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The Cover Picture

The cover picture, the views on this page and the back cover, portray the beauty of the Kalamazoo College campus during the autumn season of the year. One has but to raise one's eyes to the age-old oaks that groce our hillside to observe nature's fall in its finest dress.

. . . And the Perils of Photography

There are times when one cannot resist the underlying tale. Thus follows the story behind the peace and beauty of the fall photographs.

Your editor had the idea that a little touch human interest might be captured if one of the hundreds of squirrels romping about the quad would cooperate for a foreground view. Surely alumni remember the squirrels! So, the obliging photographer, armed with a special "squirrel whistle" he had discovered and a special lense, set out on the hunt. Desperation. All the stalking in the world could not seek out those little animals that day. Sherlock Holmes settled for a foreground of completely passive leaves.

The assignment was finished, but our story does not end. The photographer made his way toward his car. Passing Welles Hall, and olert for picture materiol, he came upon students broiling steaks over an outdoor grill. There was on "animal" on the campus afterall, for the photographer's foot came down upon an absorbed bystander — a dog — and the four-legged creature promptly retaliated and bit our biped friend. From game hunting on a college campus to tetanus shots in a hospital — all in a day's work . . . and the photographer shrugged his shoulders . . . what next?



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THE CREATIVE FRONT

By Weimer K. Hicks

On many occasions, in quiet and pensive mood, I have asked myself — Are we the proponents of liberal education out of step with the parade. In an atomic era dominated by the technological, does a broad cultural education really offer a superior opportunity for college students? If so, how does it happen that American education has departed so far from the traditional program upon which higher education has been built?

These questions inevitably haunt the purist who has been trained in the liberal tradition and has devoted his life to the same field. Fortunately, in the last several years there have been many evidences of a return to reason, of a realization that a college or university must be more than a vocational service station. And year by year one can see the pendulum swinging back toward the middle. In subsequent paragraphs I shall mention a few factual evidences which would seem to indicate that the cultural background afforded by colleges which have held steadfast to the time-honored patterns may not be as far out of step as many of our vocational-minded friends believe.

More than a decade ago our great technological institutions began to reappraise their curricula. As their study progressed, they became more and more concerned, because it revealed that a higher percentage of America's leaders in all fields were trained in the liberal rather than in the practical. While the technological school was producing capable and superior individuals, it was not developing minds that could adjust and grow until they moved into the top echelon of an economic system predicated upon free enterprise. Somehow, in some way, something was missing. Accordingly, the best of our engineering schools began to infiltrate their course offerings with a generous sprinkling of the liberal

arts. In short, the very institutions which had taken the lead in a departure from the traditional curriculum now led the parade in its return to the middle of the road.

One finds an awakening, too, at the secondary level. During the current year the writer is serving on a planning commission to study the needs and requirements for a new high school in our City. Naturally a meaningful study of this sizable dimension must be preceded by a thorough analysis of the current trends at the junior and senior high school levels. The study reveals a few surprising facts. Since the inception of the junior high movement, one of the major objectives at this level has been to explore vocational opportunities, with a concerted effort being made to interest the students in choosing a vocation at an early age. Today there is a swing away from the exploratory courses and a return to general or liberal education for all students through the sophomore year. Instead of a strong emphasis upon vocational tools and specific skills, there is a desire to develop a broad understanding in all areas. Such trends seem to substantiate liberal education.

Many in the industrial world are likewise recognizing that a technological degree does not alone guarantee that a man is educated. Recently the president of one of the largest and most successful industries in Kalamazoo requested that I come down to talk with him and his assistants about the establishment of a scholarship program. After I had arrived and had heard the executive's ideas, I asked why their company was interested in scholarships at Kalamazoo College, since their production demanded an engineering know-how. His reply was conclusive. Said this prominent industrialist, "We can teach our promising young men

all the engineering they need to know in a few months, provided they have alertness of mind and capacity to absorb. It takes years, though, to learn the mathematics and physics and basic subjects which can make them potential engineering executives."

There are other important reasons for this shifting in emphasis. In our socio-economic order certain dichotomies have developed which perplex the thinking individual. We know that science alone cannot answer man's problems. In fact, unless controlled by men of reason and character, the ingenuities of our own fertile minds may well bring about our downfall. The same jet-propelled airplane which can transport us around the globe in a few hours can also carry a bomber over the Arctic to drop its lethal charge on our densely populated cities. The same radar beam which can guide an airliner to a safe landing can also direct a bomb to its exact target. The same radio or television which offers cultural and social opportunities for the masses can also be turned into a propaganda medium unequalled in the annals of history.

I would point out, too, that we have additional concerns. We live in a world of plenty. While our warehouses are filled to overflowing, millions will go to bed hungry this very evening. Even here in America, where the standard of living has all but eliminated shortages by lifting wage scales to a new high, the common man still has not achieved peace of mind. Why is this true? Because he has become a mechanical robot, a pawn in a technological chess game. And in the process, his dignity has suffered as he has become a slave to a machine rather than a free individual.

Thus we have problems amid plenty. Notwithstanding civiliza-

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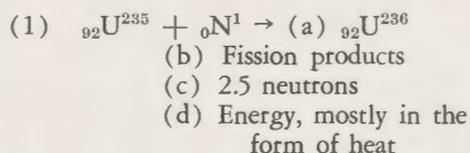
POWER FROM THE ATOM

By Dr. Warren C. Johnson '22

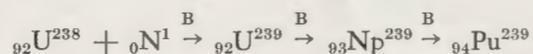
Nearly fourteen years ago the first nuclear chain reaction was achieved by man. This historic event took place on December 2, 1942, in the "Squash Courts" of the West Football Stands of the University of Chicago. The late Enrico Fermi and his associates, using the results of the discovery of fission of uranium-235 by Hahn three years previously and of his own studies on the interaction of neutrons with different kinds of matter at a much earlier date in Italy, built a "Pile," or what we now call a "Nuclear Reactor" in these "Squash Courts." The term "Pile" originated from the "piling up" of alternate layers of uranium metal or uranium oxide and a slowing-down moderator such as graphite sufficient to produce a critical assembly which would produce enough neutrons to sustain a nuclear chain reaction.

When a neutron that has been slowed down by a moderator, such as graphite or heavy water, to an energy comparable to that of a gas molecule in air, that is, to thermal energies, fission occurs. By fission we mean the nuclear reaction or breaking up of an atom such as

the 235 mass isotope of uranium, when it collides with thermal neutrons. We may express the reaction as follows:



(2) Also, the excess neutrons promote the following reactions:



In (1) a few neutrons, only 10-15%, are captured to produce U-236, a non-fissionable isotope. The fission products are the breakdown pieces of uranium-235; they are thirty-five of the elements of the periodic table ranging in atomic number from 30 to 64 inclusive. These elements are in order: zinc, gallium, germanium, arsenic, selenium, bromine, krypton, rubidium, stron-

In the picture below, Dr. Johnson is shown at the snack bar between lectures at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, conversing with Dr. Harrison S. Brown (center) of the California Institute of Technology, and Dr. Chauncey Starr (right) of North American Aviation, Inc. The three gentlemen were attending the International Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy, Switzerland.



trium, yttrium, zirconium, columbium, molybdenum, technetium, ruthenium, rhodium, palladium, cadmium, indium, tin, antimony, tellurium, iodine, xenon, cesium, barium, lanthanum, cerium, praseodymium, neodymium, promethium, europium, and gadolinium, all in the form of radioactive isotopes, but bearing the chemical characteristics of each element.

The 2.5 neutrons on the average per fission represent an excess of neutrons. One is needed to maintain the chain reaction, that is, to keep it going. Another (almost another) is needed to promote reaction (2) in the production of the man-made element plutonium, atomic number 94, in the reaction with the non-fissionable uranium isotope of mass 238. It so happens that the plutonium isotope of mass 239 is also fissionable and may be utilized in the same manner as uranium of mass 235 for military purposes or for peaceful uses. In fact, the difference between the military atom and the peaceful atom is insignificant technically; it is merely a matter of the manner in which the atom in question is utilized.

In the matter of obtaining useful power from a fission of uranium 235 or plutonium 239, we are most interested in the (d) part of reaction (1) for uranium and of a similar reaction that might be written for plutonium. In the fission of these fissionable isotopes of uranium and plutonium a tremendous amount of energy in the form of heat is liberated. In the search for the utilization of this energy it is necessary that we convert it to useful energy in the form of power.

Before returning to the power that is obtainable from fission, let us first examine the first sustained nuclear chain reaction achieved by Fermi and his associates in the "Squash Courts" of the University of Chicago. Nearly thirteen years later at the Geneva Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy, August 8-20, 1955, reference to this achievement was made on frequent occasions. In fact, the event was taken from the United States scientific papers, translated into Russian, and then the interpreters translated it back into English. When it came back, the December 2, 1942, event was referred to as "the first controlled nuclear chain reaction achieved by man in the 'pumpkin fields' of the University of Chicago."

This translation is certainly a natural one on the part of the translator. Also, it fortuitously predicts the developments of the past fourteen years. Pumpkin fields expand almost without limit. Since 1942 two hundred "nuclear reactors" have either been built and operated, or are in the process of construction, or are on the design boards to be built within the next few years, throughout the entire world. Many "pumpkins" have sprouted and grown to maturity. They include small research and experimental reactors, large production reactors for the manufacture of plutonium, developmental reactors of all types, small and large scale power reactors, and mobile military power reactors. Of this total number of about 200 reactors, more than half are power reactors. Only a very few of the power reactors are in operation today, a larger number are under con-

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struction and a still larger number are on the drawing boards in the United States and in many other countries.

All reactors, when in operation, sustain a nuclear chain reaction, and in so doing liberate large amounts of energy in the form of heat, furnish extra neutrons for the production of plutonium — Reaction (2) — or some other fissionable material, and also produce as by-products the radioactive elements fission that have many uses in research, in industry, and in biology and medicine.

The problem of developing power from these reactors is to take the large amounts of heat they liberate and to provide some means by which the heat may be converted into useful work. In order to accomplish this objective it is essential that the reactor be operated at as high a temperature as possible, since the efficiency of any heat engine is well-known to be dependent upon the temperature it operates relative to its surroundings; the higher the temperature, the greater is the efficiency.

During the War the large plutonium production reactors at Hanford, in the State of Washington, were designed for the express purpose of producing plutonium for military uses. These reactors operate at relatively low temperatures and, therefore, are of no significance for the production of power. The same might be said for the large plutonium production reactors at Savannah River, South Carolina, operated by the duPont Com-

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pany. These reactors were not designed to produce power.

Following the War a number of programs were developed in the United States for the production of useful nuclear energy in the form of power for both civilian and military purposes. One part of this program which is known as the Nuclear Power Demonstration Program, is the Borax Reactor, which is short for Boiling Reactor Experiment. This experiment was carried out at the Idaho Test Station in the summer of 1955 and it provided sufficient electrical power to supply the needs of the nearby town of Arco. This may not sound very impressive; however, this experiment made big news when the American team reported it at the Geneva "Atoms for Peace" conference in August, 1955.

The principle of the boiling water reactor is now in the process of being applied on a large scale by the Commonwealth Edison Company, and associated companies, in Chicago. The plant is under construction and is located about fifty miles southwest of Chicago at the junction of the Kankakee and Desplaines Rivers. It will cost about \$45,000,000 and it is scheduled to be completed in 1960. The plant will be capable of producing about 180,000 kilowatts of electric power, enough for a good-sized town.

Another type of reactor in the Power Demonstration Program of the Atomic Energy Commission is the PWR, short for pressurized water reactor, under construction at Shippingport, Pennsylvania, as a joint effort of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation and the Duquesne Power & Light Company of Pittsburgh. This reactor will probably be the first large-scale reactor to be in operation in the United States. Its designed power output is 100,000 kilowatts of electricity; the completion date for construction is scheduled for late 1957.

In the Power Demonstration Program there are about six other unique reactors, all of which are large experimental units. One of these is of interest to the State of Michigan. It is the reactor to be constructed at Monroe, Michigan, by the Power Reactor Development Company of Detroit, with a capacity of 100,000 kilowatts of electrical power. Its cost will be about \$40,500,000. The Power Reactor Development Company is composed of 26 industrial concerns, of which about half are utility companies. The electrical power generated will be distributed by the Detroit Edison Company, one of the member industries. The completion date is scheduled for sometime in 1960. The Director of the project is Mr. Walker L. Cisler, President of the Power Reactor Development Company.

The type of reactor to be constructed at Monroe, Michigan, is the "breeder" reactor, which, in addition to liberating large amounts of energy in the form of heat, at the same time produces more nuclear fuel than it consumes in its process of operation. The reason this is possible is that when uranium-235 or plutonium-239 undergo fission, $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 neutrons are liberated for every neutron consumed to produce fission. These neutrons may be used in part for the production of more fission-

able material than is consumed, since only one neutron is needed to replace the fissionable material consumed. No wonder this process has been called "Operation Bootstraps." Several small experimental units of the breeder type are now under study for their demonstration and feasibility.

The first successful power reactor of appreciable electrical output is in the submarine, the "Nautilus." It has been in operation for more than a year, and has already travelled more than 50,000 miles without refueling. This reactor is a prototype for many to follow within the next few years.

At the Geneva "Atoms for Peace" conference held in August, 1955, more than 1000 scientific papers were given by representatives of 73 countries. Most of the scientific addresses were given by delegates from the United Kingdom, Russia, the United States, France, Canada, and the Scandinavian countries. About one-third of these papers were devoted to power reactors for civilian needs.

At Calder Hall in England there is under construction Britain's first commercial-scale power reactor which is designed to produce 50,000 kilowatts of electricity. This reactor goes into operation the latter part of November, 1956. Britain's program calls for the construction of more than 20 power reactors within the next 15-20 years and it is predicted that by 1975 approximately 50% of Britain's power demands will be furnished by nuclear reactors. Estimates in the United States are that 10% of our power demands will come from nuclear reactors by 1970 and at that date 40% of all new power stations will be of the nuclear type. These data are very impressive, particularly when one considers that throughout the industrial world power demands of the past 40-50 years have doubled every ten years. Today is indeed the beginning of the nuclear power age.

In the "Atoms for Peace" program proposed by President Eisenhower in 1954, the Geneva Conference was one event of importance that attained realization. In the meantime, the Program has offered to foreign nations 20,000 kilograms of fissionable material for research reactors and subsequently power reactors. Bilateral agreements have been completed with 39 nations for the use of fissionable material in an attempt to assist them in initiating programs in the utilization of the atom. In New York today the United Nations organization is engaged in establishing procedures for the operation of an International Agency of Atomic Energy. Last spring a group representing 12 nations approved the program in principle. Last month 71 nations of the United Nations approved the proposal. There is every reason to believe that in the next generations all nations will benefit from the "power of the Atom." There should soon be no reason for want of the necessities of life anywhere. The "peaceful atom" behaves in accordance with the laws of nature, no matter where it may be located and put to work. Our problems of the future will not be concerned with the "power of the atom" per se, but, on the contrary, how to control it and limit it for peaceful uses.

AS COLLEGE OPENS

The 1956-57 academic year of Kalamazoo College was formally opened on September 21 in Stetson Chapel with the traditional Ritual of Recognition for New Students, written by the late Dr. Allan Hoben and used annually since 1927.

A total of 231 new students were welcomed to the campus this fall. They came from thirteen states and six foreign countries. A report on their academic standing discloses that 75% of them ranked in the upper quarter of their high school graduating classes. The total enrollment this year is 577 students.



Among the second and third generation students, new to the campus this fall, are, first row, left to right, David Jacobs, son of Mr. '24 and Mrs. '24 Ardell Jacobs, Kalamazoo, and grandson of Dr. Charles J. Kurtz '94; Joan Kless, daughter of Mr. '30 and Mrs. John Kless, Cleveland; Charles Kurtz, son of Dr. '31 and Mrs. James F. Kurtz, LaGrange, Ill., and another grandson of Dr. Charles Kurtz; Jennifer Pickering, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. '35 Jock Pickering, Highland Park, Mich.; and Robert Wendzel, son of Dr. '28 and Mrs. Julius Wendzel, Richland. Second row, left to right, Allen Pixley and Mary Pixley, South Haven, brother and sister, grandchildren of the late George V. Pixley '96; Gale Dowd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. '33 Gaylord Dowd, Kalamazoo, granddaughter of the late Mr. '97 and Mrs. '97 Willard Dowd; John Veenstra, son of Mr. '32 and Mrs. John Veenstra, Grand Rapids; Elizabeth Hayne, daughter of Dr. '32 and Mrs. Don Hayne, Williamston, granddaughter of Dr. '99 and Mrs. '06 Coe Hayne; George Pixley, cousin of Allen and Mary, grandson of the late George Pixley; and John Kuch, son of Mr. '32 and Mrs. '31 John Kuch, Kalamazoo. Missing from the picture are Cynthia Kelley, daughter of Mr. '33 and Mrs. Perry Kelley, Pontiac; Gerry Harsch, son of Mr. '26 and Mrs. Gerhard Harsch, Saginaw; John Kless, brother of Joan; James Spencer, son of Dr. '27 and Mrs. Perry Spencer, E. Lansing; and Carl Weiss, son of Mr. '35 and Mrs. Fred Weiss, Holland.



Six of the new faculty members are pictured above. Left to right, they are Warren "Swede" Thomas, Wittenberg College graduate, former coach at Olivet College, now head track coach and assistant in football and basketball at "K"; Dr. Rexer Berndt, M.A. from University of Denver, Ph.D. from University of Colorado, former associate professor and head of economics department at Ottawa University, now chairman of the College economics department and director of the Industrial Relations Center; Dr. Cleland Sherrill, graduate of Oberlin, Ph.D. from Princeton, formerly on the faculty of the University of Richmond, member of the department of economics; Mrs. James Buckley (Clara Heiney '30), graduate of Kalamazoo College and former instructor of Latin at the College, member of the English department faculty; Miss Olga Panica, graduate of the National School for Teachers, native of Mexico, now an teachers' exchange program of the U.S. State Department, member of the foreign languages department; and Dr. Kurt D. Kaufman, Phi Beta Kappa from Wabash College, graduate work at Harvard, Ph.D. from Oxford University in England under a Fulbright grant, joining the chemistry department in the field of organic chemistry. Appointed to the staff of the public relations department after the above picture was taken was Mrs. H. Colin Hackney. Though not an alumna of Kalamazoo College, she has maintained an active interest in the College from which her late husband graduated in the class of 1930. She has been active in community affairs and is the immediate past president of the Kalamazoo Community Chest.

NOTHING'S IMPOSSIBLE!



BILL LAUGHLIN, PRESIDENT OF SAGA FOOD SERVICE

"Nothing's impossible" at Kalamazoo College when special arrangements call for special food service. The dispeller of all food problems is Saga Food Service, Inc.

This organization, with its genial president, Bill Laughlin, operates the dining halls of twelve colleges throughout the country in addition to handling the services at Welles Hall. This growing list testifies to the fact that Saga aims to satisfy and provide in abundance.

Returning alumni are well aware of the "best restaurant in town," and Saga most recently treated over 650 Homecoming guests to barbecued capons. The alumni buffet at Commencement and the many other functions throughout the year (even the Annual Fund report luncheons!) hold an attraction for the gourmet.

Saga believes that food preparation and service should parallel that of the home kitchen as nearly as possible. A primary concern is that food should not be overcooked, nor too highly seasoned, that hot dishes should be hot and cold dishes, cold. Last year, in order to learn the likes and dislikes of the college clientele, a survey was conducted among the students who regularly dine the Saga-way. Breakfast popularity leaned toward scrambled eggs and frozen orange juice. The favorite luncheon entree was the hot beef sandwich with ice cream for dessert. Steak received first rating for dinner in all the colleges with shrimp cocktail, mashed potatoes, peas, and apple or banana cream pie "on the side." Is it little wonder that complaining diners do not exist!

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Top left, Jim Morrell, director of Welles Hall, passes approval of freshly lemon pies as pastry cook, Mrs. Gladys Griffith, looks on; Charlie Tucker '55, now at Brooklyn Law School, prepares to sample number one meal; President Weimer K. Hicks lends a hand at the Homecoming barbecue with Sally Wilson '58, Coach Rolla Anderson, Christie Nielson '57, and alumni president Hugh Anderson '43; and view of June's alumni dinner crowd.



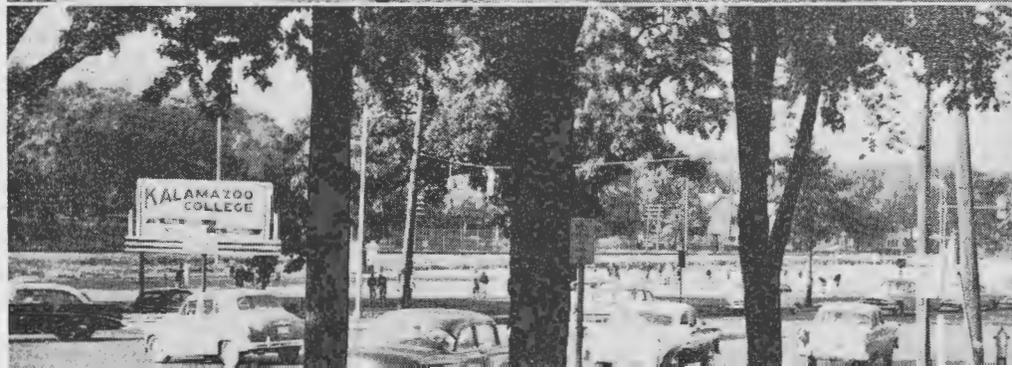
FIELD GOES . . . NEW HIGHWAY

A re-location of highway U.S. 12 will make use of the area along W. Michigan Avenue at the foot of the campus hill, east of the New York Central. This area has been an historic spot in the history of high school and college athletics in Kalamazoo.

The property, acquired by Kalamazoo College about 1916, has seen many changes through the years—from football field to married student housing area to practice field status. In 1945, when the College acquired its Angell Field land and the land for Stowe Tennis Stadium, the City of Kalamazoo received title to the old athletic field as part of the transaction. Since that time, the College has leased the property from the city.

City and state engineers cite the growing traffic from both Western Michigan College and Kalamazoo College, plus expected increases from new western subdivisions as primary reasons for the new highway interchange.

At the top of the page, the photograph shows the interchange proposed to ease the traffic flow through Kalamazoo's west gate. At the right are shown the old College field in the 1930's, one of the first lighted grid-irons in the state; the area later used after World War II as the site for married student housing; and a present view of the congested intersection approaching the old field which in recent years has been used for a practice area.



H O M E C O M M I N G

Kalamazoo College victories over Hope in both football (20-18) and cross country (39-17) made Homecoming Day complete. In fact, Jim Wallace, Kalamazoo freshman harrier, broke the new four-mile course record by reaching the finishing line at 23:08.

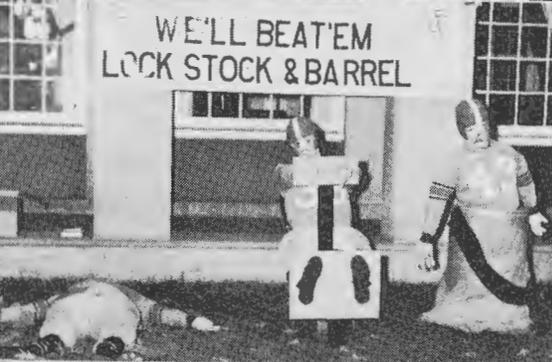
Miss Sue Wixom of Gaylord was elected Homecoming Queen of 1956. Reigning with her were Miss Carla Schweinsberg, Bay City; Miss Joan White, Scotts; Miss Gretchen Falk, Ypsilanti; and Miss Constance Gillesby, Decatur, (as pictured upper left).

The Homecoming celebration was launched with a parade and pep rally on Friday evening, October 5. Alumni Association awards for the best entries went to the Sherwood Society and the freshman class. Campus display prizes were won by Alpha Sigma Delta and Philo Lambda.

The Reverend Albert Grady '49, pastor of the Federated Church in Sandwich, Illinois, was the Saturday morning's Chapel speaker. The traditional luncheons preceded the game, and the barbecue, with over 650 in attendance, followed the game. Guests then had an opportunity to view the new interior of Bowen Hall and Upton Science Hall and then gathered in Hoben Lounge for the president's reception. The Homecoming dance in Tredway—"Moments to Remember"—brought the day's activities to a fitting conclusion.

Nearly 1000 alumni questionnaires sent out with the Homecoming mailing have been returned. If you have not sent yours in, be sure to let us hear from you as a series of class newsletters is being planned by the class agents of the Alumni Council.





NAMED SCHOLARSHIPS

The ALUMNUS is pleased to publish this impressive list of Named Scholarships, made possible by Kalamazoo College alumni and friends whose interest has provided financial assistance for this present academic year for the students whose names appear below.

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

The Jessie Hoyt Ames Scholarship	James Guimond, Muskegon
The Axtel Scholarship	Alison Groetsema, Newton Highland, Mass.
The Kendall Brooks Scholarship	Judith Lindberg, Grand Rapids
	Sarah Stevens, Dowagiac
The Edward E. Chapple Scholarship	Linda Thomas, Ferndale
The Sarah A. DeWaters Scholarship	Rosalie Hills, Kalamazoo
The Harmon Everett Memorial Scholarship	Shirley Rosine Cook, Allegan
The Horace J. & Lizzie P. Fuller Scholarship	Carl Fink, Milwaukee, Wis.
The John M. & Louisa C. Gregory Scholarship	Gail Mallon, Waukesha, Wis.
The Joseph W. Hicks Scholarship	Philip Hoard, Plainwell
	Daniel Tindall, Plainwell
The John Wesley Hornbeck Scholarship	Peter Ugincius, Melrose Park, Ill.
The Charles Kurtz Jacobs Scholarship	Robert Yuell, Somerville, N. J.
The H. H. LaTourette Fund Scholarship	Constance Gillesby, Decatur
The Thomas T. Leete, Jr., Scholarship	Jean Hilton, Pontiac
The Mr. & Mrs. Floyd R. Olmsted Scholarship	Mary Ann Wise, Allegan
The Emma O. Reed Scholarship	Merrilyn Cigard, Lansing
	Julia Holmes, Mason
The Emma Whyland Sharp Scholarship	Ruth Knoll, Oconomowoc, Wis.
The Carl A. Soule Scholarship	Karen Peterson, Detroit
The Ruth Swift Memorial Scholarship	Merrilyn Van Zandt, Chicago
The Lewis A. Taft Fund Scholarship	John Agria, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
The C. Van Husan Fund Scholarship	Earl Shaffer, Canton, Ohio
The Anna Van Nerynen Scholarship	Joseph Conn, Kalamazoo
The Winifred Dewing Wallace Scholarship	Eleanor Helfen, Munster, Ind.
	Nancy West, Newton Highland, Mass.
The Charles Willard Student Aid Scholarship	Sam Townsend, Montague
	Barbara McCabe, La Grange, Ill.
	William Hoffman, Alto
	Donald Crowell, Lapeer
	Wendel Wickland, Muskegon
	William Japinga, Holland
	John Adams, Three Rivers
	David Hardt, East Gary, Ind.
	Gary Miller, Ferndale

SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Y. J. Beimer Scholarship	Marlene Crandall, Battle Creek
Boston Alumni Scholarship	Katherine Hennig, Auberndale, Mass.
The Detroit Edison Company Scholarship	Jane E. Barstow, Detroit
	Rudy Loftis, Detroit
The Dow Chemical Company Scholarship	Donald Garwood, Cassopolis
	Susanna Seward, Lewiston, Me.
	Thomas Leth, Oak Park, Ill.
	Fred Tivin, Skokie, Ill.
The General Motors Scholarship	Robert Brice, Mt. Clemens
The Ransom Fidelity Company Scholarship	Allen C. Pixley, South Haven
	Lowell Kosloskey, Petoskey
	Kai Hi Park, Seoul, Korea
The Rotary Foreign Scholarship	Laura Smith, Philadelphia, Pa.
The Ainsworth Clark Memorial Scholarship	Robert Miles, Kalamazoo
The Clark MacKenzie Scholarship for Athletes	James Preston, Kalamazoo
The Consumer Power Company Scholarship	Paul Revello, Panama City, Panama
The Foreign Student Fund Scholarship	Joseph Airo-Farullo, Chicago
The C. Allan Harlan Scholarship	Daniel Morozowski, South Bend, Ind.
	Regan Smith, Battle Creek
	Karen Atkinson, Chicago
The Kalamazoo National Scholarship	Gary Babcock, Grand Rapids
	James Grand, Kalamazoo
	Charlotte Loomis, Auburn, N. Y.
	Robert MacDonald, Traverse City
	David Brown, Otsego
	M. Anne Colley, Holland, N. Y.
	James Crane, Cedar Springs
	Gertrude DeHoog, Kalamazoo

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SPEAKING OF BOOKS

By Dr. Arnold Mulder

Number 34 of the Rhinehart series of paper-covered classics for college use bears the title, "Great English and American Essays." Conceivably the volume may be of interest to alumni as well as to students. The selections were chosen by Douglas S. Mead, of State College, Pennsylvania, who also serves as editor of the volume.

Including a collection of essays in the series was almost inevitable, for the essay has been a characteristic type of writing for more than three centuries. It is somewhat startling to be reminded, as the present volume reminds us, that there was a time when there were no essays as we know the form today, in the various national literatures. Before Francis Bacon, with whom the volume opens, the essay as a specific form was unknown in English literature.

One of the dictionary meanings of the word "essay" is: "an effort to perform or accomplish something; an attempt." The word familiar to us describing a brief piece of written prose is derived from that primary meaning. A definition that is now listed as obsolete is: "a tentative effort." That appears to mark the beginning of the term.

An essay, therefore, describing a literary composition, was thought of originally as a tentative effort. The person who wrote an essay in, say, the days of Shakespeare and Bacon, were merely having a try at getting an idea expressed. He did not pretend that he was going to say the last word on the subject; he was the first to admit that there might be any number of other ways of expressing what he had in mind. All he purported to do was to try his hand at one way of saying what he wished to say.

Thus Francis Bacon, whose "essays" are often the horror of college students because of their compression, selected some concept that he wished

to "try." That is, he wished to take the concept on his mental tongue, to find out what it tasted like. There was, for instance, the idea of "truth." Just what is truth? Bacon begins: "What is truth?" said jesting Pilate, and did not wait for an answer." Thus Pilate, during the trial of Jesus, was in reality composing an essay, but he was doing it orally. He did not expect an answer, he was just trying out an idea.

In his own essay on truth Bacon does exactly the same thing. He does not presume to tell us what truth is, he merely rolls the idea over his mental tongue.

That is what essayists have always done. In the present volume there are names as various as Joseph Addison, Jonathan Swift, Samuel Johnson, Tom Paine, Charles Lamb, Robert Louis Stevenson, John Galsworthy, William Beebe, Pearl Buck, and E. B. White. They are as different, one from another, as the sun is different from the moon, as far apart as the north pole is from the south pole. In the work of contributors to this volume is the one common denominator that the writers are all making a "tentative effort." They are all playing with ideas; they do not pretend that they are settling anything for all time.

The writers of essays, at least when they are at their best, are people who are thinking aloud. They toss an idea up into the air and then keep it bouncing about. They are not out to prove anything, they are only trying to generate interest in the idea they have in mind. Mentally they sniff at it and taste it and feel it, all for the purpose of becoming acquainted with it themselves and helping their readers to become acquainted with it.

Samuel Johnson said that an essay was "the familiar talk of a cultivated gentleman." That is perhaps as good a definition as any.

RARE BOOKS

A collection of rare books, one of which was published within thirty years after Guttenberg invented printing in Germany, has been presented to Kalamazoo College by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Des Jardins who were graduated from the College in 1909.

The collection consists of ten titles of twenty-one volumes, several of which were published in the 16th Century. The books will be used for scholarly inquiry on the Kalamazoo College campus.

RECEPTION

To introduce the faculty members of the foreign language department of Kalamazoo College, the Women's Council planned a reception for the evening of October 23. Guests had the opportunity to view the electronic laboratory facilities and heard Dr. Peter Boyd-Bowman speak of his summer's study in Spain and Dr. Elizabeth Mayer relate her summer's experience in Germany. Also introduced to the guests were Mrs. Lindley Mills, Mrs. Mason Dale, Volde-mars Rushevics, Dr. Marion H. Dunsmore, Miss Olga Panico, and Miss Anna Cerins.

Mrs. Leslie Vermeulen '27 was general chairman, assisted by Mrs. Donald S. Gilmore, Mrs. Stuart Irvine '29, Mrs. E. Gifford Upjohn, Mrs. Roger Becker, Mrs. Ralph Fast, Mrs. Ralph Hayward, Mrs. Richard U. Light, and Mrs. Ralph Ralston '18, president of the Women's Council. Pouring at the reception were Mrs. Henry G. Shakespeare '30, Mrs. Dwight L. Stocker, Mrs. Albert J. Todd, and Miss Frances Haskell.

MEMORIAL

At the suggestion of Mrs. M. Lee Johnson, a memorial has been set up by friends of the late M. Lee Johnson, whose untimely death occurred during the summer. Several hundred dollars have already been received in honor of this well-known member of the College family, a graduate of 1929 and a trustee of the College. We trust that other classmates and friends will be interested in learning of the M. Lee Johnson Memorial at Kalamazoo College.

ANNUAL FUND

Over 250 workers in Kalamazoo are taking part in the advance gifts and the alumni and general divisions of the Seventeenth Annual Fund. A sum of \$100,000 is sought as this year's goal, through area solicitations and direct mail.

Serving as general chairman of the Annual Fund this year is Donald E. Bowen who headed the advance gifts division in 1955. The advance gifts chairman for the present Annual Fund is Charles J. Venema '33 with Albert Van Zoeren '23, co-chairmen. The division leaders are Robert Boudeman '40, Harry C. Harvey '16, Winfield J. Hollander '28, Leroy R. Klose '32, Orlo F. Swoap '29, and Knox W. Wicks '29.

The alumni and general division is in charge of Ralph M. Ralston '16, and his co-chairmen are Hugh V. Anderson '43, president of the Alumni Association; Mrs. Henry F. Oggell '27; and Paul J. Van Keuren '41, president of the K-Club. Leaders in this division are Douglas B. Braham '42, Garry E. Brown '51, Leon A. Koopsen '50, Richard Meyerson '49, Mrs. W. Harry Rapley '37, Charles E. Starbuck '48, Wayne R. Stone '47, and Mrs. William S. Taylor '16.

HONORS DAY

The following students received special recognition for academic achievement at the traditional Honors Day. The prizes and recipients were the LeGrand A. Copley Prize in French, Sarah Stevens, Dowagiac; the Winifred Peake Jones Prize in biology, Nancy Tirrell, South Bend, and James Crane, Cedar Springs; the Lemuel F. Smith Award in chemistry, Donald Garwood, Cassopolis; the Cooper Prize in physics, George Hayne, Williamston; the A. B. Hodgman Prizes in tennis, Robert Brice, Mt. Clemens, and James Fowler, Kalamazoo; the Todd Chemistry Prize, Frederick Gaiser, Cleveland; the Todd Sociological Prize, Katherine Hennig, Auburn-dale, Mass.; the Maynard Owen Williams Prize in English, Diane Dugas, Milwaukee; and the Robert Albin Prize for appreciation of Shakespeare, Judith Sweitzer, Richland.

NAMED SCHOLARSHIPS

The Kalamazoo National Scholarship
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Kalamazoo Motor Freight Agents Club Scholarship

Latvian Students Scholarship

Lee Paper Company Scholarship

Rochester, N. Y., Alumni Scholarship
The Standard Oil Foundation Scholarship

Sutherland Paper Company Scholarship
Women's Council Scholarship

Judith Dunham, Detroit
Herman DeHoog, Kalamazoo
Judith Dunham, Detroit
Barbara Engel, Kalamazoo
David Garrett, Kalamazoo
Laura Heinrich, Flint
Vivian Klein, Chicago
Marjorie May, Kalamazoo
Douglas Perry, Kalamazoo
Maryrose Ramsey, New York City
Daniel Tindall, Plainwell
Jane Vandenberg, Grand Rapids
William Vincent, Kalamazoo
James Wallace, Kalamazoo
Ojars Smits, Kalamazoo
Carlton Wood, Battle Creek
Mara Lacis, Kalamazoo
Maija Grinbergs, Schoolcraft
Tija Turks, Kalamazoo
Janis Ducmanis, Kalamazoo
Atis Grinbergs, Kalamazoo
Girts Kaugars, Kalamazoo
Mara Kaugars, Kalamazoo
Maruta Vigants, Kalamazoo
Kathleen Maher, Vicksburg
Marcia Wagar, Vicksburg
Barbara Fisher, Rochester, N. Y.
Richard Dean, Kalamazoo
Keith Arnold, Jackson
Fred Bowman, Mattawan
Robert Fletcher, Portage
Robert Renk, Kalamazoo
Douglas Rosenberger, Kalamazoo
Anne Colley, Holland, N. Y.
Grace Hayes, Little Rock, Ill.

SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Dorothy Young, Oak Park, Ill.
Carol Beall, Watervliet
John Veenstra, Grand Rapids
George Hayne, Williamston
Clifford Lillya, Ann Arbor
David Fischer, Cleveland, Ohio
Robert Macleod, Kalamazoo
Richard Dunbar, South Bend, Ind.
Robert Fassnacht, South Bend, Ind.
Robert Westin, Benton Harbor
Peter Uginčius, Melrose Park, Ill.
Frank Zindler, Benton Harbor

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Ruth Sollitt, Midland
Richard Hemwall, Holland
Mary Mann, Constantine
John Leaman, Saginaw

NOTHING'S IMPOSSIBLE

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Seven "K" College alumni are now cogs in the wheels of operation, having been trained as part of their College work experience. Jim Morrell '53 has capably directed the food service at Welles Hall for the past two years. The other directors are Dick Cain '52 at Hillsdale College, Bob Van Horn '54 at Monmouth College, Jim Hagadone '54 at Oberlin College, Bill Highfield at Wilamette College in Salem, Oregon,

and Duane Arnold '55 at the University of Vermont in Burlington. Jim McFadden '54 is in the home office in Geneva, N. Y. Joe Bogart, former "K" coach, heads the food service at St. Mary's in South Bend.

It may be a sad day for you when an extra guest or two appears at meal time. At Kalamazoo College, where at least 1,000 meals are served daily, and where numerous special affairs send that figure sky-rocketing, "nothing's impossible" and all matters keep running along with dispatch.

125th ANNIVERSARY

Homecoming week end marked the first of many committee meetings scheduled for the academic year to make plans for the 125th Anniversary of the College.

Purposes of the October 7th meeting, which consisted of approximately fifty alumni, faculty members, and Board of Trustees members, were to: (a) familiarize the group with basic ideas; (b) begin development of new ideas; (c) review and select possible new personnel for each committee; (d) assign work to be done before the next three-month period.

Committees set up which will direct sub-committees through the coming year, together with their chairmen of October 7, are Commencement, Harold B. Allen '21 and Mrs. Kenneth L. Crawford '27, co-chairmen; Convocation, Dr. Richard U. Light; Homecoming, Paul J. Van Keuren '41 and Garry Brown '51, co-chairmen; Mementos, Ralph Ralston '16; Publicity and Promotion, Dan Ryan '42; and Regional Alumni Meetings, William C. Buchanan '14, Lansing.

Discussion of the Commencement Committee was based primarily on the question of drawing alumni to Commencement. Also discussed was an educational program emphasizing a lengthened Commencement, honorary degrees, and Anniversary-Commencement souvenirs.

Ideas opened for discussion in the Homecoming Committee meeting consisted of reunions of past football and cross country teams, reunion of past Homecoming queens, an alumni or dinner dance, the possibility of linking Homecoming with the Convocation, a special football program, the question of scheduling activities for Homecoming morning and afternoon, an Anniversary prize to be awarded to winners of float and display contests, and displays in the community.

Mementos Committee members posed questions concerning type, cost, prediction of sales possibilities of particular items, sales promotion, mail enclosures, and souvenirs of

Homecoming and Commencement.

The Publicity and Promotion Committee outlined its ideas on the basis of regional and national newspaper and magazine articles, programs, an anniversary seal, special stationery, a mail cancellation plate, and an Anniversary song. Also suggested were motion picture of the College, Anniversary Christmas greetings, and Anniversary issues of the *Alumnus* and the *Boiling Pot*.

The committee on Regional Alumni Meetings was concerned with the raising of attendance, the question of holding meetings in every area in America where there are 12 or more alumni, special Anniversary dinners and programs, and the synchronization of meetings with the development program.

To be included in the list of committees now established will be those concerning parents, faculty, and students.

Another all-day meeting of full committees is scheduled to be held on the campus on Saturday, January 12, 1957. The final all-day meeting will be held on June 23.

K-CLUB ELECTION

The fall K-Club election named Paul J. Van Keuren '41, former Alumni Association president, to head this year's program. Serving with him are Jack Bockelman '42, vice president, and Douglas Braham '42, secretary. Al Grabarek '49, is the retiring president.

The K-Club has adopted a policy of eliminating the annual Booster ticket sales in favor of Annual Fund solicitation. K-Club members will secure their funds through the Annual Fund, and contributors of \$10 or more will receive a free ticket for athletic events on the Kalamazoo College campus.

The K-Club has an active fall program underway and has already held several meetings during the football season.

LOOKING AHEAD

- NOV. 3 OLIVET FOOTBALL (THERE)
OLIVET CROSS COUNTRY (THERE)
- 10 DAD'S DAY
ALBION FOOTBALL (HERE)
ALBION CROSS COUNTRY (HERE)
- 14 M.I.A.A. CROSS COUNTRY
RUN (ALMA)
- 15 SCIENCE EVENING
(DR. JOHN HORNBECK,
SPEAKER)
- 22 THANKSGIVING DAY
HOLIDAY
- 26 ENGLISH NIGHT
(DR. DAVID DAICHES,
SPEAKER)
N.C.A.A. CROSS COUNTRY
RUN (EAST LANSING)
- 30-DEC. 1 "ANTIGONE"
COLLEGE PLAYERS
- DEC. 1 MANCHESTER BASKETBALL
(HERE)
- 1-2 HIGH SCHOOL WEEK-END
- 4 OLIVET BASKETBALL
(THERE)
- 7 HILLSDALE BASKETBALL
(HERE)
- 9 CAROL SERVICE
- 12 LOYOLA BASKETBALL
(THERE)
VACATION BEGINS
- 28-29 HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL
TOURNAMENT (ELMHURST,
MANCHESTER, ALBION)
- JAN. 3 CLASSES RESUME
CALVIN BASKETBALL
(HERE)
- 5 ALBION BASKETBALL
(HERE)
- 12 ALMA BASKETBALL
(THERE)
- 15 HOPE BASKETBALL (HERE)
- 19 LAKE FOREST BASKETBALL
(THERE)
- 23 END OF SEMESTER
- 25 EXAMINATIONS BEGIN
- FEB. 1 OLIVET BASKETBALL
(HERE)
- 5 ADRIAN BASKETBALL
(THERE)
- 9 ALBION BASKETBALL
(THERE)
- 13 ALMA BASKETBALL (HERE)
- 16 HOPE BASKETBALL
(THERE)
- 19 CALVIN BASKETBALL
(THERE)
- 22 ADRIAN BASKETBALL
(HERE)
- 25 NORTH CENTRAL BASKET-
BALL (HERE)
- 28 HILLSDALE BASKETBALL
(THERE)

MAR. 14, 15, 16 BACH FESTIVAL

SPORTS

By Dick Kishpaugh

Kalamazoo College's 1956 football team reached the mid-point of the season with a record of two wins and two losses — a mark which was just as predicted, but one which is deceptive in appearance.

At the start of the season, Coach Rolla Anderson figured that the two non-league games, against Valparaiso and Wayne State, would be among the toughest faced by the Hornets in recent years. Both turned out to be as strong as expected, and both defeated Kalamazoo. The Hornets dropped a heart-breaking 7-6 decision to Valparaiso in the season's opener, missing a chance to win the game when a fourth-period drive stalled on the Valpo one-yard line. Wayne handed the Hornets a 19-7 defeat in the fourth game of the year. Four Kalamazoo regulars missed that contest because of injuries.

A mark of 2-2 would not indicate in itself that the season has been successful, but sandwiched in between those two non-league losses were a pair of victories in MIAA competition. As a result, Kalamazoo started the second half of the season very much in the league title chase.

The last half of the season, of course, would see the most decisive games in the MIAA race. As this issue of the magazine is printed, Kalamazoo faces Adrian at Adrian on October 20, then returns home for the key game on October 27 against Hillsdale's unbeaten powerhouse. A game at Olivet on Nov. 3, and the Dad's Day game at Kalamazoo on Nov. 10 will complete the schedule.

In cross-country, Coach Allen Buskirk's team won its first two MIAA meets and is favored to remain unbeaten in league competition until the crucial run against Albion on Nov. 10. The MIAA run is scheduled at Alma the following Wednesday, Nov. 14.

FINAL SCORE:

Adrian 21
Kalamazoo 36



WOODEN SHOES TROPHY

When Kalamazoo College met Hope College for the Homecoming game on October 6, it was the 25th anniversary for the "battle of the wooden shoes" trophy.

As the story goes, the wooden shoes series began in 1931, with

Kalamazoo College winning the gridiron trophy by a victory of 20 to 19. The idea of the trophy was conceived by Paul Staake '21. Bud Hinga '23, who was coaching at Hope, actually bought the shoes and they were put in circulation twenty-five years ago.

Although the shoes presently lack some of the coaches' names and scores, the record since 1931 points to 12 games won by the Hornets, 6 lost, and 5 tied. Altogether, Kalamazoo College has played 36 games with Hope College, winning 23 games and evening the score for 5.

The Hornets' Homecoming win of this year, 20-18, places the wooden shoes securely in the trophy case in Tredway Gymnasium until the 1957 season when another twelve months' ownership will be determined.



Henceforth, the Kalamazoo College hornets will have "Hercules, the Hornet" as team mascot at all home games. The mascot was presented during the halftime ceremonies at the Homecoming game. Hercules, designed by Kirk Newman of the art department faculty, was executed by WRA under the leadership of its officers and advisor, Miss Ada Loveless. Heading WRA this year are Gail Mallon, president; Lois Meyer, secretary; and Joyce Alcott, treasurer.

CREATIVE FRONT

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tion's great advancement in its capacity to produce and to invent, it still has lagged far behind in the all-important area of the relationships between peoples and nations. Progress is to no avail unless this weak link in the socio-economic order is strengthened.

The problem has its implications for higher education, and particularly for the liberal arts college. Our dichotomy is largely one of the educational emphasis and the philosophy educators seek to inculcate in the minds of youth. We must move beyond the vocational and the practical. Significant though these are, it is far more necessary to develop a generation which can think and understand, one which is alert to ideas. And above all else, a generation with concern for others. Only through this medium can we hope to strengthen the weak link in the chain of civilization.

Our world cries out for the cultured, educated man, the individual with understanding, the one with purpose. As Dean Melby of New York University has so aptly stated, "We must meet the challenge of dialectic materialism with a vitalized version of the dignity of the individual, a new dedication to truth and the search for truth, and a warmer and more meaningful brotherhood. It is on this creative front that we can win the hearts of men. But to be successful on this front we must have a dynamic and creative education."

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KALAMAZOO COLLEGE
BEQUESTS COMMITTEE

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Washington, D. C. — New officers were elected at the June picnic of the Washington, D. C., Alumni Club. Serving as president this year is Quentin Verdier '43, succeeding Harold Simpson '37. John Grabber '39 is the new vice president, and Mary Elizabeth Smith '31 is secretary-treasurer.

Rochester, N. Y. — The annual picnic of this club was held on September 9 at Durand Eastman Park. Twenty alumni and their families attended the affair under the chairmanship of Ruth Osterling '54. Guests were the present upper classmen at the College from Rochester and two new freshmen.

Chicago — Fredin's in Hinsdale will be the scene of the fall meeting and dinner on Sunday, November 4. Scheduled to speak to the club is one of its distinguished members, Dr. Carl Chatters '19, City of Chicago comptroller.

Detroit — Alumnae of the Detroit area have been invited to tea at the home of Dr. '37 and Mrs. Paul Connolly (Harriette Barton '37), 16778 Westmoreland Rd., for the afternoon of Sunday, November 18. Mrs. Connolly is being assisted by Mrs. William Brandle (Virginia Fowler '49).

As the *Alumnus* goes to press, alumni in the areas of *Lansing, Ann Arbor, South Bend, and St. Joseph* are setting up organizations for personal solicitation on the Annual Fund in their respective clubs. More about this later. . .

If you are an alumnus and would be interested in a position with the College admissions department, why don't you drop a line to Stuart H. Simpson, Kalamazoo College.

ALUMNI NOTES

Deaths

Mrs. Helen M. Read, widow of Dr. E. Alison Read, who was professor of philosophy and religion at Kalamazoo College at the turn of the century, died October 1 at the home of a son, E. Northrup Read, in Chevy Chase, Md. Mrs. Read resided in Kalamazoo for nearly thirty years and was organist at the First Baptist Church for twenty-five years. She is also survived by a son, Edmund D. Read of St. Petersburg, Fla., with whom she resided.

Mrs. Harriet Mead Woodard, wife of the Reverend William P. Woodard '18, a missionary sent to the Far East by the Congregational Church's Board of Foreign Missions, died in Toyko, Japan, in early October. The Woodards have served in Japan for a number of years. She is survived by a son and three daughters.

Cleora Davis Gagnier '05 died on October 21 in Kalamazoo following a long illness. Mrs. Gagnier was a member of the Lucinda Hinsdale Stone Chapter of the D.A.R. and the Women's Union of the First Baptist Church. She is survived by her husband, James, of the class of 1907; a son, James; a daughter, Cleora '39, and three grandchildren.

Engagements

Miss Kathryn Stimson and John G. Polzin '47 announced their engagement on September 9. The wedding will be an event of December 29.

A December 22nd wedding is being planned by Miss Joan E. Bixby x'56 and Raymond Solari who announced their engagement on October 7.

The engagement of Jeanie E. Smith '59 and George C. Boven was announced on September 13. No date has been set for the wedding.

Miss Sally Ann Wise '51 and Frederick W. Kopplow announced their engagement on October 7. The wedding will take place on December 29.

A late fall wedding is being planned by Miss Joan LaLiberte x'50 and Paul R. Hartman who announced their engagement on September 16.

The engagement of Miss Judith A. Mitchell x'57 and Theodore O. Johnson, Jr., was announced on August 12.

A February wedding is being planned by Miss Harriet Goodrich and Roger C. Cox '53.

The engagement of Miss June W. Perry '59 and Philip L. Johnson, Jr., '54 was announced on August 12. The wedding will take place on December 15.

A March wedding is being planned by Miss Barbara L. Rock '57 and Warren C. Andrews '58 who announced their engagement on September 2.

Marriages

Miss Janice Myers was married to Richard L. Nelson '53 on June 23 in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, South Bend, Ind.

Miss LaVerne L. Christensen and A. Herbert Lipschitz '56 were married on August 12 in the Congregation of Moses Synagogue, Kalamazoo.

Miss Nancy J. Moyer became the bride of Roger D. Conklin '52 in the Chapel of El Colegio Robinson, Ianturce, Puerto Rico, on August 18.

Miss Lois M. Van Eck was married on August 17 to Roderick L. Hill '50 in Kanley Memorial Chapel, Kalamazoo.

The Zion Lutheran Church, Kalamazoo, provided the setting for the wedding of Miss Ruth G. Keck and Anthony Ver Hley x'52 on August 3.

Miss Marlene S. Ihrig was married to Todd P. Graham x'54 on August 4 in Nauvoo, Ill.

Miss Mary Jane Faugust x'56 and Robert L. Thomason '56 were married on August 26 in the First Presbyterian Church, Kalamazoo.

Miss Patricia J. Reynolds became the bride of Marshall H. Brenner '55 in the Twentieth Street Methodist Church, Lorain, Ohio, on August 25.

Miss Gertrude E. Myers was married on August 25 to John C. Archbold '51 in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Jackson.

Miss Nancy A. Kiel was married to Norman L. Kramer '57 on August 31 in Kalamazoo.

The First Baptist Church, Flint, was the setting for the wedding of Miss Susan Laycock '55 and Charles J. Williamson x'54 on December 26, 1955.

Miss Elizabeth Carter and John O'Brien '55 were married on July 21 in the Blessed Sacrament Church, El Paso, Texas.

Miss Anne Witty became the bride of William D. Olmstead x'52 in St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Hamilton, Texas, on August 27.

Miss Mary A. Killeen '55 was married to Thomas R. Anderson x'56 on September 8 in the First Presbyterian Church, Flint.

Miss Beverly F. Goodsell x'59 was married on September 17 to Ronald C. Schroeder '57 in Stetson Chapel.

Miss Jean Hathaway '54 and David Crowe were married on August 18 in Mansfield, Ohio.

Miss Mary Ann Goff '57 became the bride of John S. LaMonte '57 on September 16.

Miss Helen E. Acton was married to Wilson G. Eby '38 on June 8 in Hammond, Ind. Miss Maryellen Penny x'48 was married in June, 1955, to James H. Bolton, Jr.

Miss Julia C. Falkner was married to William H. Wheeler x'51 on December 27, 1955.

Miss Leanne Rhodus x'55 and James J. Krider were married on December 27, 1955, in the Unitarian Church, South Bend.

Births

Dr. and Mrs. Warren E. Louis (Susan Ralston x'53) announce the birth of a son, Steven Warren, on October 11 in Kalamazoo.

Mr. '43 and Mrs. Harold C. Burt are the parents of a son, Jahn David, born on July 22 in Kalamazoo.

A daughter, Marcia Carol, was born on February 19 to Mr. '49 and Mrs. Wade Van Valkenburg, Jr., in Midland.

June 22 was the birth date of Carol Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David L. Morgan (Barbara Bishop '49) in Detroit.

Mr. '51 and Mrs. H. William Ives announce the birth of a son, James Reed, on August 25 in Birmingham, Mich.

Mr. '51 and Mrs. Robert Simanton (Betty Wall '50) are the parents of a daughter, Lynn Ellen, born on August 11 in Chicago.

A son, Christopher, was born on July 21 to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin C. Dufour (Sue Norris x'53) in Elkhart, Ind.

Therese Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schultejeans (Nancyanne Bane x'53), was born on December 13, 1955, in St. Louis, Mo.

September 23 was the birth date of Walter E. Root, Jr., son of Mr. x'56 and Mrs. Walter E. Root in Lansing.

Mr. x'53 and Mrs. Edward Z. Sulkowski (Barbara Wren x'52) are the parents of a son, Mark Edward, born on June 18 in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. William Vandenberg (Patricia Wilson '45) announce the birth of their fourth son, Gary Ray, born on July 20 in Glendora, Calif.

A daughter, Cynthia Ann, was born on April 29 in Milwaukee, Wis., to Mr. '41 and Mrs. Charles E. Cullen.

July 29 was the birth date of Elizabeth Amber, daughter of Dr. '44 and Mrs. Harlan E. Tiefenthal in Allison Park, Pa.

Mr. x'51 and Mrs. James Gilmore announce the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth, on July 19 in Kalamazoo.

Dr. '50 and Mrs. Robert R. Gibson (Phyllis Casey '51) are the parents of a daughter, Christine Ann, born on October 15 in Fennelle, Mich.

A daughter, Pamela Jeanne, was born on February 24 to Mr. '50 and Mrs. Maurice A. Nelson (JoAnne Dalrymple x'50) in Buchanan.

September 21 was the birth date of Lisa Marie, daughter of Mr. '54 and Mrs. Eugene E. Cortright in Alexandria, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barth (Marion Hergert x'56) are the parents of a son, Michel Hugh, born on July 14 in Detroit.

Lt. and Mrs. David A. Beiriger (Janet Beebe '54) announce the birth of a son, James David, on July 2 in Columbus, Ohio.

A daughter, Susan Lynn, was born on July 1 to Mr. '50 and Mrs. Walter R. McConner in Chicago.

Mark William, son of Mr. '47 and Mrs. Robert E. Aaron (Carolyn Kauffman '48), was born on November 13, 1955, in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Romberger (Margery Davis x'50) are the parents of a son, Daniel Davis, born on September 10 in Ann Arbor.

August 27 was the birth date of Rebecca Elisabeth, daughter of the Reverend and Mrs. Duane L. Day (Geraldine Lee '49) in Ann Arbor.

Capt. x'43 and Mrs. William E. Lines announce the birth of their third son on September 22 in Summerville, S. C.

A daughter, Karry Ann, was born on August 11 to Mr. and Mrs. William K. Marshall (Lucia Scarvada x'54) in St. Clair.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Henrichsen (Donna Lange x'51) are the parents of a son, Reed Allen, born on August 6 in Niles, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Flessner (Linda Crandall '54) announce the birth of a daughter, Judith Grace, on September 17 in Eaton Rapids.

August 15 was the birth date of Barbara Jeanette, daughter of Dr. x'44 and Mrs. Robert B. Stewart at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

A son, Thomas Michael, was born on August 13 to Mr. '46 and Mrs. LaVerne J. Wetherbee, Jr., (Marilyn Sharp '46) in Kalamazoo.

Ensign '54 and Mrs. G. Robert Miyagawa (Ellen Brooks x'46) announce the birth of a son, John James, on August 8 in Coronado, Calif.

Christine Joyce is the name the Reverend '50 and Mrs. Bradley Allen have chosen for their daughter, born July 18 in Worcester, Mass.

Mr. '40 and Mrs. Spencer L. Waters (Virginia Walton '40) announce the birth of a son on August 21 in Saginaw.

Mr. x'53 and Mrs. William A. Strong are the parents of a daughter, Katherine Sue, born on July 18 in Ann Arbor.

Dr. x'42 and Mrs. Richard H. Weaver announced the adoption of a three-month old daughter, Mary Jane, on August 24 in Los Alamos, N. M.

July 24 was the birth date of Michael Edward, son of Mr. '55 and Mrs. Arleigh R. Dodson (Marion Johns '55) in Lansing.

Mr. x'48 and Mrs. Bruce Corley (Phyllis Ralston '46) are the parents of a son, born August 2 in Ann Arbor.

A son, Robert Michael, was born on August 19 in Philadelphia to Mr. '51 and Mrs. Robert H. Hopkins.

September 7 was the birth date of William John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eichelberg (Leslie Vermeulen '52), in Kalamazoo.

Mr. x'51 and Mrs. Gordon Ferris (Marilyn Caukin '48) announce the birth of a daughter, Penny Lynn, on July 19 in Kalamazoo.

Mr. x'40 and Mrs. Robert J. Malnight are the parents of a son, Thomas William, born on August 28 in Kalamazoo.

A daughter, Susan, was born on July 28 to Mr. '47 and Mrs. Samuel Folz in Kalamazoo.

August 7 was the birth date of Eric Alan, son of Mr. '38 and Mrs. Raywood Blanchard (Lynette Spath x'43) in Kalamazoo.

Mr. x'49 and Mrs. Frank Bradley announce the birth of a son, Cory Quinn, on August 8 in Kalamazoo.

Mr. '52 and Mrs. James Miyagawa are the parents of a son, David John, born on August 19 in Kalamazoo.

A son, Paul Lawrence, was born on September 24 to Mr. '49 and Mrs. Al Grabarek (Eleanor Born '49) in Kalamazoo.

September 12 was the birth date of Liso Carlene, daughter of Mr. x'56 and Mrs. John W. Plantefaber, in Kalamazoo.

The Reverend and Mrs. Jack F. Hosty (Shirley Hill '50) announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Marie, on September 27 in Raleigh, N. C.

Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Gallup (Georgine Phillips '49, are the parents of a son, Michael Gordon, born on September 30 in Lincoln, Neb.

A daughter, Julie Anne, was born on September 6 to Mr. '41 and Mrs. William J. Lawrence, Jr., in Kalamazoo.

Mr. '57 and Mrs. Charles J. Fox (Gladys Lyons '55) announce the birth of a daughter, Martha Ann, on June 21 in Dawagiac.

July 12 was the birth date of Jill Susan, daughter of Mr. '51 and Mrs. John A. Dagg (Peggy Lindsay x'52) in Detroit.

Dr. x'43 and Mrs. James Abbott announce the birth of their third son, Stephen Charles, on August 17 in Grosse Pointe Farms.

A daughter, Lorrie Ann, was born on July 28 to Mr. and Mrs. Kent DuPont (Sandra Barth x'55) in Clowson, Mich.

Mr. '43 and Mrs. Allan S. Reyburn are the parents of a daughter, Julia Ann, born on July 5 in Detroit.

August 22 was the birth date of Maynard Scott, son of Mr. '54 and Mrs. Maynard Dewey (Naida Shimer '54) in Ann Arbor.

Mr. '45 and Mrs. Kenneth Krum announce the birth of a son on August 20 in Kalamazoo.

Mr. '56 and Mrs. David N. Stuu (Judy Lyon x'57) are the parents of a son born on July 23 in Kalamazoo.

A daughter was born to Mr. x'57 and Mrs. Uli Hegel on September 20 in Kalamazoo.

Mr. x'45 and Mrs. Jahn Hayword announce the birth of a son on September 30 in Kalamazoo.

News

1900

Dr. Ralph G. Cook, a practicing physician and surgeon in Kalamazoo for 49 years and county coroner since 1918, was given honorary recognition as "foremost family physician" in the state for 1956 by the Michigan State Medical Society at its annual convention in Detroit.

1914

Agnes Scott Oliver writes "Since retirement I'm busier than ever. I give twelve hours a month to supply teaching in high school. I'm supply teacher in Sunday school, chairman of missions study in church, treasurer of Retired Teachers Assoc., an officer in my club."

1919

Dr. Carl H. Chatters, Chicago city controller, was the subject of an editorial in the September 11 issue of the **Chicago Sun-Times**. He was commended for his current investigation for "ghost payrollers" among city employees. Stated the editorial, "When Mayor Daley appointed Chatters, Daley's defeated Republican opponent, Robert E. Merriam, said: 'I would have made the same appointment if I had been elected.' That is a rare tribute for any political appointee."

1921

Paul C. Staake has been appointed president of Webber College at Babson Park, Fla. The appointment returns him to a position he held at Webber College in 1947-49.

1922

Dr. Hugo A. Aach, who has been a practicing physician in Kalamazoo for more than thirty years, has been appointed staff physician at the Kalamazoo State Hospital.

1923

Joseph E. Wilbur, district construction engineer for the Michigan State Highway Dept. in southwestern Michigan since 1949, has accepted a position as assistant to the chief engineer of the department in Lansing.

1924

Dr. George F. Cartland, formerly assistant director at the Upjohn Co., has been named director of scientific relations.

1928

Earl B. Schermerhorn, general traffic manager of Illinois Bell Telephone Co., has been appointed to head the 1956-57 fund drive of Provident Hospital in Chicago.

1930

Dr. Clarence M. Schrier was named medical superintendent of the Kalamazoo State Hospital by the State Mental Health Commission. Dr. Schrier has been on the State Hospital staff since 1935.

1934

Sarah Jane Watson Stroud has been added to the faculty of Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo, and is a supervising teacher in the eighth grade of the campus training school.

1935

Dr. Leo B. Rasmussen spent the summer as temporary medical director of the Red Bird Mission Hospital of the Evangelical United Brethern Church in Beverly, Ky.

1938

Navy Cmdr. George A. White is serving as operations officer on the Admiral's staff at the U. S. Naval Station, Kodiak, Alaska.

Jack Hartung, manager of purchases for the St. Regis Paper Co., New York, was the speaker at the September meeting of the Kalamazoo Valley Assoc. of Purchasing Agents.

1940

Jack J. Foster was elected president of Municipal Assessors' Association of Michigan in September.

Dr. Marion L. Shane has been promoted to the rank of Associate Professor of English at South Dakota State College. He was one of the 458 resident faculty members awarded certificates of outstanding teaching "in recognition of able and inspiring teaching." During the coming year Dr. Shane will serve as co-director of a Freshman English Research Laboratory which he helped plan.

1941

Anne Godfrey is in charge of the graduate school of nursing at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. She was formerly head of the school's pediatrics department.

George W. Williams and his wife, the former Mary Hosford '43, have returned to Istanbul, Turkey, where he teaches at Robert College.

Dr. Eugene C. Yehle is a consultant in the Executive Research department of Dow Chemical Co.

George F. Zednick has been appointed staff executive in the Norge home appliance sales department.

1942

Col. Edward A. Van Dyke has been named commanding officer of Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. Offutt Air Force Base provides facilities for the support of Strategic Air Command Headquarters in the form of aircraft maintenance, housing, supply, security, etc.

1943

William C. Bungert received his Master of arts degree in education from Western Reserve University at the summer Commencement on September 7.

1946

Jo Goodsell is attending Wisconsin State College. She is working toward a bachelor of science degree in education.

1947

Reverend John H. Clements is minister of the Roundy Memorial Baptist Church, Milwaukee. He was formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church, Wyoming, Ohio.

1949

Richard H. Carrington has a teaching assistantship in speech at the University of Wisconsin while working for his Ph.D.

1950

Maurice B. Townsend, Jr., is now employed by the U.S. Treasury Dept. in the Chief Counsel's Office. His chief function is as a trial attorney representing the government before the Tax Court.

Bradley Allen is associate minister of the First Baptist Church in Wooster, Mass.

Bill Bos, formerly a teacher and coach in Muskegon, has accepted a position with Wilson Sporting Goods in the Washington, D. C., area.

1951

Fred Winkler is taking a training program with United Air Lines to become a commercial flight engineer.

1952

John A. Avery received his Master of science degree in zoology from the University of Wisconsin.

Kenneth R. Venderbush was appointed instructor in the English department of St. Lawrence University, Canton, N. Y.

Roger D. Conklin is attending the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business Administration.

Richard Means is assistant minister at the First Congregational Church in Ithaca, New York, and is also chaplain to the Congregational students at Cornell University.

1953

Richard L. Nelson received his Master's degree in Business Administration from Indiana University in June.

1954

Marjorie Burgstahler holds a fellowship at Huntington Hartford Foundation, Pacific Palisades, Calif. She received her Master's degree in fine arts at Cranbrook Academy of Art last May.

Sam Grow has returned to civilian life and is in the sales trainee course at Shakespeare Co.

1955

Pvt. Daniel B. McFadden has sailed for Europe as part of "Operation Gyroscope," the Army's unit rotation plan. He was formerly stationed at Ft. Carson, Colo.

Susan Laycock Williamson is a speech therapist in the Columbus Public School System, while her husband, Charles J. '54, is a junior student in the Law School at Ohio State University.

Marshall Brenner is assistant advertising manager at Sears Roebuck in Lansing.

John C. O'Brien recently completed sixteen weeks of training in the operation of the Army's NIKÉ surface-to-air guided Missile at Ft. Bliss, Tex.

1956

Roger McGuineas is in the Executive Training Program at General Motor's Diesel. He will be attending General Motors' Tech in Flint for a year.

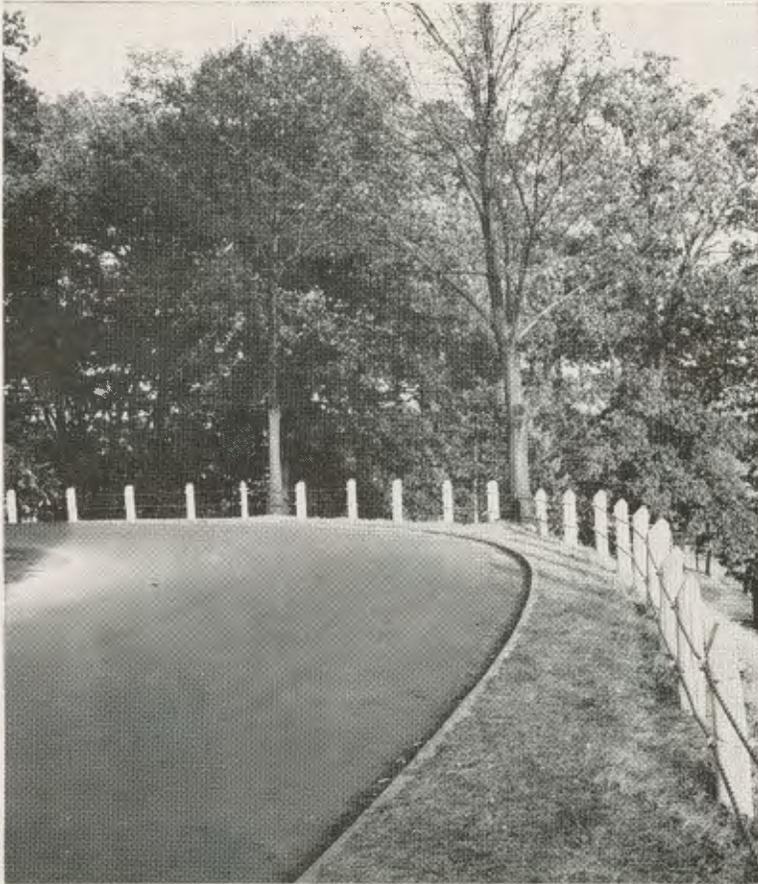
1958

John Gemrich has completed recruit training of the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. While in training he was appointed clerk of his recruit company. He was chosen for the position in recognition of leadership qualities displayed while undergoing recruit training.



A reunion in August at the home of the John Bassnets in Rochester, N. Y., brought together the above group of "K" alumni of the early 1940's and their families. Pictured are, front row, left to right, David, Jim and Tom Helmer; second row, **Mary Hosford Williams '43** with Janice and Rodney, **Connie Peck Reys '43** with Tommy and Martie, **Alice Cooley Helmer '44** with John, **Florence Drake '43**, and **Elinore Hoven Bassnett '43** with Barbara and Janet; last row, **George Williams '41**, John Reys, **Jim Helmer '42**, and John Bassnett. The Helmers now reside in Stamford, Conn., the Reys live in Ithaca, N. Y., Florence Drake is in Oak Park, Mich., and Mary and George Williams and family have now returned to Robert College in Turkey. The **Fred Pinkhams** were unable to attend the August get-together, but Homecoming brought Fred '42, now president of Ripon College; his wife, the former **Helen Kostia '43**, and their three children to the "K" campus. Pictured at alumni registration are Mrs. Allen B. Stowe, Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Hemmes, and Dr. Fred Pinkham.





The fall picture above shows the driveway rounding Bowen Hall, the fifty-four-year-old administration building at Kalamazoo College.

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