

# Bike Hike Provides Thrills For All

Thrills, spills and plenty of good food highlighted M's bike hike last Saturday.

Starting at Sam's Bicycle Shop on the Scottsville Rd., about 35 or 40 ambitious students spent most of the afternoon peddling very laboriously against a back-breaking wind. Their efforts were rewarded on the return trip, however, when they had the wind at their backs and could coast part way.

Bill Leadbeter provided the thrill of the afternoon by getting five fellows on one bike. The other daredevils were Ken French, Jim Underwood, Art Hertz and one other who wished to remain anonymous.

Miggs Austin and Ed Howden returned with a few bumps and bruises that resulted when their bikes came together.

A glimpse into the "gay nineties" was provided by Harry Buss and Lois Atchison when they turned up astride a "bicycle built for two."

Miggs Austin, who left us Sunday, made quite a picture collection to help her remember all her friends here.

# Art School Holds Spring Sketch Trip To Seneca Park

Annual spring sketch trip of the art school was held Tuesday at Seneca Park. Students and all their painting equipment were scattered throughout the park putting down on canvas the lake, spring foliage and other interesting scenes.

Co-chairmen for the food committee were Joanne DeVolder and Shirley Bennett, Ruth Gage, Frances Nolin, Rosemary Young, Wilma Potter, James Steg, Edward Sangiacomo, John Perkins and Roe Zimmerman.

On the collection committee were Richard Andre, Freshmen; Margaret Taylor, Juniors; and Oscar Anderson, Seniors.

The food students provided the supper which consisted of hotis, rolls, coffee, cola-cola, potato chips, cookies, etc.

Following the hike the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kinnear, had a small get-together at their home on Nunda Blvd.

Last reports showed that there were only two bikes missing and but only one or two bent pedals.

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## Prices Reduced For Concert Tickets

For the forthcoming twentieth anniversary season, the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra has arranged a plan aimed at solving the financial problem confronting the student who likes good music. As you know the seats for concerts normally cost from \$12.10 to \$18.75, for the series. The management has, however, arranged that choice seats for the entire series of 12 concerts be sold to students for \$6.60, including tax.

In order to meet the student problem of raising the necessary funds the management of the Eastman theater will provide individual glass banks in which such purchasers may save that amount between now and next October 15.

This is an unequalled opportunity to hear one of America's great Orchestras . . . conducted by Jose Iturbi and Guy Fraser Harrison . . . in 12 concerts with such fine soloists as Lauritz Melchior, Dorothy Maynor, the Argentinian Dancers, Arthur Rubenstein and Jose Iturbi. The price per concert is approximately that of a motion picture show.

Interested students may obtain added information from Bill Toporcer at Clark Union.

## Camera Club Enjoys "Photographic Pilgrim"

The Camera Club enjoyed listening to "The Progress of a Photographic Pilgrim," as presented by the guest speaker, Mr. Hillary G. Bailey of the Agfa Ansco Company, Thursday, May 21.

Bailey's talk was so well received that he was called back to the platform to supplement his words of wisdom.

Never before in the past five years, according to Mr. Charles Savage, instructor in the Photo-Tech Department, has a Camera Club audience been so enthused.

## Braico-Crabtree Engagement

Dan Cupid found his mark once again in the Photo-Tech department when Boyd Crabtree and Mary Jane Braico became engaged on May 24.

When the Psimar reporter asked Boyd what spurred the action at this particular time, Boyd's only

## Etaoin Shrdlu (Pi) Club Gives Banquet To Their Seniors

Monday night the Printers had their fifth annual banquet in the Garden Room of the Hotel Rochester. This banquet was particularly enjoyed by the senior class, since, as is customary, the freshman class footed the bill.

Guests at the banquet were the Printing Department's good friends Walter Moffit of ATF and Larry DeVito of Fine Papers, Inc. Three alumni were also able to attend: Frank Kovarik, Avery Piersons and Robert Ripple.

Despite the absence of retiring President Bob Marshall, who was reported to be in Buffalo taking one of the Army's more thorough tests, the banquet was quite a success. Faculty Adviser Joseph F. Sorace made awards to outgoing officers, and with members of the faculty and factotum Al Shartan, gave the students words of warning, most of which seem to have been forgotten by the time the party reached the main floor of the hotel.

Entertainment was furnished by the students of Michael Vastola, and they did a darned fine job, which was appreciated by everybody.

The outgoing officers were replaced by those incoming: Bob Marshall, President, was replaced by Jack Hanna; Harold Penner, Vice-President, by Bill Leadbeter; John Wellenhofer, Secretary, by Ed Howden; Jacob Muha, Treasurer, by Neil Preston; and Val Vigna inherited the thankless, but honorable, job of being editor of the Typographer.

Despite the fact that there was but one cup of coffee per person, the banquet in all probability was one of the department's better ones, judging from the remarks made the next day.

Our memory depends upon the extension of our interest and attention to the subject—we forget simply because we do not want to remember.

replay was "I love her."

Boyd intends to join the Coast Guard in Salt Lake City in June. The marriage is tentatively planned for three years hence.

Best wishes to you, Boyd and Mary Jane, on behalf of the Psimar.

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## Fourth Estate Gathers at the Festive Board

Members of the Psimar staff gathered in the Project Dining Room of the Institute Cafeteria for their annual banquet this evening at 6:30.

After the dinner served by Miss Martha Thurber's senior class in serving Editor Shirley and Toastmaster Bruce made short but appropriate remarks and saw to it that everyone knew everyone else.

Entertainment was furnished by the Lorraine F. Albert Dance Studio of 104 East Avenue.

Charles Colton, attorney, associated for many years with the Boston Transcript, was the speaker of the evening.

Guests invited by the staff to attend their banquet were: President and Mrs. Mark Ellingson, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Culver, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sorace, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. John Irving and Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeWitt.

Members of the staff invited are listed on page 2.

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## RECAPITULATION

Number 31, Volume 16 of the Psimar is off the presses, and the summing up time is here. The Psimar looks back on some mistakes, some scoops, several exceptionally good, *ahem*, issues, and a couple of better-to-be-forgotten-thumbs-downers.

The staff feels a little cocky about good work done, but looks forward eagerly for another opportunity next fall. Although losing several members, the Psimar has an excellent foundation for next year's staff. New members will be welcomed, and a revised staff system will include two or three assistant editors.

The Psimar staff and editor sincerely appreciate their good fortune in having an adviser who does not restrict or hamper and who is always willing to help and to give a big helping hand when it is needed most.

## APPRECIATION

For the past few years the students in the Publishing and Printing Department have done the mechanical work typesetting, making-up and presswork, necessary to the regular Friday appearance of the Psimar.

The instructors who have supervised the work and frequently done a good bit themselves are Joseph F. Sorace, in charge of type setting and Donald Ritchie, in charge of presswork.

Psimar staff members have all had personal contact with the students and faculty of the printing department and know that their interest in the Psimar has added much to the bare words we have furnished in the way of copy.

And so to the Department of Publishing and Printing and to its students and faculty, we the Psimar say, "Thanks a lot."

The complete Psimar banquet program is reprinted herewith. If you want your Psimar without the banquet program or the program without the Psimar just cut on the undotted line.

A good driver is a fellow who can stop so that his guest in the rumble seat is looking the toll collector right in the eye.

## State of the Union

Well everything is pretty well finish-up-go-home over at the Union. We do have something new to report, however, there is a brand span new mail box on our front porch. It does everything but whistle when there is a letter in it.

Next week Rose and Bill will be in the throes of taking inventory, and putting away the drapes and things over the summer.

Literary note: Toporcer tells us that in addition to the bound copy of volu-um 16 of the Psimar, there is an extra set complete for the year.

The feminine touch was in evidence Monday night as the Frat brothers indulged in some post-meeting bridge with our dainty little midget decks.

The Loony Bin Department: In a fast and furious challenge game which began quite normally and deteriorated to early steamboating melodrama (Desmond you [one word censored here] dog) and from thence to strange tongues and accents, well-sprinkled with such epithets as Carramba! and Dogs! Thieves!, Toporcer beat Johns and is now in second place on the challenge board. The culminating move was heralded by Toporcer saying "Zis is zee attack-kk!" But seriously though, chess has had a surprisingly large following this year, between #5 and 90 challenge matches having been played since the establishment of the challenge board in February.

## People of the Week

Ray Greenberg, who had his portable phonograph and records around for a while thus saving wear and tear on our machine.

Bill Toporcer who went down to see the Canteen Company about the machine and lo and behold three checks immediately arrived. Maybe he used to work for a finance company, huh?



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## Droopsnoot the Dick

Droopy hasn't got much to report this week on a count of he's spent all his time mourning about having to go on his vacation. Dr. What's Up? Always makes him go to Elbow Beach because it's so healthful there, and he hates it (Droopy hates it, that is). Also he's reluctant to go away from C.U. and have the cobwebs move in. Of course there's always the chance that the place will pick up a ghost during the summer, and Droopy can unhaunt it next fall.

However, there is one thing Droopy would like to figure out before he leaves for Elbow Beach, and that is just who was that lady who came in here the other day accompanied by a juvenile contingent of three small children, looked at the pictures on the wall and went away. Well, Droopy says, "Good Bye until next fall, or better yet, see you at Elbow Beach.

Sigma Kappa Delta  
Plans House Party

The meeting of the Sigma Kappa Delta Sorority, which was held in the Eastman Lounge, was called to order last evening by the president, Dorothy Prudom, at 7:30.

Final plans were made for the houseparty to be held on Edgemere Drive, Decoration Day weekend. The committees include:

Place—Betty McLeod, Virginia Hall.

Food—Marjorie Story, Janet Tunison and Eleanor Bentley.

Financial—Lucille Cady, Bettie Rose.

Work—Shirley Wrape, Pauline Jennejohn.

Chaperones—Lucille Cady, Virginia Riley.

Program—Pauline Jennejohn. Transportation—Mary Carmon.

The chaperones of the houseparty will be Miss Margaret Jameson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Freep, and Mr. Calvin C. Thomason.

The meeting was closed with the singing of "Happy Birthday" to Bettie June Rose.

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## Who ---- Reads Editorials Anyhow?

Right here and now, the editor would like to enter a personal gripe into the record. Has anyone ever considered (with kindness, that is) the plight of the person who writes editorials? I wonder.

First, I happily write what seems to me to be a fairly good editorial. Nothing earth-shaking, but not so bad.

If it concerns a debatable question, I politely give both sides an opportunity to tell me off, which, in my innocence, they usually do. So, I sadly try to rewrite it so that no one will be mad enough to come after me with a little hatchet and whittle me into confetti. Alas, still no one is satisfied, least of all me.

The second time my editorial victim (*who's the victim?*) gets a whiff of the editorial he will smile deceptively and say, "That's fine, but if I were doing it . . ." and proceed to red-pencil (see head) about four-fifths of it. Well, you get the idea.

Haggled and worn, I take my delapidated editorial down to the Printing Lab, where by now no one can decipher it. Gentle swearing floats up on the gentle breeze as I drag myself up the stairs.

Comes Friday. Walking through the Eastman Building and in classrooms all I hear is, "Aw, why don't they write editorials with a little life in 'em?" or "Cheese, but that one's a stinkeroo!" Now I ask you.

Oh, well, who ---- reads editorials anyhow?

Fashion Foibles

Cottons are practically the most important fashion note for summer. Not only as a fashion note but just about all you can get now. They are equally as smart for dress or sport. Many of the newest bathing suits are made of cotton. The most important fact concerning cotton is that you can use any amount of material you wish, where with some of the other materials there are definite regulations.

A new color for summer is apricot linen. It's an unusual and very different shade.

For you girls who want to go without stockings and haven't acquired a tan, try one of the leg make-up lotions. They are quite safer and deceptive in appearance.

Evidently there is going to be a shortage of rubber bathing caps. So Kleinerts is putting out a cotton water-proofed kerchief to tie around our heads.

THE CATS

Seeing as how this is the last issue of the year, we would like to tell you guys and gals that it has been lots of fun doing this column for the past year and we hope that everyone has a nice summer. Good luck to all the Seniors and those fellas who will be joining the Army.

Flash, SCOOP, Fanfare—All that needs be done now between Mary Jane Bralco and Boyd Crabtree, is tying the knot. The engagement will be on the 3-year plan while Boyd takes his turn with the Coast Guard. Isn't it wonderful?

'Tis heard that Hunk Anderson, George Schiller and Ray Russell were canoeing in the Genesee to their day and whoops, they turned over.

Dot Griffiths, Dic Crabtree, Jackie Pfeeger, Bob Wilson, Phil Sydney and Shirley Rupright took

a trip to Watkins Glen in Rup's put-put. There were bets that they wouldn't make it, but they did.

Betty Dawson, retailer of last year and Ralph Tufts, former printer, were married last Saturday and stopped by at the Dorm Sunday nite. They were awfully happy. He's also in the Coast Guard.

The HMM m m m's of this week: Marg Miller and Al Weikel and Jean Woodside and Ray Russell. Ray's been keeping Kent Hall pretty busy.

No one will feel like taking exams next week after Houseparties. All the sororities are having their big blowouts over Memorial weekend.

What's this about Rudner's not opening til 8 a.m. now? ? ? ? ? No coffee and doughnuts before 8 o'clock anymore.

The Psimar staff had a grand banquet last nite, which goes to show that the Psimar is really somethin'. Good food, good fun,—you know.

And now, good bye until next year. Have a good summer.

TOM AND HEP

Rudd-Parkinson Engagement

The engagement of Barbara Rudd '41 to Frederick E. Parkinson has been announced. Miss Rudd is at present the Assistant Dietitian at Mount McGregor Sanatorium near Saratoga Springs, while Mr. Parkinson, whose home is in Iliou, is an enlisted man in the U. S. Navy. The wedding will take place in the near future.

Seniors Prospecting

Here are some of the prospects: Sally Vergo, of the Art School, hopes to find work in the fashion drawing field.

Ruth Thomas, Photo-Tech, intends to start in on color research. Ruth is also interested in amateur movies.

James Cox, Retailer, will soon join the U. S. Army, Quartermaster's Corps.

The Army also beckons Edward Sanguacomo (I'm spelling that from the Student Directory, Eddie) Art School Senior.

Bob Collier, Junior Engineering Draftsman of the Construction Department, is in the U. S. Government service, doing what seems to be a military secret.

Clifford Bull, of the Art School, expects to join either the U. S. Navy or the Coast Guard.

Robert Reuter, Photo-Tech, is going into the Army as an instructor in photographic work.

Joseph Ryan, Electrical, hopes to get going on some plain and fancy electrical engineering and is now sending out feelers to the electrical industries.

Winona Williams, Hospital Dietetics, has a position in the Syracuse Memorial Hospital.

Walt Chase and Frank Rother, Photo-Techs, will go to work for the Defender Photographic Co.

Eleanor Wells, Food Management, would like to get work as the manager of a commercial cafeteria.

Rachel Smith, Retailer, has been engaged by Sibley's, she will be doing fashion work.

Nan Riese, Retailer, will be employed by the J. L. Hudson Co. of Detroit in their interior decoration department.

Droopsnoot the Dick

On the way to the banquet we stopped in to see if Droopy was ready and he wasn't. Boy was he ailing a time, boy was What's Up? having a time.

It was, "What's Up?, did you business my doiby? Quick What's Up, the necktie," and "What's Up?, look on my pents and see does it show where I got caught in the trensom."

Finally, he noticed us standing around trying to get in a word edgewise. "You goin' to the Psimar brawl, too?" "Well confidenshaly, it had me baffled for a while, why they are asking me, but now I know, it's to keep a eye on the silver. You know how them Psimar reporters are. I'm gonna keep a eye on—What's Up?, has my platinum plated magnifyin' gless come back from the cleaners yet?" The good doctor produced same.

Droopy resumed, "Like I was saying, I'm gonna keep a eye on that Mr. DeWitt. He gets anonymus letters and you know what kind people them anonymus letter getters are. Also—What's Up?, where is my other shoe?" So we looked. We looked every where, under the bed, in the bed, in the umbrella stand, in Droopy's filing cabinet, nuttin' doing and time was fleeting. Suddenly Droopy shot out of the kitchenette like Elizav with the

hounes in full pursuit, wrenched open the front door and hauled in his shoe. After enough coaxing to satisfy his modesty, Droopy divulged.

"Well," he said, "I went at it kind of scientific like. First I asked myself, What is missing, then I thought a while, and decided that it was my left shoe. Since this room had already bin searched, I deduced that it must be in the kitchenette and what did I see, when I went in, but the milk bottle on the drain board, now I always put the milk bottle, or a reasonable facsimile of same, outside the door. So I had only to look outside the door and see what I put there instead the bottle.

"Also," Droopy took up the conversation where it had been broken off. "Also I'm gonna keep close watch on that Don Johns and Jack Hanna and see that none of their arguments get beyond the voible stage. They're inclined to get violent, them two. And besides I'm gonna give the Editor a piece of my mind for lettin' them print that stuff about me gittin' stuck in the trensom, it ain't dignified." He ran out of breath and we hustled him out of the house and made a dash for the bingie, already as lite as Crawford's copy, later than Young's.

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## Sororities Elect New Officers; Plan House Parties

New officers are in abundance at MI this week following elections by all four of the sororities.

Several of them also have made plans for the Memorial Day weekend.

Outings will be held at Lake Ontario by the Alpha Psi Sorority June 12, 13, and 14, and Sigma Kappa Delta Sorority today, tomorrow and Sunday.

Delta Omicron and Phi Upsilon Phi will hold Memorial Day houseparties this Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Conesus Lake.

### Phi Upsilon Phi

New officers of the Phi Upsilon Phi Sorority taking office this week are: Dorothy Kitzing, president; Charlotte Lakeman, vice-president; Jean Parker, recording secretary; Tommy Thompson, corresponding secretary; Gladys Luther, treasurer; "Pat" Holmes, social chairman; and Jean Adams, Ruth Watkins and May Ernst, intersorority representatives.

### Alpha Psi

Alpha Psi's newly elected officers are: Irene Ketcham, president; Roberta Robinson, vice-president; Hazel Cleverly and Anita Benedict (her alternate), secretary; Ruth Bown, treasurer; Evelyn Daniels, intersorority representative; and Florence Van Apeldoorn, chaplain and social chairman.

### Delta Omicron

Newly installed officers of the Delta Omicron Sorority are: Doris Kent, president; Evelyn Deal, vice-president; Catherine Yurkiw, secretary; Mary Agnes Barber, corresponding secretary; Evelyn Parker, treasurer; Jane Zogg, social chairman; Janet Jackson and Marie Balian, property managers; Louise Schermerhorn, intersorority representative (alternates Marjorie Peters and Jean West); and Ann Gehan, publicity.

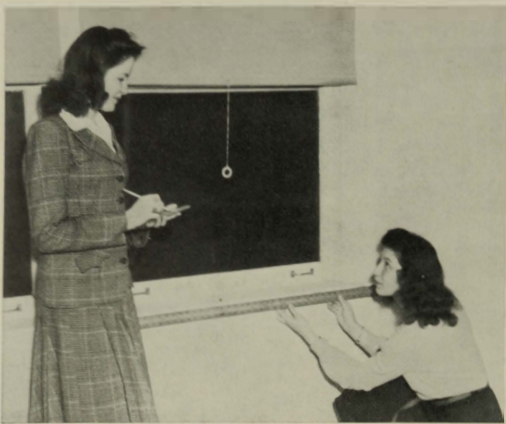
### Sigma Kappa Delta

New officers of the Sigma Kappa Delta Sorority are: M. Story, president; Bettie Rose, vice-president; Betty McLeod, secretary; M. Kleehammer, corresponding secretary; Lucille Cady, treasurer; Doris Davis and Pauline Jennejohn, sergeants-at-arms; Virginia Hall, chaplain; Mary Carmen, reporter; Shirley Wrape and Claire Van Winkle, social co-chairmen, and Janet Tomson and Helen Greeny, intersorority representatives.

### House Parties

The Conesus Lake week-end party for Delta Omicron is being

## DORMITES PREPARE FOR SEPTEMBER MOVING IN



Virginia Burkhardt and Barbara Maulbetsch Measure Windows for Curtains

## Alumni Tennis Team Beaten by Varsity 6-0

Keeping intact its record of having won every individual match this season, the Mechanics Institute tennis team defeated the Alumni netmen, 6-0. Results:

Singles — Henry McIver (M) defeated Norb Willig (A), 6-3, 6-3; Vete Novak (M) defeated Bill Nichols (A), 5-7, 6-1, 7-5; Jim Snow (M) defeated Ray O'Connor (A), 6-4, 6-4; Irv Crawford (M) defeated Bill Wilkinson (A), 7-5, 7-5.

Doubles — Morse-McIver (M) defeated Willig-O'Connor (A), 6-4, 1-6, 6-2; Crawford-Snow (M) defeated Nichols-Wilkinson (A), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

handed by Wilma Steffan, Jane Zogg, Evelyn Deal and Marjorie Peters, food; Elaine Wood and Janet Jackson, transportation; Harriet Thayer, Eleanor Wells and Rose Bordonano, social activities; and Earl Karker and Kenneth O'Brien, faculty. They have a hobo hike and a dance planned for Saturday with a dinner on Sunday to wind up the event.

Phi Upsilon Phi's houseparty at Conesus Lake is being handled by Ruth Siebert, general chairman; Dorothy Kitzing, hotel arrangements; Dot Griffith, chaperones; Rae Smith, Rita Greenwood and Betty Leach, food. Festivities last from Friday evening through Sunday.

The Alpha Psi Sorority has a houseparty planned for June 12, 13 and 14, at Lake Ontario.

The future will develop more adequate people.

The most important part of common sense is to want to learn.

## The Cats

Mr. Beckley will welcome any suggestions on getting his alleged automobile to Brooklyn, (his of home town) what with the gas rationing and stuff.

Was Walt Chase ever confooled the other nite, when he started his car, and it practically went up in smoke? These kiddies and their smoke bombs. Walt was smart tho, he switched off the engine, quick like.

Why does a person want to sleep—because he does not want to get up. The extension of his interest lacks the incentive to register the importance of getting up. There must be that urge to get up to do things worthwhile.

Guests of Sigma Kappa Delta at their house party will be: George Tenny, Robert Gilder, Roy Sills, Robert Appelon, Verne Mayer, Paul Schon, and Robert Horlin.

## ALLEY CATS

Wouldn't you know the only time the whole Psimar staff got together would be when there's food around????? From September to now, we have been writing gossip about all the students of MI, but now let's see if we can't dig up something about YOU.

There are two questions of the Week. Why has Jeanne DeVolder been trotting over to the Printing Lab so frequently?? It isn't all Psimar material, is it???? The other question. Where is Nan tonight. She must of had fun this year with Lorry and his camera. Everywhere that they go, so'd go the camera. For why? For the Psimar.

Rusty Gray's smile has been continuous for the past few weeks. After June, Rusty will no longer be Miss Rusty Gray, but, Mrs. John North. Congrats and lots of them.

Who could have been better suited for the fashion column than Mari-Jane Ansherger? She's forever trying some new fad, and sometimes we of the Art School wonder.

You'd better be looking your smoothest, cuz Ruth June may be painting your portrait under the table. She's good at it too.

Mary Johnson and Ed Howland are the latest additions to the staff. They must have known we were going to have this special dinner.

Neil Preston isn't here tonight as he's attending his sister's wedding. And that Dave Willis, well, he's such a good boy, no one can find any dirt about him. Or, maybe he wants to keep his past a closed Psimar.

What the Psimar do without Mr. DeWitt?? He has been such a wonderful help all thru the year, that we'll have to overlook that smooth picture of him in the Ramokin. Jeppers!!!! Along with that goes thanx from every student at MI to ye ed. She has edited a Psimar far superior to other yearlies and written many fine editorials.

All I can say now is that it has been a grand experience working on the Psimar and I have learned lots of dirt thru writing this column.

BARBARA COE

In the old days, before Gutenberg, all the 8 columns of a newspaper would be of different lengths (just like typewritten lines are now). Nowadays fillers such as this are inserted and all columns come out even.