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Russia Breaks Neutral Pact With Japan

MOSCOW, April 5 (AP)—Russia's denunciation of her neutrality pact with Japan was announced by the Moscow radio at 7 p. m. tonight creating an electric effect throughout the Soviet capital.

Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov handed a note to Japanese Ambassador Naotake Sato saying that the pact had lost its meaning and hence the Soviet government finds it impossible to prolong it.

Blame, accusing Japan of leaving Germany, the denunciation possibly clears the way for a Soviet entry into the Pacific war.

Both Wars Linked

In a strongly-worded note Moscow linked the European and Pacific wars for the first time by declaring Japan had aided Germany and, "in addition, Japan is fighting against the USA and Great Britain, which are allies of the Soviet Union." Moscow broadcast the note.—RUSSIA—Page 4

FDR Appoints Temporary Generals



Named by President Roosevelt to temporary rank of a full general are Gen. JOSEPH T. McNARNEY (left), commanding general of U.S. army forces in Mediterranean theater, and Gen. THOMAS T. HANDY (right), deputy chief of staff of the U.S. army.

Germans Withdraw Into Bavaria, Flee Elbe River As Allies Move Near for Annihilation

PARIS, April 5 (AP)—Enemy withdrawals toward a final stand in Bavaria's mountain fastnesses were reported today as unchecked U.S. armies came within 63 miles of cutting Germany in half, battled 132 miles from Berlin, and broke across the Weser river west of the capital.

'Ike' Foresees Nazi Guerrilla Resistance

WASHINGTON, April 5 (AP)—General Dwight D. Eisenhower, convinced that "a clean cut military surrender" of Germany is not in the cards, foresees a bitter-end fight to wipe out bands of Nazi guerrillas.

"A very large number of troops" will be needed to run down and destroy them," he wrote President Roosevelt in a letter released by the White House today.

"We should be prepared," he said, mentioning moves already planned to prevent bands of Nazis from slipping away to the mountains of southern Germany in a desperate determination to string out the agony of war.

Thus, to the supreme Allied commander, there is no prospect of massed legions of the foe laying down their arms, nor of sudden quiet along the Western front like that of the armistice in 1918.

He mentioned only as secondary possibilities that a German government might surrender and that there suddenly might be in Germany a life-saving "upsurge of popular resentment against the war."

MSC Clocks to Remain On Slow Time While Classes Move Up

Beginning Monday, MSC students will go to class at 7 a. m. central war time. Since this time must remain "college time", faculty members voted last night to move the day up an hour, thus coordinating campus and East Lansing activities.

It has been advised that all students set their clocks ahead one hour Sunday night. They will then live by fast eastern time as East Lansing is doing; the only difference will be that while student watches say 8 a. m., Beaumont will be calling students to class by chiming 7 a. m. and other college clocks will agree.

Faculty members are requested to make the announcement in classes today and Saturday so that no misunderstandings will result.

The U.S. third army was striking across Thuringia's hills and was closest to the capital. One tank column roared due east to within 170 miles of a junction with the Russians and 66 miles from Plauen, while another was 63 miles from Czechoslovakia.

The Germans also were in flight toward the Elbe river—last river barrier 50 miles west of Berlin—after the U. S. ninth army wound up a day of dazzling 28-mile gains by harrying troops and tanks across the Weser river without a single casualty.

Hamelin Avoided

The second armored and the 30th infantry divisions crossed south of folklore's Pied Piper city of Hamelin, 23 miles southwest of Hannover, and began pounding up the Hannover highway.

The British second army after a 25-mile advance likewise reached the Weser, and the two armies held 48 miles of the west bank, with embattled Minden roughly in the center.

The fleeing convoys were hammered by hundreds of Allied warplanes defying the indifferent weather.

Holland Swept

Simultaneously, the Canadian first army shook loose an armored column on a 12-mile tear through Holland that was within 53 miles of an arm of the North Sea.

The battle of annihilation is See—YANKS—Page 4

Theta Sig Elects New Officers

Jeanette Nixon, Royal Oak junior, was elected president of the local Alpha Psi chapter of Theta Sigma Phi, national women's journalism honorary, at the meeting last night, retiring president Rosemary Howland, Detroit senior, announced.

Other officers for the coming year, all of whom are junior majoring in journalism, include: vice-president, Marion Heckel, Detroit; secretary, Janice Hopps, Ypsilanti; treasurer, Dorothy Arrigo, Kenmore, N.Y.; and keeper of the archives, Leone Seastrom, Geneva, Ill.

New officers will be installed at the regular meeting April 19. Officers who will retire at that time, all seniors, are: Miss Howland; vice president, Maggie Minting, Birmingham; secretary, Barbara Dennison, East Lansing; treasurer, Peg Middlemiss, Detroit; and keeper of the archives, Kay Besemer, Belleville.

Formerly known as Matrix, the local group organized nationally a year ago.

TIME TABLE

TODAY—

Pi Alpha, 3 p. m.
 Org. room 1

Spartan Christian Fellowship
 6:30 p. m., Faculty din. room

Alpha Chi Omega, 7 p. m.
 Union ballroom

Today's Campus

Full Speed Ahead

Seen around South Campbell last week were three determined little boys who were collecting scrap paper, and wanted students contributions. A few coeds patriotically scoured their rooms, but the boys were bewildered when many of the women who were passing by got interested in the old magazines that were stacked in the three patriots' wagon. The women parked on and around the wagon and ignored the boys' pleas, until they got tough and informed the coeds, "Move it. Yer holding up defense."

... Pancakes Deluxe

Yes, dormitory food is questionable at times. Times like Wednesday when the coeds at Williams dorm found a hot orange substitute for syrup for the pancake. It was coffee, a mistake, of course. The guilty party, who will never live it down, is Theresa Chiaverini, Detroit senior. Theresa, evidently in a daze, when reprimanded was heard muttering something about fake beer in bedrooms.

BULLETINS

MANILA, April 6 (AP)—Philippines-based heavy bombers attacked the vital waterfront area of Hong Kong across the China sea on Wednesday, dropping 168 tons of bombs which set huge fires and sank nine merchant ships. Two other merchantmen and a destroyer were damaged.

SAM, April 6 (AP)—Marines on the north end of the main line scored advances of 100 to 2,000 yards against stubborn resistance yesterday on the south infantrymen were into increasing Japanese positions. Fleet Adm. Chester Nimitz announced today.

Sigmund Romberg, San Carlo Opera Will Present Concert in April

Highlighting the music program this month are the appearances of three outstanding musical attractions—Lily Pons, the San Carlo Opera company in "Aida," and Sigmund Romberg and his concert orchestra, announced S. E. Crowe, director of the lecture-concert series. Though none of the events will appear as part of the regular lecture series, all will be presented in College auditorium, starting at 8:15 p. m.

Miss Pons, star of the screen as well as opera, will appear April 17. The talented coloratura soprano has appeared with leading opera companies from London to Buenos Aires and just recently returned from an extensive overseas tour with USO camp shows.

Following Miss Pons will be the appearance, on April 25, of the San Carlo Opera company.

April 30, Sigmund Romberg and a company of 50 artists will be presented. Familiar to all-music lovers are Romberg's "Desert Song," "New Moon," "Student Prince," "Blossom Time," "Maytime," and more than 50 other operettas which he has composed. His music has established a permanent place for itself in musical Americana.

Photographer to Take Spotlight on Lecture Series Tomorrow

Martin Bovey, ace photographer and sportsman, will appear at College auditorium at 8:15 p. m. Saturday on the World Adventure series, according to S. E. Crowe, dean of students.

During his lecture, Bovey will show all color movies titled "For Fishermen Only" and "Wings from the North" which he took while hunting in Ontario and around the Hudson Bay. While taking the film, "For Fishermen Only," Bovey spent 30 days traveling through the wilderness of Ontario. His party consisted of Ojibway Indians and for 23 days saw no one except his party.

Other motion pictures made by Bovey during previous trips are "Wanderings in the Wilderness" and "Rainbow River." Bovey has lectured before countless men's clubs and for such organizations as the Field museum, the American Museum of Natural History and the National Geographic society.

Former Editor Sends Nazi Books to MSC

Not satisfied with fighting on the mechanical side of warfare, Lt. Sheldon Moyer, Detroit, '43, has looked into the educational side and sent a collection of 22 German textbooks to Pres. John A. Hannah from the western front. The books will be placed on exhibit in the college library and later added to the textbook collection.

"Metz-Mitte" is stamped on each book, and according to J. E. Towne, librarian, this probably means the books were used in the schools of Metz, French fortress city recently liberated by General Patton's third army. **St. George in Book**

The books are all attractively printed and bound, and there is no indication of any serious

paper shortage or of any marked decline in the German technical standards of publishing. Most of the volumes have apparently come from the press within the last two years. Such well-known places of publication as Frankfurt am Main, Leipzig and Berlin are indicated on the title pages.

One of the latest is an English reader which opens with the story of St. George and the dragon. It includes illustrations of St. George encephal in Windsor Castle, "the burial place of many English kings," and a photograph of an English pound note on which St. George is pictured slaying the dragon.

Greater Germany

Another of the collection is a history of the "Greater Ger-

many." Photographs of major German cities, a map showing boundaries "after the dictate of Versailles" and another map depicting the assimilation of the "bad-pole head" of Czechoslovakia.

A German short-hand text is included with a selection from the oration delivered by "Der Fuhrer in Rotterdam, 1933."

Lieutenant Moyer was graduated from State in economics and was assigned to an ordnance unit in the army following his graduation. While in school Moyer was on the Publications Board, Wolverine staff, Sigma Delta Chi, Excalibur and managing editor of the State News '42-'43.

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Fraternities Abuse MSC Ducks

Spring at MSC means lots of things, none of which are more important or more traditional than the ducks on the Red Cedar. If, however, injuries continue to be inflicted on them by fraternity members during "hell weeks," we may easily lose a valuable asset to the college.

Blame for cruelty to the ducks cannot be placed entirely on pledges who are instructed to carry out orders—or else. Active members, though, should be mature enough to realize the point where fun ceases and destruction begins. Lately they have gone too far.

Besides showing a decided lack of school spirit and cooperation toward maintaining a source of natural beauty, harming the ducks is a federal offense, so if an appeal to sportsmanship and good sense fails, the government will not.

Campus police have stated that they will turn further offenders over to federal officials. It is to be hoped that fraternity members can take a hint and turn their "hell week" activities away from vandalism.

Taft House Average Takes Winter Term Scholarship Honors

Taft House, women's co-op, leads again in scholarship among women's dorms and co-ops with an average of 1.73 for winter term.

Total average of co-ops was 1.49 while the women's dorms followed closely with 1.48.

Scholarship averages of the other co-ops were as follows: Rochdale House, 1.65; Sanford House, 1.62; Potter House, 1.60; Benson House, 1.57; Concord House, 1.47; Ewing House, 1.45; Shaw House, 1.38; Robinson House, 1.29; and Fern House, 1.16.

Leading the dormitories was South Campbell Hall with a 1.61 followed by South Williams hall with 1.59; East Mary Mayo, 1.53; West Mary Mayo, 1.49; North Williams hall, 1.49; North Campbell hall, 1.45; Mason hall, 1.44; and Wells hall, 1.32.

Theta Chi house, Campbell annex, averaged 1.43; Kappa Sigma, Mayo annex, 1.32; and Alice Cowles, Williams annex, 1.22. Total average of the dorm annexes was 1.32.

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La Cofradia Plans Music Festival

Honoring Pan-American day, La Cofradia and International club will present a program of music and dances Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Music auditorium.

A trio of Portia Treend, cellist, Detroit sophomore; Virginia Brightup, violinist, Rockford, Ill., sophomore, and Bethyne Biscoff, pianist, Grand Rapids sophomore, will play several selections.

Mary Guchess, Detroit senior, and Teresa Gadaleta will sing Latin-American songs. A male trio composed of Raul Zamborana, Cesar Gonzalez and Mario Rodriguez, Costa Rica graduate student, will harmonize on various Latin-American songs to guitar accompaniment.

Latin-American dances will be executed by Elba Malavassi, Costa Rica graduate student; Nancy Wyngarden, East Lansing sophomore; Lilia Simons, Panama senior; Humberto Ruiz, Peru graduate student, and Ricardo Salazar, Panama junior. There will be no admission charge.

Spartans At War

By PEG DUBRY

LT. GLEN WAGNER . . .

'42, arrived in California two weeks ago after spending a year in the Pacific. While on leave he is expected to visit the campus. Lieutenant Wagner, who was graduated in Liberal Arts, is a member of Pi Kappa Delta, speakers bureau, Lutheran student club, and international relations club.

LT. JOHN D. ANDERSON . . .

'46, remained aloft as aerial guard for his squadron buddies when they dove down for a strafing scrimmage over enemy territory which destroyed two locomotives, one donkey engine and 24 oil loaded tank cars, then complained because he wasn't allowed to get in "on the fun."

A veteran of the P-38 group based in Italy, which has destroyed more than half of the total number of locomotives bagged by the 15th air force in the month of February, Lieutenant Anderson has flown 50 combat missions.

D-Day found him helping to destroy a German heavy gun emplacement on the French coast in the morning and in the afternoon blowing up a suspension bridge over which the enemy was moving up troop reinforcements.

He has been awarded the air medal and four oak leaf clusters for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight." While at State, Lieutenant Anderson played collegiate basketball.

LT. RICHARD MEALY . . .

'43, was graduated March 11 from the advanced single engine pilot training school at Aloe army air field, Victoria, Texas, as a second lieutenant in the army air forces.

CAPT. JOSEPH B. MACDONALD has been promoted to the rank of captain at a South Pacific army base where he is serving with headquarters of the 27th infantry division. Graduating from MSC Captain MacDonal entered the service in August, 1941, and since going overseas in March, 1942, was stationed in Hawaii before taking part in the Marshall Islands and Saipan campaigns.

CAPT. WILLIAM LAVENS . . . has been transferred from the Carlisbad army air field, Carlisbad, N. M., to Las Vegas, Nev. Captain Lavens, who was graduated from Michigan State in 1940 in business administration, was a member of the freshman swimming team while here.

LT. RICHARD MONTAGUE . . .

'46, has been awarded his silver pilot's wings and appointed an officer in the army air forces upon completion of his twin-engine advanced training at the Pampa army air field, Pampa, Texas, a unit of the AAF Central flying training command.

Grin and Bear It . . . By Lichty



"Your father doesn't understand about your needing money. He's been married to me so long he couldn't understand spending money on a woman unless you have the money."

IT HAPPENED THIS WEEK

By BOB KAMINS

WESTERN FRONT

Nazi Germany this past week saw more and more of its "holy" soil taken by armies of General Eisenhower. The picture is so changing that only the most general view can be given. Gen. George S. Patton's third army is the closest to Berlin, at least 135 miles from the German capital and possibly by this time even closer.

In the last couple days he has toppled such strongholds as Kassel, Gotha, and Suhl, and is said by some sources to have established radio contact with the Russians less than 100 miles away.

Although his gains have been the most spectacular, Patton is not the only one who has furthered the Allied cause on the western front. The trap in the Ruhr, enclosing some 150,000 Germans, including their chief Marshal Albert Kesselring, is being closed tighter by the hour and it remains the task of the American ninth and British second armies to destroy the forces within their net.

Montgomery showed his hand this past week as far as strategy is concerned. Instead of racing straight for Berlin, his forces have veered north toward the North Sea in an attempt to bottle up another 90,000 in Holland. The race we went to press and pulling no punches.

For a few rays this week the weather was so bad that Allied air forces were grounded, giving the Reich its first 48 hour rest in over two months. For the most part the good bombing days were spent attacking the German North Sea ports of Bremen and Hamburg.

This suggests the Allies for a last minute German campaign and are taking precautions against it. The . . . See THIS WEEK, Page 3.

COLLEGE FADS AND FANCIES, CLASS OF 1850

Fads and fancies in college costumes are by no means modern phenomena. Here is a gay undergraduate of the Class of 1850. Observe his flowing collar and tie, his super-expense of Panama brim, and his studied air of nonchalance.

This was in 1850, when America was basking in peace. The Golden West was opening up, and Express Service was keeping pace. Today, there are few fads and fancies on the college campus. They have given place to the uniformity and efficiencies of war time. Thousands of students are concentrated on the needs of the nation in arms.

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Spartan Batmen Will Meet MSC Riflemen Hoosiers on Diamond Today

Season Opener Promises Even Match of Nines

Coach John Kobs' batmen get their first tryout of the season today when they play the first of a two-game series against the University of Indiana nine at Bloomington. The second game will be played Saturday.

With each team opening its season, the comparative strengths are unknown. The teams should be well matched with neither having a clear-cut advantage.

Returning to intercollegiate competition after a year's absence the Kobsmen will seek to take the lead in games won in the long standing rivalry. As the series now stands the Hoosiers have won five victories to Michigan State's four since the series began in 1918.

The game marks a number of firsts—first game of the season for both teams, first time the game has been played outside East Lansing since the beginning of diamond relations between the two schools, and the first time many of the players will be playing college ball.

The Hoosiers will be out to avenge the defeat they received at the hands of the Spartans in their last meeting in 1941.

With a five-member pitching

staff composed of Bill Page, Muskegon, sophomore; Darrel Couey, Detroit junior; Keith Steffe, Sturgis junior; Meredith Yarling, Elwood, Ind., junior; and newcomer Norman McCormick, Detroit sophomore, Coach Kobs has reason to feel confident of the Spartans' power on the mound.

Today's pitcher was not disclosed as the sixteen-man squad embarked for Bloomington.

Detroit, Toronto Clash Over Cup In Ice Battle

DETROIT, April 5 (AP)—Detroit's Red Wings and Toronto's Maple Leafs, Stanley cup opponents for the second time in four years, open the National hockey league's "world series" here tonight.

The Red Wings, by virtue of their second-place finish in the league's regular season and their record of eight wins in 10 games with the Leafs, may rule a slight favorite over the third-place Toronto team.

But offsetting this is the Leaf's feat of eliminating the league and Stanley cup champion Montreal Canadiens in their play-off semi-final series, 4 games to 2, while the Red Wings were being extended to seven games by the fourth-place Boston Bruins.

The Red Wings were confident they would wind up the series with their fourth Stanley cup victory.

MSC Riflemen Shoot Way to Championship

Working unnoticed over in the basement of Demonstration hall the MSC rifle team has won matches from the best schools in the country. The first of these conquests was the Sixth Service command inter-collegiate rifle match.

Hardly having time to clean their guns, the team, under the guidance of Captain Atchison, shot its way to the championship of the inter-national William Randolph Hearst trophy match.

Atchison Coaches

With these two victories under their belts the marksmen are now shooting for the national inter-collegiate championship. So far the shooting for this match has been good and the team is expected to be among the top ones in the field. All the shooting for this match must be done between March 16 and April 16.

The team is under the expert coaching of Sergeant Crutchfield, who is in charge of the rifle range. The shooting itself is under the direct supervision of Atchison, who is the range officer. He is responsible for seeing that the results of the shooting are sent to the officials.

Time Important

These rifle matches are conducted on a mail order basis, where each school shoots on its own range, sending the final results to the officials. The guns used in the shooting are .22 caliber rifles. The firing is done in four stages: sitting, kneeling, standing, and prone.

The team is composed of both ASTP and ROTC cadets. The ASTPs are John Hill, Leonard Young and Rodney Confer. The ROTC cadets are Stanley Champion, Robert Kundson, Richard Serrine, Dick Swanson, Harold and James Cronander.

Kobs Adds New Hurler for Trip To Bloomington

Michigan State's baseball team received a new pitching hope in the person of Norman F. McCormick, Detroit sophomore.

Arriving at MSC just in time to be included in the trip to Bloomington, Ind., where the team plays the Hoosiers, McCormick filled a last minute vacancy in the Kobs pitching staff.

McCormick is a transfer student from St. Mary's college in Minneapolis where he was a two letter winner in both baseball and football. He stands 5'9" and weighs 180 pounds, and is 4F, which would indicate that he will be here for some time.

As a pitcher for Detroit's De LaSalle high school, he was posted on the All City baseball team for June, 1941. His record while at De LaSalle was eight victories to one loss.

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THIS WEEK

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uation in Germany is heavily concealed by security blackouts but an indication of the collapse of the German army is the fact that about a quarter of a million German prisoners were taken in the past seven days alone.

EASTERN FRONT

Russian victories on the long, winding eastern front have been highly significant if not almost as breath-taking as General Eisenhower's advances the past week. All of Hungary has been cleared of Germans. Bratislava, capital of the Nazi puppet state of Slovakia, and a key Danubian stronghold of 150,000 was captured by the Russians 24 hours after Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's second Ukrainian group had laid siege to the city.

Vienna, capital of Austria, is about ready to fall to the sledgehammer blows of the Red army. As we went to press the Russians were in the suburbs of this major European city, and with civil war reported inside the city, it appears resistance cannot be maintained for too great a time.

ITALIAN FRONT

Action on the Italian front has been light and rather insignificant. The Swiss-Italian frontier was closed this past week, in anticipation of what the dispatch said was important events in the near future.

PACIFIC

The Pacific theater of operation produced its share of good news in this global war. U. S. marines and army components have split the strategic island of Okinawa, 325 miles from Japan, in two, and Jap resistance has been surprisingly light.

Three airfields have been taken and only now, almost a week after our forces landed, are there signs that the Nips are going to fight and not pull an Attu.


Our Superforts are continuing to smash at Tokyo and its surrounding industrial areas with devastating results.

General MacArthur this past week has really been jumping around. His forces are continuing to mop up the remaining Jap force on Luzon and have landed at Legaspi to hurry the job along. Negros island also is about rid of all effective Jap resistance. In addition we have invaded a major island in the vicinity of Borneo, backtracking 200 miles from the Philippines.

HOME FRONT

Just yesterday General MacArthur invaded another Philippine island, Masbate, against light opposition. U. S. forces are doing well in Burma, and the Japs have been stopped for the moment, at least, in China.

The manpower bill requested by the administration has been turned down in the Senate and the likelihood of any effective manpower control bill passing seems remote now.



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Austrian Capital Encircled By Soviet Shock Troops

Russian Army Drives at Vienna from Danube

LONDON, April 5 (AP)—Tank-led Russian shock troops battled to the southern city limits of Vienna tonight after cracking a major defense belt as other Red army veterans launched a drive to encircle the Austrian capital, slashing across two of its supply lines with Germany.

The Russians broke across three highly-fortified river lines, criss-crossed with concrete pill-boxes, that protected Vienna on the south, and captured the suburban towns of Ober-Laa and Unter-Laa.

Vienna Suburbs Hit

Adjacent to the metropolitan boundary of Vienna, the two suburbs are four miles southeast of the heart of the Danube city.

Simultaneously, other Soviet troops rolled up a German bulge in Czechoslovakia and plunged deeper into Yugoslavia from southwestern Hungary, capturing more than 40 towns and villages in a drive toward the Croat capital of Zagreb.

More than 6,500 prisoners were taken in the Yugoslav sector Moscow announced.

Reds Fear Red Battles

As the Russians advanced on a 350-mile front across Yugoslavia, Austria and Slovakia, Berlin said that a giant Red army offensive on the Oder river front before the Reich capital was anticipated "in the next few days."

Two mighty Soviet armies were involved in the blazing battle for Vienna.

YANKS

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the Ruhr was rising in fury, as both the U. S. first and ninth army pressed the assault on possibly 150,000 German troops—any of them among the best still left on the western front. Field Marshal Albert Kesselring was reported trapped there.

Bradley Leads Four Armies

The U. S. ninth army, under Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's command since the Ardennes breakthrough, was back under the command of Gen. Omar N. Bradley, who thus became the first warrior in American history to command four field armies—a force of at least 1,000,000 fighting men.

Allied armies, capturing at least 26,000 additional prisoners Wednesday, were driving for the knockout all along the front.

AWS to Hold Elections

Final elections for AWS officers and representatives will be held today in the Union from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., according to Barbara Poag, Detroit senior. Added to the list of women running for senior representative is Dorothy Lamont, Royal Oak junior who was formerly disqualified because she was over-pointed.

Don't be a tradition breaker—no smoking on campus.

RUSSIA

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announcement of its action to the world.

The question whether Russia will go to war against Japan was left unanswered. The denounced five year neutrality pact does not expire until April 25, 1946—more than a year from now. However, the note which Foreign Minister Vyascheslav Molotov handed Japanese Ambassador Naotake Sato this afternoon in Moscow placed Japan squarely in the enemy's camp and stated Soviet Russia's opinion that Japan had violated the pact.

Shortly before Moscow acted, the government of Premier Gen. Kuniaki Koiso in Tokyo fell in the midst of a political and military crisis, and Emperor Hirohito summoned Adm. Baron Kantaro Suzuki, 77-year-old president of the privy council, to form a new government.

INFORMATION

MATH HONORARY

The mathematics honorary will meet Tuesday at 7:15 p.m. in room 123 Morrill hall. Faculty members of the mathematics department will speak about "Numbers are peculiar animals." The program will be followed by a short business meeting. Students interested in mathematics are invited to attend.

INTERNATIONAL CLUB

The International club will open its doors at 8 tonight at Number 3, Faculty row. All students and faculty members are

welcome. The discussion will be on Lithuania. Toby Godoffas, a native-born Lithuanian, will lead the discussion.

MARRIAGE LECTURE

Carl Morrison, of the Lansing Children's Center, will speak on the subject of the Biological Aspects of Marriage, for the current marriage series lecture to be held Monday at 7:15 p.m. in the music building. For further information concerning the lecture for the rest of the series, students are to contact Adm. Wilson, Grosse Pointe senior.



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