

Saturday Night Dance Proves Successful As Preview of W.S.S.F. Drive

French Students Already Receive Care Through Efforts Of Agency

The Hallowe'en Dance sponsored by the Student Senate and R. A. F. last Saturday night netted approximately \$110 for the benefit of the World Student Service Fund, Chaplain B. D. Napier has announced. This dance was the forerunner of the W. S. S. F. Drive in January.

A "Chalet" for rundown and tubercular students from liberated France has recently been opened at Combloux in the Haute Savoie region of France, according to reports received by the World Student Service Fund, student relief agency with offices at 8 West 40th Street, New York 18, N. Y. Already 50 students, mostly from Paris, are spending from one to three months in the quiet, invigorating mountain atmosphere.

University Life Hard Under Nazis

During the German occupation, university life in France was rendered nearly impossible. Curriculum and professors were strictly regulated. The Vichy government called up a large proportion of the student population for deportation to Germany. Many escaped and joined the French Forces of the Interior (FFI). Others did forced labor in German work camps or received prison sentences. As a result of such hardships and the severe food shortage, most students today are rundown in health and suffer from nervous disorders, undernourishment and weakened resistance to infection.

The Combloux Chalet is able to provide proper medical treatment for students before they return to their studies. Typical among the ones already back in school after a stay at Combloux is a nineteen-year-old medical student, who, while Caen was a center of fighting, shouldered the whole burden of nursing 180 patients at the Caen hospital. After six weeks of unceasing labor, he contracted a primary tuberculosis infection that would have kept him from finishing his studies.

Pleasant Life at Chalet

Life at Combloux is run directly by the students. A former student who served with distinction in the resistance forces is in charge of the Chalet, and a medical attendant is responsible for the guests' health. A rigid, self-imposed schedule has been set up for the students starting at 9 o'clock in the morning and ending at 10 at night, with a two-hour rest period in the afternoon. All questions of communal interest are settled by a student committee of five members.

Student cooperation is also evident in the self-help association formed by members of the house to assist the less fortunate ones either by financial contributions or by aiding them in finding resources. Also foraging expeditions have been organized to supply certain scarce foods like milk and eggs for those needing special nourishment.

Program Designed To Meet Needs

The French youth who come to the Chalet get an opportunity to recover from the terrible ordeals of wartime and to readapt themselves to normal life. A social and cultural program is conducted to avoid mental stagnation and to

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Expects To Return



Dr. Warren

Lt. R. Warren Sees S. S. Alfred Victory

"Here I was on a bright sunny day plowing through Yagushi, Bay, Okinawa, in a L.S.V.P. on my way to another ship on business. I always keep my eyes on the ships we pass, for in my job I have to have a pretty good idea of which naval ships are present. But I look at the merchant ships too, and as we passed one particular ship, a trim new freighter with a single stack and superstructure amidship, I looked at the board on the bridge-wing to see the name and there it was as plain as day: S.S. Alfred Victory. I gave a cry of delight, for I had had my eye out for that ship for a long time. Tell the folks in Alfred that she looked mighty good to me, and my impulse was to go aboard and hold a lecture on sociology."

This is an excerpt from a letter to Mrs. Roland Warren, the wife of Lt. (j.g.) Warren, the former head of Alfred's sociology and philosophy department.

Dr. Warren left in 1942 to serve his country. He obtained his commission at Harvard and then set forth upon what later proved to be a great adventure. The Lieutenant was assigned to the U.S.S. Block Island, which was destined to rid the Atlantic Ocean of German submarines. The ship was an escort carrier and Lt. Warren was its signal officer. All good things must come to an end and so did the U.S.S. Block Island—the ship was torpedoed and sunk.

The former professor returned to the states to await reassignment. Fortunately for Mrs. Warren and her two children, they were able to be with Dr. Warren for six months on the West Coast. When the new U.S.S. Block Island was ready to set sail, Lt. Warren was aboard, this time to roam the Pacific.

At present, Lt. Warren is accumulating points in order to return to Alfred next term.

Amberg Speaks On Atom Power

Prof. C. R. Amberg of the Ceramic School is acquiring quite a reputation in this section of the state as an authority on atomic energy.

One night, not realizing what he was stepping into, in answer to an emergency call for a speaker Prof. Amberg spoke to the Wellsville Rotary Club about the Atomic Bomb. Since then he has given similar explanatory talks to six different clubs and a group of high school science teachers. And the end is not in sight.

Primarily, Prof. Amberg is trying to acquaint his listeners with the properties of atoms, particularly radioactive atoms, and to show the relationship between mass and energy. This involves nuclear chemistry and a good understanding of the structure of the atom.

Bursts Bubble

Prof. Amberg hopes to dissolve some of the daydreams about the limitless number of uses for atomic energy. Discussing it from an engineering and economic standpoint, he points out that, contrary to many conjectures, we will not in the future be able to keep a few granules of some atomic energy source under the hood of a car, and then run the car a lifetime. Coal, as a fuel source for power, is still much cheaper and more manageable.

Since the only part of the atomic bomb that is still a secret concerns engineering techniques, the use of atomic energy will soon be common knowledge, though its application up to now is still restricted to setups able to handle large amounts of material.

Students Earn Special Rights

Voluntary attendance at all classes this semester is the privilege earned by the 35 Seniors and 27 Juniors who have been named to the White List for the first semester, 1945-46.

Although this privilege is tempered by a clause which states that no student may cut classes immediately preceding or following a college recess, those who made the list nevertheless have a boon for themselves.

Requirements

Earning a cumulative index of 1.25 or better and having no previous discipline for violation of rules limiting absences, are the two obstacles to be overcome before a student's name is placed on the list.

Seniors Listed

The Seniors who have acquired a place in the select group are:

Edgar A. Abramson, Carolyn E. Banks, Jean E. Barber, Mae Barbus, Marie Basciani, Frances E. Bovee, David J. Broudo, Dorothy J. Burdick, Jean M. Camagni, Doris F. Comfort, Paul W. Cook, Violet K. Dunbar, Ada E. Egbert, Betty L. Fontaine, Merton J. Friberg.

And Kalope Giopulos, E. Virginia Harley, W. Ellsworth Hauth, Gladys M. Imke, Charles W. Jacobs, Margaret L. Knight, Charles Lakofsky, Cynthia F. Leban, Edna R. Levy, Elaine J. Locke, Edna J. McBride, Sylvia E. March, Martha E. Miner, Jean Moore, Genevieve A. Polan, Dora-thea A. Schloh, D. Waite Tefft,

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H. Poppelbaum Discusses Bomb

"The Social and Moral Implications of the Atomic Bomb" was the subject discussed by Dr. Hermann Poppelbaum at a meeting of Political Science 21, last Thursday.

Better Undiscovered

Dr. Poppelbaum stated that the social and moral implications of the bomb are obvious, and in answer to the question of whether it might not have been better for it to have remained undiscovered, he mentioned the fact that all important inventions face this question. Also, all inventions have social and moral implications. The atomic bomb, however, has even more than the others.

"Every technical discovery leads to a situation where it could be used to form a monster," Dr. Poppelbaum declared. He went on to say that a natural tendency to change purposes seems to be contained in every invention, as, for example, the cannon which was first used in religious festivals. Therefore, the results of any invention can't be prevented or stopped by man.

A Bomb Always Destructive

Although the atomic bomb is merely destructive today, it is hoped that much good can come of it. However, it will always remain largely destructive, even if it is used for the good of mankind. Dr. Poppelbaum clarified this point by explaining how TNT, although used for important purposes, is in a sense destructive.

Cannot Keep Secret

Dr. Poppelbaum stressed the fact that the invention of the atomic bomb had to come, and that now man will have to decide what to do with it. The main moral issue that we face is whether or not we have the courage to admit the fact that we cannot keep the secret of the atomic bomb. Scientists agree that we cannot preserve the monopoly.

It is only because we had the money that we are four or five years ahead of other nations. Many people say that we should keep the "know-how" of the bomb if we cannot keep the formula. This, however, would result in other nations making their own "know-how".

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N.W.F. Proceeds Well Over Goal

"Be Generous In Victory," asked the government. And Alfred students and townspeople alike responded generously to this call. The last National War Fund drive has gone over the top in Alfred.

Total To Exceed Goal

Contributions received have already gone far past the \$1,600 mark. In fact, the total is expected to exceed the goal previously decided upon by a wide margin, as some student reports and pledges have not been counted as yet.

Contributions To Aid Allies

The money, divided between the U. S. O. and Foreign Relief Agencies, aids our own servicemen here or abroad, as well as the peoples of the allied nations.

Contributions might be sent in the form of medicines to China or perhaps save a few Belgian children from starvation this winter. Alfred can be proud of its record, and special praise is due the committee that arranged the War Fund Campaign.

Pruth McFarlin Noted Radio, Concert Tenor To Be Assembly Guest

Varied Program Of Vocal Selections Are Scheduled

A noted radio and concert tenor, Pruth McFarlin, will present a program of vocal selections at Assembly this week. Assembly will be held as usual in Alumni Hall, Thursday morning at eleven o'clock.

Studied In Local School

Pruth McFarlin, who is a constant feature over the Columbia Broadcasting System, is said to be one of America's greatest tenors. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern University located in the Creole State of Louisiana, and after graduation he became a teacher at the famed Piney Woods School in Mississippi. Later he came north to study at the Eastman School of Music. It was in Rochester, New York, that he met Hazel Curtis, a student of piano, who soon after became his wife and accompanist.

Program Listed

Mr. McFarlin will sing the following numbers on Thursday:

I

The Lord's Prayer *Malotte*
Ave Maria *Schubert*

II

Psyche *Paladiahle*
Mein Madel Hateinen Rosenmund *Barhms*

Le Reve *Massenet*
From Opera "Manon"

III

Hills of Home *Fox*
With a Water Lily *Grieg*
Song of Songs *Moya*

IV

David and Goliath *Malotte*
Were You There *Burleigh*
Witness *Johnson*

Success with Pruth McFarlin was from the very first a matter of singing in an easy and natural way the songs that people loved. Whatever the son, an operatic aria, a negro spiritual or a familiar folk melody, it is imbued with a quality that characterizes the sincerity of his personality.

Pupil of Prominent Instructor

His teacher, Frank LaForge, has trained McFarlin's voice with the same care and efficiency that led Marian Anderson, Lawrence Tibbett, Lily Pons and Richard Crooks into fame. His great and unusual talent has come to the attention of many of the great musicians. Among them the famous radio and operatic tenor, James Melton, describes McFarlin's voice as "one of the greatest I've ever heard".

Mr. McFarlin, since childhood, has been a victim of infantile paralysis, but an energetic career has made this fact subordinate. He has appeared before many universities and civic groups in the United States and Canada and recently appeared at Army and Navy arsenals throughout the west entertaining over 50,000 servicemen.

Of numerous press comments in praise of Mr. McFarlin's outstanding ability, the Patterson New Jersey "Morning Call" submits this interesting response:

"Mr. Farlin's singing was of such impressive timbre and beauty that must have moved his listeners to the deepest corners of the heart,"

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Assembly Guest



P. McFarlin

Campus Calendar

TUESDAY

Touch-Football — 4:30—Practice
Field—If Clear
Fiat Staff—7:30—Physics Hall
Student Senate—8:00 — Physics Hall
Beginners, D'Artaignan Fencing Club—7:00 and 8:00—South Hall
Ceramic Guild—8:00—Ceramic Lounge

WEDNESDAY

Chapel—Noon—Kenyon Memorial Chapel
Advanced D'Artaignan Fencing Club—7:00—South Hall
Movies—7:00—Alumni Hall
Orchestra—String Section—7:00
Badminton—7:30—South Hall
Orchestra—8:00—Ag-Tech Library

THURSDAY

Assembly—11:00—Alumni Hall
Touch-Football — 4:30 — Practice
Field—If Clear
Choir Rehearsal and Party—7:00 —Social Hall
Advanced Archery — 7:00—South Hall

FRIDAY

Spanish Club Luncheon—Noon—Collegiate
Movies—7:00—Alumni Hall.

SATURDAY

Hockey—9:30-12:00—South Hall, If Clear

Badminton — 10:00-12:00—South Hall—If Rainy

SUNDAY

R. F. A. Music Hour—2:00—Social Hall

MONDAY

W. S. G.—8:15—Kenyon

ATTENTION NEWMAN CLUB MEMBERS!

All those planning to attend the party on Friday, November 9, please sign up with officers or on slips which will be posted at the post office and at the Union.

All dues must be paid by October 31.

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More Democracy

By K. Giopulos

Intersorority Council has caused a revolution on the Alfred campus. Thru them the long-needed revision of formal sorority rushing is finally being made.

Rushing tactics in former years not only have been undemocratic but unkind and misleading. Thru the fault of no particular sorority only a minority group has ever enjoyed the two-week formal rush period of Alfred's Greek sisters.

This year those included in the rush program will not be a select group—all girls will be able to take part. Never again will rush parties request the presence of a certain few.

No longer will there be a yearly agitation among sororities. Each house will be able to entertain all the girls, thus eliminating the undesirable competitive spirit prevalent in previous years.

Despite the fact that there has long been aggravation concerning the problem, definite action has never been taken. This year's Intersorority Council should be commended and the girls which it represents should be fully credited for bringing about such a change. Sorority girls should be proud of their responsibility in this truly great innovation.

Altho final plans for the new rushing system have not been completed, up-to-date revisions convince us that such a change is good. Such a change was inevitable because it is indicative of the thoughts and feelings of the students of Alfred University. Such a change demonstrates the more liberal democratic trend of American students.

Atomic Bomb

Fantastic rockets which streak unerringly to factory targets, attracted by the heat of the factory's own furnaces—Futuristic jet-propelled bombers which plow through the substratosphere at 600 miles an hour carrying 50-ton bombs—

These are the contributions which America is making to the "Brave new world" of peace, as envisaged by Gen. H. H. Arnold, United States Army Air Forces Commander in a report made this month to U. S. Army Chief of Staff, Gen. George C. Marshall.

Is this the path down which the United States will lead, trying all the while to keep one step ahead of the other nations which are constantly pressing her hard? Is this the beginning of a reactionary postwar period of attempting to outdo the other nations of our "one world" by slyly developing "bigger and better" weapons of war, meanwhile shutting our eyes to other nations' efforts to do the same thing?

The world has a new weapon in its hands, but this weapon need not necessarily be used for war. As Dr. Poppelbaum pointed out to a political science group last week, the scientist does not care whether or not his invention has a practical use; he is simply proud of his discovery. The question of how civilization will use the Atomic Bomb rests with the laymen—those in all classes of society, from the pompous statesmen who meet to decide these world-shaking matters to the "man in the street," whether he be in the United States, England, Germany, or Russia. College students, particularly, should be aware of their responsibility in regard to the problem of handling this new force, for it is they who will be the leaders in the new world which atomic energy will fashion.

If we are to live in such a world, we must be willing to assume moral responsibility. Yes, we know the secret of the atom's energy, but we still have not developed the determination to use it for the construction of a new world, instead of the destruction of the old. We are living today in a world molded by science, but the basic human experiences, the eternal verities, still form the basis for our lives. Science textbooks are the same in all languages; it is through liberal education, whereby the eternal truths of justice, love, and beauty are presented to man, that we can distinguish between those who wish to do good and those who have no moral code and, thus, are led to do evil.

Moral responsibility has always been a dominating trait in the modern, democratic man, at least in his better moments. It will be up to the post-war college curriculum to provide for the strengthening of this trait through liberal education; if it does not assume this obligation, if it continues to emphasize the technology alone, then

Intermission

Marcia Noyes

The first all-campus dance of the year was held in Davis Gym from 9-1 Saturday evening. It was a benefit dance for the World Student Service Fund and was sponsored by the R. F. A. and the Student Senate. The music was donated by the Campus Cheers and furniture and refreshments were contributed by the various residence houses. The programs were donated by the Sun Office.

Davis Gym was decorated for the first time since the St. Pat's Festival in 1943. The decorations were cornstalks and pumpkins. During intermission a program was presented: Dr. Samuel Scholes entertained with a story, Daphne Phillips, Omicron '47, played a few pieces on the piano, Jack Koskie '48, gave out with some of his famous boogie woogie, and Herb McKinstry '47, sang, after which the others present joined in group singing.

Chaperons were Dr. and Mrs. B. Davie Napier, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Seidl, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Scholes, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Amberg, Dr. and Mrs. J. Edward Walters, and Dean Dora K. Degen.

Co-chairmen of the dance were Dorothy Burdick '46 and Doug Case, '47. Carolyn Torrey, Sigma Chi '46, was chairman of the committee on chaperones, furniture, and lights. Elaine Locke, Sigma Chi '46, was chairman of the decorations committee. Mary Mullaney, Theta Chi '48, was head of the programs and publicity committee. Trudy Epstein '48 was chairman of refreshments and Herb McKinstry '47 had charge of the music.

Before the dance, Kappa Psi had a buffet supper under the Co-chairmanship of Sheldon McNeil and Charles Lakofsky. The menu was salad, potato chips, home-made rolls, coffee and tea. The refreshment committee was Don Emhiser, Bob Brant and Wes Bell. The chaperons were Dr. and Mrs. J. Edward Walters, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Kaetzel and Mr. and Mrs. James McLane. The guests were Lee Burke of Corning, Arley Farr, Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Laurie, Henry Heystek, Jim Thomson, Dick Brown and Bill Bassett.

Friday evening, October 26, Mrs. Roger Thomas, Mrs. Roland Waddill, Mrs. James Scholes, Mrs. R. C. White, Mrs. Alty, and Miss Eve Nathanson were hostesses at an informal gathering for some of the veterans and their wives. It was held at the residence of Mrs. R. C. White. Games, cards, dancing, and refreshments were enjoyed by the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nack, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zygmunt, Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Merton Friberg, Mrs. Edna C. White, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Bunnell, Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Hauth, Mr. and Mrs. David Brudo, Mrs. Levine, Mr. and Mrs. William Parry and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Raynor.

Bartlett Dormitory had a tea for faculty members and house-mothers, Sunday, from 3-5 p.m. It was planned by the Social Chairman, Florence Bunch, and her committee, consisting of Peg Kelly, Betty Uhlig, "Pudge" Pudlin, June Minnick and Jayne McQuillin. Mrs. T. A. Parish, Mrs. Dora K. Degen, Mrs. Edith Burdette and Mrs. M. Ellis Drake poured. Tea, coffee, candy and cookies were served. The lounge was decorated with snapdragons, fall leaves and tapers. The guests were shown through the rooms of the dormitory.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson of Batavia were dinner guests at Kappa Psi on Sunday, October 28. . . Eddie Abramson '46 and David Baruch '48 spent the past week in Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Va. . . Pi Alpha entertained the Castle at a buffet supper on Thursday, October 25. . . On Thursday evening, October 25, a birthday party was held at Omicron for Nancy Terry '48. . . Dr. Hermann Poppelbaum was a dinner guest at Theta Chi, Wednesday, October 24. . . RT 1/c George Peplow visited Connie Brennan '46 last week-end. . . Miss Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nord were dinner guests at Sigma Chi, Wednesday, October 24. . . Edith May Foster, Pi Alpha '47 spent Friday night at the Castle. . . Miss Hewitt, Miss Fosdick and Miss Nelson were dinner guests at Theta Chi, Sunday, October 28. . . Marion Bennett Johnson, E. J. MacBride '46, and Jean Barber '46, were dinner guests at the Castle, Wednesday, October 24. . . Billy Freyer has been visiting his sister, Doty Freyer, Sigma Chi '47. . . President and Mrs. J. Edward Walters and Dr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Barnard were dinner guests at Pi Alpha on Sunday, October 28. . . Spike Daily, Delta Sig ex-'46, was on campus last week. He is in the V-12 at Yale. . . Charlie Hapton was a dinner guest at the Castle on Sunday, October 21. . . The members of Pi Alpha were entertained at a buffet supper at Sigma Chi, Friday, October 26. . . Pvt. Dave Auld and Pfc. Robert White of Niagara Falls visited Neysa Jean Dixon, Sigma Chi '48, Wednesday, October 24. . . Jane Rooth '46, was a dinner guest at Pi Alpha on Wednesday, October 24. . . Pvt. Henry Beerman, ex-'47, who is now stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., was on campus this week-end.

Sir Gawain and The Green Knight

(Continued from last week)

"But sit thee down to eat and drink,
Pray, join us boring pills,
Methinks a lack of eating
Leaves you green around the gills."
Fain would the Knight dismount his horse,
He scorned the invitation;
(For truthfully, he still had gout)
Despite an operation.

"Just keep your rotten leg of lamb
And puddings made so squishy.
I eat but nature's good green herbs
And drink the purest Vichy.
Nor do not with thy prattling prose

Deter me from my mission."
Then raised he up a huge green axe
In menacing position.

"No fairer battle-axe exists
In all of England seen.
Except your little woman," said he
Winking at the Queen.

"Is there one in this company
So unexcelled bold
Who dares to take a whack at me
With this green axe I hold?"

Provided that a year and day
Exactly from this date
I can return the compliment
To juggle with his fate."

the people of the world will be no more secure than the population of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

A declaration of 400 experts in the field of science has warned the House Military Affairs Committee that it is impossible to keep "our" discovery secret. Obviously, then, we must aid in building a world where people will have no desire to use it for evil. This cannot be accomplished by beginning a spiral of new and more powerful weapons, nor by abolishing the atomic bomb and preventing its manufacture, as suggested by Prof. Harold Urey of Columbia University. It can only be accomplished by intensifying our quest for moral truths, attempting thereby to overcome the terrifying "cultural lag," to which science in wartime has contributed so much.

Editor's Mail Box

October 17, 1945

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Now that cool weather has set in, a G. I. like myself has a lot of free time in the evening:—I can't think of anything more enjoyable than having a Fiat to read during this leisure time.

Perhaps the Fiat might be interested in knowing that there were at least six Alfred men and one Alfred girl down here in Oak Ridge, Tenn., who played a part in producing that new scientific discovery, the Atomic Bomb. These persons are Pfc. Leo Pozefsky '44, T/5 Robert Goodell '44, Pvt. William Cottrell '44, David Ingham '44, Art Petre '43, Mrs. William Cottrell (formerly Jeanette Milnes), and myself.

Leo and I went through basic training together, then three and a-half months of ASTP at Ohio State University, and finally came down here together in February of this year. We were immediately put to work for Carbide & Carbon Chemicals Company.

Bob and Bill came to work here as civilians in January, 1944, for the Tennessee Eastman Corp. Bob was finally inducted in January of this year, and Bill, in June. Both were immediately shipped back here to do their old jobs again as G. I's.

There are approximately 1200 of us G. I's working here on the project at the present time, but it may not be too long before we will all be able to be replaced by civilians.

As G. I.'s we have a rather soft life. At the present time we work 40 hours per week, have no K. P., reveille, guard duty or other such duties. We put in our eight hours per day at the plant, check in the orderly room each day and then we're on our own until we have to report for work again at the plant. All the fellows in this Special Engineer Detachment have had at least two years of college and have majored in physics, chemistry and engineering.

It's been a great experience working on this project, but it will be none too soon for me when I can step up for those discharge papers.

Sincerely
Ted Kupinski

Editor, Fiat Lux:

I have a kid sister in high school. She'll be in college pretty soon, perhaps here in Alfred. She has a rather high opinion of college students now for I have told her that most students are mature enough to face problems squarely, figure them out intelligently and act openly on their decisions. She believes that democracy has its roots primarily in the schools, especially in colleges and universities. She is trying to train and mature herself in order to reach up to the college level.

In her looking forward to college, she was faced with the age-old sorority problem. She immediately brought her questions to me, for I have been a sorority member for two years. My answer naturally were taken from my experiences in an Alfred sorority. She asked upon what basis girls were chosen to join a sorority. I had to tell her that it mattered what a girl's religion was, whether she was popular with boys or not, whether she was wealthy or not, whether she was the type that would follow in her "sisters'" footsteps or the kind that would hang on to her own beliefs and habits and not conform to the sorority pattern, and whether she would confine her closest friendships to her own house or not.

My sister began to wonder where the democratic part of college was hiding. She asked what the difference was between sorority living and living in small non-sorority houses. I told her that soror-

Social Hall Is Open To Groups

Social Hall has been open to the entire student body on Friday and Saturday nights. Recently, however, there have come requests for the use of Social Hall for parties given by the various organizations on campus.

Thus there is conflict between one group representing the student body in general and another group representing the particular organization on campus wanting the use of the Hall for either a Friday or Saturday night.

As a remedy it was suggested that South Hall be opened for one of the two groups, but at South Hall there is neither radio nor recording machine. The alternate solution is that on one or two nights a month Social Hall be given to the special group applying for its use, and that on such nights it be open to the entire campus from seven to nine, and open to the special group from nine to twelve. With the adoption of this plan, one could attend both Social Hall and the early or late movie in a single evening.

A trial of this plan will be made this week, when on Saturday night, November 3, the Hall will be open to the campus from seven to nine, and from nine to twelve it will be used by the Fencing Club for a party.

On Friday night, November 9, the Newman Club will have the Hall from nine to twelve, and again, Social Hall will be open to the campus from seven until nine. Any suggestion or solutions to this problem will be gladly received and may be made to Mrs. Ray Wingate.

ities used candles and a certain amount of ritual in their meetings whereas non-sorority houses did not. I told her that sorority houses gave teas and other things for show in order to impress someone or to outdo another sorority, very seldom because they really wanted to entertain, or enjoyed doing it. During rushing season, sorority girls went through a period of false friendliness with girls they didn't know, merely to get the new girls who had that "certain something" to join a certain house.

Each sorority is composed of girls of somewhat similar backgrounds and interests who for some reason have chosen to shut themselves in and others out. They use a very undemocratic system of choosing some girls and rejecting others. Non-sorority houses have no system of rushing, bidding, pledging and joining. They have some sort of system which allows no one to dictate who shall make up a group, unless it is the Dean as is especially the case when freshmen are concerned. In the Alfred co-op, for example, any girl found in need of financial help by the Dean is offered a chance to live there, if there is room. The result is that not only does each girl have her own close friends in the house, but she learns to work with and appreciate girls of entirely different backgrounds, temperaments, and interests. This learning to get along with people is, of course, true also in a sorority, but sororities do not include, as a rule, such a variety of people. Non-sorority girls have close friends perhaps in all the sororities, whereas sorority girls are expected to confine their closest friendships to their own houses.

This is, perhaps, an exaggeration of the nature of sororities, but not by very much. My sister was disillusioned for she had had such a high opinion of college. Every girl is bound to be disillusioned to a certain extent when she goes to college, but it seems undemocratic, un-Alfred-like, that such organized and unfair methods of promoting

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Douglas Eleven Defeat Luddens, Tornados Topple Strobel Team

Championship To Be Decided At Last Football Game

Two intra-mural football games last week, among the last of the season's games resulted in victories for the Douglas eleven and the Tornados.

Unleashing a diversified offensive, a powerful and tricky Douglas eleven encountered little difficulty in trampling the Ludden team by a score of 13-0.

In achieving its third triumph in as many starts the Douglas team had too much of everything.

During the second period the Douglas eleven began to roll. The quarter was about a minute spent when Guarino charged through an opening in the opponent's left guard, went 18 yards before he was stopped, to register a first down. This put the Douglas team on the Ludden 42-yard line. Guarino quickly passed to Bennett, who was knocked out of bounds. The next play was futile as Guarino attempted to move through an opening and was stopped. Bennett moved down the sidelines on a sleeper and scored when "Gompers" flipped him a pass in the end zone. The kick for the extra point was unsuccessful.

In a desperate effort to tie, the Luddens took to the air but alert opposition spoiled the attempts. Newton intercepted one such aerial on his 30-yard line, raced, back to the Ludden 15-yard-line, where he was forced out of bounds. It took four plays for the Douglas eleven to score again.

Guarino passed to Bennett on the one-yard line and George crashed over for the touchdown. Again the play for the extra point was foiled as Guarino racing around right end was pounced upon.

In the fourth period the Ludden eleven stayed an early threat by opening a tricky passing attack. This brought them across midfield to the Douglas 39. They were forced to yield the ball on the 30-yard line. Guarino then kicked to the opponent's 30-yard line, where Arsiszski took the ball or the next play, lateraled to Barnes, who got away for a 28-yard sweep. Archie and Barnes collaborated to carry the ball for another 10-yard gain. With the fourth down coming up Barnes tossed to Ellis on the four-yard line. There, Barnes tried to run around end but was stopped, with the Douglas eleven taking over on downs.

Tornado-Strobel Game

The Tornados terrific three-some—Barnes, Arsiszski and Norton collaborated last Tuesday to spark the Tornados to a 13-6 victory over the Strobel football eleven. In winning, the victors revealed a wealth of running and passing power in their backfield. This victory was the second for the Tornados against no setbacks and the first loss for the Strobel team.

Although the Tornados scored but two touchdowns, they held possession of the ball through most of the game.

The Tornados scored in the first six minutes of play, after an exchange of punts, with the Tornados recovering on the Strobel 49-yard line. Behind a fast charging line and alert backfield blocking, Barnes and Arsiszski carried the ball to the 21-yard line, where Barnes passed to Norton, who received it on the 2-yard line and scooted across for the score. Arsiszski made good the kick for the extra point.

The Strobel eleven finally click-

Advanced Fencers Schedule Party To Initiate Beginners

A short test for beginning fencers will be given tonight at the 7 and 8 o'clock fencing classes. Those who pass the test and are eligible for membership will be initiated into the D'Artagnan Club at an informal party in Social Hall, Saturday night. The party, which will be from 9 to 12, is being given by the advanced members of the club.

Committees for the party are as follows: Refreshments, Daphne Phillips '47, Charlotte Albiston '47, and Ruth Adams '47; Invitations, Brenda Wilson '48, Janet Matson '48 and Neysa Dixon '48; Entertainment, David Weinrib '47, Stan Burdick '48, Ann Mitchell '47, Verna Jean Church '48, Millicent Albert '48 and Roxanne Roberts '48.

Javier Fuenzalida, who will be in Alfred, November 3, has been invited to the party; and it is hoped that he will be able to attend. "Joe" was among Alfred's top fencers last year. Previously he had fenced at the University of Chile.

The D'Artagnan Club, which has been organized only a year, has 12 members at the present time.

Archery Club Holds First Tournament

The Fall Indoor Archery Tournament for both men and women took place in South Hall last Thursday night. Bernard Forman took first prize in the men's division with 48 hits and a score of 356. Among the women, Leah Raptis ranked first with 48 hits and a final score of 342.

Other winners in the tournament were as follows:

Women		
	Hits	Score
2nd Peggy Baker	46	300
3rd Jeanne Morgan	46	274
4th Edna White	47	259
Men		
2nd Jerry Lyons	46	278

The participants shot 8 ends of 6 arrows at 20 feet. Regulation 4-foot targets were used. Following the tournament, the archers held a Robin Hood shoot, which Bernard Forman won.

ed in the third period with with touchdown on a drive that carried 65-yards on six plays. A 40-yard pass to Thompson brought the ball to the Tornado 10-yard line. Another pass to Thompson, who raced across for a touchdown provided the Strobel eleven with their quota for the afternoon.

As the fourth period was nearing a close, a play by the Tornados produced another touchdown. A beautiful pass by Barnes which went 35 yards to Norton on the five-yard line enabled him to score with no trouble. The conversion for the extra point was no good.

There will be one more game this season with the Douglas Eleven and the Strobel team meeting to decide the championship of the Intra-mural season.

Former Nurse Cadets



CADET NURSES CAPPED September 30, in ceremonies here and who are now working in hospitals are, from left to right above, First Row: Marjorie Van Duzer, Marilyn Furbish, Carolyn Brouneus, Jean Strangrover, Claire Lipp, Marilyn Lowenthal, Lucille Baxter; Second Row: Elnora Houghtaling, Marjorie Trowbridge, Isabel Craddock, Virginia Mills, Margaret Martin, Mary Hock, Audrey Dunn and Alice Wickwire were absent when the picture was taken.

Former Nurse Cadets Experience New Tasks

Alfred's last class of Florence Nightingale's departed on September 30. They ascended the next step into their chosen profession. The cadets were now ready to put in practice the knowledge they obtained throughout their stay in Alfred.

"Tears flowed like wine" when the final break was made—not only because they were leaving this campus but their organization was being divided. Those who departed for Corning were: Lucille Baxter, Elnora Houghtaling, Marjorie Trowbridge, Alice Wickwire, Mary Delores Hoch, Marilyn Furbish, and Isabel Craddock. Those who departed for Olean were: Lynn Lowenthal, Claire Lipp, Virginia Mills, Margaret Martin, Anne Dunn, Carolyn Brouneus, Jean Stangrover and Marjorie Van Duzer.

Three of the girls took the first opportunity to return to Alfred for a week-end. They were: Marjorie Van Duzer, Lynn Lowenthal and Claire Lipp. The experiences they recounted were many and interesting; they like the work in the hospital and the people they are working with. Marilyn Furbish reported the same from Corning. She, too, was able to return that week-end.

All the girls acknowledge their gratitude to the class of Alfred nurses who preceded them. June's class has been helpful, cooperative, and friendly, as befitting Alfredians.

Entertains Lions Club

Speaking about the Davis Memorial Carillon, Dr. Ray W. Wingate addressed the Hornell Lions' Club at its noon luncheon, today, October 30.

The Alfred University Glee Club Male Quartet presented several selections for the group. The Quartet is comprised of Herbert McKinstry '47, Don Emhiser '47, Jim Farrell '48 and Douglas Case '47, replacing Robert Burdick, who is now at Fort Hancock, N. J.

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Forum Attracts Large Audience

Dr. H. Poppelbaum

The opening evening of the Forum brought a packed audience to Alumni Hall. Many of those who came had previously heard Josephine Antoine's voice on the radio (The Contented Hour) and wished to find out whether this voice sounds as good in a concert hall as it does over the air; and of course all were curious to see what she looked like. Both questions were satisfactorily answered. So much is certain: her voice is as good as on the radio; and she looks nice and is chummy with the audience.

Her program began with three Mozart Aras and ended with several hits of well-know popular appeal. This line was regretted by some, and welcomed by others,—it would be difficult to determine the proportion of the two sections. But whatever we may have felt about the obviously descending scale — The intermediary songs were on the level of Godard and Hahn—Miss Antoine has proved that she can sing well. Her voice is not voluminous, but well controlled and pliable, and it ascends with ease to those heights for which the listener waits with a thrill of anticipation. That she can sing "coloratura" without much of a visible effort was evident from her faultless performance of the

Inaugural Notes

Following the installation of J. Edward Walters as president of Alfred University on Nov. 16. Gov. Thomas E. Dewey will be honor guest at a dinner and reception given by the New York State Ceramics Society in the Hotel Sherwood. Atty. C. Everett Shults, a trustee of Alfred University, is handling arrangements for the affair.

Dr. J. N. Norwood announced today that 250 special invitations have been sent.

Long Time Ago

Those interested in economics will please note that there is one institution on Alfred's Campus where the supply does not exceed the demand. At least that condition prevailed at Social Hall.

The stag line looked like a five o'clock subway rush. Why, they even had a man at watch at the windows to tell whether it was male or female, coming up the road. Old mother Susan upon the wall must have been wondering what has become of the social spirit of the female sex.—Fiat—1933.

O, Those good old days!

aria "Oh! Fors' e Lui" from Verdi's Traviata.

Most amazing seemed to us her ability to manage the breath. Even in that dreaded, continuous, "breathless" beat of Cheibino's aria from Mozart's Figaro. There seemed to be not one moment of shortage. Needless to say she finds no difficulty in any of the songs. She can sustain high notes so long that one is almost glad when she goes on.

In spite of these spectacular abilities there was a part of the audience who would have preferred if she had kept to the more substantial fare of her first program-items instead of sliding down to the cheaper kind of popular appeal. Surely, there is "popular appeal" also in the great music which she showed she can master. And she knows the difference. We could see it from their ironic touch which she gives to her performance whenever it enters, or even borders on. The sphere of the "sappy". Then she ends up with a little gesture or with a movement of the head which seems studied, but which gives her a chance, so to speak, to laugh into an invisible sleeve. We felt this slight irony a redeeming feature.

Editors Mail Box

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discrimination and ill-feeling are in operation here.

Let's bring this whole business out into the open. Are there other people who see the sorority, or fraternity, as I do? Are there enough arguments favoring sororities to warrant their existence? Can the arguments for sororities out-weigh these and other arguments against them? I'd like to know.

A senior

October 26, 1945

Editor, Fiat Lux:

Our condolences to the Alfred Administration!!! However, although we sympathize with our illustrious contemporaries, we must admit the situation was ruining our business. Having been richly endowed by nature, we have been accustomed to a certain amount of prestige but the alcoholic fumes that of late permeated this campus have even surpassed our heretofore unrivaled potency. Previously it has not been a habit of ours to comment on the University activities but the statement that appeared in last week's Fiat Lux has caused us to establish precedent.

This sweeping statement, "As a condition precedent to the student being accepted and remaining in the University it is expected that he will refrain from the use of intoxicating liquors. Violations of this rule will be sufficient cause to terminate a student's connection with the University," is a good start but it has not gone far enough. How do you suppose we have flourished so successfully?

At the head of the tribe we have one leader who decides all our policies without any interferences as we go on our periodic raids. It seems to us, that this would be a logical solution to your problem.

The slogan of your leader might well be "Teetotaler or Else" and none of this la-dee-da business. As a matter of fact that is what is exactly wrong with this country, there is too much fooling around. There should be one man who rules and what he says goes. Why bother to get anybody else's opinion, such foolishness, after all whom does it concern?

We will cooperate with you to the fullest extent in the execution of these resolutions.

We are eagerly awaiting news of your progress. You have our blessings.

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Who's Who

Short, brown, naturally curly hair, thoughtful blue eyes, and friendly smile... independent, considerate, original, frank, purposeful and whimsical—Maisie Barrus, president of the Alfred University Student Senate.

Dashing around campus from class to committee, from meetings to meals, her only assurance of getting to the right what at the proper when is the green five-year diary filled with memoranda jotted down



Mae Barrus

in her own unique shorthand. As president of the Senate and of the Senior Class, secretary of the Castle and Social Chairman of the Independents, she is in the center of campus life. Her active interest in music is evidenced by membership in the University Choir, the Chapel Choir, the orchestra and, when it was functioning, the band. In moments left, she is busy with plans for the Assembly or Inaugural Committees. She has been feature editor of the Fiat and member of the staff for three years.

Maisie came to Alfred from Ithaca High School. She is the "in-between one" of three sisters—her older, a Navy nurse recently stationed at Sampson, her younger, a high school student.

During her frosh year, her friends found "Maisie" a more suitable name than the conventional Mae. Serious when necessary, her most outstanding characteristic is a sense of humor—not the kind that laughs only at jokes labeled as such, but the rarer ability to see humor in life.

Music of all kinds, she enjoys—whether singing, records, playing the piano or her trombone. She likes people, Thurber, french-fried shrimp and is a strong believer in the ideals and aims of the Independents. Although she is a liberal artist, Maisie likes working with her hands and has for the past two years been dabbling unofficially in clay under the guidance of ceramist friends. She dislikes fizzy cokes, insincerity, parsnips and making speeches.

An English major, she is now taking education, but hopes later to go to the Columbia School of Therapy.

Friendliness, intelligence, commonsense and sparkle—that's Maisie!

Discusses Bomb

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There is no protection against the atomic bomb, Dr. Poppelbaum declared. "It is a 'push-button' affair and makes all counter-parts illusory."

Dr. Poppelbaum made the statement that the moral issue is thrust upon mankind, it did not willingly face it. He warned that we cannot use "bow and arrow" methods to meet the problem.

The most important issue in the social implication of the bomb is the question of unemployment. Dr. Poppelbaum raised the question, "How are we to hope for employment in the atomic age if we cannot have full employment in the age of electricity?" The speaker cited as an example the harnessing of power to create heat. The harnessing of electric power increased unemployment, and the same will possibly be true in the atomic age.

SO THEY SAY

Olive Cohen

What is your opinion of the proposed plan for compulsory military training of all men 18-20?

JAMES H. SAUNDERS '49 and LARRY KINLON '49: "We firmly believe in the views of President Truman. We believe that to insure peace, and to strengthen physically and mentally the youth of our country, at least one year's military training is a necessity. Already, to help the young fellows of Alfred get acquainted with the life of a soldier, a school for military training has been established, namely, 'Saunders and Kinlan School of Military Training,' whose motto is: Be a leader of your squad, don't be satisfied with the position of 'Tailend Charlie,' but be a leader among men. Upon completion of our course a man can expect to attain the rank of corporal within the first month. Dean Arthur Hall (class '49) will accept all registrations."

MARTY DAVISON '49: "In my opinion compulsory military training is inevitable, but it is rather difficult for me to conceive a way out whereby it will not interrupt the education and progress of the youths it affects. I feel that military training will help to build a stronger nation, and through this will help to attain a lasting peace."

BOB HANRIGHT '49: "Most of the men who have seen the horrors of war are in favor of compulsory military training. We must be prepared so that a 'Pearl Harbor' can't happen here."

EUGENE BURGESS '46: "Compulsory military training affords every boy an educational experience. It teaches him discipline and leadership. Military life strengthens the body and broadens the mind. Yes—I heartily endorse compulsory military training for all young men. No man should be deprived of this experience."

MARION LIMPITLAW '48: "If compulsory military training can be effectively combined with a college program, I'm all for it. If, however, it means a year's gap, or more, before the high school fellows can begin college, I think it will be a great mistake. Some method should be conceived whereby the men will not be forced to lose a year out of school or business."

FRED CLARK '47: "I am in favor of at least one year of compulsory military training for boys having attained the age of 18. At this time of life, one year will not be missed nearly as much as it would later, when a person might well be into his life work, married and not too eager to have everything interrupted. Then, if there should be an emergency, the individual of 18 would more quickly adapt himself to military review or to any possible war, and training expenses would be cut down."

JOAN HEISE '48: "I am not in favor of the military service bill proposed to Congress by President Truman. When we are striving for everlasting peace on the universe, we should not plan to continue mobilization—it is defeating our purpose. The year of military training will come at the time in a boy's life when it will disrupt his education, whether academic or vocational."

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Ag-Tech Starts Return to Pre-War

Statistical data recently received from the State Department indicates that the New York State Institute at Alfred leads the state in industrial enrollment and is out-ranked only by Farmingdale, L. I., in the Agricultural Division, Mrs. A. M. Cottrell, secretary to Dr. T. A. Parish, revealed in an announcement yesterday.

With 165 students now registered and new candidates being registered for the second term, conditions are gradually returning to their pre-war status, and the social and scholastic life, as Ag-Teachers formerly knew it, is in evidence once again.

Plans for the new building program, which is expected to be of great importance to Alfred, is progressing rapidly. Construction of the new Technical Laboratory is expected to begin in the early spring.

It is also anticipated that funds for the Home Economics building and gymnasium-auditorium will be made available during the next session of the New York State Legislature, and plans are underway to relocate the green houses and make significant changes at the farm. The Rural Engineering Laboratory is also to be started in the not-too-distant future, Mrs. Cottrell reported.

Information has just been received that Lt. Robert Brown, former Ag-Tech instructor and in the Navy Aircraft Carrier Service, will soon return to be on our staff again next term.

W. S. S. F. Drive

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stimulate constructive thought for the future. A music group giving weekly phonograph concerts, a choir and a photography club have been formed. In addition, study groups discuss political issues and the problems to be faced in reforming university life.

The Combloux Rehabilitation Center has proved its worth by aiding in the physical recovery of students and helping them through cooperative living to prepare for future studies. It has also enriched the life of the region where it is located by serving as a cultural center.

Other Chalets patterned after the one at Combloux are being planned for European students. This work is made partly possible by the generous giving of American students to the World Student Service Fund in drives on their respective campuses.

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Mademoisell Invites New Members To College Board

Alfredians with a flair for writing, reporting, photography and illustrating have been invited to submit their applications for membership on Mademoiselle's College Board.

A month in New York as Guest Editor of Mademoiselle is the much-coveted journalistic plum toward which aspirants can aim. Other possible awards are Victory Bonds and Stamps for the best reports; payment for material used and, in addition, \$2.50 for each snapshot that appears in the magazine.

Duties involved in being a Board member are the completion of four assignments a year which, in total, should give a rounded portrait of the college—its activities, new courses, new trends, social aspects and, in general, everything that's new.

All material submitted by a candidate for the Guest Editorship counts toward that final plum. Of the group of participants from colleges and universities, 14 girls will be chosen to enjoy the month in New York during which, as guests of "Mademoiselle," they will go everywhere and do everything with the magazine's own staff, publish its August college issue, pose for pictures, model for the College Clinic, and earn money besides.

All applicants will be invited to send a brief report spotlighting anything newsy on campus, along with a snapshot of themselves, their college and home address, class year, and a summary of their extra-curricular activities and interests.

Grace Koburn '45, who graduated last year as a Ceramic Art student, and is now in the WAVES, had the distinction of being chosen for the Board.

Infirmiry Notes

The following students were Infirmiry patients during this past week: Jean Aitken, Ag-Tech; Cecelia Podposki, '49; Richard Brown, Ag-Tech; George Cardinale, Ag-Tech; Astrid Johnson '48.

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Also, Margaret A. Lore, Herbert A. McKinstry, Marcia A. Noyes, Marilyn S. Roberts, C. Allan Rouse, Julianne Sanford, Hannah A. Saunders, James K. Thomson, David Weinrib, Roberta M. Wells and Molly J. White.

Comparison between the two classes shows that a reverse situation exists this year. In Oct., 1944, 21 Seniors and 32 Juniors earned places on the list.

Assembly Guest

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The great warmth and charm of the voice was entirely free from the boisterous strain of general operatic tenors. The easy and natural way of carrying his voice revealed not only the admirable training the artist has received but also a God-given gift that does not occur to a human individual every so often.

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The United States Civil Service Commission announced today that more than 23,500 veteran placements—including placements of the wives of disabled veterans and widows of veterans—were made in the Federal civil service during September, 1945. The September total represents an increase of more than 3,500 placements over the August total of approximately 20,000.

Over Thousand in First Nine Months

Veteran placements made during the first 9 months of 1945 totaled 157,759. A total of 436,862 veteran placements have been made in the Federal civil service since January 1, 1943.

In the Second U. S. Civil Service Region 3960 veteran placements were made during September, 1945;—3297 in the state of New York and 663 in the state of New Jersey. This represents 54.2 percent of the total placements made in the Region during the month.

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