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WELCOME ALUMNI

'Life with Father' to Star Ralph Stoudt; Cast Named

Ralph J. Stoudt will play the title role of Father in the Domino Club's fall production, "Life with Father," which will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Annadora Vesper Shirk in the Chapel from Wednesday to Saturday, December 7 to 10.

Cast Chosen

The part of Mother will be played by Joan Trumbore, a freshman. Others in the cast are:

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| Clarence | Gerald Reedy |
| John | Leonard Buxton |
| Whitney | Robert Waldner |
| Harlan | A Little Boy |
| Cora | Beverly Bresler |
| Mary Skinner | Alma Natanblut |
| | and Patricia Schearer |
| Rev. Dr. Lloyd | Elmer Good |
| Dr. Humphreys | Harry Kousaros |
| Margaret | Kathryn Miller |

Play Had Long Run

"Life with Father" is the well-known story of the Day family, written by one of the sons, Clarence Day. The stage version was written by Howard Lindsay and Russell Crouse. The play opened on Broadway in 1939 and enjoyed one of the longest runs of any production.

The temperament of the Days coincides well with their red hair. Although Father rules the house with an iron hand, it is usually Mother who in her own quiet way is triumphant.

Stage Managers Chosen

Tryouts for the production were concluded Wednesday afternoon. Rehearsals are scheduled to begin next Monday and will continue four nights each week. Stage managers will be Leonard Buxton, Ronald Schlossburg and Howard Platzker.

Last fall the Domino Club presented "All My Sons." Its spring production was "Joanne of Loraine."

'53 Class Inducted In Chapel Service

The Class of 1953 was officially inducted by Albright College during the chapel service last Tuesday, October 18.

The Rev. Eugene H. Barth opened the ceremony by giving the invocation, after which President Harry V. Masters and Robert White, Student Council head, welcomed the freshmen into the life of the college. President Masters spoke on behalf of the administration and faculty, and White on behalf of the student body. Both speakers complimented the freshmen on the assets which they have demonstrated thus far and on their spirit. They expressed the hope that they may continue throughout the college careers of the freshmen.

Following these addresses Mr. Newton S. Danford presented the class to the college. Dean George W. Walton, in giving the charge to the class, said that it was his desire that the freshmen would be like the man in Rudyard Kipling's "Explorer," who, although he was settled peacefully and happily, always kept hearing a voice challenging him to go on and on.

Donald Bauman, freshman class president, accepted this charge and thanked Terry Connor and his orientation committee for everything which they had done for the class. At the conclusion of the program White, substituting for Connor, announced the official ending of frosh customs. All the freshmen cheered Albright and went through traditional tossing of their red and white frosh hats into the air. The program closed with the singing of the Alma Mater.

Albright to Host N.S.A. Convention For Second Year

Gentile To Head Campus Committee

For the second successive year, Albright College has gained the honor of being host to the Pennsylvania Regional Convention of the National Student Association, announced Doris Chanin, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Region. The convention will be held from Friday to Sunday, December 16 to 18.

The decision to hold the regional convention at Albright was made at an executive meeting of the regional officers, held at the University of Pennsylvania on October 8 and 9.

Members of the Albright N.S.A. committee which will make plans for the regional convention are Miss Chanin, Robert White, Joyce Thompson, Kathleen Guenther, Jay Shenk, David Roland, Beverly Bresler, Marilyn Himmelstein, Vince Gentile, Barbara Wrisley and Dean Hoffman.

Delegates to the convention will be housed at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel, which will give special rates to the delegates. Len Van Driel, Albright chef, has also expressed his willingness to help. He will provide meals from Friday to Sunday.

Following the resignation of Miss Chanin as chairman of Albright's N.S.A. committee, Gentile was appointed to that post. Miss Chanin told The Albrightian that her duties as regional vice-president have made it impossible for her to adequately fill the post of Albright's N.S.A. chairman.

14 Students Gain Posts on Staff Of 'Albrightian'

Fourteen students, most of them freshmen, have been added to the staff of The Albrightian, Robert Hoffman, editor-in-chief, announced yesterday. During the first few weeks of the school year students were given trials by the departmental editors to determine their journalistic ability.

Half of the new staff members are reporters. Except for Mary Swartz, a junior, the entire group is comprised of freshmen. They are Helena Auer, who wrote for the Wilson High newspaper; Phoebe Hunter, former editor of the Mannheim Boro High School publication; Nancy Neatock, editor of a page in the Shillington High paper; Annabel Sanders, who formerly reported for The Red and Black, Reading High weekly; Patricia Schearer, another former Red and Black reporter; and Miriam Worley, who edited the Mohnton High Panther.

Sophomore Thomas Falin and five freshmen women have been appointed to the feature staff. The freshmen are Deone Dupre, who was an editorial writer for the Wilson High paper; Pat Miller, former school newspaper columnist; Mary Phillips, an associate editor at Mt. Penn High School; Irene Saylor, associate editor of the Kutztown High paper; and Nancy Young, who was an associate editor on the Wrightsville High paper.

Carol Kreeker, who formerly wrote for the Red Lion and William Penn (Harrisburg) High School papers, is the lone addition to the sports staff.

Homecoming Events Include Banquets, Game, and Dance In Honor of Past Graduates

The alumni banquet, football game with Franklin and Marshall and a reception by President and Mrs. Harry V. Masters will highlight Albright's annual Homecoming Day tomorrow, Mr. Lester L. Stabler, Director of Public Relations, has announced. A special feature will be the first presentation of Alumni Citation Awards.

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Dance Scheduled

An organ recital will be presented in the School of Theology Chapel at 7:15 p. m. The final activity on the Homecoming calendar is a Homecoming Dance in Union Hall at 8:30 p. m.

Top Rating Given College Newspaper

For the first time in its history, The Albrightian has won a first class rating of "excellent" in the All-American Critical Service for college newspapers, conducted by the Associated Collegiate Press. The award was given for the issues published in the spring semester of the 1948-49 school year, at which time Mary Fry was editor-in-chief.

Approximately 235 college and university newspapers were studied by the judging committee. General items considered in the judging were news values and sources; news writing and editing; headlines, typography and makeup; and sports and feature pages and special features. In none of the individual divisions did The Albrightian receive a rating less than "very good."

At the same time that The Albrightian was notified of its rating, the publication received a detailed judges' scorebook from the A.C.P. This critical report will be used by the present staff as an aid to improving the publication.

The Albrightian received a second class rating last spring for the issues published during the fall semester of 1948-49. This was the first time that the publication was entered in the A.C.P. competition, the only one of its kind in the field. Last spring's judging was the 41st given by the A.C.P.

Albright U.W.F. Group To Organize On Monday

Harry Hart and Darlington Hoopes, co-chairmen of Albright's United World Federalists group, have announced that an organizational meeting will be held Monday, October 24, at 4 o'clock in Room 103 of the Administration Building. At this time plans for the year's activities will be made. Interested students are invited to attend.

The secretary of the U.W.F. is June Chrisman. Ronald Crocroft is treasurer.

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Women's Senate Plans Three Special Events

Plans for the special events which the Women's Student Senate will sponsor this year are being made by the organization.

The annual Sadie Hawkins' Day is scheduled for Thursday, November 17. A Christmas party will be held on Friday, December 9. Career conferences for the entire college are planned for Thursday, February 16. Charlotte Winner, Ruth Tyson, Ruth Bray and Barbara Miller will work with Dean Ruth E. Williams to plan this affair.

Christmas cards will be sold by the Senate to help support Marietje T'Hoën, adopted French war orphan.

Sophomores to Hold Dance in Union Hall

All sophomores are encouraged to attend the class dance in Union Hall on Saturday, October 29, from 8:30 to 11:30 p. m. Sophs and their dates are to wear dressy informal attire.

The committee in charge has advised the fellows that no corsages are necessary. They guarantee that the refreshments will be refreshing.

Carleton Smith to Present Lectures and Flute Concert

Six classroom lectures, a flute concert, and a talk to the campus Y groups will highlight the visit to Albright of Dr. Carleton Sprague Smith, historian, librarian, musicologist and flutist, next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Details of his visit have been announced by Prof. Ellery B. Haskell, chairman of the Cultural Program Committee.

Doctor Smith will speak to the Business Administration 14 class at 11:10 a. m. on Monday, October 24. He will discuss "Brazil—Colossus of the South." At 3:30 p. m. Monday afternoon he will confer with the library staff.

The Spanish 9 students will hear a talk by Doctor Smith in Spanish about "The Development of Music in Latin America" at 8:10 a. m. on Tuesday, October 25. At 9:10 Doctor Smith will address the Spanish 3 students in Spanish on the theme of "Latin American Politics." He will lecture on the same subject to the History 9 class at 10:10 a. m. and to the Political Science 5 class at 1:10 p. m.

Doctor Smith will present a flute concert in chapel at 11:10 a. m. on Tuesday. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Ella Leshner. At 7:30 p. m. that evening he will speak on "Europe Today" in the Chapel under the auspices of the Y groups.

History 3 students will hear a talk on "Europe Today" at 8:10 a. m. on Wednesday, October 26.



DR. C. S. SMITH

Doctor Smith's visit will conclude with a conference in the Alumni Room of the Library from 9:10 to 12 o'clock, which will be open to the Library Committee, Library Staff and all faculty members who are interested.



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Albright Is Yours

Albright College is yours for this weekend. Alumni. Facilities, campus sites, and all that goes with the tangible and intangible assets of your Alma Mater are yours lock-stock-and-barrel. We hope that you will enjoy the festivities planned especially for your return to Albright. The friendly welcome mat is out, and the Lion beckons enter, from north, south, east, and west. We're proud to have you again.

The buildings, grounds, equipment, in fact, most of the "million dollar" physical plant you will probably find improved or enlarged since that day of graduation or that last visit. Even some of the professors are new to you, and of course the student body. Nevertheless, some things are and should remain the same throughout the years of change. Those things are: Albright spirit, sentiment, loyalty, and support, plus a vision for a greater college in the future. Notice them and feel them while on your stay at the campus.

We're Out to Win

Tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Lion Stadium Albright alumni, students, and homecoming guests will be treated to a grid contest with Franklin and Marshall, which should prove to be a heated tussle between two evenly matched football combines who have tied each other in their last two meetings. Eddie Gulian and squad hope to drive through to victory. Two other groups of loyal and enthusiastic Albrightians will be entertaining the crowd during the game and especially at half-time ceremonies. We're speaking of Albright's talented marching band and newly chosen cheerleaders.

The band and cheerleaders are a vital part at all our gridiron frays with marches, pepsongs and yells, although their work is seldom fully appreciated and applauded. Only the products of hours of practice are seen at the field. The student body and visitors can best show their thanks on Saturday by cooperating in singing and cheering the team to victory.



"Tell them it's the sorority house, they'll make better time."

The Little Fisherman

Recently there have been quite a few articles dealing with the frustrations and failures of the American woman. Personally, I feel this to be nearly as criminal an action as belonging to a liberal veterans organization, instead of the good old, solid, forty-eight-star-spangled American Legion. Every true, free-from-an-alien-thought American should know that the American woman is an institution above all criticism. (Could the Reader's Digest have switched to the Party Line?)

For some first-hand information, it is the author's pleasure to invite one of these charming creatures in this column today in order to observe closely the bulwark of American charm, thought, etc., etc. Our guest is Miss Wanna Lots, a graduate of the University of Ichabod. Wanna has consented to step down from her pedestal for the day in order to make this interview possible. She is dressed in utter simplicity and practicality. Her dress has no back, little front, and is almost transparent, showing her sincere efforts to be an economical working girl. Her shoes have a height for her job as head of the filing department of an insurance firm, since they enable her to move about quickly and gracefully. As our interview took place in the morning (Wanna had some sick leave still unused), she had applied enough makeup to last for the rest of the day, and possibly to lend some to another girl. But why take time out for appearance? Beauty is only skin deep, and the American girl is the first one to realize this fact. Moreover, Wanna informed me that her fiance looked exactly like Pegory Greek, the movie star, which was fortunate, since she could only marry a man who looked into her eyes the same way Pegory did.

Wanna was very enthusiastic on the subject of matrimony. She had figured out how she and Alaric could start marriage with very little—not more than twenty thousand dollars, but "an awful lot of love". Her eyes gleamed when she mentioned Alaric. Yes, Alaric needed her so. He needed a girl who would some day be head of the Miranda Bridge club, or program director of the Mandolin and Canoe club. He needed someone who could cook him a good, warm meal from a can of Quickie Corned Beef Hash. The poor boy was so helpless without her! "As for myself," smiled Wanna, "I don't want anything. All I want is to be near Alaric, have him scratch my back every night, quit my job, get a new television set and a raise every two weeks or so, and, and an—oh, can't you just see how happy we'll be? Of course," she added, "while I'm running for president of the Mandolin and Canoe club, I'll push Alaric for president of the Jairus Manufacturing Association!"

How altruistic, how understanding, and above all, what a sense of "Zeitgeist" as the Germans call it! A girl like Wanna certainly benefitted by her college education and four years of cheerleading. How could any one doubt the American woman for merely a second after talking to Wanna! I could not get over the amount of depth and character I found in this innocent young flower of womanhood. Lucky Alaric!

It had gotten late. I thanked Wanna for giving me some of her time so freely, and in parting jokingly asked, "And now I suppose you are going home to get ready to go out with Alaric?" She smiled at me (I shall never forget that smile—so warm, natural and big that her jaws locked for a few seconds) and raising her eyebrows in slow motion, she replied, "Oh, not tonight. Alaric is working, so Joe will come over for a while to watch television. But of course he'll only be over to the house after eleven. Why don't you come over until then?" Thinking her profusely, I opened the door of The Albrightian office and locked it behind dear Wanna.

Now who can still say that there is something wrong with the American woman? Speak up you Red, wherever you are. I shall defend you, Wanna, while you are climbing back on your pedestal with your purse and membership cards. W.W.A.



After enjoying (?) the first few weeks of haphazardly scribbling lecture notes, the time is nearing when we must begin translating them. The General Biology and Science fundamentals classes have already struggled through their first tests. Cheer up, fellows. You have the whole weekend to sleep off the effects of benzedrene and No Dose tablets.

Biologically Speaking

If you notice any science students staggering out of the hall-on-the-hill, it may not be that they are still "loaded" with information from that field trip to Barbey's. They are probably biology majors, suffering from "spinning parameciumites." Howard Platzker, the first affected, watched those tiny creatures whirling across his microscopic field until his eyeballs caught the rhythm. Prof. Hollenbach believes that a paramcium would make a wonderful pet if it were only larger. Remember, Prof, we don't all have new Studebakers with which to chase them.

Will someone with a Junior Detective badge please report to the anatomy lab to solve the mystery of the missing pancreatic duct of the dogfish shark?

Chemical Equilibrium

Have any of you freshmen wandered into the organic lab (the room with the props for a Frankenstein movie)? They hope to obtain a few drops of ethylene from that complicated apparatus. (I don't know which end.) Don't be surprised if you find a few juniors in your lab, frosh. Drifting across the hall is a rumor that they are supposed to teach you how to bend glass. There have already been several casualties (especially from broken glass). Let's be more careful before we start the more dangerous experiments. After all, chem lab is hardly the place to "boost" your school.



"Hi there!" She's never to busy to greet you with her ever-ready smile backed up by a happy disposition. And she's got the kind of big brown eyes that you read about in all the best sellers. More description? Well, she's tall and slim and has a laugh which can be recognized with little difficulty; there's nothing on campus like it. Who? Cleta Rein, that's who.

Cleta is one of those people who makes you wonder how she ever gets all her work done and at the same time attends all the meetings she's supposed to. Now on Monday night there's Dorm Council, for which organization she occupies the prexy's chair. After Dorm Council, Dandy Rein presides at the Phi Beta Mu meeting. Tuesday night it's a meeting of the Cue staff, and Cleta's associate editor. Wednesday is the day for meetings of The Albrightian staff and the Women's Student Senate, and on Thursday, she represents the Mus at Student Council. As if all this weren't enough, she is a member of W.A.A. and manages the girls' basketball team during the winter months. And another little matter—she's a psych major and a sociology minor.

The nice part of it is, Cleta has time for other interests, those in particular being camping, hiking, and the great outdoors in general. And a lot of you boarding students probably know how well she loves to eat. It may sound weird, but she's just crazy about all kinds of frozen foods. Incidentally, one of her pet peeves is having her name misspelled. No wonder; someone once got confused and penned it "Clits".

As to the future, Cleta has summed it up in one line, "... working to put Bob through grad school." She was joking when she said it but we can't think of a more worthwhile future. Cleta has our every best wish.

Home Ec Notes

With twenty-one freshmen entering the fold of the Home Ec department, the initiation meeting of Heo was held in Selwyn Parlor instead of cozy Sherman Cottage. The girls entered the candlelit room and listened to the code of the club. Corsages of baby pompoms were presented to each girl and she was requested to wear the ribbon for a week. There were two exciting moments during the ceremony—one when a startling knock was heard and the vivacious spirit of home economics, Ginny Kitzmuller, tripped into the room. The other occurred when a flaming candle dropped from its holder and our borrowed table cloth was in peril for a split-second. Tea and brownies were then enjoyed by all, including wandering males who strolled by the kitchen.

In Stitches

If you happen to look into the sewing lab don't be alarmed at the muslin jackets the juniors are modeling. It's not a new fad, but a preliminary step to making a wool suit. The juniors are also making their debut on the model kitchen platform. Their first task was to describe a piece of kitchen equipment without showing it to the audience. Everything progressed smoothly until the audience got the giggles.

The doors of Sherman Cottage are opened and Beverly Morgan, Janet Coombs, and Ethel Hill are preparing to move in for their home management training. Tending the baby, cleaning, cooking, marketing, washing, and attending class will bulge their schedule. How busy can one girl be?

Idle Talk?

To whom it may concern: this article is made up entirely of idle talk . . . if you don't believe it, just read it.

According to a research project which was conducted by Dr. Milton Geil's general psychology class, it was found that talk is cheap and plentiful around the campus. Some of the topics ranking high on the list of discussions were: studies, sports, women, off campus activities, religion and dates. One thing the survey didn't show was who talks more—men or women. How about making that your next project, Dr. Geil? It should prove interesting.

On a close observation of daily responses, it was found that women and dates are the main topics of discussion twice as much on Wednesday and Friday as on Monday. Significant? Also religion does not enter into conversation as a subject on Friday. Quite significant! College studies hold the high spot each day except Friday when it descends into second place as a subject of discussion.

As for total responses, it was found that studies ranked first, with college sports a close second, and outside sports, baseball in particular, in third place. Women, again a major discussion, ties with entertainment and amusements for fourth place, which only goes to prove:

A woman should not struggle so To outtalk her mate, Because statistics clearly show That if she'll only wait, She'll outlive him, most emphatically And have the last word automatically.

