



McLeod Favors Forum To Air Student Grievances

Coming as a personal comment on the recently revived rule which forbids Alfred women to leave campus dances, Chaplain J. C. McLeod Friday suggested a forum of representatives of the administration and the student body as a possible means to clarify the attitude of each.

The talk, given at chapel Friday in Kenyon Hall, was heard by a comparatively large chapel audience of approximately 100 students and members of the faculty.

Speaking for himself, and emphasizing the fact that his viewpoints were not necessarily those of the administration, Chaplain McLeod questioned the wisdom of two "opinions" published in last week's FIAT LUX regarding Dean Dora K. Degen's warning to the university women against leaving college and campus functions for "other places."

Undergraduate's Code Warlike

"... Letters like those in the FIAT increase the gap between the faculty and the students and give the outsiders the impression that there is a constant underground class war between students and faculty," Chaplain McLeod declared.

"The traditional code of the undergraduate is a warlike code, requiring students to stand together against the faculty. Even an honor system fails because a squealer is as total a loss among students as among gangsters..."

Commenting on the first letter's implication that Alfred's women were able to take care of themselves" Chaplain McLeod was inclined to agree with the writer. "The girls' big job, however, is not in taking care of themselves but in taking care of us men!" he declared.

Answering letter number two's question, "Are the students of Alfred men and women?" Chaplain McLeod again expressed his doubt. "... Some of them, yes—but a great many are not. By what strange metamorphosis does the high school boy and girl, by a passing of a single summer, become a man and woman?..."

Alfred women, it was pointed out by the speaker, have "far more freedom than most undergraduate women."

"What Do You Want To Do?"

"When you hold a dance and you want to leave it, what do you want to do?" demanded McLeod. "... Anything that you can't do at the dance? Then don't go to the dance at all!"

"Follow the method that Roosevelt is employing to get business and government together," advised McLeod in his suggestion that a forum be conducted. "... Be one big family. Ask the administration to let you ask for what you want right out in the meeting. ... Not in generalities as these letters do, but in plain English."

Dr. Victor Heiser Supports Fiat In Drive To Wipe Out Syphilis

By Jack Eagan
"Why," said Dr. Victor Heiser, in an interview concerning The Fiat Lux anti-syphilis campaign, "should future generations be penalized for the indiscretions and misfortunes of their parents, when early and thorough treatment would eliminate many of the dire effects of this shadow in our land?"

Dr. Heiser expressed himself as heartily in favor of the nation-wide campaign against syphilis, and advocated yearly tests as a check on the disease.

Dr. Heiser eminent health expert and former Rockefeller "Disease-Chaser," came to Alfred as the fourth speaker on the Alfred University Forum. His discussion centered around his experiences and experiments while fighting disease.

The Doctor began his verbal trip around the world in the south seas. In his estimation the Polynesians have a good command of the English language and are the best orators in the world. Going from these islands to Hawaii, Dr. Heiser told of the life of the people there.

Student Of Diplomacy



Helen Hiett

Skating Rink On Grid Field Ready For Use

Following a week of semi-secret work, the Blue Key Honorary Society announced through Bert Lynn, chairman of the winter sports program committee, that skating would be held daily on the new skating rink constructed on the old Terra Cotta field in back of the gymnasium.

Daily flooding, through the cooperation of the Alfred Township Fire Department, has resulted in a two or three inch thickness of ice which, from all present indications, is of

Heed Skating Signs, Bert Lynn Asks

Emphasis on a request that all students using the Blue Key skating rink observe the signs placed on the rink by the Blue Key was made by Chairman Bert Lynn of the Blue Key Winter Sports committee, when he announced the opening of the rink to the public use.

"There will be time when the ice will be too soft for skating," Lynn stated. "When that condition occurs, No Skating signs be posted. It is our request that these signs be religiously observed by all so that the skating surface will not be marred and thus the usefulness of the rink impaired."

sufficient thickness and strength to allow skating.

Funds for the construction of the new and enlarged skating rink were obtained from a winter sports program drive conducted last winter by the society.

Lack of favorable weather conditions last year made it impossible to carry out the proposed plan. The funds, however, were held and put to use on the present project.

Plans for a winter sports carnival were announced by Chairman Lynn as being worked out. Skiing courses are also being mapped out and will be put into use later on in the season.

The next country visited by Dr. Heiser, was Japan. The Japanese, asserted the speaker, are the world's cleanest people. Dr. Heiser made a health survey for the Japanese government while he was there, and as a result, the famous Tokyo school of hygiene was established. The doctor took the audience to China long enough to discover that the Chinese have an excellent national health service and are the world's second most intelligent people.

From China, he traveled to the Philippines, where he told of his success in eliminating the plague, obtaining a system of fresh water supply from the country, and in introducing a cure for leprosy, a disease prevalent there.

Next, he went Borneo, where he fought beri-beri, and to the Malayan states where he abolished malaria, and Java and Ceylon, where he rid the people of hook worm.

The doctor was besieged with admirers after his talk, who asked him to autograph their copies of his recent best seller, "An American Doctor's Odyssey."

Girl To View World Situation In Assembly

Helen Hiett, young and brilliant graduate of University of Chicago, will bring a "fresh view of international relations" to Alfred University assembly Monday morning, January 24, at 11 o'clock.

After gaining a degree from U. of Chicago in three years, Miss Hiett went to Geneva, Switzerland, to study international relations on a scholarship. In 1935 she was made research assistant for the Geneva Research Center headquarters in the League of Nations Building, giving her entree to the press room and the Salle des Pas Perdus (Hall of Lost Steps), where diplomats gather—and not publicly.

For several months Miss Hiett also edited "Geneva," a monthly review of international affairs.

During her year and a half with the Geneva Research Center, she spent much time in Paris, London, Belgium and in Germany, where she saw the annual Partietag of the Nazis at Nuremberg in September, 1936.

She spent three weeks in a Women's Concentration Camp in Germany, in the darkest days of the Hitler regime.

A year ago Miss Hiett left the United States for a period of study at University of London, followed by Continental travels during the summer. She will bring last-minute reports from European halls to the Alfred assembly.

For five memorable months Miss Hiett was in Italy while that nation was involved in a finish struggle with Ethiopia. Chats with Anthony Eden, Pierre Laval, Baron Aloisi, Salvador de Madariga, are pages in her notebook.

Because the assembly will fall January 24, the regular assembly Thursday, January 20, will be omitted.

Vocational Clinic To Aid Students

A vocational guidance committee, conceived by the faculty and appointed by President J. Nelson Norwood, plans to hold regular clinics next semester for the purpose of aiding students in selecting their life work.

The committee consists of chairman A. Burdet Crofoot, Dean A. E. Whitford, Dr. Joseph Seidlin, and Chaplain James C. McLeod. It is designed primarily for Liberal Arts students and will present to them a survey of the professions, including preparation required, obstacles encountered, salaries, etc. The committee will endeavor to analyze the student as to his personality, adaptability, and intellect and perhaps thus be able to recommend to him a suitable vocation.

Dr. H. O. Boraas Speaks At Teacher Meetings

Dr. Harold Boraas represented Alfred at various educational conferences in this vicinity. He attended a meeting of city and district superintendents, village principals, and adult education supervisors at Bath, New York, to participate in discussion of a county set-up for adult education.

He gave a talk on the "Psychology of Teaching" before the teachers of Adult Education in Hornell. Corning, Bath, Hornell and other parts of Steuben County were represented at this conference.

Dr. Boraas also attended the annual meeting of the Educational Research Association of the New York State held at the Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, New York. This was held last week in conjunction with the Associated Academic Principals' convention.

Whitford Addresses Mathematics Club

Alfred math students have learned how to play a new game, that of "Casting Out Nines".

The professor of higher mathematics, Dean A. E. Whitford, who used it as the subject of a talk before the Mathematics Club Tuesday, explained "Casting Out Nines" as a method of checking the accuracy of operations such as addition, multiplication and division so that a person can quickly determine the remainder of each figure after it has been divided by nine.

Constitution Procedure Referred To Students

Drama Of Ireland Produced Tonight At Alumni Hall

Four weeks of intensive dramatic effort will culminate tonight as the Footlight Club and Theta Alpha Phi present Sean O'Casey's drama of Ireland, "Juno and the Paycock," at Alumni Hall beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

A final dress rehearsal last night helped the cast to brush up on stage business and lines. Footlight members who saw the three-act tragedy were confident the play will be a success.

Combining the color and humor of the Irish race with the dark tragedy of revolution, "Juno" is O'Casey's best portrayal of modern Ireland. It is a lovable presentation of the best in Irish character and a stinging criticism of the faults of the sons of Erin.

Robert Beers as Captain Jack Boyle and Winnie Winikus as Juno Boyle, his wife, play the leads. Joxer Daly, a lazy, sponging friend of Captain Boyle whose irrepressible humor carries the play, is portrayed by Joe Dauchy. Johnny, war-crippled son of Captain and Juno Boyle, is played by Maynard Noble, and Mary, ambitious daughter of the Boyles, is portrayed by Jean Van Strein.

Mrs. Maisie Madigan, a neighbor, is Ruth Evans, and Needle Nugent, tailor, is Joe Capello. Mrs. Tancred, bereaved mother of a Revolution soldier, is portrayed by Barbara Corsaw. Jerry Devine, young labor leader who loves Mary, is played by John Casamo. Charlie Benthams, an English school teacher-lawyer, is Wayne Rood.

Background atmosphere is furnished by John Bryan as an irregular mobilizer, Ed Creagh and John Dougherty as irregular soldiers, Robert Nemoff as a coal block vendor, Margaret Chester, Mildred Wesp, and Mary Chambers as neighbors.

Dance Cooperation Asked By Hedden

At a meeting held last Thursday, Walter Hedden, President of A. U. C. A., expressed a desire to have the full cooperation of the student body in carrying out Dean Dora K. Degen's request concerning campus dances. It was suggested that refreshments should be served during intermission at dances.

John Kolstad gave a further report on the National Student Assembly held at Miami University during the Christmas vacation.

Saxonian Will Appear At St Pat's Festival

The Saxonian will make its next appearance as the issue which centers about the St. Patrick's Day celebration. It will contain pictures of the festival including the king and queen and candidates for these high honors. There will be a popularity contest similar to the one given last year.

It was decided to relinquish the second issue of the Saxonian in order that the St. Pat's number might be double size.

Bernice Schultz, Alfred '28, Writes History Of Colonial Hempstead, L. I.

By Mildred Wesp

Since her graduation from Alfred in 1928, Miss Bernice K. Schultz has been teaching in Hempstead, L. I., the town whose historic beginnings she describes in her book, "Colonial Hempstead".

Miss Schultz completed her course at Alfred in three years and two summer school sessions. Her bachelor's degree was conferred magna cum laude. In 1936 she received her M. A. from Columbia University.

For her thesis, Miss Schultz decided to write the history of Hempstead, but soon found it a tremendous task. She then limited her subject to the colonial period and was surprised when a book as large as "Colonial Hempstead" resulted.

Student Organizations To Vote On Procedure, Suggest Changes Before Constitution Adopted

The Student Senate announced today its plan for amending the constitution of the Students' Association. Under this plan every Alfred student will be given an opportunity to suggest changes in the constitution, and no change will be made unless it is approved by a majority of the students.

President Raymond Baschnagel, who released details of the plan following a discussion of it at the last Senate meeting, said the

Five New Courses Will Be Offered Second Semester

Five new courses in the Liberal Arts College will be offered the second semester, Registrar Waldo A. Tittsworth announced today.

News writing will be taught by Prof. W. M. Burditt, Tuesday and Thursday.

International Government, or Political Science 32, will be offered by Dr. M. Ellis Drake at 10:30 on Tuesday and Thursday, in Room 3 Kanakadea.

Fundamental Concepts of Algebra and Geometry, Math 17, will be taught by Dr. Joseph Seidlin at 10:30 on Tuesday and Thursday, Room 27 Physics Hall.

Dr. H. O. Boraas will teach Principles of Education, Education 8, at 1:45 on Tuesday and Thursday, Room 27 Physics Hall.

Problems of Sociology, Philosophy 5, will be offered by Dr. Gilbert Campbell at 9 o'clock on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, Room 1 Alumni Hall.

Mexican Display Now In Library

A vivid display loaned by Prof. and Mrs. Ringo, featuring Mexico, is now on display at the library. Especially worthy of notice are four wax figures dressed in colorful Mexican clothing, made by the Hidalgo family of Mexico. There is also a very lovely box typifying the inlaid woodwork of the country. Mexican blown glass and glassware traveled many miles before they finally arrived in Alfred. The handpainted wooden plate may catch your eye, and do not forget to notice the chair hidden under the sombrero.

Not to be outdone by the display, are two ashtray Mexicans wearing big yellow sombreros loaned by Miss Greene.

The booklet, "Eye Witness—Mexico 1937" by Michael F. Blawat, former Alfred student, recently arrived at the library. A personal touch is given to the book by its diary form.

The author, accompanied by another former Alfred man, Ray C. Witter, traveled to Mexico City to study at the National University and explore the surrounding country.

plan itself will not be considered valid until it has been approved by the students and then by three-fourths of the Senators.

He said the suggested procedure will be presented at meetings of the fraternities, sororities, and "outsider" groups, whose vote for or against the procedure will determine the vote of each senate representative.

The procedure is as follows:

1. The Constitution Committee will study the constitution, determine its weaknesses, and suggest any necessary changes.

2. The constitution will then be presented to the Senate with the proposed changes. The Senate will go over and also study the advised changes to be made, and will if necessary make further additions.

3. The Constitution, with all proposed changes, will then be published in The Fiat Lux. The changes published are not final. All students will have the opportunity to make additional suggestions through their representative.

4. The published constitution will be presented to the students at meetings of the various fraternities, sororities and the "outsiders". At these meetings any student will be able to suggest additional changes.

(Pledges of fraternities and sororities are to be included in meeting.)

5. The Senate will again meet and summarize all proposed changes made at the various group meetings. They will make a draft of the constitution and list all possible changes. The revised draft will again be presented to the students in their meetings.

6. A vote taken in the various group meetings will decide the final changes. At each meeting the exact number of votes for each change will be tabulated.

7. The senate will again meet to count the votes cast. A single majority will be enough to make any change valid.

8. A final draft of the constitution will be published in The Fiat Lux showing the number of votes for and against each change.

Dr. Lund On Politics In Near East Nations

Speaking before the International Relations Club, Tuesday, Dr. Everett Lund of the Biology department, and once a resident of Syria, outlined the political problems of the Near East.

"The constant disagreement between Jews and Arabs have made Palestine, mandate of Great Britain, a troubled spot for many years," said Dr. Lund. "Sympathy for both races has been England's only method of dealing with the problem, because of the many powerful Jews in London, and the million Moslem subjects."

The lecture on the Holy Land was illustrated by slides, showing many sacred spots in these religions.

Hessian Wedding Planned For German Club Meeting

On January 19, at 8 o'clock, Alumni Hall will cease to be an auditorium and become the setting for a Hessian Wedding. This film, plus A Trip Through Germany, are being presented under the auspices of the German Club, of which Maria Zubiller is president. Both films are silent but will be accompanied by lectures. Although beer and pretzels will not be served, it will be an enjoyable evening and all German students are welcome. The lecture will be in English.

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Government By The Students

Congratulations to the Student Senate for its decision to refer all changes in the constitution of the Students' Association to the students themselves.

Not only is the Senate forestalling criticism by this decision, but it is also taking a long step toward providing the kind of self-government that the students for a long time have liked to believe they have had.

Too often in other years the students have found themselves "represented" on the Senate by minor autocrats, legislating sometimes in the interest of special groups and at other times with undue reliance on the Administration.

Apparently the present Senators are trying to avoid both pitfalls. More power to them, and we hope when election time comes around again the students will choose another group containing neither autocrats nor "stooges".

Department of Anti-climax: As we went to press, Japan and China had decided to break off diplomatic relations.

One Suggestion

Somebody reads Fiat Lux editorials. We know this now, because we received a number of suggestions during the week from people who thought they might have the "cure for Hornellitis" which we asked for in our last issue.

One suggestion which we thought unusually good was that each fraternity and sorority take a turn at being host to the entire campus in Social Hall on Friday or Saturday evenings when no other all-college event is scheduled.

Good-natured competition among the fraternities and sororities to see which could provide the most enjoyable program might produce a series of events that would prove more attractive than those vicinity events which breed, to put it mildly, disorder.

Perhaps the Interfraternity Councils would care to consider this suggestion?

We behaved almost like grown-ups during the recent March of Time assembly. Now could have more assemblies of that kind?

Tweedledee And Tweedledum

An example of inconsistency that justifies the Hollywood use of the word "colossal" is the fanfare given to the Panay "bombing" pictures by the very newsreel companies that suppressed pictures of Chicago policemen shooting Republic Steel workers in the back.

The Chicago massacre movies, it will be remembered, were not released because "of the danger of mob hysteria". Yet the Panay pictures—which, incidentally, did not show any bombing or any machine-gunning of lifeboats—were ballyhooed in every conceivable way.

One wonders about the good intentions of newsreel executives who hesitate to show the brutal treatment American workers received at the hands of American policemen, but who are overjoyed to maximize a foreign incident which the State Department regards as closed.

Apparently it makes a great deal of difference whose passions are aroused against whom.

"The strength of Socialists and Communists comes less from their ideology than from the fact that they live with the masses."—Jacques Maritain.

"God protect me from my friends; I can take care of my enemies myself."—Voltaire.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians is shortly expected to protest because there are only two Irishmen in the Alfred production of "Juno and the Paycock".

College Town

In Which the Staff Of The Fiat Lux Speaks Off the Record. By the Editors

(Contributed)

There seem to be a few rumors getting about here and there on the campus that, socially speaking, things are slowing down. It has been suggested that they ought to do something about this. There's that mythical "they" again—

The rumor carries some truth with it.

What to do? Maybe if someone tossed a pebble—or something bigger?—into this stagnating pool? If we got together and did a little doing as well as thinking, we might start a few ripples in the general direction of headquarters and get some results.

Nobody likes to see a half-dead campus which drives its students away towards outside amusement. (Not that this has happened, but we might put some thought upon it since it has come to our notice.)

Social Hall would seem to be the first place to turn to in search of campus activities. But then, judging from the attendance, almost no one seems to know when Social Hall is open, or even if it is open at all.

A campus club would afford many of the new students a chance to get acquainted with each other and with the college—it is surprising to find how many of them are almost strangers to the campus, even at this date.

It is hoped that these few suggestions will take root in the student body, to the benefit of the students as well as the college.—J. W. N.

In a week or two the latest little booklet on "charm" will probably be entitled, "How To Be Charming Though Chewing".

The dean of women at Marquette University has given her girls rules on the niceties of chewing gum.

1. Chew with the mouth closed.
2. Chew without gusto, except when alone or on occasion deemed fitting.

Coeds figured gum chewing would be in good taste while studying; while dressing; before breakfast and after meals; at athletic contests; and before a hard quiz—to relieve nervous tension.

Harvard University has removed one more obstacle to aid the absent-minded professor. Curbs have been removed from the sidewalk ends in Harvard Yard. Gentle inclines will replace them, banishing toe-stubbing forever.

ONLY THROUGH THE OPEN AND UNHAMPERED CLASH OF CONTRARY OPINIONS CAN TRUTH BE FOUND.—Glenn Frank

To The Editor:

There is a most important issue here on Alfred's campus of which only a few of us are aware and which should be of vital interest not only to the students and faculty members but to the townspeople as well. One of the most typical and best loved spots in Alfred is Pine Hill.

Now according to rumors the pines may be cut off leaving the hill bald and bare. We can not imagine looking up at that skyline and seeing it plain and barren—yet the facts are that some of the trees on the farther side of the hill have already been sold and cut, and the present owners of the hill, Professor Burdick and Mrs. F. S. Place, want to and will sell at the first opportunity.

If these owners should sell, in a very short time all the trees on the hill would be gone. The students, alumni and Alfred people never want that to happen. Besides their aesthetic value and their economic value of appeal to students and visitors, the pines have an important value in the drainage of Pine Hill.

Some method of preserving Pine Hill's trees has to be created. Those who have already given thought to this problem have suggested that an organization extant or one which could be established should buy this land and insure their preservation.

This sounds comparatively simple, but in reality would involve greater demands than just the purchasing of the land. The organization would not only have to be self-continuing so that at no time in the future would this again become a threat, but it would have to provide for the care and up-keep of the pines.

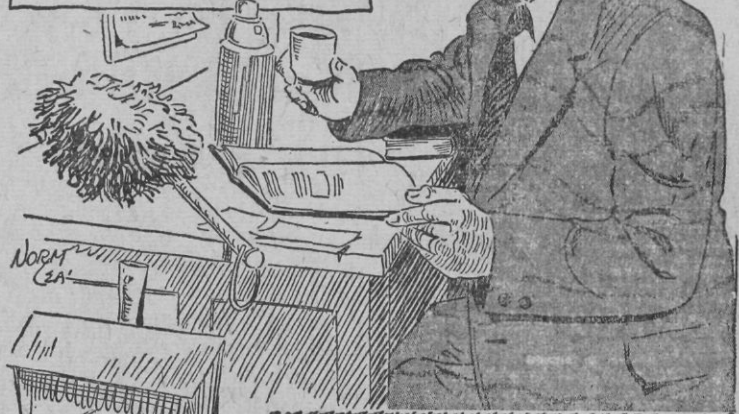
Members of the faculty and those who are already informed of this situation are anxious to act in this issue. It is greatly desired that the student body consider and give their assistance in this problem.

Susie Kohl.

Campus Camera:

By A. C. P.

JANITOR, M.A.
ONLY PUBLIC SCHOOL JANITOR IN THE U.S. TO EARN A GRADUATE DEGREE IS ADAM DENHARDT. NO ORDINARY JANITOR, MR. DENHARDT, 64, WAS A GERMAN TEACHER FOR 33 YEARS. HE WROTE HIS THESIS IN FRENCH AND RECEIVED HIS DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT.



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Sixth Class. 7 No. 12345
THIS TICKET WILL ENTITLE THE BEARER TO SUCH PRIZES, AS MAY BE DRAWN AGAINST ITS NUMBER, AGREEABLY TO AN ACT OF THE GENERAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS, PASSED THE 14TH DAY OF MARCH, 1896.
Y. BROWN, PRY. 1111, N. D. JACKSON, MNGR.
THIS LOTTERY RAISED BUILDING FUNDS FOR HARVARD IN 1811. COLUMBIA WAS FOUNDED ON THE PROCEEDS OF A LOTTERY IN 1784 AND MANY OTHER SCHOOLS INCLUDING YALE, DARTMOUTH, UNION AND BROWN BENEFITED FROM LOTTERIES.

BUCKSHOT
THE REPUBLICAN PARTY
WAS BORN ON THE RIFON COLLEGE CAMPUS

Prof. Spicer Hits Unsigned Letters As 'Half-Cocked,' Not Based On Fact

To The Editor:

This week's vocabulary lesson: Ordinance—Military supplies, including all artillery. Ordinance—That which is decreed or ordained, as by...fate. Missile—Capable of being thrown... as a spear, arrow, or bullet. Missive—A letter.

At the risk of being labeled a pedantic, out-of-date professor (I was thirty last week) I take this means of calling attention to the meanings of four words, not for the sake of the words themselves, nor for the recent confusion of two of them, but for what they may be made to represent in relation to recent events on the Alfred campus.

You will recall that in this column of last week's Fiat there were printed two articles relating to Dean Degen's recent statement concerning continuity of attendance at college dances. Under them was an editor's note which included the sentence, "Unsigned missives which appear libelous are not wanted."

Fortunate Error

Now if you will refer to the vocabulary lesson above, you will see why I included the last two items, and you may see why I included the first two, and topped things off with such a title.

It was indeed a fortunate error that characterized the two letters ("Opinions") they were called in the same editor's note, though the object of my present interest is the contributor rather than the editors) as "missiles". For they certainly were "thrown".

If I may be forgiven for carrying the pun further, I would observe that the "aim" of the "missiles" was far from the mark, and that they were in actuality "duds" of the purest order. One might even use of their shooting the term "half-cocked," which is a figure of speech also drawn from ordnance, and not, as one might in this instance appropriately surmise, from ineptitude, in connection with which it is now currently used.

The "missiles" were "duds" because, after the very promising explosion which attended their entrance into the field of battle, they fell impotently, accomplishing nothing. Their shooting was "half-cocked" because they were discharged without having the benefit of considered aim. Like most shots in the dark, they accomplished nothing but an exposure of the untenable positions of those who shot them.

Car Ban Considered

So far I have said nothing of "ordinance". When I was an undergraduate here, if we had referred to Dean Degen's pronouncement, we should have added to the definition, "that which is decreed or ordained, as by...fate," "...and the Dean of Women". Perhaps the authors of last week's opinions would do the same. But we would not have stopped there. During those days various members of the administration were considering a ban on student-owned cars, and the matter came before the newly-organized Student Life Committee, of which I was chairman. Some of us opposed the plan and said so—to Dean Degen and Dean Norwood and the rest of the Committee. But rather than relying upon such an expression of opinion, we took the official list of car owners, checked their grades in the Registrar's office, and proved conclusively that the car owners averaged considerably better scholastically than did the rest of the



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"If we replace the obsolete, sterile, and repressive curriculum of our school with a dynamic purpose to build originating, participating human beings, we can have in a single generation a nation of singers, artists, inventors, scientists, poets, musicians, architects and builders." Prof. Holland D. Roberts, Stanford University, declares that creative education is needed to replace mechanical teaching of a subject.

Women primp for the same reason that men drink—to bolster up morale, according to a psychology professor at De Paul University. They dress chiefly to make an impression on their own sex, rather than to win the approval of men, he declared.

students. We claimed no scholastic value for cars, but at least they seemed to do no great harm in this connection, and since damage to scholarship had been the principal argument in favor of the ban, the whole thing died quietly, and students still operate cars unmolested by the administration.

This true parable is offered simply as a suggestion to those who oppose Dean Degen's dicta, or anyone else's. Rather than popping off ineffectual pyrotechnics, they would do better to investigate the matter sanely and offer some conclusive evidence.

Personally I think such a study would show that Mrs. Degen's position in this matter is very well taken. But that is not what this article is written to say.

Like the Fiat editors, of whom I was once one, I object to unsigned missives, libelous or otherwise. I take pleasure in signing my name to what I have to say, and am convinced that anyone else with enough gumption to offer a constructive opinion should be glad to do likewise, rather than to hide behind such a flimsy screen as, "A College Student".

Very sincerely yours
John Reed Spicer

Social Notes

Containing News and Comments on Dances, Parties and Such. By Kay Borman

The Newman Club of Alfred University entertained its members and guests Friday evening at the High School Gym. Confetti, streamers, punch, whistles, and the Big Apple contributed to make a big evening.

According to the dancers, Andy Grillo's band and Rosemary Hallenbeck's songs were tops.

Sam Repsher and Robert Hughes were in charge of the dance. Betty Whiting, Barbara Suter, Montgomery Shoemaker, and Herbert Mossien were the other members of the committee.

The Reverend Bertrand Campbell of St. Bonaventure College, Coach and Mrs. Alex Yunevich, Coach and Mrs. James A. McLean, Chaplain and Mrs. James C. McLeod, and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McMahon attended the dance.

Saturday evening Pi Alpha Pi women and their escorts danced to the rhythms of Art Wexel and his orchestra.

The dining room at Social Hall was decorated with green tapers, and green paper on the small tables. Apple pie a la mode and coffee were served during intermission.

Among the guests from out-of-town were Barbara Smith and Robert Cudworth, Audrey Cartwright and Robert Karlen, and Sarah Hardy. "Cappy" Haines, Roland Tucker, Robert Harding and David Harding were the other out-of-town guests.

Stiff taffeta and silky satin gowns were all the rage. A red net dress was particularly attractive according to many of the dancers.

Donald Duck, Hortense the Ostrich, a South Sea Island Girl, Juliet, a Turk, little girls, peasants, pickaninies, and gypsies all danced the Big Apple at Kappa Psi's annual Costume Ball Saturday evening in the High School Gym.

Novel programs were appropriately designed for each couple. Music for dancing was supplied by Andy Grillo and his Velvetears.

The faculty guest list included: Dr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Scholes, Prof. and Mrs. Kaspar O. Myrvaagnes, Prof. and Mrs. Wendell M. Burditt, and Chaplain and Mrs. James C. McLeod.

James Tate, chairman of the dance, was assisted by Al Dyer and Cameron Paulin.

Sigma Chi Nu Sorority will hold its annual Winter Formal Saturday evening. Dinner will be served at Social Hall at 6:30. Immediately following the dinner, the guests will return to the house for dancing.

Andy Grillo and his Velvetears will play during the evening. Silver and blue decorations will be used at the house.

Ruth Davie and Ruth Crawford are the chairmen of the committee. Assisting them are Marian Immediato, Dorothy Wilson, and Shirley Cook.

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Scholes, Prof. and Mrs. Elbert W. Ringo, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Seidlin, Miss Lella E. Tupper, and Miss Ruth Stanton have been invited to attend the dance.

Theta Kappa Nu Fraternity will entertain its pledges Saturday evening. Music for dancing will be by Palmer. Dave Thomas, committee member, promises, "no Big Apple Dance".

Other members of the committee are Marion Streeter, Roger Jewett, Thomas Almy and Richard Hammell.

Dr. and Mrs. G. Stewart Nease, Prof. and Mrs. H. O. Burdick, Prof. and Mrs. E. Fritjof Hildebrand, and Mr. and Mrs. DeForest W. Truman have been invited to attend the party.

Sunday afternoon Sigma Chi Nu Sorority held a formal initiation for seven honorary members. Mrs. Everett E. Lund, Mrs. Raymond H. Lounsbury, Mrs. Lloyd L. Lowenstein, Mrs. Alfred T. Goble, Mrs. Harry Anderson, Mrs. W. C. Hinkle, and Mrs. T. A. Parish are the new honorary members. A buffet supper was served following the initiation service.

Pi Alpha Sorority has received an acceptance from Mrs. Alex Yunevich to become an honorary member of the sorority.

Only four parties on the Social Calendar now that exams are in the air.

Jan. 21—Kappa Nu Dance
Jan. 22—Sigma Chi Dance
Jan. 22—Theta Nu Dance
Feb. 5—Bartlett Dance

"We've gone crazy on extra-curricular activities and its a wonder the boys and girls have any energy left for what still is the prime business of the schools," according to Dr. N. Henry Black of Harvard.

Side Lines

Blue Key's Winter Sports This Year And Last Year

By Jack B. Moore

Winter sports programs are, of necessity, dependent solely upon the whims of mother nature. Last year many an energetic winter program failed to see the light of day because of Mother Nature's failure to co-operate with the ambitious promoters.

Alfred University's Blue Key was no exception. Behind a flamboyant cloud of publicity given them by the FIAT LUX, the athletes conducted a drive to raise funds for the creation of a winter sports arena where the Saxons and their co-eds might spend their idle hours on wings of steel "flashing brightly in the mid-winter sun".

Everything went fine—money was raised, the girl's hockey field was turned into a framework where water might be poured and allowed to assume a frozen state; the students sent home for their skates and clothing houses made pretty pennies supplying them with the finery that goes with winter sports.

However, they forgot one minor point—cold weather. Thus Alfred's first winter sports program died an ignoble death. Promoters of the plan suffered hilarious "razzing" from the disappointed students.

This year, however, operating behind a screen of secrecy, the Blue Key has once again made plans for a winter sports program. A new, and bigger, skating rink has been constructed and through the kind cooperation of the Alfred Township's fire department, the rink has been flooded. Chairman Bert Lynn announced early this week that after a week of continuous work on the new rink, the rink will be open daily for the use by students.

Lighting of the rink, for the present, will be gained through the sole use of automobile lights and bonfires. The extremely high cost of installing a lighting system will make it impossible for the Blue Keyers to light the arena.

The point remains, however, that Alfred, for the first time in history, has a public skating rink, for the use of the students. It took a long time to gain but—now that it is here, let's all cooperate and KEEP it here. Incidentally, don't tell a soul, but the skating rink is said to be just the first of the Blue Key's ambitious winter sports series.

Skiing courses are now being laid out and plans for a winter carnival are being juggled by the ever-active Blue Key members.

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Hard Fought Games Feature Opening Of Intra-murals

Saxons-Book Shop Game Seen As Feature

Theta Nu Pledges Withdraw From "B" League

Nine hard fought games marked the first week of play in the Intra-mural Basketball League. One team, the Theta Kappa Nu Pledges, has withdrawn from the league, leaving nine teams in the A league and eight in the B league.

By its sweeping defeat of Delta Sigma Phi to the tune of 53 to 13 the Saxon Club showed great early season strength. The meeting of the Saxon Club and the Book Shop, another strong contender, Thursday at 10:15 P. M., should prove a close battle.

In the other league there did not show up any outstandingly powerful team. Kappa Nu pledges, Randolph Hall and the Democrats won games by the largest margins. The closest game of the week was between the Kappa Psi Pledges and the Klan Alpine pledges with the Kappa Psi pledges victorious by the score of 17-16.

| LEAGUE A | | | |
|-----------------|-----|------|--|
| Team | Won | Lost | |
| Saxon Club | 1 | 0 | |
| Kappa Psi | 1 | 0 | |
| Bullets | 1 | 0 | |
| Book Shop | 1 | 0 | |
| Theta Kappa Nu | 1 | 1 | |
| Kappa Nu | 2 | 0 | |
| Delta Sigma Phi | 0 | 1 | |
| Klan Alpine | 0 | 1 | |
| Bartlett | 0 | 1 | |

| LEAGUE B | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|------|--|
| Team | Won | Lost | |
| Kappa Nu pledges | 1 | 0 | |
| Kappa Psi pledges | 1 | 0 | |
| Faculty | 1 | 0 | |
| Democrats | 1 | 0 | |
| Randolph Hall | 1 | 0 | |
| Klan Alpine pledges | 0 | 1 | |
| Dorms | 0 | 1 | |
| Delta Sigma Phi pledges | 0 | 1 | |
| Theta Nu pledges | 0 | 2 | |

Intra-Mural Games Scheduled For This Week

| SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| January 17 - 22 | |
| Time | |
| Monday, Jan. 17 | |
| 9:00 | Kappa Nu pledges vs. Klan pledges |
| 10:15 | Kappa Nu vs. Klan |
| Tuesday, Jan. 18 | |
| 9:00 | Democrats vs. Faculty |
| 10:15 | Bullets vs. Bartlett |
| Wednesday, Jan. 19 | |
| 9:00 | Kappa Psi pledges vs. Dorms |
| 10:15 | Kappa Psi vs. Theta Nu |
| Thursday, Jan. 20 | |
| 9:00 | Randolph Hall vs. Delta Sig pledges |
| 10:15 | Saxon Club vs. Book Shop |
| Saturday, Jan. 22 | |
| 1:30 | Klan pledges vs. Theta Nu pledges |
| 2:45 | Delta Sigma Phi vs. Kappa Nu |

Benz Leads Postal Tourney

Elizabeth Benz led the Postal Tournament scores for Alfred University at the end of the first week of competition with twenty other colleges and universities throughout the nation.

Other members of the team this week were Margaret Diehl, E. Jacobson and M. Carpenter. Elizabeth Benz scored sixty hits for a 406 total while Diehl had fifty-eight hits for a 328 total. Jacobson had fifty-nine hits for a 307 total and Carpenter a 305 total from fifty-three hits.

Members of the team for the past week will not necessarily be included in the team for the next two weeks of the contest. The five highest scorers each week will make up the team for that week.

Alfred is one of four eastern colleges entered in the contest. The other seventeen colleges entered are from the west.

Other eastern colleges entered are Connecticut State College, University of Vermont and University of Buffalo. Scores of the team follow:

| | Hits | Scores |
|-----------|------|--------|
| Benz | 60 | 406 |
| Diehl | 58 | 328 |
| Jacobson | 59 | 307 |
| Carpenter | 53 | 305 |

Cagers Drop Two During Keystone Invasion

High Individual Scoring Indicates Lack Of Checking

The Purple and Gold quintet, following a popular trend, went into a mid-season recession as they dropped both games on their trip into the Keystone State last Friday and Saturday. The Yunevich-men seemed unable to click on either shots from open court or charity tosses as Grove City triumphed 40 to 27 Friday night and Allegheny College avenged frequent defeats with a 47 to 32 victory Saturday night.

Exceptionally high individual scoring by the opponents indicated lack of checking as G. Petonch of Grove City tallied nine times and one gift toss to total nineteen points. Shafer and White of Allegheny scored sixteen and fourteen points, respectively. Brownell was top scorer for the Saxons in the Grove City contest with nine points, while Glynn scored the same number in the Meadville game.

Scores a half time were: Grove City, 19, Alfred 13; and Allegheny 22, Alfred 19.

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Lack Of Lighter Material, Harrison's Chief Worry

A lack of material in the lighter classes was Professor Harold Harrison's chief worry as he started the second week of boxing practice with the announcement of practice to start tonight at 7:15 o'clock.

Both the 118 and the 125 pound classes are completely devoid of candidates. The heavier classes, although possessing outstanding boxers, need more men to ensure proper sparring practice.

Candidates for the boxing team and those seeking only instruction are invited to tonight's meeting.

Frosh Play Aggies, Bonas, This Week

Two games are scheduled for the Frosh quint this week, the Ag School boys meeting the Minnickmen Wednesday night at the gymnasium in the annual grudge fight and the Papooses of Saint Bonaventure College playing host to the greenies at Olean Saturday night.

The Minnickmen have failed to register a win since the Hornell game, having dropped two to Cook Academy, and one to Rochester Business Institute.

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Long Rest Faces Varsity After Defeats

Nearly three weeks of grace has been given the varsity courtsters, following their two-game losing streak which they suffered during the past week-end down in Pennsylvania, before they will play another scheduled game.

Originally scheduled for January 22 at Olean, the first Saint Bonaventure varsity game has been moved up to February 19 at Buffalo where Bonas and Alfred will play the preliminary for the Canisius-Long Island U. game.

Saxon courtsters, therefore, have a twenty-day period with which to polish up their attack before they meet the Grove City six-footers in a return game. The game will be played at Alfred Thursday, February 3.

The following Saturday night the Saxons will travel to Buffalo to oppose the University of Buffalo quint which has at its nucleus the towering Morley Townsend, leading scorer in this section of the East.

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Last Minute Rally Wins For Cook

Frosh Show Signs Of Nervousness On Court

Alfred's Freshman quintet dropped a closely contested battle to Cook Academy by a 32-29 score Friday night at Montour Falls. Cook staged a last minute rally to snatch victory from the yearlings who had maintained a lead throughout the game. The Frosh, who have been well-drilled by Coach Minnick, showed considerable signs of nervousness in their first game on a foreign court, failing to execute familiar scoring plays.

The Greenies jumped into an early lead as they scored on rotation plays and Russ Pardee's set shot skills as the quarter ended with the Frosh out in front 9-7.

Under the generalship of Art Argros the Cook-men scored ten points in the last quarter while the Frosh went into a slump which they were unable to break as the game ended 32-29.

Argros took scoring honors with eleven points, Shine and Pardee of Alfred scored ten points each.

Mrs. Ringo Studied Native, Spanish Dancing In Year Of Mexican Visit

Mrs. Ringo has recently returned from Mexico, where she studied native and Spanish dancing for over a year. She was accompanied by Rolanda, her 3-year-old blonde daughter, who now speaks both Spanish and English fluently.

Mrs. Ringo spent most of her time in Mexico City, at the University of Mexico, and also visited Acapulco, a famous colonial seaport. Here coconut palms grow profusely along the beautiful beach. On moonlight nights a marimba band played on the balcony cut in the high rocks, above the sea.

She also passed through the little town of Cholula, which is said to have 365 churches—one for every day in the year.

Next was Puebla, called the City of Angels, by the Indians. According to legend, angels are supposed to have raised a heavy iron bell and placed it in the tower of Puebla cathedral. An iron gate, decorated with sculptured angels, surrounds the town.

It took a little over an hour to pass from the chilly climate of Mexico City to its tropical suburb, Cuernavaca, a beautiful little city of orange groves, banana and palm trees. During the time of Napoleon III, Maximilian and Carlotta had a palace here, which is now used as a hotel. It was in Cuernavaca that Charles Lindbergh met Anne Morrow.

Mrs. Ringo brought back some silver jewelry from Tosca, several native and Spanish costumes, and a collection of native handwork which is on exhibit at the library.

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Hikers Spend Afternoon On Scavenger Hunt

A scavenger hunt was held last Tuesday afternoon by Miss Creighton's hiking class. Members of the class are Isobel Milsop, Annette Irving, Betty Tim Kaiser, Susanna Kein, Annemarie Lustig, Irene Pearson, Dot Pertoin, Frances Polan and Ruth Reeves.

The hunt included a fruitless search through the Alfred Bank for a 1931 penny, Betty Jane Crandall's signature, and people whose names began with letters from "A" through "J".

Clues were found at the gates of the campus, at the "Shell" gas station and at Steinheim. The prize of chocolate candy was finally located in Miss Creighton's car.

KAPPA PSI DEFEATS Y SENIORS

Kappa Psi cagers took a 33-29 win from the Hornell Y. M. C. A. Seniors Friday night on the Hornell "Y" court. Munger was high for Kappa Psi with twelve points, C. Ellis high for the seniors with eight. Munger, Mickritz, Brownell, Capasso and Cartrona played for the fraternity.

A basketball play-day will be held at Elmira College, March 12. The Women's Athletic Governing Board has accepted an invitation to send a team to compete with teams from Elmira, Cornell, and Wells.

FINAL EXAMINATIONS

First Semester, 1937-1938

All examinations will be held in the room where the class regularly meets except when a special room is designated.

| Date | 9:00 A. M.-12:00 P. M. | 2:00 P. M.-5:00 P. M. |
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| Wednesday January 26 | T. Th. 8 o'clock classes Chemistry 6 English 1 (Assembly Hall) | M. W. F. 8 o'clock classes Ceramics 103 (Rm 1 AL) Physics 2 |
| Thursday January 27 | Education 1 English 2 (Rm. 1 AL) Indus. Mech. (Chapel) | Spanish 1 (Rm. 27 Ph) Mathe. 4 (Rm. 14 Ph) Indus. Mech. 3 and 5a |
| Friday January 28 | Mathematics 1, 1a (Rms Mathematics 3 to be announced) | M. W. F. 11:30 o'clock classes |
| Monday January 31 | German 1 (Rm 1 AL) Psychology 1 | Chemistry 1a (Rm. 1 AL) Chemistry 1 (Rm 1 AL) Chemistry 2 (Rm 14 Ph) |
| Tuesday February 1 | M. W. F. 9 o'clock classes Ceramics 113 | M. W. F. 10:30 o'clock classes Mineralogy (Rm 14 Ph) Ceramics 105 |
| Wednesday February 2 | Physics 1 (Rm 14 Ph) Education 3 Chemistry 20 French 3 | T. Th. 9 o'clock classes Petrography 1 (Rm A CC) |
| Thursday February 3 | T. Th. 1:45 o'clock classes Mathematics 2 | T. Th. 10:30 o'clock classes |
| Friday February 4 | M. W. F. 1:45 o'clock classes | Tu. 11:30 o'clock classes |

N. B.—There are special examination periods for the following courses which meet in sections, or at unusual times: Ceramics 103, 105, 113; Chemistry 1a, 1, 2, 6, 20; Education 1, 3; English 1, 2; French 3; German 1; Industrial Mechanics 1, 3, 5a; Mathematics 1, 1a, 2, 3, 4, 5; Mineralogy; Petrography 1; Physics 1, 2; Psychology 1; Spanish 1.

The time for examinations in the following subjects will be arranged by the instructor in charge of the course: Industrial Mechanics 6, 7; Philosophy 3a, Spanish 6.

Report all conflicts to the Registrar before January 21st, so that they may be adjusted.

Norwood Attends Genesee Society Annual Dinner

President J. Nelson Norwood and several representatives of Alfred University were present at the dinner of the Society of the Genesee held at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York City, on Monday evening, January 17. Dr. Frank E. Gannett of the Gannett Newspapers, Inc., is the president of the Society this year.

Dean Whitford, President J. Nelson Norwood, Chaplain McLeod go to Chicago this week to attend the annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges. The President and Chaplain will also be present at the meeting of the Council of Church Boards of Education. The Honorable Harold L. Ickes, United States Secretary of the Interior, is one of the principal speakers at the college conference.

Dr. Joseph Seidlin, head of the Department of Education, gave an address at the meeting of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in Indianapolis, during the holidays, on "What Shall We Do With These, Our Unfit?"

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Sutton Discusses Future Of Chinese Students

Dr. Willard Sutton, Alfred alumnus, gave a talk on "The Present and Future of Chinese Students," at a joint meeting of the A. U. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., January 16, in Social Hall.

Dr. Sutton spoke of the problems of such students from experiences arising from his work at Foo Chow University, where he taught a number of years. At present he is doing research in the Ceramic College.

A portion of the study of handwriting made by Dr. Harold Boraas was included in a new book entitled "The Management of Learning in the Elementary Schools," written by Dr. Ernest Tiegs.

President J. Nelson Norwood preached at the Christian Temple at Wells-ville, Sunday morning, Jan. 16, at eleven o'clock. The theme of his sermon was "The Kingdom of God".

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This work has increased so much that it has been divided into different departments. Professor Weaver specializes in blood analysis, Dr. Rice in oil and gas, and Dr. Saunders in foods, liquids, and solvents.

All women students are urged to take advantage of the gym on Friday afternoons. Archery practice is from 1:45-3, and basketball practice, from 3-4:45.

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