

Language Departments Start Preparations For World Christmas Festival

Faculty Heads And Students Welcome Packages For Liberated Countries

Preparations for the World Christmas Festival, sponsored by the World Education Service Council, Inc., got into full swing Saturday in Alfred at a meeting of Dr. G. Stewart Nease, head of the Latin Department; Miss Eva Ford, head of the Romance Languages Department and Miss Mabel Taylor, head of the Spanish Department, with respective language students. Dr. Charles Buchanan, professor of German, was not present but is heading the volunteer donors in his classes.

To Revive Xmas Spirit

The object of the campaign is to revive the Christmas spirit of friendship and goodwill throughout the world by the sending of individual Christmas gifts from the youth of America to the young people of the liberated nations.

Although sponsored by the language departments, all university students and village residents are asked to join thus early in the Christmas spirit by giving gifts for the young people in all countries ravaged by the war, Miss Ford explained today.

If donors wish to assist the committee here, it is suggested that they wrap their packages with appropriate Christmas trimmings, but all gifts—wrapped or unwrapped—will be welcomed. Gifts are to be taken to the large receiving boxes placed in the Campus Union and in the post office from Thursday, October 4-11.

How to Label Packages

"Each package should be labeled with the name of the country and the age group to which you wish your package sent," Miss Ford said, as spokesman for the committee. "If desired, write your own name and address on your present or even enclose a snapshot to make the recipient feel that the gift has been given with a personal warmth."

Suggested gifts for children include games, dolls, toys, caps, Indian souvenirs and picture books. For teen-agers, handkerchiefs, scrapbooks, pocketbooks, sewing kits and musical instruments are recommended. Hard candy, gum and pencils are standbys for any age group. Other suggested gifts include: Coffee, tea, stationery, combs, cold cream, lipsticks, thread, raisins, packages of Nestle's chocolate mix for hot chocolate, cigarettes, stockings, slips, canned goods, cheese, sardines, and Nescafe.

Professor Asked To Help

Teachers are asked to become dollar-a-year men—that is, to send some small gift to their colleagues in foreign countries. "Understanding between teachers will help foster an understanding between children," Miss Ford said. Particularly appreciated by teachers abroad are fountain pens, soap, stationery, chess sets, handkerchiefs and combs.

Suggested countries to which Christmas gifts will be sent include: Austria, Poland, France, China, Italy, Korea, Norway, Finland, Germany, Greece, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Estonia, Holland, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Latvia, the Philippines, and Loyalist Spaniards resident outside of Spain.

Students To Help

Committee workers besides Miss Ford, Miss Taylor, Dr. Nease

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Greek Sisters Begin Rushing Next Semester

"Sorority rushing will be held during the second semester this year," announced Intersorority Council President Elaine J. Locke '46, at a meeting in the Brick, Monday night.

The meeting, called for the purpose of explaining to the frosh girls rules and regulations for rushing, as made by the Council, was attended by the council members and by Prof. John McMahon, faculty adviser to the Council.

At a meeting of the body last week, October 21 was set as the date for the annual Intersorority Tea, when all freshman and transfer women will be entertained at the four sorority houses on campus.

The traditional Intersorority Ball, which was held for the last time in February, 1944, was under discussion at the meeting as the Council has hopes of holding the affair this year.

The Council is also revising its constitution which, when finished, will be submitted to the various sorority houses for suggestions and approval.

Hours when sorority girls may enter freshman girls' dorms have been set by the Council as follows: Monday-Thursday, 12:00-1:30; 5:00-8:00; Friday, 12:00-1:30; 4:00-11:00; Saturday, 11:00-11:30; Sunday, 12:00-8:00.

The 1944-45 Council members, representing their respective sororities are: Elaine Locke, Sigma Chi, President; Margaret Knight '46, Pi Alpha, secretary-treasurer; and Waite Tefft '46, Theta Chi; Peg Lore '47, Theta Chi; Corinne Herrick '47, Pi Alpha; Hannah Saunders '47, Sigma Chi; Daphne Phillips '47, Alpha Kappa Omicron; "Peg" Baker '48, Alpha Omicron.

A. U. Welcomes Students From Latin America

This week the Fiat welcomes three new students from Mexico and South America—George Friedman from Mexico; Luis R. Dominquez from San Juan, Puerto Rico; and Alfredo Polar from Lima, Peru. These young men are living in Burdick dormitory and have quickly become popular with classmates.

Mexican Is Student

Senor Friedman of Mexico is a good-looking, 19-year-old Ceramic Engineering freshman. Be-

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Alfred Professors Leave



DONALD SCHRECKENGOST

Assumes Duties As Art Director

Don Schreckengost, Professor of Industrial Ceramic Design at the New York State College of Ceramics, Alfred University, has resigned his position to accept that of Art Director of the Homer Laughlin China Company, the largest ceramic plant in the world. He left Alfred September 23 to assume his new duties.

Came in 1935

Professor Schreckengost came to Alfred University in 1935 following his graduation with honors from the Cleveland School of Art. At this time the art program at the Ceramic College was changed from the Applied Arts training to the Industrial Ceramic Design training.

Mr. Schreckengost came with a varied background in industrial ceramics, and throughout his ten years of teaching in Alfred has kept his students in close touch with practical design work for many industries.

Has Had Broad Background

He has traveled and studied

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JOHN REED SPICER

Spicer Accepts Duties As Dean

Concluding a decade as teacher and administrator at Alfred University, Dr. John Reed Spicer resigned this summer to accept a position as Dean of Westminster College at New Wilmington, Pa., where he assumed his duties the first of this month.

Westminster College, located about 60 miles north of Pittsburgh, is a liberal arts college soon to celebrate its centennial. It is sponsored by the United Presbyterians and is approved by the Association of American Universities.

Dr. Spicer completed a bachelor of arts degree at Alfred University in 1930, and the master of arts at Columbia. He spent four years at the University of Toledo in teaching and administrative work, returning to Alfred in charge of Freshman English in 1935. The last six years he has spent mostly as Counselor to Prospective Students and as executive secretary of the Alumni Association.

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President Walters Speaks At First University Convocation

Addressing the first University Convocation of Alfred's 110th academic year in Alumni Assembly Hall last Thursday morning, President J. Edward Walters devoted special attention to "The Democratic Student in an Atomic Age."

College Student in "Atomic Age"

The terrific consequences of unleased atomic power has brought to the world problems a hundred-fold greater than ever before, President Walters asserted. We have come into "an awe-inspiring age" in which the American college student will play an ever-increasing part, a truth which demands strict application and no laxity in the student's performance of duty to himself and to others, the speaker continued.

President Walters called for preparation for problems yet to come, suggesting that in such preparation there must come a realization of the value of "more and more science—both physical and social, more and more religion, and above all more and more democracy."

Further elaborating on the conception of a new atomic age, the speaker pointed out that in the realm of natural science there is still much research to be done on the atom. Not only other powers must be unfolded, but they must be used with a wisdom bent upon service to humanity, not destruc-

tion of it. "Science is made for man, not man for science."

Strikes Result of Greed

The great problem confronting those in the sphere of social science seems to lie in the fact that "everybody wants more, more and ever more," stated President Walters. He illustrated this, indicating that the nation's strikes result from labor's dominant desire for more money and management's equal desire for the same commodity. The obvious answer, the president believes, is that "everything must be for the benefit of man as a whole."

Democracy and Responsibility

Democracy is worth seeking not alone for its privileges of free worship, speech, assemblage, and all the rest it guarantees, but for the right of the individual to hold himself responsible for the insurance and protection of these privileges.

Freedom of speech carries with it the responsibility of speaking truth. The quest of this truth, and the proper use of it to benefit

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Assembly Schedule Includes Number Of Outstanding Speakers

Mr. Al Sisson, Radio News And Sports Announcer Is Booked For October 4th

The schedule of assembly guests for the first semester of the college year has been announced by Dean Drake and will include a number of outstanding speakers.

Enrollment Is Increased By 33 Per Cent

A total enrollment of 539 students for the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Ceramics, in the School of Theology and in the Agricultural Institute of New York State are the current first semester registration figures released by Dr. Waldo Tittsworth, registrar, and by Mrs. Helen Cottrell, secretary to T. A. Parish, co-director of the Ag-Tech School. This indicates a 33% rise in the population of the university since last year with enrollment reaching half that of the peak year of 1939.

Including the Ag-Tech School's total registration of 162 students, out of which there are 55 women and 107 men, the total ratio for the university is about 1.36 women to every man as compared to last year's ratio of a little less than four to one.

In the colleges there are 234 Liberal Arts and 143 Ceramic students, with 256 women and 121 men, a ratio of a little over two to one, not including Ag-Tech.

Entered in the university are 308 Freshmen, of whom 130 have joined the Ag School and 178 the other colleges, with 115 in Liberal Arts and 63 in Ceramics. Of the 308 Frosh, 163 are women and 145 are men. In the Ag School, there are 50 women and 80 men Freshmen. Of the 32 Ag-Tech seniors, five are women and 27 are men.

There are 93 veterans in the university—54 in the Ag School and 29 in the other colleges. Three are women, including recently arrived Mary F. Slatterly, a former Royal Canadian Air Force Flight Officer from Toronto, who is in the Ag School. Of all the veterans in the Ag School, 56 are Freshmen and eight are Seniors.

The new and probably last class of United State Nurses Corps cadets consists of 26 members.

Dean Drake Is New Advisor To Veterans

With the resignation of John Reed Spicer, former Counselor to Prospective Students, Dean M. Ellis Drake will act as the new advisor to veterans who are students in the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Ceramics.

"Vets who have questions or problems with reference to their rights under the G. I. Bill and the Rehabilitation program should consult with me," Dean Drake advised Tuesday. Mr. Parish, acting co-director of the Ag-Tech Institute, will serve as advisor to all vets in that school.

Students and Faculty Responsible

Assisting Dean Drake last year in the selection of these guests was a committee composed of three faculty members—Dr. Samuel R. Scholes, Chaplain B. Davie Napier, and Mr. T. A. Parish. Also in the committee were two students from each of the three upperclasses selected by the president of the respective class. This group included Don Emhiser '47, Corinne Herrick '47, Mae Barrus '46, Dorothy Burdick '46, Doris Coutant '45, and Betty Van Gorder '45. A similar committee will be drawn up this year for the next semester's selection.

Radio's Star To Speak

The next assembly, which will be held this Thursday, October 4, at 11:00 a. m., in Alumni Hall, is a feature Mr. Al Sisson, whose subject is: "Lest We Forget". Mr. Sisson was for ten years News and Sports Editor and Chief Announcer at radio station WHAM in Rochester, N. Y.

In 1943-44 he spent some time in Africa and Italy as Clubmobile Director for the American Red Cross.

Has Had Varied Background

"Al" Sisson, as he is known along the "Main Street" line is a man of varied accomplishments... Al admits he is a "Jack of many Trades"... The romance of Footlights and grease paint first attracted him and after a few seasons in Dramatic School he took a turn "on the boards" without the success that some of his friends predicted. Then came a term of teaching in High School and College. Al liked to travel and after eight years as Teacher and Dramatic Coach he started out again behind the footlights. This time a season was spent in Chautauqua one-nighters. Then Radio caught up with this man of many diversions. Or rather, Al caught up with Radio. It was WHAM in Rochester where Al Sisson finally came to settle down in the business he now calls, "The most wonderful work I've ever been in."

For ten years Al went thru' the many jobs that Radio offers. From dramatic actor in the old "Shadow" dramas to News Announcer and Editor, (Al admits that Editorship was only a puppet regime)—Sports Announcer, Chief Announcer and all the other allied tasks. With this opportunity Al learned the Business of Radio.

Then came the war and Mr. Sisson volunteered for overseas duty with the American Red Cross. He was sent to Africa and then on to Italy, where he was in charge of

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Christmas Party

The war is over, yet the situation is still not well in hand. There are men, women and children today in many parts of the world who have not ceased suffering simply because hostilities have ended. And this winter promises to hold in store for them very little in the line of material goods, or of pleasures. Fortunately it is within every Alfredian's power to help these fellow human beings of ours, though they are thousands of miles from our campus.

"If you could only know what joy your packages give us. It is not only the material aid—but what an uplift to the spirit to know that one has true friends! That is balm to the heart," wrote Miss Marie Cheval, former instructor in the Modern Language Department of Alfred University, who has been living in France during its occupation. "The arrival of these packages means a return to civilization—Alfred is so good to us," she has written to friends here.

But it is not just to the French but to the citizens of all the proud nations which, though innocent, have suffered during those horrible war years that the Foreign Language Department, with the aid of the student body, wishes to send Christmas packages, as a tangible expression of Alfred's and America's goodwill.

This project is one in which we all may participate, yet not necessarily to the same extent. Whatever a student feels he can give to brighten someone's holidays is welcome. It is the spirit which accompanies each gift that will count in the long run, after the contents of the package have long since disappeared.

We are told on all sides that we are living in an age of international cooperation, but just the telling does not make it true. Right here in Alfred we are being given an opportunity to act, and we are obligated to do it. So let's make this a real International Christmas Party!

Latin Lesson

Fiat Lux—"let there be light"—is found both on the college seal and on this newspaper. Why? you ask. Its appearance on the college seal is easily explained, as the main purpose of a college or university is to search for the truth. But why on the campus newspaper? you may again ask. The answer is simple: this paper is a student newspaper and is, therefore, supposed to be a medium for the students to air their grievances as well as to report their doings.

With very real pleasure then we print Mr. Kagan's letter concerning the death of music on the Alfred campus. What he has to say is without doubt quite true. Yet we also know that no one is more aware of the unfortunate situation than the administration. Since they are, at the present time, trying to improve the situation, we believe that the main benefit derived from the printing of Kagan's letter is that it will make all you students new to Alfred University aware of the fact that the Fiat is your paper and that there is always room in it for your opinions and suggestions.

So, bring your complaints, your criticisms, and your commendations, too, out of the backs of your mind and then—Fiat Lux, let there be light!

Campus Rambles

Carole Torrey

If you haven't read the "Hobo News" you may get a casual laugh from this:

A man was talking to his friend one night and remarked, "and to think I mortgaged the house to send my boy to college. All he does is go out with girls, drink and smoke."

His friend asked him if he regretted it.

"Sure, I should have gone myself."

Ursinus students are blaming the Chinese for their exams. According to them exams originated in China about 1115 B. C. The system we have now started in medieval times. Other related offshoots of those periods were the rack, splinters under the fingernails, and the torture-chamber.

If you tell lies, people won't trust you; if you tell the truth they won't like you.

A student registering for chemistry recently at Michigan State College exclaimed in surprise, "Don't tell me I can get the class I want!" "Oh, we let you in," the professor answered. "We wait two weeks before kicking you out."

Intermission

Marcia Noyes

On Friday evening, September 28, at 8 p. m., the Independents opened the doors of Social Hall to all freshmen and transfers. After a brief explanation of the purposes and policies of the Independents, refreshments were served, and dancing and group games planned by an entertainment committee, consisting of Cynthia Leban '46, and Dotty Burdick '46, were enjoyed. Connie Brennan '46, planned the refreshments.

A reception was held for Episcopal students Sunday afternoon at 3:30 at the home of Dean and Mrs. Major E. Holmes. Kalope Giopulos, Pi Alpha '46, as president of the Brent Fellowship, said a few words. The guest speaker was Rev. Morrell of Hornell. Refreshments were served.

Brenda Wilson '49, Theta Chi, left last week-end to visit the nurses at Corning, those who attended school in Alfred last year.

Margaret Emheiser of Painted Post, N. Y. was a weekend guest at Pi Alpha.

Lt. Clayton Roberts is visiting his wife, Mrs. Lynn Searles Roberts, Theta Chi '47.

A birthday party was held for Alice Van Gaasbeck at Theta Chi on Thursday, September 27.

Dinner guests at the Castle on Sunday, September 23, were Richard Brown '47, Charles Hampton '46, and RT 1/c George Peplow. RT 1/c Peplow is stationed at New London, Connecticut.

Katherine Clark of Silver Creek was a weekend guest at Pi Alpha. Kathy was a Cadet Nurse here last year and is now training in Corning, N. Y.

Billie Stetson '46, Theta Chi, has returned from spending a leave with her husband, S/Sgt. William Stetson.

Taffy Macaulay, Pi Alpha '48, spent the weekend at her home in Sherrill, N. Y.

T/5 Alyce Marie Clemens 'ex-'46, was on campus Wednesday, September 26. She had lunch at Pi Alpha as the guest of Wilma White, '46. The residents of the Castle acted as her hostesses at dinner.

Helen Dreher, Pi Alpha '45, was a weekend guest at Pi Alpha.

Wilma White, Pi Alpha '46 was a dinner guest at the Castle Wednesday, September 26.

Billy Folts Stetson, Theta Chi '46, returned to school after spending some time in Mount Morris with her husband Sgt. William Stetson.

Nora Utal, Alpha Kappa Omicron '48, was a luncheon guest at Theta Chi Friday, September 28.

Patricia Mentis of Sherbrook, Quebec was a weekend guest at Pi Alpha.

Miss Hewitt has been staying at Theta Chi while Mrs. Chamberlain is in Rochester.

Kalope Giopulos, Pi Alpha '46, spent the week-end at her home in Wellsville.

"Pinky" Wright '49, spent the weekend at her home in Brockport, N. Y.

Mrs. L. Ray Polan was a dinner guest at Pi Alpha on Thursday, September 27.

Dick Smith '49, was a dinner guest at Sigma Chi Sunday September 23.

John Comfort was a dinner guest at Sigma Chi Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30.

Ada Egbert, Sigma Chi '46, spent the weekend at her home on Staten Island.

John Coe, former member of Klan Alpine, now a V-12 medical student in Albany visited Campus Wednesday and Thursday, September 26 and 27.

Lt. Wortley Paul, ex '45 spent Tuesday, September 25 on campus.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sherwood, their daughter Phyllis and Mrs. Dunham from Geneseo visited Joyce Sherwood '49 this past week.

Lois Mutch '49 spent the weekend at her home in Corning, N. Y.

Edna J. McBride '49 spent the weekend at her home in Dansville.

Margaret Burmeister '49 accompanied her roommate, Beverly Button '49 to the Wellsville High School football game Friday, September 28.

Patricia Wade, a junior of Geneseo State Teachers College, was a week-end guest at Pi Alpha.

Beverly McBride '49 and her roommate Joyce Sherwood '49 spent the weekend in Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Marian Green '49 spent the weekend in Byron, N. Y.

Nancy Terry, Alpha Kappa Omicron '48, was a luncheon guest at Theta Chi on Tuesday, September 25.

Mrs. Harley was the guest of her daughter, Ginny Harley '46, at the Castle the night of Monday, September 24.

Lynn Searles Roberts '47 is left last week-end with her husband, Lt. Clayton Roberts, to spend the week-end in Buffalo.

Jackie Carlanzo '46, spent the week-end with friends in Hornell.

Miss Margaret Emheiser of Painted Post, Miss Katherine Clark of Corning and Forest Burnham of the ceramic research station were dinner guests at Kappa Psi, Sunday.

Ag-Tech Merry-Go-Round

David Green

One of the most discussed problems that seems to be predominant on campus is, "Will the Agricultural and Technical Institute become a member of the university?"

Is there any reason why it shouldn't? Of course not. Grant you it is a state college and run by the state.

However, the school is one of the 22 buildings which comprise Alfred University. Almost every student one way or another becomes acquainted with the Ag-Tech. Yes! All of us know it is a part of the university. Is it not so that it is included in all social, political and religious activities? What then is holding us back?

After the assembly services held Thursday, September 27, there was an announcement made that

Editor's Mail Box

North Africa

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Through the Fiat I want to express a belated thanks on my part and for a bunch of boys stationed far from Alfred. We were in the ASTP outfit that flooded your Campus, about August of '43. We were all fresh out of civilian clothes then and figured the Army couldn't be very different from home. Well, at Alfred it wasn't and we never bothered to figure out why. Later after we had been banged around a bit, it started us thinking.

We'd like to thank everybody at Alfred for such a swell stay. We want to thank all townspeople and their friends in Hornell for all those weekly dances, and parties. We're grateful to all those families for their fine dinners and wonderful hospitality. We appreciate all the untiring efforts that the Alfred staff undertook for our benefit. To avoid missing anyone I'd like to thank anyone who lived within a score of miles from Alfred for such fine times and wonderful memories.

Cpl. Michael Murphy

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Students come, or in some cases are sent, to a University in the hope that there, their intellectual development will be furthered. Toward this end, the Universities of the world have devised various programs which have as their basis the study of the Arts and Sciences. Alfred has such a program, and for well over a century has been helping men and women in their search for a higher education. Alfred has, however, been lax in the presentation of one of the most important Arts, namely Music.

By the untrue reasoning that Music is a highly specialized subject, and therefore is intended for students interested in a musical career only, the University felt, I imagine, that such students should be willing to pay extra fees for the courses offered. They have, therefore, in reality, put the music department in the unenviable position of being, in the main, self supporting. Students unable or unwilling to pay these extra fees were turned away from the study of music. This, to say the least, is discriminatory. I feel that it is against the aims of a University to keep students from studying as important a subject as music, simply by building a financial barrier around it.

Because of this barrier, student participation in the study of music is stifled. The music department therefore does not offer courses in many important fields of music.

It is up to the student body and faculty to see that something is done to correct the unfair financial attitude taken by the University. When this is done I feel sure that the music department will be able to build itself into what it can very easily be, one of the finest in the world.

Arthur L. Kagan, '49

all students of the Liberal Arts and Ceramics should remain after the program to elect officers. We have been told, and we now know that the Ag-Tech is going to vote on the same basis as the other schools. Was there any reason then to exclude the Ag-Tech from participating, especially with all the fuss being made to promote unity and equality?

As Dr. Walters in his address pointed out, our problems of social, or natural science must be worked out together. How then, if we continue to break up each school, classify each in a separate category, is this to be obtained? Why should there be such a contrast between the schools?

As Dr. Walters also pointed out, we need more and more democracy with certain rights to be in-

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Problems Of Peace Discussed By RFA

The Religious Fellowship of Alfred convened for the second time this semester in Social Hall, Sunday evening, to hear a forum discussion of "Problems of World Peace," lead by Professors Barnard, Kaetzel, Poppelbaum and Sutton.

Commenting briefly upon the enormity of any attempt to solve the problems of Dumbarton Oaks, Yalta, and other major conferences from their vantage-point, Dr. Barnard, as chairman, led the roster of speakers himself, taking education as his theme.

"Education does not necessarily prevent war; peoples are not always educated to desire peace or the means of getting it," Barnard stated. Illustrating his tenet, the professor pointed out that Germany possessed the best system of formal education of all, yet this did not make it a peaceful nation. A guiding idea or aim—such as that provided by religion, is essential, Dr. Barnard asserted.

These steps might be taken toward that end, Barnard suggested: Teaching of democratic ideals, "One World," solidifying the unity of all in a spiritual community, and improving international understanding by the exchange of students.

Professor Samuel Kaetzel, developed the aspect of religious attitudes for post-war peace as expressed in the demands religion makes upon the individual and in the institutions of society.

Sketching a brief historical background of his topic, Kaetzel asserted that in earlier times, there were no Christians in military service. The Catholic Church decided that only "Just Wars" must be fought. Modern leaders question, "What is a Just War?"

Dr. Herman Poppelbaum took a more specific area of discussion—the problems of Europe. The beginning and end of the war both caught us napping, he asserted. Now there is no alternative—there must be peace, or nations will perish.

Poppelbaum called reduction of Germany to a third-rate agricultural country childish. The switch from fertilizers to explosives would be easy, he said. He expressed the opinion that the atomic bomb can not be kept a secret device.

What can be done? Dr. Poppelbaum suggested free rein for all nations to work out their political state. Let economic life, too, be independent of politics; let it run its own course, the speaker demanded.

Discussing the Far East, Dr. Willard Sutton emphasized his conviction that the orientals must not be considered inferior races, merely because their culture is not like our own. He demanded that China be explored—her history, civilization, her minds, customs, beliefs, and hopes. China is a leader in culture and military prowess, he reminded his audience.

Independents Meet

Last Saturday night Sept. 28, the Independents held an open meeting in Social Hall at 8 o'clock. Intended primarily for the new students, this meeting introduced them to the Independent organization and the part it plays in campus activities at Alfred.

At the short business meeting which preceded the social portion of the program Cynthia Leban '46 president, explained the nature and ideals of the Indies group. The officers were introduced and various plans were discussed for the coming year. One of the most attractive ideas was a "Gay Nine-tie Ball" to be given sometime in November.

Girls' Sport Program Is Underway With Full Time Schedule

Fencers May Enter State Competition Next Spring

Last week the women's athletic program got under way when fifty Alfred co-eds joined Ann Mitchell '46, fencing teacher, at South Hall and learned the preliminaries of this intriguing sport.

If they all continue coming out for practice, Ann and the fencing manager, Neysa Jean Dixon '48, should be able to choose a large enough team to go to New York City for state-wide competition next spring. This week the beginners will again have practice at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night, and advanced fencers will meet at 7:00 o'clock Wednesday.

Badminton Featured

Wednesday night several women, including beginners, played practice games of badminton at South Hall. All who are interested in competing in the fall tournament are invited to play badminton this and coming Wednesday nights at 7:30, and Saturdays from 10:00 to 12:00 if it rains or the ground is too wet to play hockey.

Archery on Thursday

All who have played archery in high school or here are invited to join Hannah Saunders '47, manager, at South Hall, Thursday night at 7:00 o'clock. Those who have not played before are asked to wait until they have played archery in physical education classes before they come out Thursday nights.

Saturday, Hockey Day

Last Saturday morning the field was too wet to allow for the scheduled practice hockey games. However, weather permitting, the regular games will be played as posted on coming Saturday mornings. Every woman who can play hockey at all is urged to come out.

All those interested in playing in the fall tennis tournament are urged to sign up soon, so that Norma Kelderhouse, AT, manager, can make out the program of games. Tennis players may practice at any time.

This Tuesday night the first ping-pong tournament will be held. All women interested should go to the South Hall ping-pong room that night.

Women's Athletic Program

Tuesday 7:30—
Beginners' Fencing
Wednesday 7:00—
Advanced Fencing
Wednesday 7:30—Badminton
Thursday 7:00—
Advanced Archery
Saturday 9:30-12:00—
Hockey if clear
Saturday 10:00-12:00—
Badminton if rainy
Ping-Pong—Anytime
Tennis—Anytime

Hockey Schedule

October 6—
Sophomores vs. Juniors-Seniors
October 13—
Freshmen vs. Sophomores
October 20—
Freshmen vs. Juniors-Seniors
October 27—
Sophomores vs. Juniors-Seniors
November 3—
Freshmen vs. Sophomores
November 10—
Freshmen vs. Juniors-Seniors

Radio fans: Listen to Josephine Antoine every Monday evening at 10:00-10:30 over WEAF. Miss Antoine is to be the star of the initial Forum program this year, October 24.

The Walters

In all standard textbooks of journalism and to be in accord with set rules, an interesting interview begins with a quotation from those interviewed. The new inhabitants of Crandall Hall, however, are neither standardized nor in a set mold and a report of a visit at their home needs rest only upon its subject matter to be of interest.

Eight o'clock on the appointed evening—and two rather nervous and apprehensive Fiat editors approached the residence of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Walters, now of Alfred, N. Y. Whisked inside and deposited on a comfortable davenport—whisked, deposited, but in a friendly and gracious manner—they found, contrary to expectation, that conversation began spontaneously and flourished throughout the evening. In fact, words tumbled out, questions and answers chased each other around the room, discussions grew up, gathering words and ideas like a snowball rolling down Pine Hill. . . all by their own volition and mostly, as was natural, concerning Alfred, her past, present and future.

Dr. and Mrs. Walters at home—beside the fireplace in the warm grey-walled, booklined study—very much at home, he, sitting in a big chair, she hemming fresh, frilly white curtains and looking most unlike an ex-biology professor. Mrs. Walters—tall, dark unswept hair, blue plastic reading glasses, black velvet bow, peppermint striped seersucker suit—likes bright, warm colors, gardening, painting, people, is interested in this part of the country. Dr. Walters—dynamic, resourceful, practical yet with vision—friendly eyes, tall, an engaging smile and manner.

Ag. Tech. Merry-Go-Round

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cluded. We want, we fight for democracy, and still we fully realize there are certain rights in a democracy. There is one, however, which the students of the Ag-Tech want dearly—the right of dignity for the individual. That does not mean to say we are not getting it. There is a definite trend signifying just this. But if we are to maintain this desired right, there is only one way which will prevent it from fading away—to consider the students of the Ag-Tech in the same category as those of the Liberal Arts and Ceramics.

I hope the senate will take notice of what has been said and try its level best to get the Ag-Tech under the same seal of the university, and to get this problem to the faculty for discussion, as well as to a definite and immediate decision. It will be most gratifying to those that attend the Ag-Tech. I leave with this reminder.

Many students have become very fond of Alfred. Many students want to stay here a longer period of time, rather than the two years outlined for us. Just how can this be done with a two year terminal course? LET THE AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTE BECOME A BROTHER TO THE SCHOOLS OF LIBERAL ARTS AND CERAMICS.

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Since the year 1923, Kappa Psi has been operating continuously as a fraternity on the Alfred campus. During the season '43 and '44, the House was closed because of the low male enrollment. This was due largely to the requirements of the armed forces, who have claimed eighty Kappa Psi members. On the Kappa Psi honor roll there are three names followed by gold stars—Dighton Polan, George Brown, and William Pelton. Since many members were taken before they had completed their courses, Kappa Psi looks forward to their return both for company and for assistance.

After being closed for more than a year, the House is again open. Its few remaining members began late this summer preparing the house and grounds for this year's session. These members: Wesley Bell '46, Don Emhiser '47, and Fred Clark '47, were aided by the newcomers, Bob Brant '47, Dick Powell '49, (incidentally the third Powell brother to live in Kappa Psi), Sheldon "Mac" McNeil, Ag-Tech '46, Charles Lakofsky, a ceramic special student, Archie Farr '48, Al Rouse '47, a transfer from Alfred Extension, Bob Gaffney '46, and Herbert McKinstry '47.

With the cooperation of all, the kitchen was painted, the windows washed, the floors waxed, the grass cut, the furniture moved, and a general face lifting was given.

Speaking of lifting faces, have you seen W. Varick Nevins, III? He has been a wise and helpful assistant in opening the house. Without his efforts, Kappa Psi could not have opened.

During the past week, the able stewards, thinking of Scotch pecuniary methods, made a great and daring investment. They purchased an eighty-pound tub of apple-raspberry jelly.

Will they eat it? Watch the Fiat for further developments.

Forum tickets are now available at the Treasurer's office to all Liberal Arts and Ceramics students, with the exception of the nurses. Everyone must bring some Means of identification. Students in the Ag-Tech Institute may obtain their tickets at the N. Y. S. school.

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RFA To Attend Fall Conference

Under the auspices of the Student Christian Movement in New York State, Syracuse University has extended an invitation to the students of Alfred to participate in their Annual Fall Conference to be held Oct. 5-7.

Registration for these series of conferences, entitled "Students and the Building of the Peace," is open to students of accredited colleges throughout New York State and must be approved by a religious organization officer staff member or adviser.

During the weekend, addresses, discussion groups, services of worship and social features will be instigated by such noted leaders as: Dr. T. Z. Koo of China; Dr. Sherwood Eddy of New York City; Miss Phyllis Rae Aden from Latin-America; Mr. Ray Gibbons of the Congregational-Christian Council for Social Action; and Dr. Edwin McNeill Potteat of Rochester. The close of the program will be marked by the University Chapel Service Sunday morning, Oct. 7.

Accompanied by Chaplain and Mrs. Napier, members of the R. F. A. cabinet attending will include: Doug Case '47, Cynthia Leban '46, Olive Cohen '48, Roberta Wells '47, Marian Limpitlaw '48, Betty Lou Fontaine '46, Mary Mullaney '48, Elaine Locke '46, Fred Clarke '47, Joan Baird '48, Herbert McKinstry '47, Robert Burdick '47, and Genevieve Polan '46; also Dick Brown, Ag-Tech, Mae Barrus '46, and Dotty Burdick '46.

Movie Time-Table

Wednesday — October 3 —
"Those Endearing Young Charms" featuring Robert Young and Loraine Day. Show begins at 7:00 and 9:35. Feature 8:14, 10:49.

Friday and Saturday—October 5, 6—"Wilson". Everything shown once, starts 7:40 p. m.

Wednesday's feature is light romance. The principles are an army aviator (Robert Young), who has a high opinion of himself and his line with women, and a girl (Loraine Day), who disapproves of such tactics. Complications ensue, only to lead up to their final decision that they were meant for each other.

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Chapel Hour Services Begin For New Year

Mid-week chapel services began for the new academic year last Wednesday at noon in Kenyon Memorial Chapel, under the guidance of Chaplain B. Davie Napier.

Acquainting newcomers with the customary order of service, Chaplain Napier gave a brief description of it, ending with the expressed hope that those in attendance would find the following and its successive services of value to them.

The call to worship was given in hymn and invocation; the nine member chapel chorus sang an acapella anthem, "God is a Spirit."

Chaplain Napier took as his text for a series of chapel talks verses from Mark's Gospel—those stating the new commandments of Christ, which, the chaplain suggested, embody the essence of true religion and philosophy. He could do no more than introduce the topic in this first service, Napier told the assemblage, and he promised to develop it more fully in the next few services.

Language Department

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and Dr. Buchanan include the following from the student body: Carol Sampson '47 from Bartlett, Neysa Jean Dixon '48 from Sigma Chi, Douglas Case '47 from Delta Sig, Herb McKinstry '47 from Kappa Psi, James Thompson '47 from Klan Alpine, Carl Byers '48 from Crump's, Ben Siegel from Burdick Hall, Mary Lord '48 from the Castle, Leah Raptis '46 and Corinne Herriek '47 from Pi Alpha, Waite Tefft '46 from Theta Chi, Gloria Elizabeth Woodard '46 from Omicron, Marion Miller '48 for the Independents, Richard Smith '49 for the veterans, and Betty Streyer from Ag-Tech, and "Spike" Rhodies '49 for the students of German.

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Although last year Klan Alpine and rooms rented in private homes about the village were sufficient for the male enrollment, this year Delta Sig, housing nineteen men; and Burdick Hall, housing 25, were opened.

Nineteen men also live at Klan, while Crump's and Ellis Manor on Main Street house other university men, and Kappa Psi has opened its doors once again to the fraternity brothers here. Mrs. Irene Ellis acts as housemother and "Jim" Thompson '47 as student counselor at Klan; Mrs. E. E. Sterling, house mother with Douglas Chase '47, as student counselor at Delta Sig; and Bill Huge, student counselor at Burdick Hall.

This accounts only for resident men in the Liberal Arts and Ceramics colleges. Students in the Ag-Tech School are housed in private rooms in the village.

Dorms Feed Eds and Coeds

Liberal Arts and Ceramics women are boarding in Bartlett and the Brick dormitories—67 in the former and 105 in the latter. Bartlett also feeds the men in Delta Sig, while the Brick feeds those living in Burdick Hall. Nineteen women from the Ag-Tech School live at Kappa Delta and five at Rogers House.

Eighteen upperclass women reside at the Castle, 23 at Pi Alpha Pi, six at Alpha Kappa Omicron, 16 at Theta Theta Chi, and 25 at Sigma Chi Nu.

According to the Dean of Men, M. Ellis Drake, almost every housing facility in the village is now in use, in spite of the fact that enrollment is only half that of the peak year. He gives several reasons for this. Many people are not renting rooms to students, as they did formerly, and in several cases rentable rooms have been turned into apartments or whole houses have been rented to private families. Also, there has been an increase in temporary residents such as wives of former servicemen now enrolled in the university.

If the enrollment increases, as is expected, in January, the housing situation will be even more of a problem. The only solution, according to Dean Drake, will be the construction of new dormitories for both men and women. Administrative officers estimate that within five years there will be a need for dormitories housing 200 women and 400 men.

Spicer Accepts

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During his ten years in Alfred as a faculty member, he was active in church and community work. In his undergraduate years he was a member of Phi Psi Omega, Eta Mu Alpha, the Footlight Club, Pi Gamma Mu, and Klan Alpine. He was the first chairman of the Student Life Committee, associate editor of the Fiat Lux and the Kana-kadea, and won a letter in wrestling. As a staff member, he has served in various extra-curricular capacities—advisor to the Student Senate and the Veteran's Organization, and member of the Board of Directors of the Campus Union.

College Newspaper Titles Have Meaning

While the controversy is continuing on the Ohio State University campus over changing the name of "The Lantern," a quick glance at the titles of other college papers proves enlightening. Nameplates represent localities, university names and colors.

"Echo" is popular on many campuses—not the sounds heard in the mountains, but the names of college newspapers. It symbolizes one of the functions of a newspaper, that of "repeating" the news.

Penn State, Kansas State and South Dakota State are among the 20 or more schools whose paper is named "Collegian".

The "Miami Hurricane" of the University of Miami suggests a "strong force" in the community. The "Kentucky Kernel" of the University of Kentucky evokes a feeling of warmth and mellowness, as well as playing upon the words of a popular expression. Familiarity is brought out in the name "Arkansas Traveler."

The name of the school is often incorporated in the name of the newspaper. Such names include "Daily Illini" of the University of Illinois, The "Daily Northwestern" of Northwestern University and "Setonian" of Seton Hall.

Similar, though less prosaic, incorporations are the "Emory Wheel" of Emory University, "Stute" of Stevens Institute of Technology and "Mis-A-Sip" of Mississippi State College. The "Tar Heel" of the University of North Carolina and the "Vermont Cynic" suggest local characteristics.

School colors are often used as the title of a college newspaper. Among these are "Orange and White" of the University of Tennessee and the "Chicago Maroon" of the University of Chicago.

"Fiat Lux" of Alfred University indicates the purpose of the paper, that of throwing light upon happenings. This sort of name is more popular among city newspapers.

Although these names vary, they all have but one purpose, that of being a convenient and often-repeated trade mark for the paper.—Reprinted from "The Ohio State Lantern."

Infirmary Notes

Since the beginning of the present university session, Richard Dunne, '49; Constance Barnard, Ag-Tech; Charles Lakofsky, special student, and Audrey Zwickler, '48, have stayed overnight in the infirmary. Mrs. Alice C. MacDermott, nurse, announced today that Freshman physicals are now being given.

As President's Assistant in administration during the past two years, Dr. Spicer was concerned with the establishment of such new projects as the Department of Nursing and the Campus Union.

In 1940-41, Spicer spent a year in New York, where, during the college year and the first half of the next year, he did resident work for the Ed.D. degree which was awarded at Columbia's commencement this year.

Choir Holds Elections

Doug Case '47 was elected chairman of the Union University Church Choir at the choir meeting Sunday morning, Sept. 30. Carolyn Torrey '46 was elected secretary - treasurer, and Peg Knight '46 and Don Emhiser '47 will serve as librarians.

The choir made its first out-of-town appearance at the annual meeting of the New York State Federation of Churches in Hornell, Thursday, Sept. 27. Chaplain B. D. Napier led the worship service.

Pres. Walters Addresses

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the world is the commission of every individual.

Freedom of religion must be utilized to the fullest; the right of personal dignity must carry with it such conviction "that others may respect our behavior," the president believes. He concluded his address with the demand that "science must be used only when it produces for the benefit of others" and is "under the guidance of God and Christ."

President Walters spoke following the traditional procession of faculty and officers of the university to the stage during which Professor Ada Becker Seidlin played Chopin's Military Polonaise. Chaplain B. D. Napier led the invocation. Dean Ellis Drake read student announcements and then introduced the president as principal speaker of the morning. After President Walters' address, the audience joined in Alfred's Alma Mater, concluding the assembly.

Art Director

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abroad; has been Art Director of the Salem China Company; has designed work for leading ceramic companies; won numerous national awards for posters, pottery, and sculpture; and has had creative work exhibited internationally. He has currently constructed designs and containers for the Tubache Perfume Company in New York City and these designs have appeared as advertisements in "Vogue" and other leading fashion magazines.

To Direct Artists

In the ceramic plant at East Liverpool, Ohio, Mr. Schreckengost will have complete charge of design changes in all dinnerware manufactured. He will head a staff of artists who create advertising ideas and carry on design projects for the company. He has already spent two months there this summer organizing post war plans.

Sorry to Leave

Student, faculty, and townspeople alike are indeed grateful for Professor Schreckengost's devoted interest in student activities as well as his teaching, and for his participation in local athletics and organizations. He will be missed especially by his former students who have benefited most from his friendly advice and close association.

When interviewed Mr. Schreckengost, better known as "Schreck," expressed regret at leaving the many friends and familiar Alfred surroundings to which he had become deeply attached.

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fore coming to Alfred he studied two years at the Mexican Military Academy, a school similar to our West Point. There he acquired a knowledge of English and decided to study ceramics in the United States. His father owns a ceramic factory and an uncle is a general in the Mexican Army.

His interest include "fencing, boxing, other sports, and women". In regard to the hospitality extended him by a number of new friends in Alfred he says:

"Mientras me acercaba a ésta desde la ciudad de Mexico, tenía la nerviosidad de todo aquel estudiante, que dejo la ciudad natal para dirigirse a una universidad en el extranjero, pero se me recibió se puede decir que con los brazos abiertos. No puedo menos que decir que me siento muy honrado de encontrarme en la universidad de Alfred."

Puerto Rico Represented

Luis R. Domínguez, from the capital of Puerto Rico, plans to complete his medical studies in Columbia University after taking four years of Liberal Arts here. A pleasing personality and a colorful family background make him an interesting person to converse with.

He has a brother in the American army and a sister, known as Miriam Rodíquez, is prominent as a concert pianist. His father, a businessman, operates a "Gallera," or small arena where cock fighting takes place.

Senor Domínguez says he feels at home in Burdick Hall and likes the customs of Alfred. He speaks favorably of his new environment (in his native tongue) as follows:

"Fue para mí un gran placer y un gran sorpresa ver que todas las personas en Alfred se saludan cuando se encuentran."

Cuando estoy en Burdick Hall me siento como si estuviera en mi hogar con mis hermanos.

Estoy seguro que aquí en la universidad de Alfred, voy a adquirir muy buenas cualidades."

Peruvian Also Here

The third member of the Latin-American trio is Alfredo Polar Lima, Peru, a special student working for a B. S. degree in Ceramic Engineering. He has already spent five years to obtain a B. S. in Chemical Engineering at the

Dr. Joseph Seidlin was in Bath last Thursday, where he addressed the Rotary Club and Haverling High School faculty members.

Norwood Given High Honors

President Emeritus J. Nelson Norwood, who formally resigned his duties as president of Alfred University, September first, of this year, was awarded the honorary degree of Doctors of Laws at the 109th Anniversary Commencement, June 11, in recognition of his thirty-five years of service here as teacher, dean, and president.

Dr. Norwood was nominated for this honor by Dr. J. Hillis Miller, associate commissioner of education, and Dr. J. E. Walters performed his first official act as President-Elect, conferring this degree.

Dr. Waldo Titsworth, Alfred U. registrar, announced to the 800 or more persons gathered for the exercises that University trustees and employees had contributed to a fund to equip an office for Dr. Norwood's use as President Emeritus. This office is located in Greene Block. A citation written by the Board was read and presented to the retiring officer, expressing sincere appreciation of his services to the University.

Dr. Norwood reported to the assembly that over \$46,000 was received in gifts to the University last year. He honored twenty-two alumni and former students who gave their lives or were listed as missing in action in the armed services between commencements 1944 and 1945.

An announcement was made of the election of Professor Fred Ross, retiring head of the geology department, as professor emeritus of geology. Mrs. Beulah Ellis, retired June, 1941, was named professor emeritus of English.

President Emeritus Norwood conferred thirty-nine baccalaureate degrees, five master's degrees, two professional degrees of ceramic engineering, and three doctorates. Dr. Heinrich Reis, Cornell doctor of science; John P. Herick of Olean, University trustee; and Dr. J. Hillis Miller, associate commissioner of education were awarded these three doctorates—all Doctors of Laws.

Following the commencement, the retiring president entertained at a final reception for faculty, seniors, friends, and relatives.

The citation, which was delivered by Dr. Charles P. Rogers '88, of New York City, President of the University Board of Trustees,

Freshman Class Elects Officers

The class of '49 officially began to function as a unit on Thursday, September 27, with the election of class officers. The meeting followed the convocation assembly in Alumni Hall.

The Freshman leaders are: president, Robert Hanright; vice-president, Harry D. Milligan; secretary, Caroline Thomas; and treasurer, Dick Smith.

The meeting was conducted by members of the Student Senate.

commended Dr. Norwood as "a vital force in Alfred University from the time of his entrance as a student and through his career as teacher, Dean, Acting-President and President"; as "a teacher par excellence"; as a Dean responsible for higher standards, curriculum improvements, better methods of teaching in all departments and a just but firm administration of student affairs; as a President who "lived through the most exacting and trying period in the history of the American College"; as an active figure in the community in which he lived, and as a Christian gentleman.

"The Board of Trustees wishes him well in the years to come as he takes a well deserved rest and devotes his time to writing, study and the well-being of his fellow men," ended the citation.

In presenting the President for an honorary degree, which incidentally was a complete surprise to Dr. Norwood, Dr. Miller of the University of the State of New York declared: "I have an honor that no person has ever had before, that of presenting John Nelson Norwood for an honorary degree. Not one, but several institutions have coveted the privilege of honoring him, but as a matter of policy he has consistently graciously declined their proffered gifts."

"Only his love for Alfred and Alfred's love for him have sealed the ramparts of his otherwise impregnable defense. He stands defenseless before his Alma Mater today, and has consented to receive it from you, to whom has been entrusted the destiny of the institution he has served so faithfully and well, the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws". Dr. Norwood's successor then conferred the degree.

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