higher temperature of course, to remove the carbon dioxide and other volatile matter so that no bubbles will be present in the final product. Boiling of the glass stirs the batch and aids in securing a homogenous product. Boiling of candy aids in its mixing, although the action often is not sufficient to keep the sugar from sticking and burning.

In comparing the solidification of glass with the solidification of candy, several points of similarity are to be found. The fact of the matter is, the whole physical character of the solidification process of one can be substituted for the other. Successful candy is boiled to remove the water, thus making the batch more viscous. Viscosity is thickness or resistance to flow. When it is of the right viscosity, the candy is poured out and allowed to cool. Since the viscosity increases much more rapidly than the temperature decreases, the candy batch soon becomes so viscous that the molecules can not orient themselves into crystals.

The same applies to glass. It is heated until it is all melted and the excess gas is all removed, and then it is cooled. As the batch cools, the viscosity increases very rapidly, so that the batch becomes rigid before crystals, called seeds in the glass, can form.

A glass batch which is not viscous enough will be extremely seedy, thus being of very little commercial value. Likewise, a batch of candy which is not boiled to the right viscosity before it is cooled, will have crystals in it. The term applied to this case is "grainy" or "sugary". Sugary candy is unsatisfactory just as seedy glass is unsatisfactory.

When glass breaks, it breaks with what is called conoidal fracture. That is, it breaks along curved lines. Likewise, when candy is broken, it breaks with conoidal fracture.

Thus you see that glass and the brittle part of peanut brittle are very similar. If you wish to find out the main difference between the two, just try eating a piece of glass.

Vesper Service Ends French Week

Finale was written to the fifth annual French Week by the vesper service of French music in the Union University Church Friday evening.

The Saint Charlemagne banquet Thursday evening at Social Hall was attended by fifteen high school students from neighboring communities with their teachers, as well as by Alfred students of French.

The French Club, of which Courtney Lawson '42 is president, wishes to thank publicly the following persons who aided in the presentation of the week-long celebration: Miss Bertha Coats, Miss Erma Hewitt, Miss Hazel Humphreys, Mrs. G. S. Nease, Miss Ruth Greene, Miss Ruth Whitford, Miss Clara Nelson, Jane Bray '44, Walter Robinson '42, Prof. Varick Nevins III, and Prof. Ray Wingate.

Debaters Engage Houghton Again

Freshman and Varsity Forensic debaters engaged Houghton College in a return meet at Houghton yesterday afternoon and evening. The match was a dual meet, both Freshman and the Varsity teams competing in non-decision debates.

The Freshman team upheld the negative side of the question: "Resolved: That the power of the federal government should be increased." The Varsity team took the affirmative side of the question: "Resolved: That the nations of the Western Hemisphere should form a permanent union".

ABSENCE COMMITTEE

Students are advised by the Absence Committee to re-read the absence regulations in the handbook on page 28. Special attention is called to the fact that when announced exams are missed because of absence on account of business a fee of \$1 must be paid before the exam may be made up.

Fancy Baked Goods

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Winter Weather

Fast Falling Snow Blankets Saxon Landscape

With Spring less than two weeks away, Ol' Man Weather cut loose with one final blast.

This blast, however, was the accumulated effort of the entire winter, because ten inches is the most that has covered the campus since the 14-inch fall, February 13, 1940.

At this writing, the fall is somewhat spasmodic, however to avoid being optimistic, no prophesy should be made.

It's safe to say, though, that those who unpacked their skis and snow togs should utilize them to the utmost during the remainder of this week.

Marquand Books In Display

"H. M. Pulham, Esquire" by John P. Marquand, Pulitzer Prize Novelist in 1938 for his "The Late George Apley," is among the new books on display in the library this week. Others on display include the diary of a Dutch boy refugee, "My Sister and I" by Dirk van der Heide, and a collection of hitherto unpublished papers by Samuel Clemens, called "Mark Twain in Eruption".

Leisure time treatises on exhibit are: "Chess" by C. H. O'D. Alexander, "How to Play Winning Checkers" by Millard Hopper, "All in Fun" by famous humorists, "Fun With Words" by Jerome Meyer, and "Entertaining is Fun" by Dorothy Draper.

Infirmiry Treats Seven

Seven students were treated at the infirmiry last week. They were: Richard Smith '41, Sanford Davidow '41, Carl Jacobi '43, Robert Todd '42, Beverly Butterfield '42, Robert Goodell '44. Marjorie Eiss '42 was taken to Hornell last Tuesday for an appendicitis operation.

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Boys Read More Than Girls, Library Statistics Reveal

Carnegie Library is, to many students, a place wherein one sits and peruses history books, religion books, English essays, and anything else under the sun that his courses might require.

It's too bad that students don't have more time in which to read for pleasure. Probably many, however, could find spare moments they would ordinarily waste in doing nothing. The library cards and reserve list, it is interesting to note, show that Alfred boys do much more reading of fiction than do the girls. They not only sign up way in advance for the new books, but they also take more from the shelves. Whether this proves that Alfred men utilize their spare time to more advantage, or whether they are more intelligent and can get their work done faster, it is difficult to say.

A certain sum is given by the University to the Library each year. Miss Ruth Greene makes selection of the reading material and also orders those text-books that professors request. "Books are ordered a month ahead of publication, and agents are continually coming in, so we really get the most recent ones," says Miss Greene. Read the book section of the "New York Times" some Sunday; then go in the library and look about you. You'll see there the new, gay-jacketed books that were so attractively advertised in the paper.

Miss Greene also says that students coming from big cities tell her that Carnegie Library gets books faster and makes them available for reading faster than do some of the big metropolitan libraries, even though

there may be only one copy to give out, while larger libraries have many copies.

Incidentally, when new books come in and are very much on reserve, "hard-to-get" or when an attractive display is made of them on the tables their popularity is greatly increased.

"Certain displays may not interest everyone," one might say. Miss Greene has an answer ready for that, however. "Nearly everyone is reached in groups on the campus by this advertising, and everyone is bound to be interested sometime during the course of the year."

Address NYA Girls

Chaplain and Mrs. William H. Genne spoke to the girls of the NYA Resident Center last Wednesday night about the general topic of life before and, to some extent, after marriage.

Rev. Genne's talk initiated the new "Guest Speaker" program which the girls have incorporated into their regular weekly meetings.

Several speakers, among them President J. Nelson Norwood, have been scheduled for future meetings.

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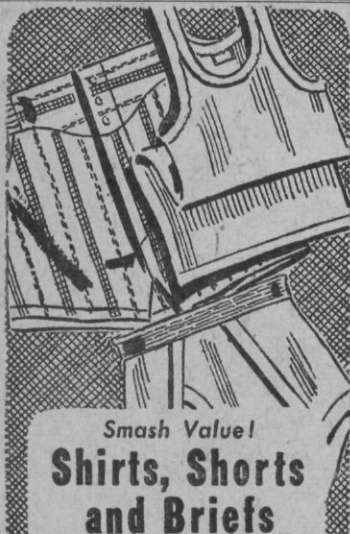


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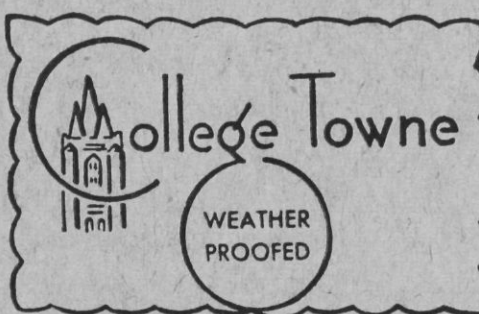
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