

NEW COURSE

CHILDREN'S LITERATURE CLASS

Because of student interest, a new course is to be proposed to the Curriculum Review Committee for the spring semester of 1973. This course is to be called Children's Literature, and will be a one semester course, worth three credit hours, and taught by Mrs. Maxine Coombs.

No requirements will be necessary for this new course; however, it is one of the requirements for an elementary education course, and will count toward that end.

In addition to being in itself a requirement for elementary education, Children's Literature is also a "must" for anyone interested in psychology, social work, or those planning to be parents some day. This course will be beneficial in these areas, because it will attempt to cover the following:

*terms analyzing children's literature as to what response it is intended to create in children.

S.A.O. CALENDAR

Concerts of the past.....

"Butch Whacks and the Glass Packs", October 31, at Alpena High School; brought the roof down in an outstanding concert of the fifties. The audience, which rose to 750 people after the intermission, thoroughly enjoyed the concert. Mr. Albritten is looking into the possibility of having the group play again in the future at A.C.C.

Concerts to come.....

"Who Killed J.F.K.?" on November 27, at the A.H.S. auditorium at 8:00 p.m. This presentation brings up many of the questions that have been asked in the last decade concerning this matter.

Gerry Grossman, "135 Pounds of Sheer Terror," will be presented at 8:00 p.m. on December 11, at A.H.S. auditorium. Grossman, a singer-guitarist-comic, is continually called upon to defend his claim that he can perform ninety-five percent of all pop songs recorded since 1955!

Movies.....

The series of movies will continue to the end of the semester with the following films:

"Sacco and Vanzetti", November 29 - December 1.

"Superman", December 6 - 8.

"Super Fly", December 13 - 15.

The movies are held in the "CAVE" at the Student Center. The show times will be posted and also listed in the "Log" and "Splinter."

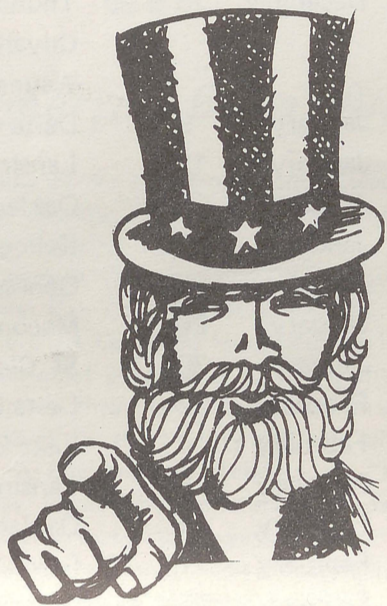
*various ways to present children's literature (with reference to Dr. Suess and other popular children's writers).

*research on why children read what they read.

*study of the illustrations and artwork within children's books that most distract and attracts them.

When asked his opinion of this new course, Mr. Terry Quinn, an English teacher who is involved with the planning of Children's Literature, responded,

"One of the values of this course is that in looking at children's literature, you can learn a lot about children's maturity levels and what their interest areas are."



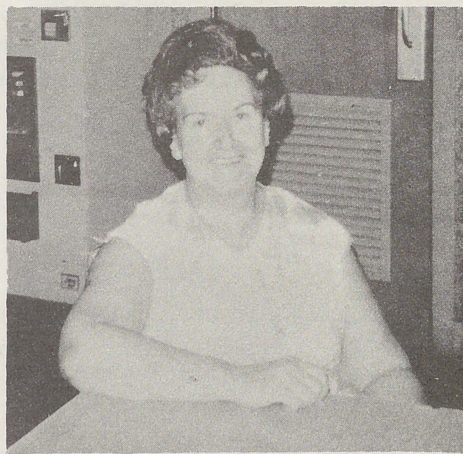
Bookstore Reminds Students

As students know, or will know very soon, exam week is just around the corner.

Along with all the finals that week, students also have the added problem of returning books from the first semester and picking up new books for second semester. To make things easier and eliminate some of this confusion the bookstore would like to make a suggestion that pertains to each student during this time.

Books from first semester can be sold back during exam week only, after that time students must wait until the end of the year to sell back their books.

This is very important because the bookstore needs to have the books back from first semester for inventory and because those returned books will give students a larger supply to choose from for second semester. Also there is just too much confusion for the bookstore as it is with selling books to be taking books in at the same time.



Margaret Amlotte

This year at A.C.C. we have in our presence two Assistant Head Custodians. You might want to know what is so highly irregular about that. Well, the fact of the matter is that they are women!

It seems that women's lib has hit Alpena, Michigan in another phase. I had the pleasure of interviewing Margaret Amlotte, the Assistant Head Custodian at Van Lare Hall and the Fisheries Building. Margaret describes her attainment of her present job as a very simple task. She previously was a cleaning lady, then she bid for the job along with another man and because of her seniority, Margaret got the job.

Previous to this job, Margaret had never filled a man's position in society. Although this is the case, Margaret admits that she had done work just as hard before. Margaret has been a cleaning lady for 8 years, 4 years at A.H.S., and 4 years at T.B.J.H.S. This year is her 9th. year in the Custodial Profession. She started work this year October 5th., and was on a thirty-day probation.

Some of the unusual tasks of the job are cleaning out the men's human excretion room. One time she accidentally shut off the lights and a poor male was left in the dark. She has all the responsibilities of a male custodian; locking up buildings, changing lights, waxing floors, removing ashes from the incinerator, etc.

Margaret feels that she has been discriminated to some extent, but would not release any specific information. She said and I quote,

"I know now what it's like for a Black person to adjust in a 'White Society'."

Margaret gets the same wage a man gets in the same position, and has 5 custodial aides (student work study students), which have on an average of 8.5 hours a week each.

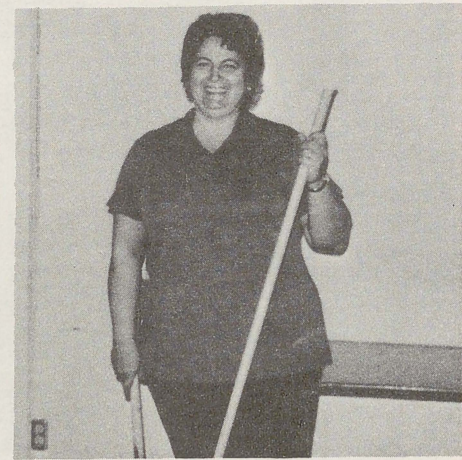
Margaret comments that she likes working at the college better than at A.H.S. and that the work is no more demanding.

She said things were rough in the beginning, being that she was new at the job and got little help from anyone. Surprisingly so, the students did not seem to notice the change in face but are much more friendly than students at previous work. As long as Margaret does not get fired or decides to change jobs, she will be a welcome and familiar face at A.C.C. and all the male chauvinists will have to sit back and eat their hearts out!

Studying is Dangerous!

(CPS/ZNS)--Warning to College students: Cramming for exams may be hazardous to your health, according to a study by medical students at Volgograd in the Soviet Union.

The medics measured the pulse rates and electrocardiograms of students who were ill-prepared for their tests and found the pulse rates of students who had



Betty Mischeley

Students find it hard enough to pick up after themselves, but imagine having to clean up after 160 students!

Betty Mischeley, Assistant Custodian at Alpena Community College and Head Custodian at Russell Wilson Hall, has this job. The position of head custodian in the past was always held by men. Mrs. Mischeley is one of two ladies who now hold such positions at A.C.C. When asked if she thought she was discriminated against, she replied, "That she had no reason to feel that she was."

Mrs. Mischeley has been an employee of the Alpena Public School System for ten years, and has worked all ten of those years at A.C.C. In working at the college, many unusual and interesting incidents have occurred. One such event was the touching-up of various walls in the dorm in which tape used on the walls had peeled some of the paint off. A work-study student was assigned to the job and told to touch up the walls with the same color of paint as the walls were already. After the paint job of yellow spots on green walls and green spots on yellow walls, it was found that that student was color-blind!

An embarrassing moment occurred while Betty and some work-study students were waxing one of the floors in the dorm. An unsuspecting male resident stepped out of the shower and, within a few seconds, was out in a freezing hall with some help from his friends!

Along with this full-time job, she is a mother of six, and a grandmother of four. She views the job as pleasant because of the kids and also likes to watch the fads of the students. However, she does find a few situations somewhat awkward, such as leaky toilets that demand repair.

Along with Mrs. Mischeley, there is one other lady custodian and a few work study students to assist her with her job at the dorm, which she calls "one big happy family."

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crammed were raised to levels of up to 180 beats a minute, and that intense nervous strain persisted through the exam and for a long time after.

The study concluded that too much cramming for exams might actually shorten a student's life!