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objective of teaching expression in all classes and activities whether or not the main purpose of a course relates to expression. One of the best ways to achieve mastery is to establish a climate of willingness or even eagerness to accept criticism or corrections. For example, I remember that many years ago I invited a history class that I was teaching to mention to me any mispronunciation or poor usage which they might notice as I taught my class. One young lady mentioned that I was mispronouncing the word "columnist". I thanked her for correcting me and have been pronouncing it correctly since that time. Incidentally, she received an "A" in the course.

At the same time, I suggest that as well as seeking perfection and developing a strong desire to get things right, we avoid being smug

or intolerant of the individual who has difficulty achieving clarity of expression. Even the best of us make mistakes. I have heard speakers use incorrect expression while developing a theme somewhat comparable to the one I am attempting here. There may be poor usage in this column. I know of a great state university where the preferred pronunciation of the word "research" is not used. Everyone from this university with whom I have talked, from graduate students to professors and deans, has used the second pronunciation. One would expect that the pronunciation given preference by the dictionary would be used. I mention this to emphasize the point that while we can seek perfection with great intensity we should understand that perfection in this area is not easily come by. To take a point of view other than this defeats the purpose and makes it more difficult for us to accept correction and to cooperatively seek to help each other reach it.

PARKING

The cooperation of students in the matter of parking has improved greatly. If this cooperation continues, it will be possible to continue to permit students to use that part of the oval designated for their use. A few students still seem to want to park in the space reserved for visitors. These few, however, can be handled individually by imposing substantial fines. Students have also cooperated with the requirements of the Alpena Power Company in providing space for them for stringing additional power lines. I am told by power company officials that this will be completed in about a week or ten

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days. As soon as this is done, the no parking signs in the parking lot will be removed and students may again park up to the curb.

CROSS
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pena their second loss of the season, by beating the Jacks 15-50. Gerald Marenkewicz, Gary Lee, and Larry Stillwell were the top runners for the Alpena squad. Flint displayed a balance of power as they took most of the top finishing places.

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Northwestern College of Tra-

verse City traveled to Alpena last Tuesday and dealt the ACC cross country their third loss of the season. Paul Steusel of Northwestern ran the fairways of the Alpena Golf Course in a record breaking time of 14 minutes, 56 seconds. Northwestern took first, third, fifth, seventh, and ninth place finishes as they defeated the Lumberjacks 31-25. Gerald Marenkewicz finished first for the Alpena squad and second in the match running the course in 15:15. Larry Stillwell finished fourth and Gary Lee finished sixth for Alpena.

This was the final home contest of the year and the final conference meet for coach Jim Dutcher and his men. Next Saturday Alpena will make the long trip to Muskegon to participate in the state meet. Alpena's record stands at two wins and three loses.

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On October 10, the cross-country team came back on the winning trail by capturing a first place win in a triangular meet held at Bay City. Led by Gerald Marenkewicz' first place finish, Alpena defeated Delta College and Henry Ford Junior College of Dearborn by a very close margin. Alpena had 41 points while Henry Ford had 45, and Delta, 47. Gary Lee finished a strong fourth, and Larry Stillwell came in fifth.—Dave McNeill

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