



STATE CERAMIC LEADERS ORGANIZE

With the purpose of organizing a New York Ceramic Industries Association, a convention was called by Dean Holmes this past Thursday.

In spite of the inclement weather and almost impassable roads, about twenty-five companies were represented and an enthusiastic meeting launched the new association. All the ceramic industries in the state, except the Portland Cement and Enamels were represented.

By-laws were adopted providing for control by a board of directors, nine in number, apportioned among the various branches of ceramic industries in the state.

Officers—President, J. L. Jova, Jova Brick Works, Roseton, N. Y.; secretary-treasurer, Member at large, Dean M. E. Holmes.

Board of Directors—Clarence Austin, Binghamton Brick Company, Binghamton, N. Y.; C. J. Easter, Carborundum Company, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; M. C. Gregory, Corning Terra Cotta Company, Corning, N. Y.; M. E. Holmes, Dean of College of Ceramics at Alfred, N. Y.; J. C. Hostetter, Corning Glass Works, Corning, N. Y.; J. L. Jova, Jova Brick Works, Roseton, N. Y.; H. S. Miner, Pfaunder Company, Rochester, N. Y.; E. W. Schramm, Onondaga Pottery Company, Syracuse, N. Y.; E. G. Thorman, U. S. Gypsum Company, Oakfield, N. Y.

A resolution was adopted endorsing the plan to establish a ceramic experimental station in connection with this college, and the newly elected president transmitted this information to the Governor and the Director of the Budget.

The delegates enjoyed a luncheon at Hills' Coffee Shoppe, where they were greeted by President Titsworth. Dr. Newland gave an interesting talk on the possibilities of the development of clay deposits in the State of New York, by means of the ceramic experimental station at Alfred.

The meeting was attended by the entire faculty of the Ceramic College and Dr. Binns, Dean Norwood, Prof. Titsworth, Mr. Randolph and Prof. Burditt.

FROSH-SOPH PLAYS DRAW LARGE CROWD

Monday evening, November 6th, the Footlight Club and Theta Alpha Phi presented the annual Frosh-Soph plays to a large audience.

The three plays, "The Valiant," "One of Those Days," and "Two Crooks and a Lady," made a big hit with the Alfredites, who were well represented. The cast was a perfect pick, and each player acted his part with exceptional ease and enthusiasm, holding the tension of the audience to a large degree.

It looks as though Alfred has a great deal of talent. Those promising Freshmen may do wonders if they keep on. The Sophs, too, surprised us all by the remarkable way they helped put the plays across.

All those who took part and the directors, Mary Swan, Margaret Seese, Mary Train, Elsie Bonnet, Carl Scott and Howard Johnson, are to be congratulated for their good work and cooperation.

PRESIDENT AND DEAN LEAVE FOR ALBANY

President Titsworth and Dean Holmes left Monday for Albany, where they were to attend a hearing before the governor's budget committee of New York State.

On Thursday the President will speak at the Father and Son banquet in Almond, and on Friday, before the Chamber of Commerce in Belmont.

TRUSTEES HAVE CRANDALL HALL RE-LANDSCAPED

Percy Allen of the Rochester Landscaping Company is doing considerable work about the campus this fall. At present he is directing fall planting about the president's home. The landscaping has been planned to frame the house and its setting, but also leaving a broad expanse of beautiful lawn. Shrubs have been selected which will give a succession of bloom throughout the entire season. In front of the residence are evergreens including junipers, arbor vitae, Japanese yews, and evergreen bittersweet. Two or three Colorado blue spruce have been planted in the lawn. On the north side of the house is a bed of hardy perennials. At the edge of the lawn are groups of spirea, dog wood, forsythia, barberry, weigelia, lilacs and avarias.

Mr. Allen has drawn up sketches for the beautification of the Brick and Bartlett Hall and a plan for the rehabilitation of the grounds in the rear of the president's residence using a series of pools on different levels, cascades and bridges. The banks along the Kanakadea are being planted in honeysuckle.

The landscaping project of Crandall Hall, the President's home, is nearing completion. This gratifying improvement comes as the gift of Mrs. Susan Howell Ames of New York City, Mrs. Harry Gradley of Wellsville, Miss Florence W. Hatch of Friendship and Mrs. Shirley Brown of Hornell, all members of the Board of Trustees of Alfred University.

ALUMNI QUARTERLY DEDICATES ISSUE TO NEW PRESIDENT

The October, 1933 number of the Alfred University Alumni News, published quarterly by the Alumni Association is to be released next week. This issue is dedicated to "our new President and his greatly esteemed wife, President and Mrs. Paul Emerson Titsworth."

The cover is of gold, with purple stripes for a border, thus carrying out the college colors. Besides pictures of President and Mrs. Titsworth and several views of the campus. The Alumni News contains a complete account of the Inauguration, with all the speeches.

The editorial staff of this publication is composed of Dean Norwood, editor; Mrs. Margaret Larkin, assistant editor and Dr. J. Wesley Miller, special advisory editor.

DER DEUTSCHE VEREIN HOLDS SECOND MEETING

"Der Deutsche Verein" held its second meeting of the year last Wednesday evening in the Gothic. Initiation of new members took place, and the constitution of the organization was read and adopted. Program plans for the year were discussed, and Mrs. Buchanan invited the club to meet at her home on December 6th.

President Titsworth, Prof. and Mrs. Buchanan and Mr. and Mrs. Myrvagnis have been asked to become honorary members and a number of students have been invited to membership.

FORENSIC SOCIETY TO ARGUE RUSSIAN SOVIET

There will be another meeting of the Forensic Society, Wednesday evening, at 7:30.

The feature of the evening will be a debate: Resolved, That the United States should recognize the Russian Soviet government immediately. There will be an open forum discussion after the debate.

All interested are invited to attend the meeting at the Greene Block.

ANNUAL FROSH CIRCUS GIVEN IN GYM

"Who's afraid of the Big Bad Wolf?" Phi Psi Omega fraternity with the able assistance of many upper classmen held a very successful annual Frosh initiation in the gym—Wednesday evening, Nov. 8th.

As the audience filed into the coliseum—my mistake—they were greeted by the delicious aroma of freshly popped corn.

The circus was formally (should I say formally?) opened by a cute little thing in a blue gym suit, carrying a basket of blocks. We noticed he was taken into the "Hall of Terror" once or twice, too bad "blondie"—just think perhaps next year you will be able to do the same to some poor Frosh.

Boxing matches, tumbling acts, comedians, races of all sorts, then followed.

Probably the three funniest performances were Laurel and Hardy—The Four Marx Brothers and the tumbling act. (Which also necessitated a good amount of skill).

Although there was no square dance, we had one member of the Hill Billy Band playing for us on his violin.

Before each announcement the audience was silenced by the bugler, who evidently "knew his stuff".

Some members of the class sold, or at least tried to sell peanuts, candy, popcorn, etc.; while others went around shining shoes, for the price of three cents and lighting cigarettes for Sophomores as well as upper classmen. One young fellow went around to most of the girls and asked a few questions about their love affairs. Tut, tut.

As a whole the circus turned out to be successful, and a good time was had by all, students as well as members of the faculty.

Added glimpses: We would like to know where the Hawaiian musicians acquired the skirts and if the pennies, which had to be swept up, were real.

Was that police dog dragging the man around the pole or vice versa? How did he capture that dog? I heard strange rumors about that.

The Greek Wrestlers tied each other in knots. They had a hard time keeping track of the floor mats.

Although they had to use their left hands to feed each other in the chocolate pudding race we are curious to know how they missed each other's mouths.

The last race was the most sensational. Imagine pushing a dish of limburger across the gym floor with your nose, and worse yet, with a flaying paddle urging you on from behind. Is limburger a good wave-set, boys?

"Patches" did a lot of warming up exercises but it was not in vain for did he not win the one man track meet?

The boys from the "Ag" School, astride their horse fought as valiantly as the knights of old.

The man on his tummy eating chocolate pudding was having a hard time until the upperclassmen helped him. Incidentally they got more outside his mouth than inside. Was that intentional?

FORMER ALFRED PROFESSOR INJURED

Dr. George A. Bole, formerly Professor of Chemistry in Alfred University, and now a member of the United States Bureau of Standards, located in Columbus, Ohio, and Mr. Perdy, a noted ceramic editor, were in a rather serious automobile accident near Dunkirk, Thursday, on their way to attend the Ceramic meeting. Dr. Bole suffered a broken collar bone and a broken shoulder blade, and Mr. Perdy was considerably cut by the flying glass. Both are believed to be recuperating satisfactorily.

FIVE LETTERMEN REPORT FOR FIRST PRACTICE

With the first formal practice Monday afternoon, the Varsity basketball season got under way for the year 1933-34. Candidates were working out voluntarily last week, and with additions from the football and cross country teams, the squad will probably total about twenty men. Coach Galloway considers prospects fairly good for a successful season, although there is plenty of stiff opposition on the schedule.

Five veteran letter-men have returned, Capt. Young, Clark, Adessa, Henning and Whaley. These men, although experienced, do not have their positions sewed up, however, as they will have plenty of competition from other worthy candidates. Reserves of last year's team back include: Java, Wessels and Wallace. Sophomores from last year's Frosh team will present strong contenders in Trumbull, Loytty, Minnick, Heyward, Sutherby, Kamisaroff and Murray.

At present Coach Galloway's chief difficulty is in filling the position of center. Whaley, a Junior, played that position last year, but the coach does not expect to use him there this season. Practice sessions, it is hoped, will uncover a man for the important pivot position.

The schedule corrected to date follows. Two games with Hobart College have been cancelled.

Dec. 9—Alumni here
Dec. 16—Rochester here.
Dec. 20—Toronto here.
Jan. 13—Niagara here.
Jan. 18—St. Bonaventure here.
Jan. 20—Buffalo here.
Jan. 24—Ithaca here.
Feb. 3—Rochester there.
Feb. 10—Buffalo there.
Feb. 14—Clarkson here.
Feb. 15—St. Lawrence here.
Feb. 22—Allegheny here.
Feb. 24—St. Bonaventure there.
Mar. 1—Colgate there.
Mar. 2—Oswego there. (tentative)

FACULTY COMMITTEE MEETS TO IMPROVE TEACHING METHODS

At a recent meeting, the Alfred University faculty authorized the formation of a standing committee on the "Improvement of Teaching". This body will make a study of what constitutes good teaching and bring latest ideas and suggestions for improvement to the members of the staff.

The committee appointed by President Titsworth, includes: Dr. Seidlin, chairman, Dean Holmes, Professor Burdick, Professor Amburg, Dr. Drake, Dean Degen, Dr. Campbell and Professor Cortelyou.

At present the group is making an analysis of a bulletin of the American Association of University Professors, "College and University Teaching". They will give their report to the faculty on November 20th.

FIAT LUX STAFF TO ATTEND CONVENTION

The Fiat Lux with the assistance of Alfred University is sending four of its staff to Baltimore this week-end to join in the Intercollegiate Press Association conference there. The editor and business manager with two junior staff members will make the trip with Professor Conroe in his car.

CAMPUS ELECTIONS REPLACE RESIGNATIONS

As arranged by the Student Senate the elections for the Senior vice president and the Sophomore treasurer were carried out.

Richard Lawrence was voted vice president of the Senior class and Thomas Shields was elected treasurer of the Sophomore class.

JULIUS CAESAR TO BE GIVEN WED. NIGHT

"Julius Caesar", that classic from the pen of William Shakespeare, is to be produced at Alfred University on Wednesday evening, November 15, at 8:15 by the Shakespeare Players of New York City.

The play, everyone knows; but high school students in particular will be interested since they read it in high school English. They will be admitted for 25c; adults at 40c.

The players are making their 7th annual tour of the United States, having appeared in over 800 high schools and colleges in 41 states. Critics have been particularly well pleased with their production of Julius Caesar; but they also present "The Merchant of Venice," "Macbeth," and "Hamlet". The company is highly recommended by college departments of Literature and speech, by directors of Little theatres, and by newspapers.

"It was a vivid production, true to the best traditions of Shakespeare"—Professor Koch, University of North Carolina. "You are performing an important educational function,"—Cousin. "Forceful and interesting," says Dean Heiges, State Teachers College, Pennsylvania.

"One of the outstanding drama events of the season"—Galveston News. "Last night's performance was unostentatious yet impressive"—Cincinnati Inquirer.

Considering the importance of Shakespeare as a playwright, and the stress put upon his work in both high school and college study, this is an opportunity seldom offered to smaller communities. One is not considered educated unless he has read Shakespeare. But his education is vastly improved if he sees Shakespeare on the stage. This is an opportunity, not only for Alfred University and Alfred High School students, but also for persons living in any community accessible to Alfred.

James Henderson and Claire Bruce strive to present the Shakespearean play in all of its beauty of speech, acting, scene, making it a highly entertaining program. The setting used is such as will enforce the simplicity and impressiveness of real Shakespearean drama.

Mr. Hendrickson and Miss Bruce have established themselves as two of the leading exponents of the classic drama on the American stage and need no introduction, although their accomplishments may be credited in part to a long and varied training, including seasons in the Shakespearean companies of Mr. Leiber and Mr. Mantell.

Another player, Frank Howson, is one of the most accomplished players on the American stage, having appeared in leading roles in the companies of William Faversham, Robert B. Mantell and Maurice Moscovitch and was for a number of years with the famous Southern and Marlowe organizations.

ALFRED HARRIERS RACE ARMY SQUAD SATURDAY

This Saturday the Alfred cross country squad meets the tough Army squad on the West Point river course.

Two years ago was the last time these two teams met. Alfred at that time defeated the Pointers by a close score. Last year the two teams were unable to satisfactorily arrange their schedules to allow a meeting, but this year they are to resume relations.

Each team boasts of strength and balance, but at the present time the Army is conceded the best chance to win over a course which they know well.

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Are You Being Educated?

Are you being educated? It has been claimed, in a recent issue of the American Observer, that young men and women frequently lean too heavily upon schools and colleges and assume that they will, by some undefined process, be transformed and become persons of education, culture and refinement.

It would seem that one of the marks of a truly educated person is tolerance and broad-mindedness. Unless one is acquiring, along with his knowledge, ideas which help him overcome his narrowness he will never be educated. New or different ideas ought to be carefully considered, and discriminated. "The result is an ever enriched personality, a tolerant spirit, a widening range of information, a growing competence and loftier altitudes of inspiration."

Were You One of The Guilty?

Culture cannot be driven into people. If there is no inclination to culture it can not be acquired. It is expected that a person coming to college has some culture or is openly receptive to it. Absorption of or the learning how to obtain culture is one of the aims of a college education. To those of us who are still in the process of gaining culture and to those already cultured the rowdiness shown by a minority (thanks!) in last Thursday's assembly was quite inexcusable on any other basis than that of ignorance.

Ignorance of the law is no excuse in court—ignorance of what constitutes polish and good training is no excuse in college, though at times it is forgotten. Let us hope such scenes will not be repeated. Consider the person who enjoys good music. If you have no desire to listen then leave and feast your music sense on "Barking Dog Blues" or its like.

IN MEMORIAM

James DiCandia

It is with deepest regret that we learn of the death of "Jim" DiCandia, former member of the class of 1934.

Although here but two years before transferring to Ohio University, he made many close friendships. An outstanding athlete and a fine gentleman "Jim" will be missed by all who knew him.

PROPER AWARDS TO BE SECURED

At the last meeting of the Women's Athletic Governing Board, Barbara Bastow was appointed chairman of a committee to secure the proper awards for those women who earn numerals in major sports. A progressive system of awards is being planned so that a girl who has played hockey, for instance, for three years will have a different insignia to wear from another girl who has only been on her team for one year.

All girls who have already earned shingles in a major sport and who desire the awards for these should see Barbara Bastow soon as she will be ordering the awards within a few weeks. The insignia will be of an original and entirely different nature from any on Alfred's campus before, and will be appropriate to the sport in which they were won.

HOCKEY GAMES OFF INDEFINITE TIME

Because of the weather and the condition of the hockey field, the hockey games scheduled for last Wednesday and last Friday afternoons had to be postponed. However, the success of the hockey forum held on Wednesday, leads hockey enthusiasts to hope that the postponed games can be played before winter weather sets in for good.

The Junior-Senior game on Nov. 3rd, was settled during the first few minutes of play, when Ruth Norwood sent the ball into the Senior net with a long, totally unexpected stroke. After this the game was a hard fought battle back and forth between the goals, each side nearly scoring several times but never quite succeeding. All hockey players and interested spectators should watch the bulletin board in the library (at the right of the desk) for further announcements concerning games.

SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO STUDENT CONFERENCE

Two members of the Women's Student Government Council, Miss Margaret Bastow, president, and Miss Charlotte Jazombek, secretary, have been elected representatives to the annual Student Government Conference, which is to be held this year at Greensboro, North Carolina. They left by train last night, and will be gone about a week.

Somebody pointed out the cross country team to Fanny the Frosh and they looked just as happy as anybody.

OPINIONS

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

Perhaps I will make some incorrect statements in this article, but I believe that most of them will be correct.

The question is specifically this:

Why do we students who pay, and pay well, for the privilege of seeing our teams in action have to travel so far to watch a so-called home game. For two years now one of our big games has been played in Elmira. Why? Don't we have ideal facilities for playing either night or day games at home? It is said that we play the games in Elmira so as to make it possible for our numerous alumni, who live in that vicinity, to be present. I believe it was quite plainly shown last Saturday that the alumni present, if any, were for the most part not in the stands but rather outside peering in through the fence.

There were six hundred students in Alfred on Saturday morning, the majority of whom wished to go to Elmira to watch their team play the last and most important game of the season. Many of them by hook or crook did get to the game, but think of the number for whom a trip of seventy-five miles was an impossibility. All six hundred of them paid to see that game and couldn't just because we had to bow down to a handful of alumni, who didn't show up. Alfred doesn't make any money on those games. I doubt if even our own team's expenses could be paid with the gate receipts. At least we get a crowd when we play in Alfred and all the students can be present, which is a big factor in the team's success.

My hat is off to the students who did get to Elmira to cheer the greatest team we've ever had in the best football game we have seen in a number of years.

But! one more thing, think what the team could have done on their home field with the whole school behind them.

A Junior.

Dear Sir:—

For two years now I have been here in Alfred and for those two years not one class period has gone by during which some person or persons did not in some manner or other either climb up the back of my chair with his feet, push the back of the seat around, kick the chair legs, scrape off muddy shoes on my clothes, or in some other manner annoy me considerably in my efforts to concentrate on the classroom procedure.

I am sure that this is only the result of thoughtlessness on the part of those people, but it is annoying and I sincerely hope the students about the campus will endeavor to remedy this annoyance. Surely others must be annoyed too.

Sincerely, A Junior.

SPOTLIGHT

Can you connect "Three Corned Moon"? There is a fine connection. a dandy cast consisting of Claudette Colbert, Richard Arlen, Mary Bolan, Lyda Roberti and others will entertain you. In these adventures of a scatterbrained family who lost their fortune in the crash, you will find a follicking, amusing and entertaining story. It is human, with plenty of humor and some romance. Come see the looniest, goofiest, craziest pictures, on Thursday evening, Nov. 16.

Saturday, Nov. 18th, The master of pantomime, George Arlis, in the great portrayal of the great character, Voltaire, is here. It can truly be said "the greatest figure of his day portrayal by the greatest actor of our day". You must not miss George Arlis in this picture with Doris Kenyon and Margaret Lindsay. The fascinating character of Madame de Pompadour is superbly played by Doris Kenyon. This is a stirring and stimulating picture, one you just won't want to pass by.

Besides these there will be some most interesting short subjects. "Pop-eye the sailor," "Over the Jumps," and a News-reel on Thursday night, "So this is Harris". And a screen song on Saturday night.

LIBRARY NOTES

Outstanding New Titles In The Library

By Ruth Greene

A BULLETIN OF IMPORTANT NEW BOOKS

A concise list of selected recommendations for your inspection. We are hoping that you are able at this time to add these exceedingly worthwhile books to your winter reading list:

Fiction

Christie, A.—Thirteen at dinner
Walpole, H.—Vanessa
Walpole, H.—All Soul's night
Miller, C.—Lamb in his bosom
Douglas, L.—Magnificent obsession
Maxwell, W.—This is my man
Munro, H. H.—Complete novels and plays of Saki
Dunsany, Lord—The Curse of the Wise Woman
Nordhoff, C.—Mutiny on the bounty
Lewis, S.—Ann Vickers
Fallada, H.—Little man, what now?
Plivier, T. The Kaiser goes, the generals remain
Allen, H.—Anthony Adverse

Non-Fiction

Post, E.—The Personality of a house
Vallas, L.—Claude DeBussey, his life and works
Mercer, F. Ed.—Gardens & Gardening
Robinson, E. A.—Talifer
Roberts, H.—Form in primitive music
Armstrong, H.—Hitler's Reich
Fergusson, H.—Rio Grande
Saminsky, L.—Music of our day
Winwar, F.—Poor splendid wings
Woolf, V.—The Second common reader
O'Brien, E.—Best short stories 1933
Kallet, A.—100,000,000 guinea pigs
Fisher, F.—That strange little brown man, Gandhi
DeKruif, P.—Men against death
Stallings, L.—The First World War
Forman, H.—Our movie made children
Groves, E.—Marriage
Beals, C.—The Crime of Cuba

READING—THE UNSOCIABLE ART

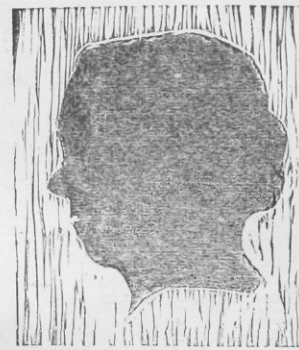
During the terrible storm which imprisoned Bret Harte's outcasts of Porker Flat, one of the number kept up the courage of his companions by retelling Homer's Iliad in the parlance of his hearers. His recital was founded on Pope's version, and, though he called the hero the Iliad "Ash-Heels," which by the way is very close to the French, he had no difficulty in holding his listeners spellbound. Thus, in the heart of the Sierras, Homer reappeared in his original role of minstrel or reciter, and the wrath of achilles and its consequences found a heightened enjoyment in the hearts of the individuals from the reflected enjoyment of the group.

Until that very short time ago when reading was transferred from a learned caste to the people in general this was the way in which literature found its public. Its enjoyment, like that of oratory or acting or music, was a mass enjoyment. Fundamental to this, however, is the fact that literature, like the other forms of art mentioned, enters our consciousness through the portal of the ear.

George Gissing's reminating solitary, Henry Ryecroft, made this confession, "I think sometimes, how good it were had I some one by me to listen when I am tempted to read a passage aloud." He then went on to console himself in his loneliness with the reflection that he knew no mortal upon whom he could invariably depend for sympathetic understanding. Of course, if he set himself an impossible standard of spiritual fellowship, he would doom himself to perpetual solation. But all the great writers whom he had been mentioning—Goethe, Scott, Shakespeare, Cervantes, Thackeray—are so universal that the sharing of them brings a higher power of enjoyment.

If we do unlock our literature with the golden key of the voice, we may even create a new profession. Just as the telephone has in the case of many a young woman made her voice her fortune, or at least a valuable asset in maintaining her livelihood, so we may discover in men and women about us, a gift which society has for generations left unused, greatly to its loss.

Fanny the Frosh doesn't understand why the song says "Alfred, the mother of men," when everybody knows that Alfred is always a man's name.



Prof. Dora K. Degen

PROF. DORA K. DEGEN DEAN OF WOMEN

By Elizabeth Hallenbeck

Who is it who has interviewed every Alfred woman? Dean Dora K. Degen, of course. Just as she has now graciously submitted and sit at the desk of her well appointed office to answer the questions of this interviewer.

The Dean of Women attended college as a matter of course. She had always lived in Alfred, since her father was one of the professors, so when it was time to enter, there was no other thought. Latin was her major and, strangely enough, she still enjoys it. After graduation Mrs. Degen taught classical language as well as English in Alfred High School.

At the wedding of an Alfred student Mrs. Degen met her future husband. Their wedding tour in Europe brought them many interesting experiences. Imagine the fun of a moonlight ride to Blarney Castle in a jaunting-car! A delightful sojourn spent in the home of German relatives! And from this last, intimate knowledge of the home life, they cultivated a lasting respect for the German people as charming hosts and warm friends.

"Home again" meant New York City and Philadelphia. For Mr. Degen was in Wall Street and business kept him there most of the time. But during vacations they escaped from the turmoil of the cities and enjoyed swimming, hiking, and motoring in the Adirondacks or in New England. Mr. Degen was an ardent fisherman, and Mrs. Degen, too, spent many hours trying her luck.

Then came the war and with it the vital need for Red Cross workers. Mrs. Degen responded immediately and enrolled in a course in first aid. During the influenza epidemic she served in a children's hospital.

Then the Armistice. But peace time did not find her idle. She took a social service course and was employed in this field under the "Society for Organizing Charity," which is the Red Cross home service continued among soldiers' families.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Degen studied at Boston University and received her master's degree. She came to Alfred University in 1925, as Dean of Women and Professor of Religious Education and English Bible. Since that time, however, Dean Degen has also studied at the University of Colorado and Columbia Teacher's College.

Travel is the great hobby of the Dean of Women. Four ocean voyages have served to make her interest in it more keen. Many and varied are the interesting experiences which Dean Degen might recount. She has visited Hammerfast, Iceland, the northernmost town in the world being but thirteen miles from the North Pole; she has sailed to beautiful Bermuda; she has seen the Passion Play in Oberammargau; and now it is her hope to combine vacation and hobby in a trip to Palestine. Dean Degen, says, and with authority, that travel and the reading it stimulates develops world-mindedness.

Dean Degen's work demands heavy reading. However, mystery stories, of the Mary Roberts Rinehart type in particular, furnish a recreation and a diversion for her.

As her position implies Dean Degen likes to work with people rather than things. The richness of her previous experience has well prepared our Dean of Women for this work, that of helping youth along the way.

Fanny the Frosh says she hunted all over for the Green Block until some one showed it to her and then it was just sort of yellow.

SOCIAL NEWS

Pi Alpha Pi

Despite the weather outside it was still our fall informal which we enjoyed Saturday night at Social Hall. Dancing to the lively tunes of Bill Welch and his "Smoothies" our feet seemed to forget that they had been cold earlier in the evening.

During a brief intermission refreshments were served in the dining room.

Chaperones for the dance were: Miss Larkin, Miss Conover, Prof. and Mrs. Burditt, Prof. and Mrs. Wingate and Coach and Mrs. McLane.

Out of town guests included: Van Ostrander, Roy Rugge, Ned Stafford and Charles Tanner.

Theta Theta Chi

Ann Merrill Campbell '23, and Ruth Whitford '25, honored us with their company at dinner, Tuesday evening, and told us many amusing tales of old. Mrs. A. E. Champlin entertained us at a tea on Sunday afternoon.

In spite of the snow we had our dance, and to the tunes of Charlie Clark's Collegians we danced the evening away. The house was decorated with pine boughs, bitter-sweet, and oak leaves and made festive with candles. A number of our alumnae were back.

Miss Emma Hewitt, Mrs. Elizabeth Rogers, Professor and Mrs. Boraas and Chaplain and Mrs. McLeod were our guests.

Klan Alpine

Klan takes great pleasure in announcing the formal initiation of William Mason and Avery Robinson. Following the initiation a smoker was held.

Dr. and Mrs. Rice, Prof. and Mrs. Amberg, Prof. and Mrs. Harder were dinner guests at the house, Sunday.

Charles Tanner of Hornell was a dinner guest Saturday.

The sudden change to Lucky Strikes was due to the visit of the Lucky Strike man at the house this week. He carried an ample supply of free samples.

A certain member fearing for the social life of one of our pledges so encouraged him to get a date that the pledge followed his advice strictly by dating the member's girl friend. How about it "Les"?

Alumni Brother, Van Ostrander, spent the week in Alfred.

Delta Sigma Phi

It was with much regret that the members of Delta Sigma Phi, learned of the death of "Jim" DiCandia, of Bath, N. Y. "Jim" a member of the class of '34, transferred to Ohio University at the end of his Sophomore year. While at Alfred, "Jim" was an outstanding athlete, and though he was only here two years, he formed many close friendships. Many brothers from the house made the trip for the funeral, Tuesday morning.

Lew Obourn spent the week-end at the house and renewed many old friendships.

It is with great pleasure that Delta Sigma Phi announces the pledging of William Richards of Cumberland, Maryland.

Chaplain and Mrs. McLeod and Mary Louise were dinner guests, Sunday, Nov. 12th.

"Eddie" Lerz is looking for a remedy for falling hair. He will gladly accept any suggestions in regards to wigs or remedies.

Sigma Chi Nu

A brilliant conversation that was overheard recently:

Greeny: "You know, if a man had glass eyes, he could take them out and play marbles with them."

Chavis: "Yes, but how could he see to play without them?"

We won't mention any names but a certain big, blond, Theta Nu Sophomore has invented a new wrestling hold. His room mate, who was nearly throttled by it in the middle of the night, describes it as "The Mesmer Head Lock".

Shermie and Kizzie have departed forever from our happy household. Cries of "Bring the mop" were becoming disgustingly frequent—hence their exodus.

Shaw's are advertising Flemish copper mugs and steins. Now what, we are wondering, would one do with

a Flemish cooper mug or stein in Alfred? Since winter has come upon us they couldn't even be used for flower vases.

Brick News

A contest is being run here at The Brick called "The Last One In Gets a Free Seat in W. S. G. Reserved places are being made with nameplates for four or five Brick inmates who are this week's winners.

A new little campus mystery is "Who is Fifi," Ask Rube—he knows. What girl here wants it's mate?

Is the guilty person a resident of The Brick, who has been eating all the "still life" in the Ceramic building?

What girl lost her sense of direction in Chapel and sat next to the wrong fellow?

What with the Art Department demanding more and more honest-to-goodness art, the girls have taken to bringing their clay home and making their masterpieces (?) An art exhibit will be held of all such pieces in room 215. Entertainment will be provided through a lively "dry clay" fight. Everyone is encouraged to come and see what really can be done with art.

In conclusion: Not to throw hints or anything, you fellows, but there is one girl here who receives a box of candy every other day or so.

BARTLETT NEWS

Nice going girls! You certainly showed the boys a few steps at the house party given by the fellows of the Dorm last Saturday night. Credit for the success of the party should go to Hardie Frieberg and his committee, consisting of Dick Vraback, Jack Merriam, Marty DeScherer and Lishure Mike (the punniest punster in the Dorm. He even thinks he is punny.) Prof. Weaver and his good looking wife acted as chaperones. Thanks a lot. That ever smiling mother of the Dorm, Mrs. Camp, acted as hostess. It did ones heart good to see the fellows dunk doughnuts in apple cider. Yes, that was cider.

How many fortunate ones were there who saw Imogene chase that skunk down into Kanakadea Creek. (No, it wasn't Vraback).

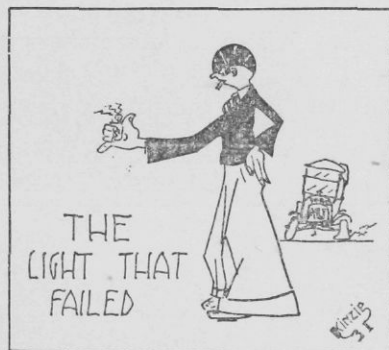
How about giving Steve Bartlett a break girls. He is such a cute kid.

Besides being a singer, Ray Pape is a talented comedian. He is awfully funny. When a fellow is romancing, he asks the girl if she is as crazy about the fellow as he says she is. By the way Ray, who was that girl (?) you took to the party?

It's too bad that Gregory had to miss that Theta Chi meeting the other night.

Of all the idiosyncrasies, Art Wells has the most peculiar. Instead of sugar, he uses salt and peper in his coffee.

And, Oh, those "bull" sessions in Sam VanTassell's room.



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Broken-down Co-Ed: Say I've lost my heel.

Prom chairman: Well, what do you think I am, a gigolo?

I'm fed up on that," said the baby, pointing to the high chair.

Hodges: He says he's a three letter man at college.

Torello: Well, he must be; his checks come back marked N.S. F.

Peg: Where did you get the L?
Bill: I played football at Alfred.
Peg: But Alfred begins with A.
Bill: Yes, I know, but I played on the second team.

Harriet: If you kiss me, I'll scream.
Chesty: Not with all these people around.

Harriet: Well, let's find a quieter spot.

Eng. Prof. Correct this sentence: "Before any damage could be done the fire was put out by the volunteer fire department."

Frosh: "The fire was put out before any damage could be done by the volunteer fire department."

Helen (in beer garden): This beer has a neat wallop to it. I wonder how much of it we'll be able to drink?
George (promptly): A dollar and fifty cents' worth.

Should we hold doors for frosh or just blush and creep in behind? After all, we are only old fashioned.

Prof: If there are any dumbbells in the room, please stand up.

A long pause and then a lone freshman stood up.

"What, do you consider yourself a dumbbell?"

"Well, not exactly that, sir, but I hate to see you standing all alone."

If a fellow tries to kiss a woman and gets away with it he's a man; if he tries and doesn't get away with it he's a brute; if he doesn't try but would get away with it if he tried he's a coward; but if he doesn't try and wouldn't have gotten away with it if he tried he's wise.

ODE TO A FICKLE MAN

How could a man who looks so big
Turn out to be so small?
How can you be satisfied
To be nothing at all?

Don't you want to live and learn
And love like others do?
Will you let small disappointments
Spoil this world for you?

Can't you assume some hopes and growth
And thus become a man?
Or do you want to miss it all?—
Or—don't you give a damn?

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Prey's Bath Tub seems awfully public to Fanny the Frosh, and she wonders if that little post in the middle is to hold to when you slip on the soap.



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INQUIRING REPORTER QUESTIONS STUDENTS

Question: What is the source of your greatest enjoyment at Alfred? Dorothy Eaton '34: This question holds a wealth of suggestions, but for me requires little second thought. Without a doubt knowing people here at school has given me more pleasure than anything else. This is my last year at Alfred and I believe that the past three years have been the most influential years of my life. When I came to Alfred I possessed most of the prerequisites of snobbery; the school I had previously attended had promoted cliques and high racial barriers. Naturally, with this as a background this school seemed too democratic to me.

I don't profess to haunt the theCollegiate but I have spent many memorable hours there, conversing with various students and professors. Nothing is more revealing nor enjoyable than a talk with an individual whom you scarcely know.

Don Crego: In answering this question, I find it very hard to find any real sources of enjoyment. There is the social hall, but if one does not dance this is useless. Then there is the gymnasium which holds no pleasure for me. The only source of pleasure I have found is my associations with my fellow students which have provided me enjoyable hours to break up the monotony of my daily life.

Gilbert Smigrod: There is nothing that stands out sufficiently for me to say, "I derive my greatest pleasure from—" Nevertheless I am always itching to come back to Alfred. Since my parents and I get along perfectly, how would you explain it?

"WE WONDER"

By Luke and Zeke

Luke and ye shall find a senior.
Zeke and ye shall find also a junior.

If after being a Soph for seven years (his own words) is a certain Delta Sig now entitled to a Social Senior Rating?

A list of names was put on the board by Prof. Rice:
Avogadro, Millikan, Prout, Stoddy Coolidge.

Do you know any of these men?
Firestone: They must all be freshmen this year. I don't know a one.
(We wonder)

Also what did Prof. Rice mean when he said, "Bless you my children"?
Can Physical be so hard? (Who snickered?)

Racusin: So you used to make whaling trips with your father when you were quite young.

Doc Campbell: Sure, out to the woodshed!

Since Hornell is west, does "go west young man, go west," still apply?

Wouldn't sombreros look better than beach hats, on frosh girls?

Hag Foote filed his income-tax report yet?

How many days until Christmas?

We don't know
but
We wonder



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"BLESSED EVENTS"

By John Orzano

If coffee and doughnuts were served in Chapel, some day, the Chaplain would have to hold his services in Alumni Hall.

The "Pine Hill" wanderers are funny birds usually seen in pairs. Even a week of snow doesn't stop them.

Some people are never satisfied, they even request the installation of a stove on the Steinheim steps.

The boy who tried "eating down" Larry Hopper last year tried eating five enormous plates of spaghetti, Thursday night. Three and one half plates was all he could stomach. He still hasn't annexed the eating championship.

I wonder who the naughty boys are that insistently call up the Brick and make dates for other innocent boys? Pullin' Capt. Miles Standish stuff, eh.

It is claimed that professors do become absent-minded, but what happened to "Scop" Hopkins when he sat through Labor Problems last week and all the while thought he was in European History. There must be something behind this, but what it is no one knows.

Alfred's left end seems to have gone "that way". I wonder if his assembly seat has anything to do with it.

Our local Prince of Wales hasn't been riding lately, so no news there, but the menacing guard at Willard did take him for Napoleon. Is he lucky to be back with us, ask him?

This will undoubtedly interest the "fair maidens". A certain little man from "the hill" has gotten his guitar back, I believe it's the same one he used a few years ago. Now girls be sure not to misplace your flower pots, as accidents will happen.

What is it in Alfred which resembles "Vesuvius"? You can't guess? Have you ever seen a booth in the Collegiate.

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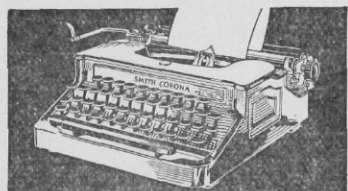
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Y. W. C. A. NOTES

The regular meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held last night in the Gothic and entertainment was rendered by the Frosh girls.

While two girls were singing, three very peculiarly dressed females came in. They were unnoticed until after a splendid reading of "The Highway Man". Then, and then only, was it announced that there was to be a "mock-wedding".

A young lady, robed in a white sheet with a lovely red bow on her head, assisted by a "social success," followed the ringbearer up the aisle to the impatient minister. They were united in holy matrimony and, after more songs, the meeting was adjourned.

The entertainers were, Stubby Trenkle, Fran Amsden and Edna Rowe, who gave several song selections; Eileen Swift, who read "The Highway Man" and another poem; and Jean Williams, Dot Schirm, Eileen Swift and Marion Phillips, who made up the wedding party.

The Y. W. C. A. duly appreciates the nine cushions presented by the Evangelical Society and is very grateful to them for this gift.



Fanny the Frosh thinks it's a shame the way the government piles up taxes on the college until every Frosh boy has to help pay the campus tax.

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