

WEATHER
Rain tonight and Wednesday.
Temperature.

Volume 23

SOCIETIES RAISE ACADEMIC MARK FOR PAST YEAR

College Average Is Bettered
By Fraternities and Sororities.

GMA KAPPA HOLDS LEAD
Registrar's Report Shows Record of 1929 to Be Slightly Higher.

See again the scholastic average of college fraternities and sororities considerably higher than the all-college average according to a scholastic report for the past year recently issued from the office of the registrar. The all-society average exceeds the college average by .04 of a point, the mark of the former being 2.998 and of the latter 2.253.

Gma Kappa society heads the list at an average of 2.974 thereby toping the high mark for 1929 of 2.172 by Alpha Chi Omega. First among fraternities is Theta Kappa Nu who also held the record for 1929. All average of 1929 is also slightly higher than that of 1929 by .04 of a point. Two of the first 13 of the list sororities which places the co-ed above the fraternities.

Only 18 of the 30 societies on the campus averaged higher than the all-college average compared to 21 of two years ago. Three fraternities fell below a C average. Compared to 1929 averages as a whole are lower; all-society and all-college averages having fallen .5 and .4 respectively in the marks of two years ago. The complete list is given:

Chi Omega	2.974
Alpha Chi Omega	2.663
Alpha Gamma Delta	2.622
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.569
Alpha Sigma Tau	2.500
Alpha Gamma Rho	2.556
Alpha Phi	2.525
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.518
Alpha Gamma Rho	2.489
Alpha Phi	2.468
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.439
Alpha Theta	2.406
Alpha Gamma Rho	2.415
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.383
Alpha Phi	2.377
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.354
Alpha Phi	2.351
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.341
Alpha Phi	2.322
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.317
Alpha Phi	2.299
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.288
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.286
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.267
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.264
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.253
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.228
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.201
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.188
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.184
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.179
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.178
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.1782
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.162
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.093
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.080
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.076
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.056
Alpha Omicron Pi	2.036
Alpha Omicron Pi	1.995
Alpha Omicron Pi	1.891
Alpha Omicron Pi	1.817

STATE ALUMI HOLD DISTRICT REUNIONS

State Members Speak at Several Grad Meetings During Past Week.

Following a summer of unusual interest in the line of alumni activities, reunion banquets of Michigan graduates at which various members of the faculty and administration and the list of speakers, are now being held as a regular part of the teaching institute in seven of nine districts of the state.

Three meetings have already been held. On Thursday evening at the reunion of district number five at Manistee, Prof. A. J. Clark of the chemistry department and G. O. Stewart, alumnae secretary were the speakers. Friday, Oct. 8, the alumni of the upper peninsula held their meeting at Marquette. E. L. Austin, professor of education, was the speaker of the evening. In addition, the local Lansing district number three held its meeting last Monday at the Hotel Olds.

The meeting which follow will be: District two at Flint where the speakers include Secretary H. H. Halladay and G. O. Stewart. District four at Grand Rapids meets Thursday, Oct. 22, and President R. S. Shaw is listed as speaker. District eight, Battle Creek, schedules an alumni banquet for Tuesday evening, Oct. 20; district ten, Detroit, is holding an alumni reunion Thursday noon, Oct. 26.

The regular meeting of Mu Sigma Phi will be held in the studio of Professor Paul on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

IF DOG BITES YOU, SEE HEALTH SERVICE

In view of the fact that a case of rabies was found on the campus late last week, President Shaw has requested all students who have been bitten or scratched by dogs within the last few days (no matter how slight the apparent injury) to report at once to the college health service. The infected dog was caught and disposed of last Saturday, and there is no occasion for alarm in any way. In order to "play safe," however, the administration is asking for the hospital report failure to secure proper medical attention even in case of an apparently minor injury might prove serious.

LECTURE COURSE SPEAKERS NAMED

English Department Schedules Many Notables; First Comes Nov. 20.

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Lorado Taft, a famous sculptor, will talk on "My Dream Museum" on Jan. 29. He is known to possess great skill in presentation and a constant flow of wit and humor. Some of his outstanding works are "Fountain of the Great

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COACH MASON DRILLS CROSS COUNTRY MEN

Novice Run Postponed Indefinitely
---Varsity Men Are Beginning to Get In Shape.

Coach Mort Mason's cross country protes continue to work out night in preparation for a series of hard meets later in the season. The men are fast warming into shape, and the first meet on Oct. 25 with Butler university should find them in first class condition. Longer workouts are in order from now on with occasional time trials.

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Russian Official Sees First Grid Game on Visit to M. S. C.

Though the game with Alma may have been a rather pale affair in the eyes of most Spartans with the annual battle with Michigan looming on the horizon, it was a unique experience for Dr. P. I. Lissitsin, director of Grain and Grain Products Institute of Moscow, Russia, it being his first contact with football.

D. D. Robinson, with whom Dr. Lissitsin attended the game, reports that the distinguished Russian seemed highly pleased with the contest though Mr. Robinson had to explain that only the man carrying the ball could be tackled and that the object of the players was to get the ball over the goal line. During the game, Dr. Lissitsin took several snapshots. His impression of football previous to the Alma game had been gained through looking over the catalog of an American university, which seemed, he said, to be half football.

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Ninety-nine R.O.T.C. Sophomores Receive "Order of Military Merit"

Sophomore R. O. T. C. cadets who received a B average or better during their freshman year are to be awarded G. Pringle Warren A. Rogers, John G. Schreiber, Grant L. Smith, Paul C. Smith, Adolph M. Stebler, Rex H. Steele, Harton W. Stickle, Kenneth A. Stone, Keith A. Tanner, Indley O. Merriam, Thomas M. Tryon, Thomas R. Watson, Hamilton D. Webber, and Don W. Wood.

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Dr. Lissitsin left for Canada Friday, after spending a week here studying plant breeding experiments with cereal grains and fiber crops. After touring Canada for a month, the Russian expert will make a further study of production and manufacturing methods in his field, starting at Seattle and working toward the east. In February he will leave America to return to Russia, stopping in Germany enroute to conduct some further studies.

G. O. Stewart, alumni secretary, attended the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern university last summer and was a member of the editorial staff of the "Summer Northwestern."

Again freshman psychological tests, laughingly called intelligence tests, bring their usual quota of queer and humorous answers. Glance over a few.

A lighthouse is used for looking out over the water from a submerged submarine.

A hospital is a regular stipend allowed in consideration of past service, as to disabled soldiers.

Embalming is the art of preparing, stuffing, and mounting skins of animals.

Then here is one that shows the effect of advertising. Flowers is the expression of sympathy or grief.

And here the effect of novels: "Alas" is the expression of sympathy or grief.

Some differed on the answer to this one. The part of the skull enclosing the brain is called the shell. The part or the skull enclosing the brain is called the adrenals. The part of the skull enclosing the brain is called the skeleton.

And in these three we are convinced that the writers were poking a little gentle fun at the examiners. A convict is one who works in stone. A window above a door or another window is a disadvantage. A professional tramp is a pest.

And a few general ones:

A scaplock is a headress.

By marriage is meant any personal property which has been in a family for several generations.

A long, deep cut is called a woon.

A window above a door is called a landau.

Hair is a soft, thick covering to protect the head from cold.

An optimist is an assertion to the contrary.

Buildings for lodging soldiers are called artillery.

That which is forbidden to certain persons or uses is liquor.

A microscope is used for looking over the water from a submerged submarine.

Union Board Plans
Welcome for Ohio
Grididers On Friday

An all-college welcome for the University of Cincinnati football team arriving on the campus sometime Friday is planned by the Union board, as the opening gesture in its program of entertainment for visiting gridiron teams.

Complimentary autos to escort the turnout and the variety cheering squad have been arranged, while details of the welcome will be left until the exact hour of the arrival of known.

Students are urged to turn out for the greeting meet if possible and to contribute autos for a night session of the campus.

OFFICERS CLUB MEETS TODAY

Election of Officers, Nomination
of Corps Sponsors to Be Taken Up

Pi Kappa Delta
Sponsors Debate

Tryout Thursday

The first regular meeting of the Officers club will be held in

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AN IMPROVEMENT

Student conduct at the Michigan game was exceptional in that abstinence seemed to be the rule rather than the exception. A reflection upon the games of the past three years shows an improvement in this direction. Radicalism on either side of the prohibition question is by no means recommended for anyone, but the trend would seem to be towards a decorous conduct away from home.

The day of roistering and heavy drinking is surely passing. The swing of the pendulum is towards a sober mode of living. After the hectic period of ten years after the adoption of the eighteenth amendment, a more temperate mood is becoming the keynote of life for those who KNOW. And who ought to be in a position to know how to live more than the people who go to school to learn that very thing? After all, that's the primary benefit of four years in college.

Of course there were exceptions to gentlemanly conduct Saturday. But these were no glaring exceptions. Most of the drinking was done by those veteran imbibers who may be depended upon on every occasion.

One of the worst examples to the undergraduate body so far as celebration goes was through the channels of the class room instructors on the last few days preceding the game. Several of them seemed to take drunken revels for granted; that the student body would naturally indulge in intoxicants. The prevailing pedagogical wit was humorous inferences that students WOULD indulge in inebriation.

No class need be a model for Sunday school procedure, but the place for such humor is certainly not in the classroom. Such references are indecent; the place to begin education along temperance in any phase of life is in the educational institution. Whatever leaning a student may have on temperance should not be influenced one way or the other in the classroom.

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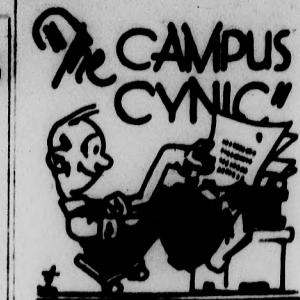
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Dormitory Heads Elected for Fall By Co-ed Voters

Officers for Women's Building
Abbot Hall and the
Elden Chosen

At recent elections the fall term officers for the women's dormitories were chosen. The results were as follows:

Women's Building President, Winifred Lee; house council, Gertrude Damon, Jeanne Andrews, Elise Allen and Leora Martin; quiet prosters, Mary Mizter, Barbara Coleman, June Bellum and Harriet Hogan; fire prosters, Virginia Maeve, Margaret Spore, Lucille Kennedy, and Marian Davidson.

Abbot Hall President, Marian Muzzy; treasurer, Jean Ann Kelly; representatives, Jeannette Bomers and Margaret Lassenby; fire prosters, Mary Thorpe and Margaret Bonn.

The Elden President, Katherine Deers; quiet prosters, Merle Bradley and Hazel Blackmore; fire prosters, Dorothy Leckie and Betty Gilbert. Special privileges have been granted the girls during rushing season. On Tuesday and Thursday nights they will have nine o'clock permission, but earlier hours are to be enforced on Wednesday and Sunday nights.

Theme song for rushing season: Those little white lies.

Sisters

The stag line in the middle of the floor very formal dress men in sport jackets, men in sweaters, men with ties, men without ties, men with army shirts, men without shirts, an occasional co-ed, men sober, men not so sober, some dance, some attempt to dance, some never dance, others periodically and consistently form a stag line, without which no game is a complete failure, a floor uniformly terrible as dry as an Anti-Balloon League party.

A fraternity poem of woe spreads over the campus. Freshmen rushes are asking pertinent and embarrassing questions. Pledging committees are sweating profusely. Pins are adorning lapsels slowly oh so slowly. We are almost persuaded to lament that state of mind. Either that or the incoming class were conceived with apprehension, nourished with doubt, and weaned with suspicion.

The Onslaught
A Spartan band—packed—per-spring hot—enthusiastic—facing a blazing sun—a Spartan team facing a powerful, aggressive, and confident enemy. A State eleven—determined inspired and temacious. An injured Spartan captain—never to play again on the sidelines. But wholly in the game, his invincible spirit infused into the fighting heart of each man on his team, riding like the spirit of Joan of Arc in the eyes of every warrior—indomitable, unquenchable.

October Schedules for Peoples Church Include New Ideas

A varied program embodying three new organizations and two new ideas in religious activities has been outlined by the Peoples church for the month of October.

Among the new organizations are the Freshman Forum which will meet at 12 o'clock on Sunday, will be directed by Dr. E. L. Austin and Prof. Dr. B. Linton of the department of Education. The first meeting of the Freshman council will be held at the church Oct. 15 with supper at 6 p.m. and the business meeting at the home of the director, Norman W. Kunkle, at 7 o'clock. The Hungry club is an institution for unattached college men wherein the Y. M. C. A. offers a cordial invitation for men to take lunch every Wednesday noon at 12 in the Grace E. Lyon cafe.

Every Friday night at 8 p.m. in a fun night will be staged in Peoples church October 3 Prof. R. B. Wilkes of the English department will give a dramatic reading of a Barrie play as a part of the program.

Graduate students and young instructors will meet at 8 o'clock Sunday evening to discuss current religious and social problems. These are the two new ideas on the church program.

The Students' Citizenship league will be addressed Oct. 12 by Prof. H. B. Drury, head of the engineering department on "Changing Your Ideals with Your Residence." The Students' Christian Union, Fleming A. Barbour, 32 president, will hold a weekly 5 o'clock social hour on Sundays.

VETERAN STAFF TO AID M. S. C. NEWS

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Vester, Helen Cooper, Hillary Barren, Sophomore members of the editorial staff are Lee Browning, Stephen Roginski, James Clashorn, Norman Reedet, Osmond Beckwith, Phil Palmer, Alfred Trout, Laurence Steckle, Everett Knox and David Vanderveen. Freshmen who are competing for positions on the staff include Howard Shanafelt, James Dulso, Minard Farley, Maurice Court, Robert Stuart and Howard Brinen.

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LECTURE COURSE SPEAKERS NAMED

(Continued from page 1)
"Tales," "Pomona of Time," and "Bottling of the Soul."

Maurice Hindin, noted young author, traveler, and editorial observer, will give an interesting speech on Russia on Feb. 19. After graduating from Cornell university and Harvard, he gained high distinction as a speaker and a writer. He is the author of a book on the Russian peasantry which is regarded as a classic the world over.

Tom Shaylor, the adventure-loving young Australian former soldier, poet, biographer, playwright, author and student of world affairs will give a very inspiring talk here on Feb. 17. He has lectured in every state in the Union. All students who heard him last year will be more than anxious to hear him again.

Count von Turckheim, known as the Sea Devil, will again speak to an East Lansing audience on March 4. He is a member of an old and famous mil-

itary family, a descendant of a marshal of France. His thrilling story of adventure, spy work and comic opera exploits on the Seven Seas is a graphic and tremendously interesting story.

Prof. G. M. Cade, of the civil engineering department, has recently turned from a meeting of the National Electric Light Association, at Lakewood, Ind.

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