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MSU's new Age of Uncertainty

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Welcome Week Editor

Hamlet: *Do you see yonder cloud that's almost in shape of camel?*
Polonius: *By the mass, and 'tis like a camel indeed.*
Hamlet: *Methinks it is like a weasel.*
Polonius: *It is backed like a weasel.*
Hamlet: *Or like a whale?*
Polonius: *Very like a whale.*

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For MSU it is, clearly, the new Age of Uncertainty.

Not more than a year ago, the sandstorm of doubt, speculation and circumstance that for so many years had obscured any reliable forecast of the future seemed at last to be abating, and pundits and planners alike could see shapes on the horizon. Although ill-defined and insubstantial (camel? weasel? whale?) the signposts down the road spelled, collectively, an end to a draining self-doubt and defeatism about the University's role in a complex, constantly-changing world.

No more.

The sandstorm is back, in full force, and the signposts have been obliterated as surely as desert landmarks. Consider:

•One year ago, the University was presided over by a president whose tenure seemed likely to go on for quite some time. No more. Clifton R. Wharton Jr. is gone and his successor, Edgar L. Harden, has forcefully asserted that his role is only temporary. A committee established to recommend Wharton's permanent successor is just beginning to sort names.

•One year ago, MSU seemed ready at long last to embark on a comprehensive long-range planning exercise that would shake up the University from top to bottom, reorder its priorities, and steel it for the future. No more. The committee disbanded after months of marathon haggling sessions that generated a blizzard of words and a drizzle of proposals. "What are we doing here?" one member lamented, and Harden has steadfastly declined to take part in any formal long-range planning project because of his transient status.

•One year ago, the much-ballyhooed Capitol Enrichment Fund Drive was in full swing, and administrators had already proclaimed its goal of netting $17 million in contributions a resounding success. No more. The quickening rush of cash soon slowed to a trickle of pennies and the University announced that the dollar drive's capstone, a new Performing Arts Center, would be built without a wing that had been designed to house a presumably-revivified Theatre Department. And

•One year ago MSU hired Mary Pollock as director of Women's Programs and told her, in effect, to make sure the University adheres to regulations imposed by Washington to prohibit sex discrimination in federally-funded educational institutions. No more. Now Pollock is gone, fired by a superior for reasons that are still murky, and a chorus of criticism is rising from those who believe the University has reneged on its commitment to sexual equality.

These are but a few reasons, certainly the most prominent ones; to explain MSU's carreening reentry into a new Age of Uncertainty.

At the same time, it is perhaps foolhardy to pinpoint a series of specific cases as the sole underpinnings of MSU's long-term difficulties. Implicit in the staggering complexity of any institution the size MSU is the assumption that confusion and disarray will be facts of life.

MSU has a long history of problem, solution, and more problem. Very much like a Calder mobile, to jiggle one end is to disturb the other.

In short, to react to change instead of shaping change is a seductive principle to which MSU has, for the most part subscribed.

The problems of today are rooted in the burgeoning growth of yesteryear. Under the stewardship of the able, scholarly John Hannah in the years following World War II, the University diversified — cynics would say metastisized — far beyond its original land-grant status that directed it to pursue agriculture as a basis of education.

MSU at the close of the seventh decade of the 20th century is much, more more. It is biology. It is physics. It is business. It is journalism. It is medicine. It is psychology. It is sociology. It is zoology. It is botany. It is chemical engineering. It is educational services on campus and off, in nearby Berkey Hall and in far off Taiwan. MSU is a megaversity, an ivy-covered octopus with a hundred tentacles that embrace, sometimes innocently and often ignorantly, a staggering multiplicity of projects and endeavors.

MSU has reaped the benefits, but also the costs, of its undisciplined, wildfire growth. Through it all the University has retained its land-grant status and philosophy. Its motto has been "come-one, come all," and for years it threw wide its doors to anyone wishing to enter.

As a consequence, the level of scholarship suffered badly as the pool of intellectual quality became suffused and finally diluted by sheer weight of numbers. But spiraling admissions, proliferating numbers of courses and vast new campus building projects were all sustained by the cornucopian flow of cash from the state Legislature.

In recent years the checks from downtown have not been fat enough to adequately fuel MSU's educational machine, and even more recently admissions began to decline while tuition rates continue to forge to stratospheric peaks. To pick up the slack, MSU has become something of a client, seeking money and assistance — not only from downtown but, to an ever greater degree, from outside sources. Federal dollars, stock market profits, and donations from corporations, clubs, alumni and concerned individuals play an increasingly crucial role in MSU's money-making apparatus.

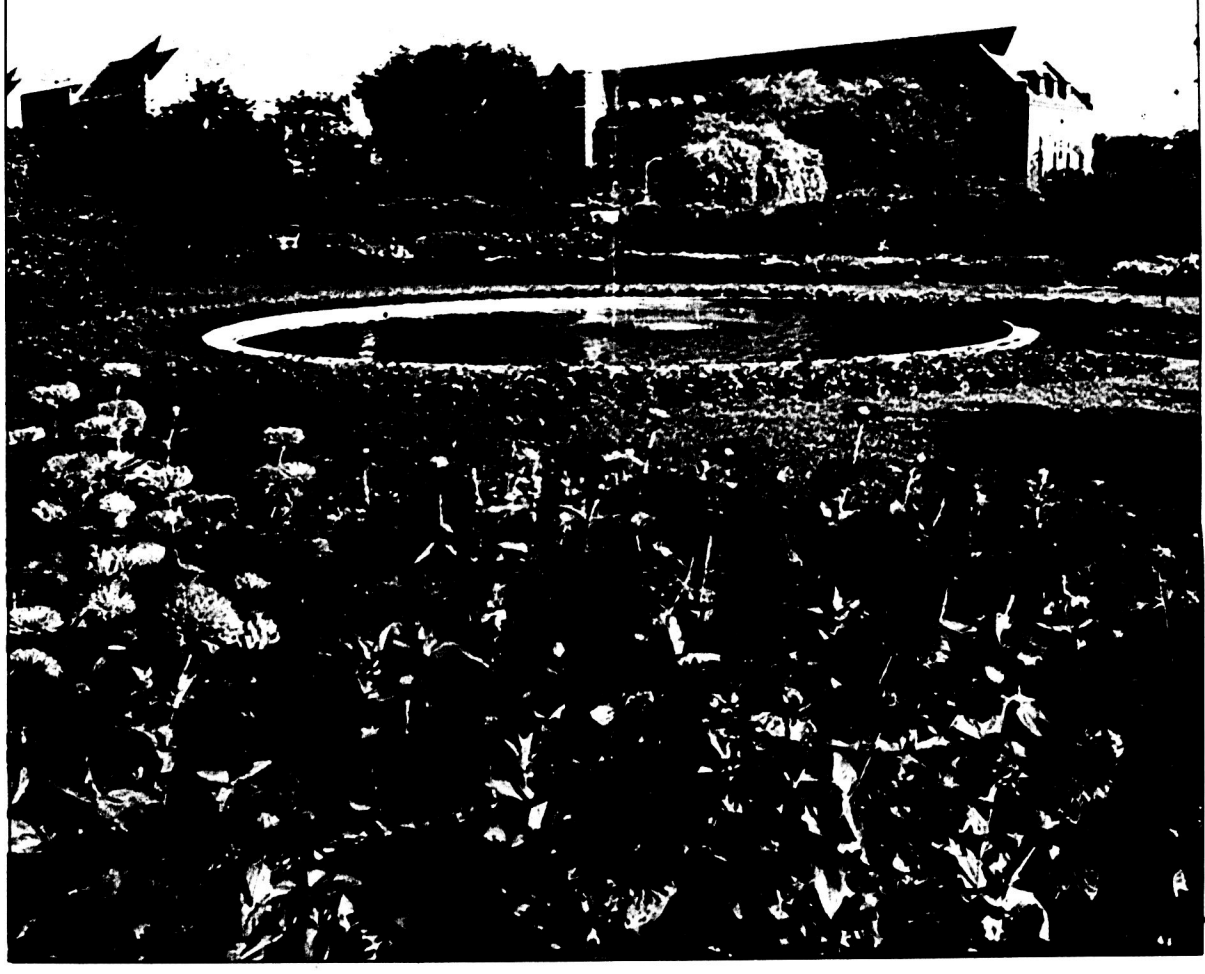
What these trends augur for the future is, like so much else — uncertain. President Harden proved his acumen as a lobbyist by wheedling a substantial budget increase out of Lansing legislators this past year, but soon Harden will be gone. And long-range planning is still obstructed by short-term squabbling.

The average student, certainly the average incoming freshman, may be unimpressed by all of this. But he or she should be, because all students make up a part of that delicate Calder mobile that is so often buffeted by external and internal pressures for change.

Students *can* have an impact — if they want. Unfortunately, apathy and self-interest seem to motivate the actions of most students, much like the University itself. The days of protest and commitment to causes and ideals broader than oneself seem over — at least for the time being. To illustrate this point, it is noteworthy that the College of Business — the epitome of self-interest — has the largest enrollment of any college in MSU. And one can count on the fingers on one's hands the number of students who have made known their views on presidential selection.

It is obvious that few in the University community are taking an active interest in what lies ahead for MSU. Indecisiveness is the order of the day. A sad fact indeed, for Hamlet's torturous observations about the "camel," the "weasel," and the "whale" are especially relevant, because what is now an obscure cloud on the horizon may be the University of tomorrow — even less than four years from now — and it may be a vastly different place than what freshmen have been sold on.

MSU's Age of Uncertainty means uncertainty for all of us — faculty, administrators, students, and for the unseen tens of thousands touched by MSU's ever-widening tentacles.



Walden . . .

Henry David Thoreau spoke of Walden pond, of the cycle of renewal. One day the pond is there, one day it's not. One day it softens the harsh, angular edges of existence by nurturing and sustaining life, but the next day it goes dry. MSU's own Walden pond, nestled in that sprawling wreath of flowers, grass and foliage known as the Horticulture Gardens, has been no different this past summer. MSU's pond is a man-made one built in the 1930s and when it's healthy, a spray of water gushes frothily and rather mysteriously from its heart, blunting the heat and the sharper edges of existence. But this pond, like Thoreau's, seems to go through cycles of degeneration and renewal. Workers spent much of the summer replacing its rotted, disintegrating basin in a humid bustle of dirt and concrete and muscle and metal that, for a short time anyway, eclipsed the robust life encircling it. As the summer drew to a close the cycle of renewal, though man-made, had completed itself. The fountain and the pond will live through the waning days of Autumn, only to die with the lengthy intrusion of winter. And then next spring, the cycle of renewal will start again.

The Making of the President-19??

By JAMES L. SMITH
State News Staff Writer

Williams, Abbot, Fairchild, Wells, Snyder, Kedzie, Shaw, Butterfield and Hannah.

While that may sound like a list of MSU buildings it is actually an abbreviated list of some of the University's former presidents.

Joseph Rickelson Williams, April 13, 1857 to March 17, 1859, was the first. Edgar L. Harden is the latest.

Since the day in late October 1977 when then President Clifton R. Wharton Jr., himself a product of a 1969 selection process, announced his departure for the greener pastures of the chancellorship of the State University of New York, MSU has been searching for its 16th president.

The process to find the new top executive has been far from smooth. Someone even likened it to a herd of elephants stampeding through a minefield.

Not that it didn't start out with some semblance of direction, and speed however.

At the October MSU Board of Trustees meeting, when Wharton's resignation was received, the trustees quickly selected Harden as interim president and set in motion a procedure to pick a permanent replacement for Wharton.

Two trustees, an administrator, three faculty members and two students made up a committee, which had as its purpose the recommendation of a formal procedure to sift through hundreds of potential candidates for MSU's top job.

Professor of philosophy John F.A. Taylor, who had authored the selection document which was used in the choosing of Wharton in 1969 was named chairperson of the ad hoc committee and they were off and walking.

It became apparent early in the selection process that the trustees desired more control over the selection procedure than they had exercised in 1969.

But some faculty opposition to the committee's make up was voiced prior to its final approval by the Academic Council and board of trustees.

"(Allowing the trustees on the selection committee) is an invasion of the right of the academic community to reach its own decision, unimpeded by the board of trustees," Zolton Ferency, professor of criminal justice, said at the council's Nov. 29, 1977 meeting.

"It's a deliberate effort on the part of the board in shaping this document in advance of our deliberations, and I frankly resent that," Ferency declared.

Other faculty members voiced opposition to a provision of the ad hoc group's selection document which called for the permanent committee's chairperson to be selected by the board of trustees.

Another issue raised by faculty at this meeting of the council was the possibility that the board might not select a permanent president from the list drawn up by the selection committee.

The trustees, throughout the selection process, have asserted their right and duty to pick the best candidate for the MSU presidency, whether or not the person's name appears on the selection committee's final list.

The question of selection process "openness" surfaced at a Detroit meeting of the ad hoc committee on Nov. 13, 1977.

While leaving the final determination of which meetings would be closed to the permanent committee the ad hoc group did specify that all "committee deliberations should be as open as is consistent with the committee's purpose in acting for the University community."

Taylor's group further specified that while "closure may be in some connection essential" the reasons for it should be explained in advance to the University community.

The advance explanation was not given as the full 17-member committee voted members of the press out of the room during its first meeting, March 15. The committee wanted to discuss in secret candidates for a permanent chairperson for their group.

The press protested, but subsequent whole meetings and parts of meetings were carried on behind closed doors.

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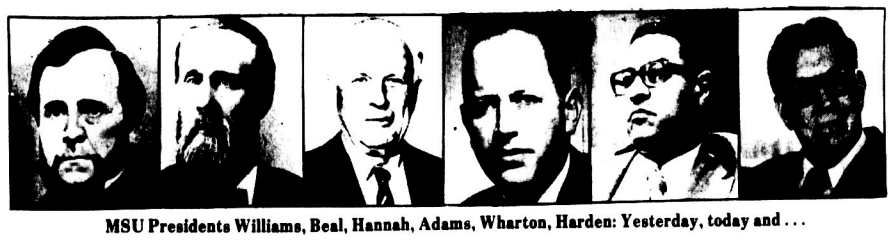

MSU Presidents Williams, Beal, Hannah, Adams, Wharton, Harden: Yesterday, today and . . .

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MSU Museum Exhibits.
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The Loneliness Factor.

Monday, September 18
8:00 - 9:30 a.m.
Foreign Language Placement Tests.
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Fee payment for students who attended a summer AOP. Women's IM Building. Southwest entrance.
9:00 a.m.
Retests in Arithmetic, Algebra, and Comprehensive English.
9:00 - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
MSU Library. Guided tour of facilities starts every half hour at Undergraduate Library, 2nd floor West in Main Library Building.
11:00 a.m.
Lifelong Education Programs Vista Room. Kellogg Center. Discussion of services and progress for older students with an opportunity to ask questions.
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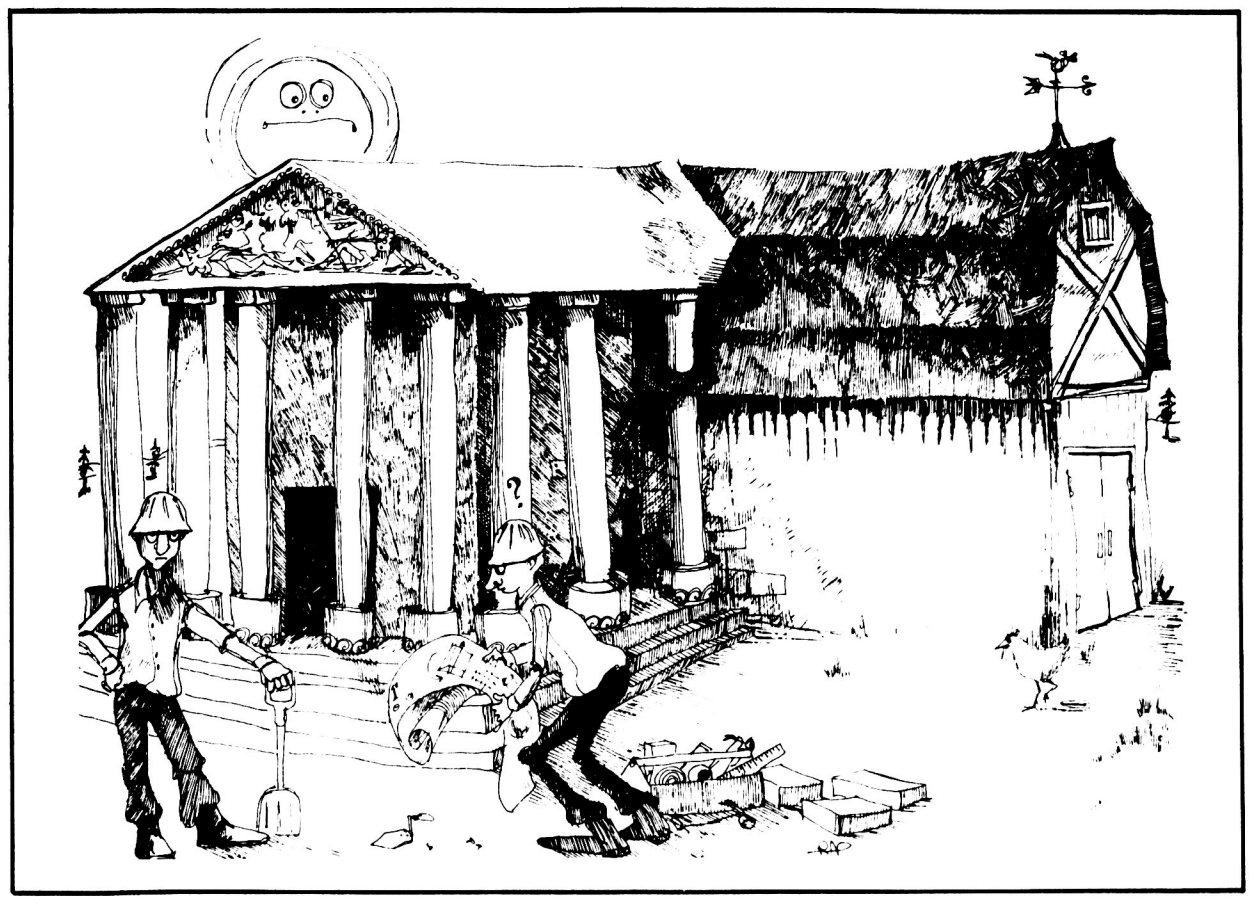
Long-range planning: Blueprinting a future with neither workers or tools



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Long-range University planning, like sophisticated weapons, often becomes obsolete before it can be implemented.

Many have tried, usually without success, to correctly predict MSU's role and enrollment demands in past long-range planning exercises.

But without the aid of a crystal ball it is exceedingly difficult to assess blame for the University's lack of preparation or inability to reliably forecast future trends.

An intimidating roadblock facing any MSU planner is the diverse nature of the University. The MSU octopus has grown from an uncomplicated agricultural school to a megaversity whose tenacles encompass vast fields of academic endeavors.

"I think a number of issues make long range planning difficult," said Roger E. Wilkinson, vice president of business and finance and a member of the now-defunct Long-Range Planning Council devised by former MSU President Clifton R. Wharton Jr.

"The complexities of the University to begin with and its three-pronged mission of instruction, research and public service reflects the difficulty in developing priorities," Wilkinson said.

Wharton's planning effort began in Spring 1977 with an assemblage of administrators, faculty and students who were supposed to tackle proposals designed to shape MSU's future.

With the departure of Wharton in January to assume the chancellorship of the State University of New York a cloud was cast over the council's function and effectiveness.

Current MSU President Edgar L. Harden has excused himself from formal long-range planning because of his short-term status at the University. Harden is, however, active in seeking legislative funding which may well shape MSU's future priorities.

Of the long-range planning effort spawned by Wharton, Harden said "long-range planning is something of real significance within any university and should not be stopped because of a change in administration.

"If I was going to be the next president on a full-time basis I would read that report with great care," he added.

Wharton's resignation left members of the council — a pet project of the former president — questioning the importance of future input.

"What are we doing here?" some asked. Others expressed frustration because they said Wharton never adequately outlined what he hoped the council would accomplish.

With the possible exceptions of three council reports — lifelong education, admissions and student body composition and criteria for defining colleges — the proposals, if adopted through the maze of academic governance, would result in simple cosmetic changes in current University practices.

At its final meeting in March, the council struggled with the question of future long-range planning efforts. Perhaps recognizing its own frustrations, members killed part of a proposal to create a permanent long-range planning exercise.

Councilmembers did approve a resolution stating, "The University needs to cultivate the ability to identify incremental changes now that can result in new opportunities for improvement.

"It (long-range planning) must have the capacity to look beyond the consuming pressures of the moment to viable and achievable options for the future," the report continued.

Another important factor facing MSU's planners is the ever-shrinking "real" dollars coming from the legislature, which has caused departments and colleges within MSU to compete with each other for the diminishing public dollars.

MSU Provost Clarence L. Winder believes MSU's relations with the State Capitol have improved under Harden's presidency.

"A strong position by President Harden that we will internally decide as a University what we need and then approach the Legislature," has improved MSU's standing downtown, Winder said.

But money must come from other sources besides the Legislature. Alternative funding for University operations, apart from squeezing more tuition from the already squashed students, is a crucial aspect of long-range planning.

Although he failed to see it through, Wharton evidently recognized this need when he established the Capital Enrichment Program.

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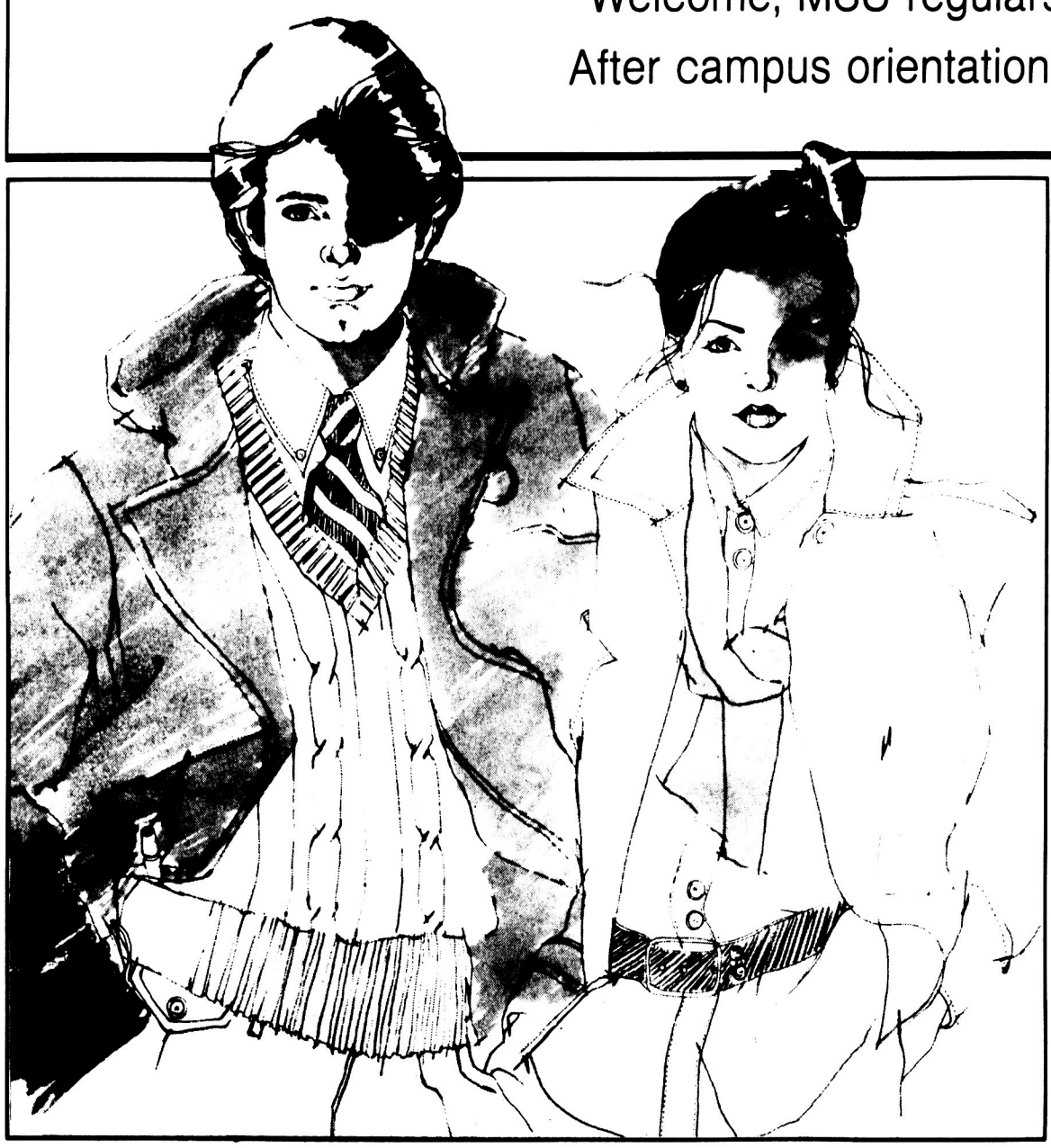

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I shall be content if those shall pronounce my History useful who desire to give a view of events as they did really happen, and as they are very likely, in accordance with human nature, to repeat themselves at some future time — if not exactly the same, yet very similar.

— Thucydides: **Historia**
Book one

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The dictum of Thucydides, a seminal historian of Athenian heritage, merits careful contemplation by both writers and readers of newspapers. Thucydides foreswore the role of daily chronicler of events — newspapers as such did not exist in his day — but he was one of the first to recognize how fruitful the written account of his space and time would be to future generations, striving to ferret fact from fiction and to pick the lock of ignorance.

Thucydide's observations were often riddled with inaccuracies and tainted by parochialism. So too with newspapers, including the State News. Thucydides recognized that his accounts — "in accordance with human nature" — would be widely repeated, interpreted and finally deformed. So too with newspapers, including the State News.

A piece of journalism — "literature in a hurry," Hemingway called it — is perforce untidy, superficial, error-prone and filtered through the perceptions of a vast, heterogenous, frequently-hostile readership. Like Thucydides' works, journalism is not pure history, and it often falls far short of objectivity. Occasionally it is even scurillous and libelous (a depth we at the State News hope never to plumb).

But for all its faults and transgressions, the art — yes, art — of journalism is indispensible to the survival and perpetuation of a free society.

Thucydides was never forced to write his historical accounts under the pressure-cooker of a deadline. Yet he acknowledged the existence of error, exaggeration and sometimes outright falsehood in his works, and even argued for their ennobling qualities. Succeeding generations of historians were to refine Thucydides' technique and today the best ones tax their innermost resources to maintain objectivity. Adherence to fact — indeed, to truth — is the only path to cultural enlightenment.

Journalists have yet to overthrow the stigma of deadlines, of hurried writing and sometimes sloppy attention to detail, all of which is the ruination of true objectivity. Literature in a hurry — history in a hurry — is the nature of the beast.

But those who condemn a newspaper for its errors are as myopic as those who berailed Thucydides for his. Even a poor newspaper is a good one, for it gives the news of the day. It chronicles events. It sheds light on dark places. It keeps people *informed* — and does so with Mercurian rapidity. By contrast, the ancient Greeks often had to wait years for information which, only by the most labored contortion of thought, could be called "reliable."

A society bereft of the daily, deadline literature and daily, deadline history supplied by newspapers would be woefully ignorant indeed. All information would spread by word of mouth, by rumor and by lie. Every dictatorship in the history of the world has campaigned to suppress the free exchange of ideas, starting with newspapers. Those hostile to, or even apathetic about, a free press should think carefully about the horrifying alternative.

Professionally, we at the State News live and die by the free exchange of ideas. In your eyes, and in our own, we will rise or fall in accordance with how well and how dilligently we try to uncover the truth. No facet of society should be exempt from this scrutiny — including the State News.

There have been questions raised about this paper's heirarchy and function. The State News is a non-profit corporation, run financially by a general manager and an independent, self-perpetuating board of directors which selects the editor-in-chief. The State News staff can recommend — never choose — editor-in-chief.

Like any business, the staff has no direct authority over the size of its budget. But the staff does, through their editors, exercise editorial freedom, with the exception of management dictated bans on full-frontal nudity and the printing of "obscene" words, except with a series of dashes.

Apathy and complacence have never had a place in the State News editorial department, as evidenced two years ago when a sizeable portion of the staff quit in protest over an editor-in-chief selection by the directors which was in direct opposition to a nearly unanimous staff choice.

Perhaps some would think this nothing more than printed self-flagellation, but we believe it is an affirmation of our creed. Our creed is freedom — freedom to report, freedom to err; freedom to scrutinize and to err some more; freedom to criticize and to err stupidly. *Your* freedom — your *duty* — is to tell us when we err. The Opinion Page of the State News is a daily forum for all who wish to make their views known.

So let us clash jointly about what is right and wrong. We are not perfect, but the most inexcusable violation of our creed may lie in excessive timidity — a benighted mentality that camouflages the truth about others and about ourselves. To quote Michael De Montaigne: "I speak truth, not so much as I would, but as much as I dare, and I dare a little more as I grow older."

A new president: MSU will get as good as it gives

A University without a president can properly be called rudderless.

The president, leader or head of any large institution has a variety of duties, some largely ceremonial. And the panoply and prestige of the office is of sufficient magnitude that, rightly or wrongly, a president provides *direction*. MSU, is still searching for a permanent successor to the departed Clifton R. Wharton Jr, is therefore a University rudderless and without direction.

As interim president, Edgar L. Harden has more than once demonstrated an acute ability to *lead*, to be a potent lobbyist for the University's interests. But Harden has rightly excused himself from any involvement in formal long-range planning exercises on the grounds that to do so would subvert the prerogatives of his successor.

So it is all the more crucial that a new president be quickly and prudently selected. Unfortunately, the keepers of the selection process have stumbled badly and have called into question their own competence to discharge the duties entrusted to them.

The Presidential Search and Selection Committee, consisting of faculty, students and administrators, is expected to make several recommendations for a new president to the board sometime before the end of the year. The trustees can either accept or reject the committee's recommendations.

Whoever the committee names, the selection process itself will remain shrouded in controversy. The committee has held some of its meetings behind closed doors, a potential violation of Michigan's Open Meetings Act. In a sideshow that reeked of irony and harkened back to a disreputable past, the panel recorded its meetings and then voted to destroy the tapes — until it was pointed out that to do so would violate University policy. The committee wanted to pay some of its members — until Harden forbade this deal.

With all these distractions, the selection process has proved excruciatingly slow. Wharton announced his departure to become Chancellor of the State University of New York on Oct. 26, 1977. His nine-year tenure as MSU president officially ended on Jan. 1 of this year, and Harden wants to leave as soon as possible. It seems likely that a new president will be named before next year, but the selection committee's recurring follies make this belief unsturdy at best.

Depressingly, the committee has for the most part escaped widespread public censure for its inadequacies because most people seem disinterested in the whole affair. When the committee opened one of its meetings to the public for the first time last April, *not a single person*, outside of members of the press, showed up.

The weight of evidence suggests that only a relative handful of committed activists and those with a vested interest in the University's future care about who will be MSU's next president. That is indeed a pity. The next president, along with the Board of Trustees, will shape priorities for years to come.

Long after a new president has been installed and vital decisions have been made, we hope it will not be said that the University community got only as good as it gave.

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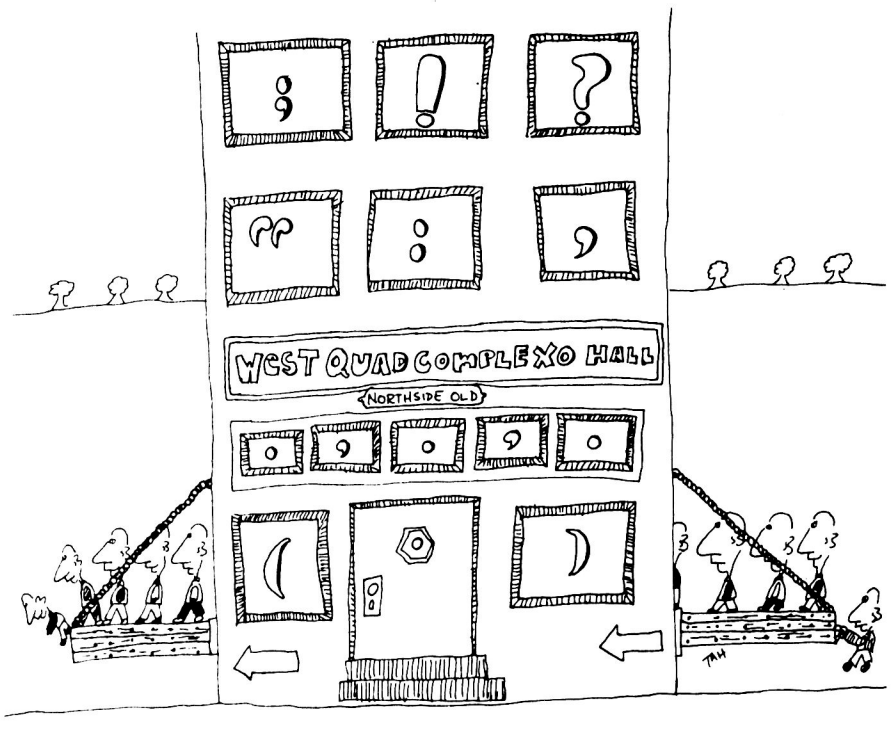


Strangers in your dorm are even stranger than you are

KIM SHANAHAN

Most people label and get labeled while living in a dorm. You've got your floor dopers, your floor jocks, your floor studiers, your floor racist rednecks, your floor rich kids, your floor farmers, your floor studs, your floor wimps and then of course there is you, a person who is none of those types—someone who is maybe a little bit of each.

We have all been told that our closest, most life-long friends will be found at college from among people we live with during the first year. It has always sounded like a nice fringe-benefit to dorm life. But it is, in fact, a myth in need of shattering.

When you first come to this place you might know a few people from your home town, but more than likely you'll be living on a floor with a bunch of strangers. You, in turn, are a stranger to each one of them. As a defense mechanism, you start to realize that not only are they all strangers, they *are all stranger than you are.*

Their strangeness begins to dissipate as you spend more time around them, and you begin to feel the beginnings of a camaraderie that will grow stronger every day. You may very well start to feel like "Hey, all these guys seem to genuinely like me — even while knowing all my weird idiosyncrasies."

But it can be a trap-like illusion to believe you're being accepted for what you are. No one knows what or who you are and most don't really care to either. If you believe they do, then you could be headed for a traumatic emotional downer when the obvious becomes evident — and it inevitably will. It is no fun when it happens, but then being jolted into reality after falling for the idyllic never is.

It is not really as cynical as it may sound — your floor-mates are not conspiring to set you up for a nervous breakdown — but a first impression is all they have to go on when making a judgment about you or anyone else. Or if not a first impression, then at least a consensus impression with the rest of the floor.

Most people label you and get labeled while living in a dorm. You've got your floor dopers, your floor jocks, your floor studiers, your floor racist rednecks, your floor rich kids, your floor farmers, your floor studs, your floor wimps and then of course there is you, a person who is none of those types — someone who is maybe a little bit of each.

But unfortunately, you are the only person who knows this — everyone of your buddies has already got you pegged. And if you are the type who actually exhibits more than one or two of those characteristics, at the same time, then you are "just a little bit weird."

There is really nothing wrong or unusual with this labeling — it happens all your life at even shallower levels, and maybe it is easier to deal with these 30 or 40 new people in your life by affixing them in a certain way in your mind. But they are doing it to you at the same time you're doing it to them. And to forget that is to set yourself up.

Up for what? Well, another idea perpetuated by colleges is that you are here to learn and grow and maybe even to change some very basic and fundamental things about yourself by becoming somewhat enlightened. And believe it or not, some people actually do change. Some people also try and don't succeed. And some people try with the vain hope that all their new-found "life-long" friends will understand the need for the changing and be supportive throughout.

To the people in the latter group — definitely a minority — it is quite a shock to find out that these friends you've opened yourself up to and made yourself vulnerable to find it nearly impossible to accept this newly-emerging you. Your changes tend to throw off their frames of reference; you suddenly aren't behaving "like you normally do;" you give an impression of acting weirder than your normal weird self.

If you are a stronger person than most you can say "to hell with all their narrow-minded impressions. I can be whatever kind of person I want to be." If you really are that strong, then congratulations, you are genuinely abnormal.

But for the rest of us who still cling to the idea that people are actually trustworthy; that friendship is important and that is inexplicably necessary to be accepted — then a word of caution.

Enjoy the parties, enjoy the late-night rap sessions, enjoy the cameraderie, enjoy the feeling of belonging — but also be constantly aware that you are your own person from now to the rest of your life and that no one can know what that means except you.

Not man, not woman, not boy, not girl - try 'person'

MICHELLE CHAMBERS

Perfection is determined by one's definition of the word and each has their own vision of the ideal society. It is naively hoped that those visions are pictures of fairness and equity for all.

History has given us hundreds of these visions that have tried, and most often failed, to bring about a world that is just for all who would have lived in it.

But time has given us more ordeals than visions and it becomes increasingly difficult with each passing moment to envision the ideal society that would encompass every newly-realized injustice.

In the last century, people have become painfully aware that men and women are not, and never have been, equal. This aspect must now be pointedly incorporated into any doctrine of perfection.

A unisex society — ultimate perfection. A society that would no longer consist of men and women, but of persons. A society in which every person would be viewed as an entity with no sexual role or views.

It has been unfortunate that the modern term of sexism should apply only to discrimination against women as opposed to the more accurate and far-reaching explanation of discrimination on the basis of sex. By the latter definition, we are all guilty of sexism to an apalling degree.

But in a society devoid of sexually-determined roles, children would no longer be brought up as little girls and boys. For no matter how much we hope, this socialization process has not even begun to end.

Instead of little boys being raised to think they should be vessels of strength and family-providers, and little girls taught their femininity is usually the highest priority, in a society that has no specific sexual roles children will be brought up without sexual values.

For it is at this point that we will continue to fail. Today even those who are most aware of the inequity of the sexes still have problems denying what they were brought up to believe.

But, more importantly, a unisex society would create a system in which sex would never be considered a factor. Of course, one cannot deny the biological differences between the sexes and many would not want to. In a society where every other aspect of daily life is sexless, the desire for physical contact and closeness would not be as suppressed as we see in today's world.

Not only would there be no need to compete with one another over the alleged value of a sexual partner, but the desire to be close to one of your own biological sex would not cause the mental anxiety it does today.

Though not an all-encompassing one, a unisex society would indeed be the most viable answer to the horrendous reality of sexual inequality.

What MSU's president should be

By Walter Adams

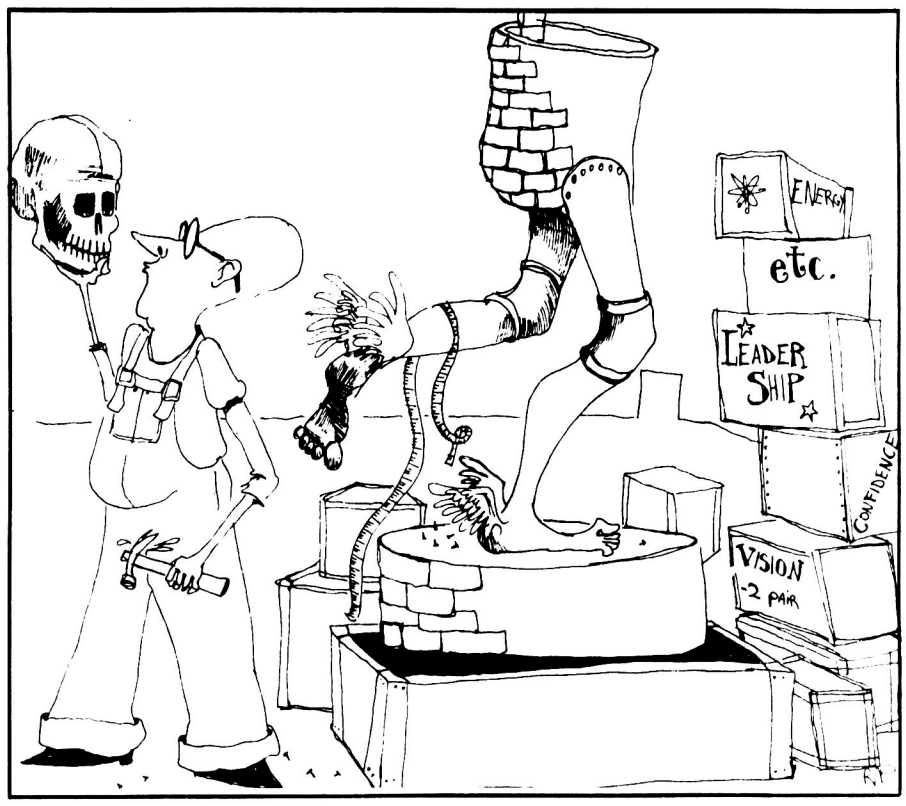
Distinguished Professor of Economics

The president of a multiversity, says Clark Kerr, the former chief executive of the California system, "must be a friend of the students, a colleague to the faculty, a good fellow with the alumni, a sound administrator with the trustees, a good speaker with the public, an astute bargainer with the foundations and the federal agencies, a politician with the state legislature, a friend of industry, labor and agriculture, a persuasive diplomat with donors, a champion of education generally, a supporter of the professions (particularly law and medicine), a speaker to the press, a scholar in his own right, a public servant at the state and national levels, a devotee of opera and football equally, a decent human being, a good husband and father (sic), an active member of a church." In addition, he (and I use this pronoun throughout to include women and men alike) should enjoy "traveling in airplanes, eating meals in public, and attending public ceremonies."

While he obviously is expected to be all things to all people, a person for all seasons, a great university president must possess certain quintessential qualities common to chief executives in all giant organizations — whether in industry, government, religion, or higher education.

First and foremost, he must be a leader rather than just a manager. He must do more than merely coordinate the work of countless committees or reconcile the divergent interests of multifarious constituencies. Unlike Nicholas I (the Iron Czar) — who despairingly observed "I do not rule Russia; 10,000 clerks do" — he cannot permit himself to become a passive prisoner of a vast bureaucracy. Nor can he afford to emulate that legendary French revolutionary who reportedly said: "The mob is in the streets. I must find out where they are going, because I am their leader."

No. A leader worthy of the name must be a catalytic agent — a galvanizing force — an energizing element which moves an institution toward its goals in the face of inherent inertia and bureaucratic resistance. A leader must be able to inspire the people he leads with great ideas and noble ideals, to bring out the best of which they are capable, to help them forsake their narrow, parochial self-interests and dedicate themselves to a great common enterprise. A leader must be a charismatic teacher and a shining example — in politics, a Winston Churchill or John Kennedy; in higher education, a Theodore Hesburgh (Notre Dame) or a Kingman Brewster (Yale).



Second, a university president must have commitment to the institution he leads. He should not be one of those people constantly moving between top posts in government, industry, and the foundations; a careerist whose only stock in trade is running large organizations; an operator who looks upon his present job as a stepping stone to something bigger; a manipulator who uses people for what he can get out of them; an **aparatchik** whose loyalty is not to the university but to his own career. What MSU needs is a John A. Hannah, whose whole life was dedicated to MSU and whose personal aspirations were indistinguishable from the institutional goals of this university.

Third, a university president must be a person of vision who believes in something and stands for something. Instead of mechanically regurgitating the sterile rhetoric about "the maintenance of standards and the pursuit of excellence," he must embody in his intellectual and emotional being the best traditions of higher education and (in the case of MSU) the revolutionary precepts of the land-grant philosophy. And he must be prepared to take risks — lay his career on the line — whenever these values are threatened by enemies within or outside the academy. This is what Kingman Brewster did in an era of mass hysteria when he opened the Yale campus to an SDS convention and a Black Panther rally, or when he led a student delegation to Washington in protest against the Cambodian incursion. With these symbolic acts, and without compromising "standards" or "excellence," he gave credibility to Yale as a great university discharging its broader social responsibilities.

"First and foremost, he must be a leader rather than just a manager. He must do more than merely coordinate the work of the countless committees . . ." — Walter Adams

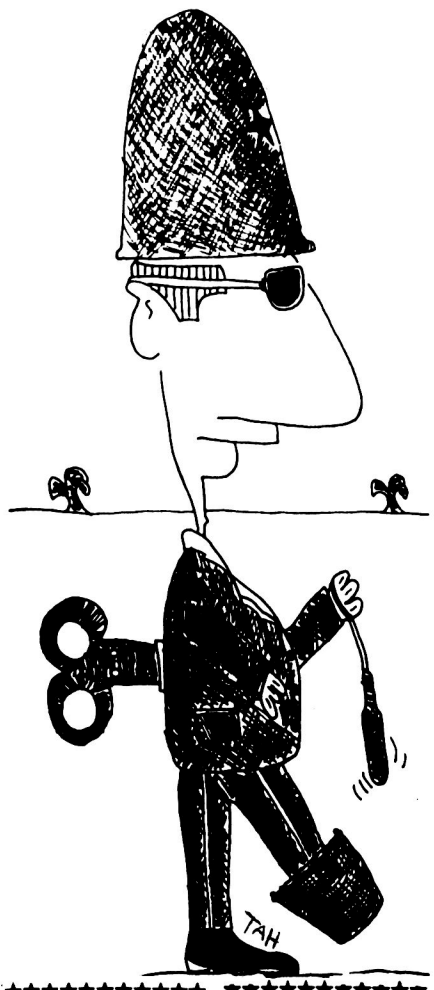
Fourth, a university president must have certain personal attributes. He must have an almost limitless store of physical energy to cope with an impossible schedule. He must have self confidence to make decisions — to act — while retaining the requisite candor and humility to admit mistakes. He must be visible and accessible — an outgoing and perhaps extroverted person who does not feel threatened by people and who enjoys his interaction with them. He must be able to convey to individuals making up the university community a sense of belonging and a sense of identification with its goals and aspirations. He must know how to use truthfulness as the greatest of all pragmatic weapons.

Finally, like Ed Harden, a university president should have a sense of humor. This does not mean being a stand-up comedian, but rather an irreverance toward oneself, the bureaucracy, and the institutions people tend to take too seriously. It means a recognition of the incongruous, the paradoxical, the surreal in our lives. It involves an effort to restore some sense of proportion in looking at ourselves and our place in the world. Humor, in this sense, liberates a leader from personal hangups, and helps him see problems with impersonal lucidity.

In searching for a paragon embodying these attributes, it is less important to examine curriculum vitas than to ask what battles the candidate has chosen to fight and how he or she has performed under fire. After all, as Oliver Wendell Holmes observed, "It is one thing to utter a happy phrase from a protected cloister; another to think under fire — to think for action upon which great interests depend.

JAMES L. SMITH

Guns, badges, brawn— just to nab the drunks



Support Your Local Police! Well, OK, but I would rather look out for them, especially in this area.

The oft-touted belief that police are the servants of the people isn't worth the price of the ink that printed these words.

Police, and not only in East Lansing and at MSU, have become a great many things over the years, both good and bad, but one of the things they have not become is servants of the people.

What they have become are isolated fiefdoms complete with moats of bullet-proof glass, uniforms and weaponry. In the police officer's mind, "it's us against them." We being the us and the them being they.

After spending seven years among the ranks of two police departments in California I finally came to the realization that it is not the patrol officer who is to blame for this separation, but an antiquated management system coupled with poor training methods.

Most of the officers I knew were fairly decent people out of uniform, but many went through a Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde transformation when they stepped into their two-toned cruiser.

And nowhere is this attitude more apparent than in a university-town like East Lansing.

There seems to be an attitude among police officers here that if you are out walking after 11 p.m. you "must" be a burglar and if you are driving then "obviously" you are drunk.

In a situation I was involved in, which has been fortified by similar accounts from others, the East Lansing police simply rolled over my constitutional rights like a steamroller. And then "they" complained because I wasn't pleasant about it.

Among the comments exchanged that evening, I received the following boasts from some of the eight officers present on Grand River where I was stopped:

"Don't tell me I don't know a drunk driver, I have arrested 1,000 in just six years." I can picture this officer going home to his wife, rubbing his hands together and taking her out to dinner or breakfast to celebrate his latest "kill."

Unfortunately for him, I had nothing to drink that night so after having fished me out of my car he had to throw me back.

Another comment from one of E.L.'s finest was "In case you didn't know, East Lansing police arrested the second most drunk drivers in Michigan last year." Until that moment I wasn't aware that states had contests for such things. Its just a shame their record on finding missing persons isn't as impressive.

If you are here for any length of time and frequent the bright lights of downtown East Lansing you will become aware of a strange phenomenon.

After the witching hour, you will note a sudden concentration of E.L. and DPS police cars swooping onto Grand River, like so many hawks diving for their prey, to work what police officers affectionately call "drunk time."

Obviously, I would prefer they patrolled the back streets where I live, but then when you are still second in the state for drunk driving arrests, you just gotta try harder.

Oh, as for my personal run-in with ELPD, after all the sobriety tests cleared me of that suspicion, I was issued a citation. A forward looking city attorney dismissed it, though, before it came to trial on the agreement I wouldn't sue the city.

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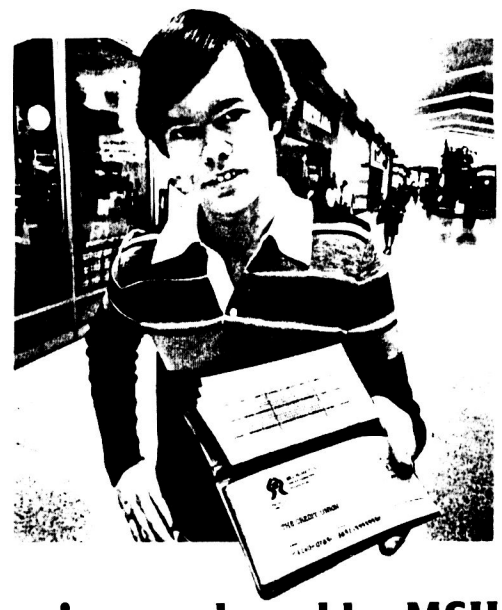

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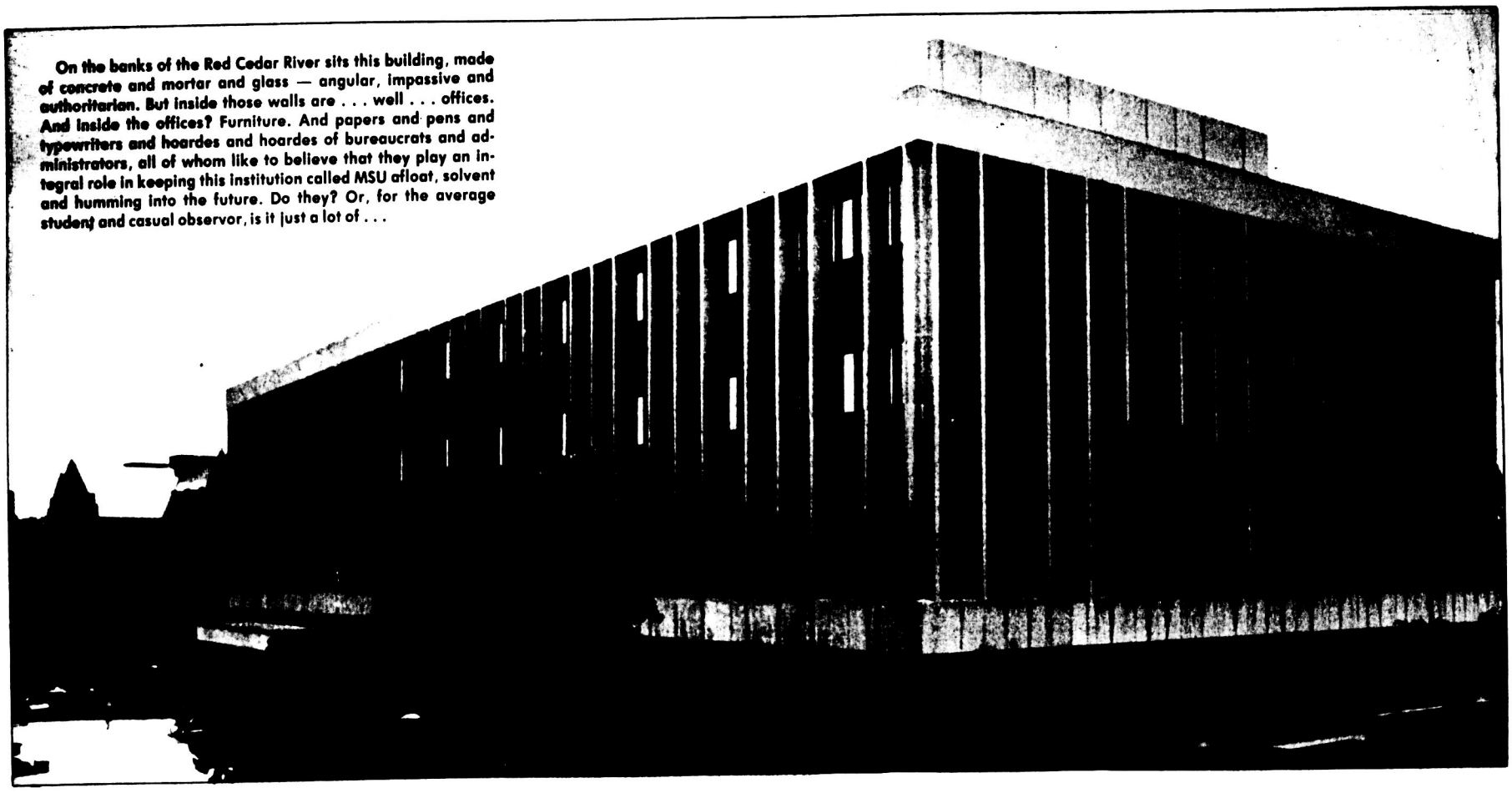

On the banks of the Red Cedar River sits this building, made of concrete and mortar and glass — angular, impassive and authoritarian. But inside those walls are . . . well . . . offices. And inside the offices? Furniture. And papers and pens and typewriters and hoardes and hoardes of bureaucrats and administrators, all of whom like to believe that they play an integral role in keeping this institution called MSU afloat, solvent and humming into the future. Do they? Or, for the average student and casual observor, is it just a lot of . . .

. . . Red tape on the Red Cedar?

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

MSU is and it isn't.

It's a lot like a multinational corporation — with holdings all over the world from constant dabblings in international education/politics — but then again it isn't.

It's a lot like a big business — a gigantic company with a $300 million budget and tens of thousands of students turned out in assembly-line fashion — but then again, it isn't really.

It's a lot like the federal government — bureaucracy which runs rampant through the carpeted halls in the Administration Building — but, well . . . it isn't just that, either.

Just what exactly is this gigantic thing that slowly seems to be enveloping East Lansing? And just what goes on inside that Parthenon-like structure called the Administration building, nestled on the banks of the Red Cedar river? Those are questions which must be answered before anyone can decide who actually runs the place.

Imagine, if you will, an empty canvas — MSU without people. Now add some elements.

The University is composed of three distinct groups — students, faculty and administrators. They are at once the elements that comprise MSU and the glue that holds it together. Take away the people and all that is left is the brick, mortar and iron that in a different combination could have been a freeway overpass.

These three groups are by no means homogeneous — they each have different needs and expectations they want the University to fulfill. The administrators are here to keep the University's collective head above water, the faculty to teach and the students to learn.

The picture is slowly beginning to take on a shape. Three different colors have been slopped over onto the canvas, but in no particular order. They overlap, underlap and don't lap at all. But the University keeps on going — but where?

The Long Range Planning Council, made up of faculty, students and administrators, spent a good portion of last year trying to decide where MSU should be going. It was considered by many at the time to have been the most important task ever embarked on by the University, but the conclusions reached by the council were few and far between.

So even the council's attempt to give the picture shape — to decide what is on the canvas and what it means — for all practical purposes failed.

The inability to separate these colors into definable quadrons and squares in a large part makes it impossible to say who runs MSU. The students outnumber the faculty, and the faculty the administrators, but still the responsibility for guiding this institution — preparing the budgets and seeking the funds — goes to those who's heads are pictured on the chart on this page.

Some would say, in fact, that the picture is complete in its haziness — that carefully divided lines separating administrators, faculty and students just do not exist.

But in order to run this institution in some efficient manner, those in power have designed theoretical boundaries for the influence of these groups. In doing so they also created a complex maze of bureaucracy that is perhaps best understood from the bottom up.

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The Bylaws for Academic Governance dictate the system under which MSU is run. Simple enough. But the reality is not that simple. Those Bylaws say the Academic Council — a body consisting of hundreds of students, faculty and administrators — runs MSU.

The paradox lies in the fact that the council is purely advisory — the MSU Board of Trustees and/or the University president and his administrators can ignore any policy recommendation made by the council. Although most administrators agree that to ignore a significant vote from Academic Council could prove to be an extreme tactical error, the power is still there.

The council is composed of numerous groups, the Student and Faculty Councils, the Appointed Council and designated members of the Academic Council Standing Committees, the Steering committee, the president and the provost.

The gigantic Academic Council seldom has problems in reaching a quorum. But unfortunately the same cannot be said for the 34 member Student Council — the student voice designated by the bylaws. Throughout last winter term and into spring the council constantly had problems trying to get a quorum — 15 members — at their meetings. No quorum meant that no action could be taken on any of the agenda items before the council. The student voice was effectively stiffled, in this case, by the students themselves.

The University President is assigned the task of chairing the Academic Council, but President Edgar L. Harden has declined to do so because his role is only temporary. Provost Clarence Winder acts as chairperson in Harden's absence.

The council meets once every two weeks during the regular school year and hashes out the agenda items that make their way through the bureaucratic steps to them.

C. Patrick Larrowe, faculty grievance officer and economics professor who sits on the council, said the faculty often complains they do not have enough input into decision making.

"On the other hand," Larrowe points out, "They have a voice (academic council) but they don't take advantage of it."

Most who have been involved with or are familiar with the workings of the Academic Council admit that it moves with the pace of a snail — accomplishing precious little along the way. The council spent months making very minor revisions in the new remedial education guidelines it had passed last spring. It took all of last year for the council to revise the faculty grievance procedure.

Winder has been provost of MSU since May of 1977.

He disagreed with the assessment that Academic Council is basically ponderous and powerless.

"Let me put it this way," Winder said. "Within the present academic governance system the faculty and students clearly execute a greater influence than they did, say, 15 or 20 years ago."

That may be true, but two decades ago there were only about half as many students attending MSU as there are now

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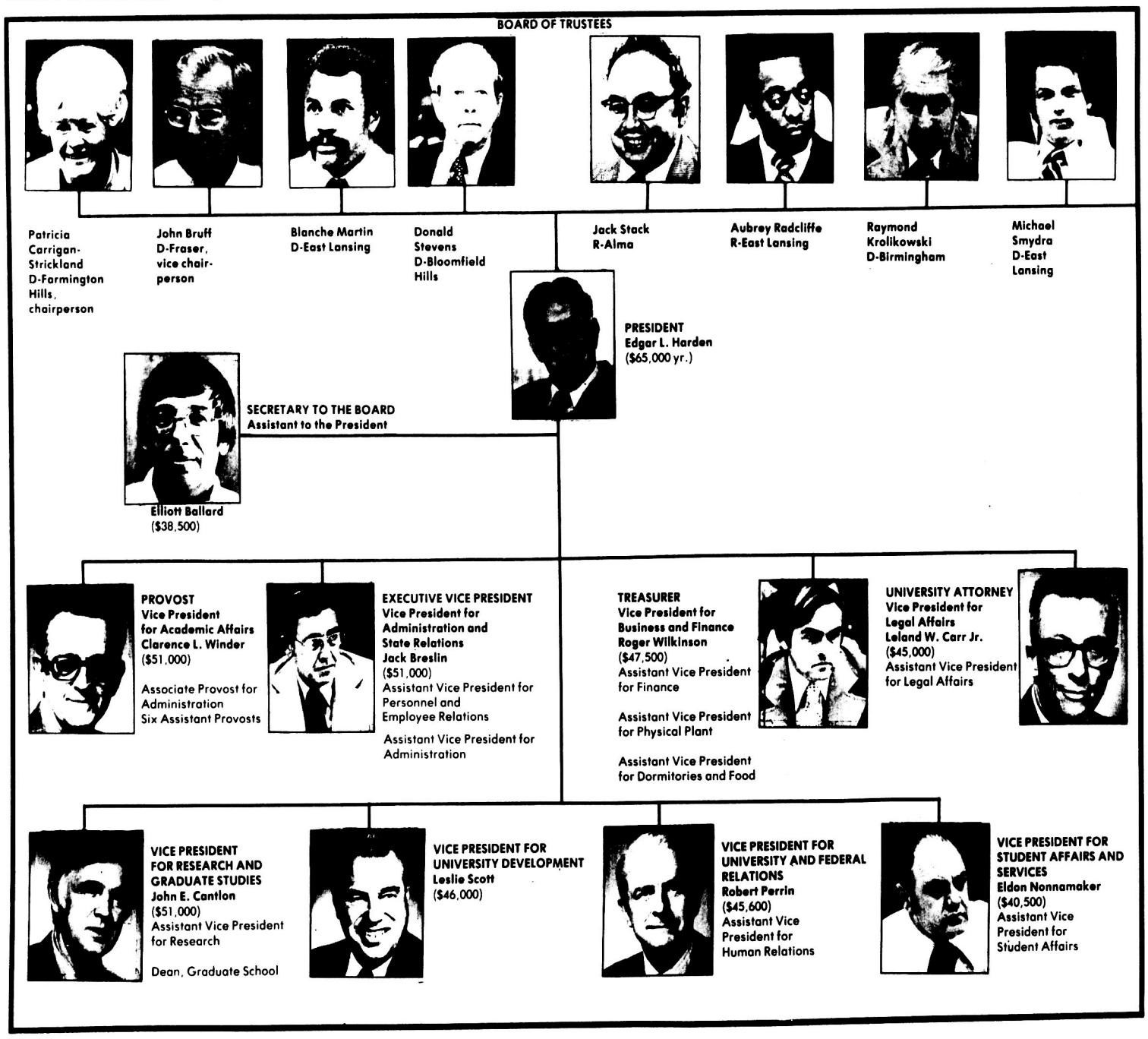

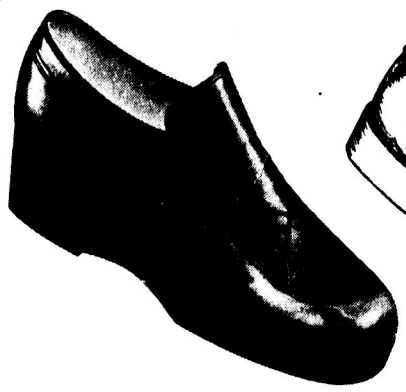

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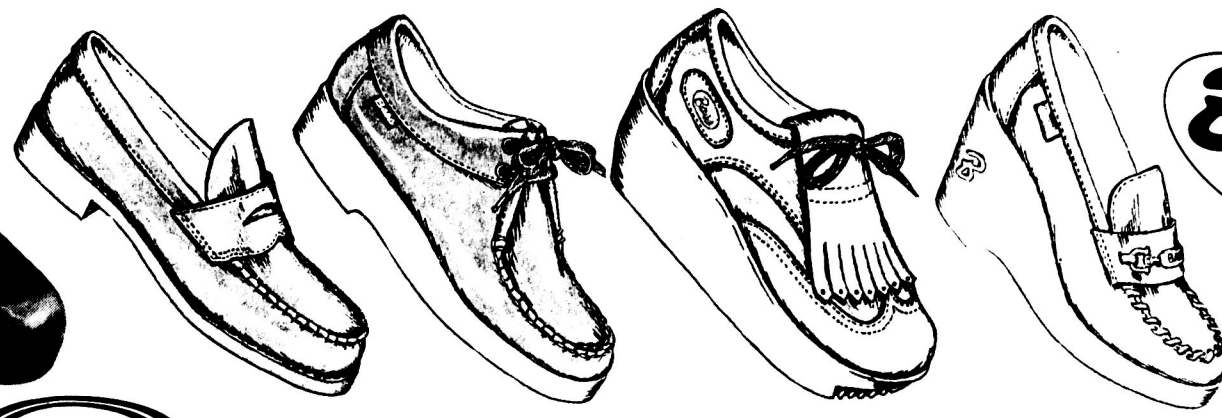

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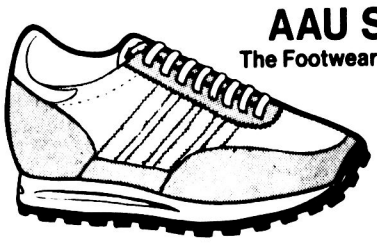

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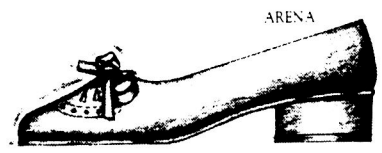

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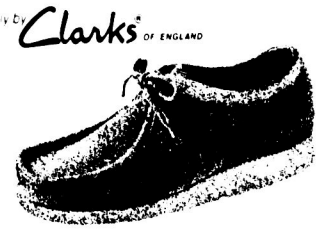

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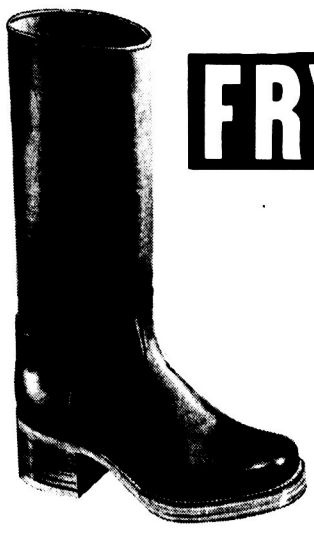

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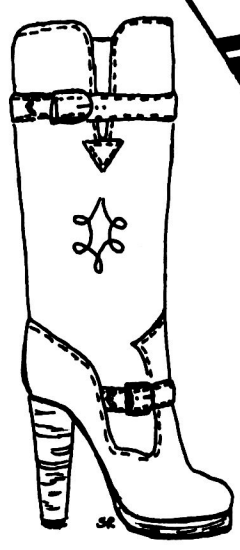

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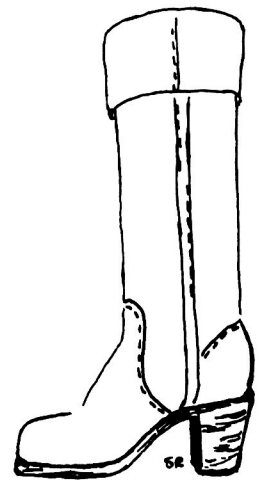

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Students rights at MSU...

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In the 1960s, student protest against MSU's denial of their basic civil liberties spawned a fairly radical innovation: The Academic Freedom Report. But the AFR, then and now, is in some ways badly deficient. However, the revision and updating the document cries out for will come only if students demand it — but evidence suggests that the student political muscle has gone flabby, wasted by the distrophy of time and apathy.

...The AFR is (still) dated

By MICHELLE CHAMBERS
State News Staff Writer

The Academic Freedom Report. Theoretically, it is the document that outlines a student's rights and responsibilities. Theoretically, it is a reaffirmation of a student's basic, constitutionally ensured civil liberties.

But in reality, the Academic Freedom Report is a promise unfulfilled.

AFR is the document compiled by students and faculty members and approved by the administration which states: "The basic purposes of the University are the enlargement, dissemination and application of knowledge. The most basic necessity for the achievement of these purposes is freedom of expression and communication."

These expressions, as outlined in the report, include not only the freedom to voice an opinion but also the liberty to complain about the violation of academic rights — such as a grade received or an invasion of privacy.

Yet, even though these freedoms are outlined in AFR, the history of the document proves that time has not protected the original scheme of the report.

Officially implemented July 14, 1967, AFR was not the document students at the time had hoped it would become, but they agreed it was a good start that could be improved upon later.

But AFR has never quite reached the apex students of the 1960s hoped it would.

AFR arose in response to the landmark case of Paul Schiff.

Schiff was refused admission to graduate school in the spring of 1965 because administrators felt his left-wing political beliefs and involvement in activist causes could only add to the already exploding atmosphere of the mid-60s.

The University's rejection was suddenly overturned when Schiff threatened to appeal the decision in the federal courts.

And just as suddenly as Schiff had been allowed admittance, then President John Hannah and Academic Council decided a specific definition of student rights and responsibilities and a judicial process was needed.

In January 1966, Academic Council put its student affairs committee to work compiling a document defining just what rights and responsibilities a student had at MSU.

But at the time Academic Council and its committees consisted solely of administrators, deans and faculty representatives — no students.

Within a month the committee had composed and presented the document to Academic Council, which in turn rejected and returned AFR back to the committee for revision.

Thus, the original spirit of the document was already being watered down and students protested loudly but to no avail.

After two revisions, AFR was accepted by Academic Council. However, many sections which students at the time thought crucial had been eliminated.

For example, the section guaranteeing the right to have "competent and informed" classroom instruction was removed from the original document. The accepted report only gave students the right to file a complaint with the Student-Faculty Judiciary if they felt their academic rights had been infringed upon.

Two other important sections were omitted as well, which, in their absence gave the University the right to keep students' records after graduation and to use them without authorization.

Students also complained that the revision dealt more with the rights of faculty than with student rights.

Even though many sections were removed from the original draft of AFR, student government representatives still gave their approval to the report but stressed they were not totally satisfied with the revision.

These students seemed to have felt that it was more important to institute the document and amend it later to correct its inadequacies.

Though the MSU Board of Trustees approved the document on March 17, 1967, AFR did not become officially implemented until 120 days later. During that interim period students faced another disappointment — rejection of their request to elect representatives to sit on Academic Council.

Since AFR was officially implemented, it has been the subject of numerous controversies. The largest debate occurred a little over a year after AFR became a reality.

In September 1968, students staged a massive demonstration after the trustees approved a rule allowing the president to suspend anyone from the University who "constitutes an immediate threat to the normal and orderly operation of the University." The rule applied to those awaiting a proper judicial procedure.

In a small, but important, victory for students, the trustees rescinded the suspension rule.

And since the document became a working reality, it has been revised six times, but never to include what was left out of the original document. The revisions have also been primarily allowances for change within University governmental groups and organizations.

The two major amendments to the revision were postponed until 1977 — almost 10 years after the document was implemented. One revision explained what decisions could be made by the living unit judiciaries, something the accepted document had neglected. The decisions have granted more disciplinary power to these judiciaries.

The other amendment, and the most major change in the document, begins a student's grievance procedure at the department level rather than with the Student-Faculty Judiciary. However, the amendment added the provision that faculty have the final say in terms of academic complaints.

Therefore, though the document can be amended, it seems to either take too long to provoke student interest or is pointless because total changes are not made.

AFR is archaic. It is unclear, unfinished and restrictive. Amendments must be made to the document, if only to clear up some of its ambiguities.

A perfect example of this contention can be seen in article 4 which outlines an unbelievably complicated judicial procedure. Even administrators admit it lacks uniformity and clarity. But, worse of all the process assumes that a student is guilty before the grievance procedure ever begins.

And Article 3, which deals with student records, does not even include the guidelines concerning a student's right to privacy and the degree of authority the University has in releasing confidential information. These guidelines were not even compiled until almost eight years after AFR went into effect. They can be found in each Schedule of Courses Handbook, but not in AFR.

True, MSU was among the first major universities to establish a document outlining academic freedom for students. However, the students on campus at the time of implementation were not satisfied with the report and expected improvement. Ten years later it is basically the same document — every flaw, inconsistency and injustice has remained.

But, present administrators cannot be blamed for this inadequacy. The fault lies with the students. Though the amendment process is a long and complicated one, students can no longer say access to change is beyond their grasp, for student representatives have had a vote on Academic Council for seven years.

These student representatives should not be satisfied with an antiquated document that has proven itself unjust and incomplete.

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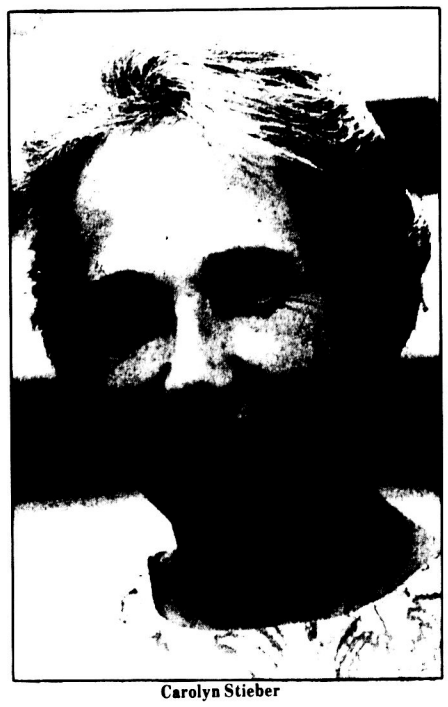

Carolyn Stieber

By JOANNE LANE
State News Staff Writer

"Ombudsman." It is a Swedish word which, loosely translated, means "representative of the people."

Carolyn Stieber, it might be said, is MSU's "ombudskvinna" — the feminine version of the term. So far as can be determined, there is no neuter designation.

But the language is hardly important. What matters is the function of the office — to help students with any complaints or grievances they may have and, when necessary, intercede with MSU bigwigs on their behalf.

The majority of the complaints that come to Stieber's office in 101 Linton Hall are academically related. The Ombudsman's office has handled everything from changing grades to seeing that tests are given under fair conditions.

The office was created out of the 1967 Academic Freedom Report. At that time many major U.S. campuses were rocked with student unrest and students felt their rights were being denied.

The administration agreed the students had valid complaints about the University bureaucracy not seeing things through their eyes. Students also complained about research having more value in the University than teaching and professors often being absent from class without prior notification.

"Before this office was created," Stieber said, "students were restless yet had nowhere to let out their frustrations. They would often go to their individual colleges to try and find a sympathetic ear, often to no avail."

MSU's Ombudsman's office was one of the first to be created in a large university, Stieber said, and certainly the first among the Big Ten.

Since its creation in 1967, the office has handled about 1,000 complaints a year. Fall term is often the busiest as are registration, mid-term and finals weeks.

"Students are no longer an ignored part of the University community," Stieber said. Students now serve on the Academic Council, which was not the case in past years. They also have a direct pipeline to the Board of Trustees and serve on many other University committees.

Another achievement of the Ombudsman's office was to establish a code in 1969 that calls for instructors to provide course objectives, explain grading methods used and set up regular office hours, with time aside for special appointments.

The code further states that teachers cannot miss class without warning or without providing a substitute. Exams must be returned, final exams must be kept for one term and academic advisors have to be available for guidance during enrollment.

Former Ombudsman James D. Rust also recommended in 1969 that time be set aside during orientation to acquaint students with the organization of the University.

The Ombudsman's office is part of the President's office and reports there annually. Stieber has recommended in her annual report to University administrators that the practice of tripling be reevaluated. She thinks tripling creates unnecessary problems for the individuals involved and hopes the University can soon correct the situation.

In the upcoming academic year, Stieber said, many of the problems that were evident last year will surface again such as parking and financial hassles.

The new $18 health fee that is being assessed to all students may cause some problems, Stieber said, but it was necessary since the state cut funds.

"The basic tool of the Ombudsman's office," Stieber explained, "is that it has access to everybody on campus whereas students don't. I can relate to a student's frustration when confronted with University bureaucracy."

Students are urged to drop in or call the Ombudsman's office Monday to Friday 8 to 5 p.m.

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Student rights at a glance

If any student feels that the following sample of provisions for students as outlined in the Academic Freedom Report are violated, a grievance can be filed at the office of Ombudsman Carolyn Stieber. Complete copies of the document can be found in every dormitory room and fraternity and sorority or can be picked up in the Student Affairs Office, 153 Student Services Bldg.

Article 1 — Students Rights and Responsibilities

- University regulations emphasize both "maximum freedom and necessary order;"
- No regulations exist if there is not a demonstratable need;
- Students have a voice, "to the maximum extent feasible," in defining student government regulations;
- Penalties, which are designed for guidance or correction of behavior, are equal to the offense committed.

Artical 2 — Academic Rights and Responsibilities of Students

- Instructors must "respect the confidential nature" between themselves and students;
- Students need not fear expressing differences of opinion with the instructor;
- A grade received for class performance will be made by the instructor in "good faith;"
- Students are protected against "improper disclosure of information concerning . . . grades, views, beliefs, political associations, health, or character;"
- Students must be given accurate class information determining the requirements for "maintaining an acceptable academic standing;"
- Academic departments must provide adequate channels for grievance procedure should a student have a complaint.

Article 3 — Student Records

- No record can be "made or retained unless there is a demonstratable need;"
- Records on religious or political beliefs can not be made without a student's consent;
- Students can inspect the transcript of their academic records;
- Acquisition of record information is "formulated with due regard for the student's right of privacy;"
- Only MSU faculty and administrators are allowed to see a record of a student's offenses.

Article 4 — Judicial Process

- "Any student accused of violating a regulation shall have the right to appear before one or more members of a duly constituted judicial body;"
- Students are allowed due process;
- Students are notified by "an appropriate" University official that they have violated a regulation;
- Upon notification, students have the choice to plead guilty and request in writing that appropriate action be taken, plead guilty and request a hearing or deny the allegation and be referred to appropriate judicial body.

Article 6 — Student and University Publications

- Students have "maximum freedom" to express opinions and ideas through student publications;
- Soliciting advertising cannot be authorized nor prohibited by the University.

Article 8 — General Recommendations

- New students are given the appropriate orientation to MSU student rights and responsibilities;
- An ombudsman is appointed who assists "students in accomplishing the expeditious settlement of their problems;"
- The ombudsman has "broad investigatory powers" and access to all University records.

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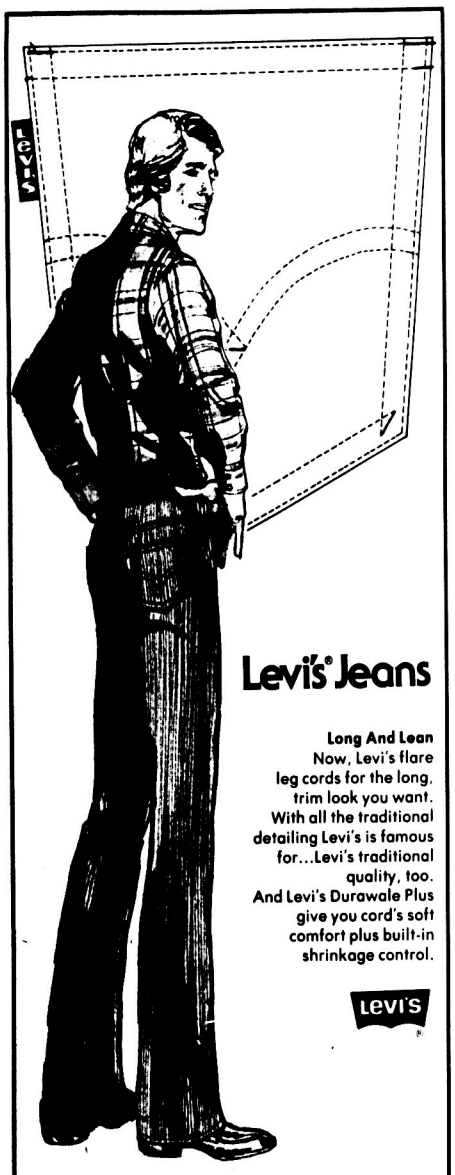

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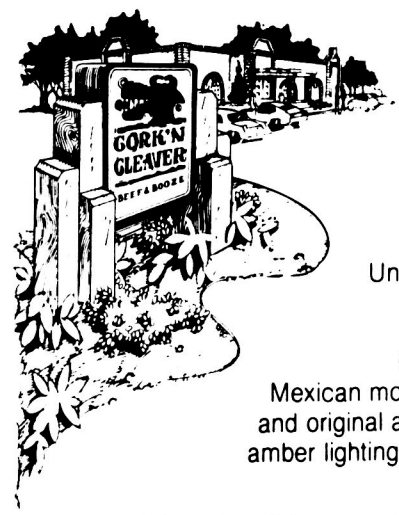

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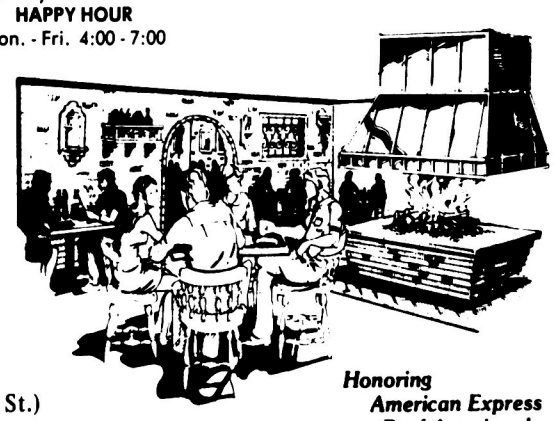
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The Union strikes out

Last year faculty again said 'no' to collective bargaining—why?

By MICHELLE CHAMBERS
State News Staff Writer

Attempts to unionize have been marked by long and often frustrating battles, but through it all collective bargaining has become an important part of the modern American business system.

At the turn of the century, labor leaders fought — and often died — for the basic human right of workers to help in the designing of their own destiny.

In the 1970s, Big Labor is a reality and, most would agree, a vital counterweight to the power of Big Business. Union leaders now have a voice in determining employment policies which include, among other things, wages and fringe benefits.

And unionization has not stayed at the level of factory workers. Professionals — college-educated people — have also joined unions to guarantee that the voice of the white-collar employee does not go unheard.

Not only have professional people such as nurses and teachers formed unions, but even lawyers and doctors have established organizations to protect themselves.

Yet, there is a continuing reluctance on the part of college educators to unionize. Although 360 universities and colleges are represented by faculty unions, these only account for one-quarter of the nation's more than 600,000 faculty.

Apparently, the MSU faculty agrees with the majority of their peers.

Twice, in 1972 and last spring term, collective bargaining was overwhelmingly voted down.

In each election, conducted by the Michigan Employment Relations Commission, faculty were given three choices on the ballot — to either vote for MSU Faculty Associates or the American Association of University Professors as their collective bargaining agent, or to vote no agent.

Faculty Associates, an affiliate of the National Education Association and the Michigan Education Association, began the process for securing a union election on both occasions.

MERC requires that at least 30 percent of the faculty give their written authorization for an election to be organized. The associates met the requirement within two years by passing out authorization cards among faculty members.

Also, on both occasions, the MSU chapter of the AAUP — a faculty organization that has served as the long-time dean of scholarly fraternities — became the intervenor.

By collecting authorization from at least 10 percent of the faculty, any group wishing to be named collective bargaining agent instead of the initiating group can intervene, according to MERC regulations.

Although the two groups agree their relationship is one of "friendly rivalry" and take similiar stands on the major issues concerning unionization, their ideological bases differ significantly.

AAUP, described by many as a weak and ineffective organizer, supports the more traditional role of the college educator. As an organization, AAUP does confront the bread and butter issues, but is primarily concerned with gaining more academic power.

Older professors tend to support the philosophy of AAUP and the concept of collegiality — or belonging to an academic fraternity of persons dedicated to learning.

Faculty Associates, on the other hand, has been accused of focusing primarily on the concrete issues of salary and fringe benefits and ignoring the higher ideals of academia.

Younger, lower echelon faculty seem to support the FA, claiming that it is better organized and would be more influential with the state Legislature because of its affiliation with a national organization.

By voting down collective bargaining — by a substantial margin on both occasions — MSU has awarded itself the dubious honor of being the only major university in the country to reject unionization not only once, but twice.

It is true that four year universities — especially those doctoral-granting and research-oriented ones — have indeed been the most adament against unionization.

Yet, in the most recent survey of faculty attitudes toward unionization -- conducted by Everett Ladd and Seymour Martin Lipset — the trend toward faculty unions has leveled off with 75 percent of the faculty surveyed nationwide supporting collective bargining.

And it is also true that of Michigan's 13 four-year schools, only four have not unionized — including MSU and U-M.

MSU has rejected unionization twice, but U-M has not even voted on the question of collective bargaining. Why?

At two year colleges, where job security is precarious and salaries are lower, unionization is more readily accepted. But at four year universities most would contend that faculty need not worry as much about these financial factors.

These educators, some say, are also being treated well by the American economic system which, according to the myth, always makes room for the worthy at the top.

A great part of the forces that come together against unionization seem to be concerned with this question of retaining the status quo. For many also contend that by unionizing, university educators would be placed in the same category as blue-collar workers.

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But for others, unionization truly seems unnecessary. Many who are anti union insist there are a few problems to be worked out and there are currently accessible channels in which to change the necessary wrongs.

These faculty point to the existence of the faculty grievance officer — the stronghold of in-house arbitration. The officer, appointed by the administration, handles all faculty grievances by following the guidelines set up by the 1972 Interim Faculty Grievance Procedure.

Although all faculty agree that the current procedure is inadequate, and are struggling to initiate a new one, many feel that it can and does serve faculty as well as collective bargaining would.

The new procedure was being hammered out during spring term by Faculty Council, a body consisting of representatives from most academic departments, and should continue to be a major consideration for the council this fall.

Because of the proposed procedure and the presence of a formal governing body — Faculty Council — many contend unionization is an unnecessary bother.

However, some insist these avenues of redress do not seem to be sufficient when dealing with concrete issues of salary. Union advocates claim that MSU salaries are quickly losing ground to inflation, rising only four-fifths as quickly as the cost of living.

When compared to universities that have formed a collective bargaining unit — Wayne State University and Central Michigan University — MSU has significantly lower salaries. Not only do faculty at these universities receive higher salaries, but they reap benefits they claim exceed those offered at MSU.

However, salaries and benefits were not the only focus of collective bargaining campaigns.

Although faculty tenure and job security at major universities are more stable than at two year colleges, union proponents claim that MSU administrators have increasingly turned down tenure and promotion recommendations. And part-time faculty abound at the University.

Collective bargaining advocates contend that this trend, combined with declining enrollments, will make the few full-time faculty positions more competitive, resulting in even greater attacks on administrative flexibility.

And as far as faculty's academic power is concerned, Faculty Associates and AAUP say it is almost nil.

Faculty Council was instituted to be the vehicle of faculty input into running the University. However, even this limited power is reduced because the provost has ultimate veto power over every council decision.

And though many anti-union faculty believe the proposed grievance procedure will sufficiently protect faculty rights, union advocates point out that the procedure still sets the final decision in the hands of administrators rather than with an outside arbitrator.

The concept of unionization almost seems to frighten many faculty members for fear that it will created an adversary relationship between themselves and the administration. Yet, pro-union advocates feel that faculty are, in many ways, already being treated badly by the University.

Whatever side MSU faculty take in the future on the question of collective bargaining, the trend is moving toward national unionization, and some major universities — like MSU — may find themselves buried in an archaic past.

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How and why MSU still teaches the 3 Rs

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

The plight of remedial education is familiar to most who educate on this campus. Due to the long, pitched battle over the propriety and applicability of remedial education in an institution of higher learning, most other faculty and staff have been exposed to the brunt of the problem, which is this: Too many students know too little.

Many students admitted to MSU fail to pass admittance tests in english, mathematics and algebra and must take classes to make up for their deficiencies. The problem is made more frightening by the numbers involved.

Almost half of the incoming freshmen in 1977 had one or more deficiencies to make up through remedial class work. That is 3,400 students who had just entered MSU and on the admittance tests scored unacceptably low. This shakes higher education all over the country to the roots, especially at MSU which, as a land grant institution, is obliged to provide equal educational opportunity for all.

There lies the fundamental dispute: Are MSU instructors obliged to spend hundreds of hours and the University hundreds of thousands of dollars to elevate these students to the levels where they can enter a freshman class and make progress, or should the deficiencies have been taken care of at the high school level?

The question was grappled with for months in the Academic Council last year. On January 5, 1977 the recommendations on Remedial, Developmental and Preparatory courses newly prepared by the Committee on Academic Policy were forwarded to the council for placement on its agenda.

For the next three months the council debated, fought and argued over these guidelines. Again and again, "debate was resumed" on the new recommendations for remedial education, until finally in March they were passed.

As approved by the council the recommendations spread MSU's remedial, developmental and preparatory courses into five types, each with its own policy and recommendations.

In all five types the courses are designed to remove deficiencies that are made visible from grades on admittance tests, either directly concerning the subject matter of the test or indirectly.

Type I courses, IS 194 for example, will be included in the calculation of the Grade Point Average and Minimum Academic Progress Scale, but not counted towards the 180 credits needed for graduation. Students can remove this deficiency by either retaking the exam one more time and passing, or by passing the appropriate Type I course.

Type II courses, for example American Thought and Language 101, 102, and 103, are designed to remove a deficiency which must be removed before graduation. Continuation in the sequence is required until the deficiency is removed, or else by passing one track and then retaking and passing the exam. Again, the courses count towards calculation of GPA and MAPS, but not toward the 180 credits required for graduation.

Type III courses, Math 082/103 and 084/104 for example, are designed to remove a deficiency whose removal is required only if the student wishes to enter a particular academic program. The deficiency is removed by either retaking the exam and passing, or passing the appropriate course. These courses will count toward GPA and MAPS and also towards the minimal graduation requirements.

Type IV courses, Ms 181, 182 and 183 for example, must be to University standards and judged so by the University Committee on curriculum. The student would be concurrently enrolled in a type I, II, or III course since removal of a skill deficiency is not part of this course. If the course is approved by the UCC, than full credit can be granted.

Type V courses are preparatory or prerequisites to a 100 level course and no placement exam is given to determine deficiency. If the course is judged to be on the university level than credit will be awarded towards GPA and MAPS, but not to the 180 credit minimum.

As it was passed, the guidelines seem concise, and articulate. Their evolution to the point when they were passed by the council, sheds light on both the struggle of the University with the concept of remedial education, and the bureaucratic system that runs this university.

"This document is so complex that it is best handled in its entirety," declared Ralph Taggart, member of the Academic Council, when the remedial education document was put before the council in January. "Let's not split this up and beat it to death item by item."

Unfortunately, that is exactly what seemed to happen.

Six months after the document was approved, Taggart once again talked about the remedial education problem and the Academic Council's approval of the guidelines.

"I think they were worked over perhaps more than some people would have liked,"

Clarence L. Winder

Dorothy Arata

Taggart explained.

At the Feb. 7 meeting, Provost Clarence L. Winder asked all members to report amendments they would like to make in the guidelines by the Feb. 21 meeting, in an effort to curtail the endless debate on almost every point.

"Some people would have liked the whole thing to slide through virtually intact, others would like to do surgery on every part," said Taggart, appraising the tone of the time.

"It was not destructively changed."

The guidelines that they approved in March looked remarkably like those presented to them by the UCAP in January.

"I think this policy, the terms and conditions that the Academic Council adopted are responsible and will probably result in our having some improvements in the academic program for students who have some special instruction arrangement," Winder explained.

One prominent aspect of the guidelines states that those students enrolled in remedial, developmental or preparatory classes, and have demonstrated deficiencies, cannot drop the courses.

"Drops from such courses should not normally be processed except to facilitate transfer between sections," the document reads.

"It is important that the council recognized that this is not a regular MSU program, and it should not be counted as a regular program," said Dorothy Arata, assistant provost for undergraduate education. "In exchange for extra effort, the University has to have a competent commitment from the student that he is willing to take the credits as add ons."

She said that she doesn't expect full implementation of these policies until fall of 1979.

Notification to the registrar's office of the no-drop policy and a review of the admittance testing program are among several aspects of the policy that must be reviewed before it can be instituted.

Despite the time and effort required to institute the policy, Arata agreed with Taggart's summatation and said, "The council did not significantly alter the document they received."

Arata believes, as do most educators on this campus, that MSU should begin to get out of the business of remedial education.

However, the commitment the University made to these students when they were admitted precludes not attempting to educate them to the best of the University's ability.

Arata does believe, however, that high schools now are waging at the freshman level a more concerted effort to instill in students compentency in the traditional "3 r's."

"We need to gear up and continue to handle this problem for at least three or four more years and then hopefully we can begin to move out of the remedial education business," Arata predicted. She said it would take at least that long for the freshman now in high school to move to the college level to be evaluated.

Lawrence Ziewacz, as an assistant professor of American Thought and Language, deals with students soon after they arrive at MSU.

He said ATL is not the kind of course that involves a specific aspect of knowledge. It is not simply english, composition, history, or sociology, but combines all of them.

"When you are dealing with a deficiency and you have four or five areas broached by that deficiency, you are dealing with a very complex problem," Ziewacz acknowledged.

He admitted occasional frustration, and emphasized the dedication needed by educators who have to deal with students who have backgrounds not commensurate to their course work.

As for MSU, the die has been cast. The guidelines for remedial education have been approved and are being instituted. But how long must remedial education continue at this institution of higher education? Arata and others are hopeful in their predictions, perhaps justifiably so, perhaps not.

In a time of burgeoning costs and penny-wise budgets, higher education must focus its slackening resources on providing the best education possible for the greatest number of students. Diverting dollars and energy to the role of surrogate high school to those students not qualified to be at this institution is a policy at once unavoidable and damaging.

If, as Arata predicts, high schools are now beginning to do the job, the problem may take care of itself. But if not, remedial education in some form is probably here to stay.

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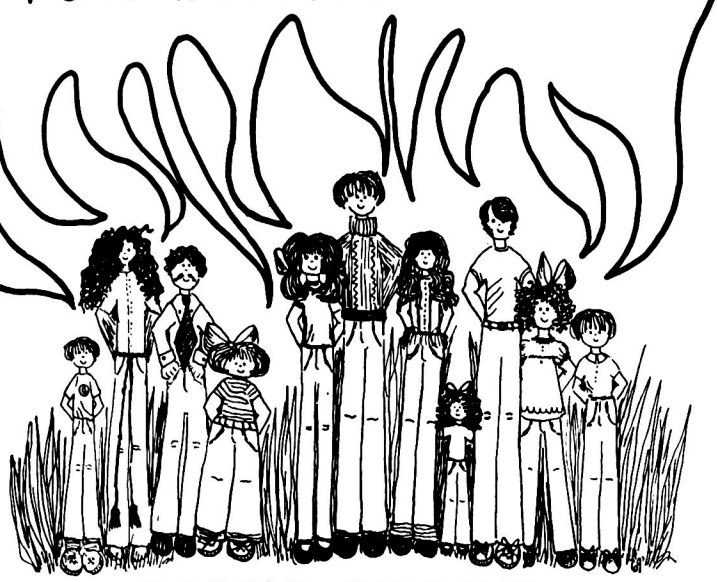

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What is this thing called MSU and where is it going? No answers yet

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The enrichment program was established to solicit private funding for a performing arts center, expansion of the library and museum facilities and endowed faculty chairs. When Wharton left in January, the total raised was $9.5 million enroute to a $17 million goal.

Despite apparent efforts by Harden, including the redesign of the arts center itself, the contributions have slowed. Officials still predict an eventual success with ground breaking for the center predicted early in 1979.

Winder maintains the Capital Enrichment Program "is doing moderately well."

"It takes a long period of effort before the University will begin to realize a return on the effort," he said.

Many administrators say Harden has displayed a better ability than Wharton in dealing with the Michigan Legislature. And Harden's most significant contribution to MSU during his short stay may be in his launching of building projects long-stalled under his predecessor.

The need for physical growth even in the face of declining enrollments is real. Research and accreditation requirements have mandated new buildings and made old facilities obsolete.

Winder pointed out that many new or established programs "have grown substantially since their facilities were built."

Another planning hitch is MSU's historical role as a land grant University that has locked it into a course directed by the laws of supply and demand.

"The concept of Michigan State University means we're concerned with the education of a broad spectrum of people and that we're concerned with the delivery of service to people," Winder asserted.

University officials have expanded the land grant philosophy to include graduate programs and research areas.

While only a few years ago long-range planning efforts identified burgeoning enrollments as MSU's major problem the recent planning exercise pegged declining admissions as the greatest cause for concern.

Because of these projected declining enrollments, long-range planners may be forced to scrutinize non-competitive University programs in much the same light as General Motors looked at its unprofitable Corvair in the 1960s.

The University product which does not sell may become as extinct as the carrier pigeon.

MSU administrators are not publicly talking in such drastic terms, but they concede future program limitations.

"There may be some opportunities for consolidation of programs," Winder acknowledged. "We need to identify and eliminate unproductive redundencies."

Winder explained that MSU's loss of students may be minimized if a larger percentage of high school graduates decide to go on to universities or if former university drop-outs return to complete their degrees.

Acknowledging the difficulties in forecasting the future, Winder said, "we must attempt long-range planning, we need to attempt to project future trends in enrollment."

So while the 148-page Long-Range Planning Council report gathers dust in the archives no one is quite yet ready to answer the questions, "what is MSU and where is it going?"

Numerous activities highlight MSU's Welcome Week - 1978

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such as food, parking, and storage to provide general information about university facilities and the surrounding community.
1:00 p.m.
Chemistry Retest. (See Schedule, page 5.)
1:30, 2:30, and 4:00 p.m.
Where To Go For What. Meet some people who can help answer questions and provide information (See page 6 for locations and descriptions of topics.)
1:30 p.m.
Speed Reading - Do You, Should You?
IM-RU Interested in Sports?
Where Are You Headed?
Overseas Study Flick
A Sorority Is?
Part-time Job Opportunities
How To Take Exams
Student Council/Academic Council
2:30 p.m.
Managing Clocks and Calendars
What is a Fraternity?
Writing As Thinking
ASMSU
Safety and Security
To Be or Not To Be
4:00 p.m.
How To Get a 3-Point Without Actually Trying
7:30 p.m.
Lifelong Education Programs, Vista Room, Kellogg Center.
7:30 p.m.
Special Programs, Office of Supportive Services, student Reception, 106 East Holden Hall. Introduction to the staff of the Office of Supportive Services and presentations, with discussion, by other resource personnel.

Tuesday, September 19

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Fee payment for students who attended a summer AOP, Women's IM Building, Southwest entrance.
8:30 a.m.
Independent Study Exams-American Thought and Language, Natural Science, Social Science, and Humanities.
9:00 - 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 - 4:00 pm
MSU Library Guided Tours.
11:00 a.m. - 12 noon
Transfer Student Program, B102 Wells Hall. Careers, coursework, and lifestyles at Michigan State - a program designed to assist transfer students in their integration into the University community.
1:30, 2:30, and 4:00 p.m.
Where To Go For What. (See Monday 1:30, 2:30, and 4:00 p.m. Attend three more topics or ones that were missed Monday.)
7:00 p.m.
Black Student Program, B108 Wells Hall. A slide presentation with discussion by members of the Black faculty and staff of programs and services pertaining to academic, financial, identity, and cultural concerns.
7:00 p.m.
Chicano Student Program, Essex Underground, Basement, Wilson Hall. Chicano students are encouraged to attend this program. Chicano faculty and staff members will discuss services and programs for Chicano students. Questions will be answered.
7:00 p.m.
North American Indian Student Program, Native American Cultural Room, G33 N. Hubbard Hall. An opportunity to meet and visit with Indian students and a discussion of services, programs, and activities.
7:30 p.m.
Off Campus Student Program, Parlor A, Union Building. (Monday's program repeated.)
7:30 p.m.
Lyman Briggs College Convocation, 101 - 104 Holmes Hall.
8:30 - 10:30 p.m.
MSU Observatory Open House (24" telescope available). Corner of College and Forest Roads.

Wednesday, September 20

8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
MSU Reading Test for all Transfer Students. (See Schedule, page 5.)
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
MSU Library Guided Tours. (See Monday.)
2:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Meet Your College.
Students are expected to attend academic orientation meetings planned by the colleges. These meetings will provide an opportunity to meet the faculty, academic advisers, and other students; obtain information about the "Code of Teaching Responsibility" and the faculty's expectations of students; and to ask questions related to academic concerns. Students will go to the college of their major at the time and location indicated below.
Agriculture and Natural Resources, 2 p.m., 158 Natural Resources Building.
Arts and Letters, 2 - 4:30 p.m., Music Building Auditorium
Business, 138 Chemistry Building. Please attend according to the department of your major at the following times:
Account and Financial Administration - 2:00 p.m.
Business Law and Office Administration - 2:45 p.m.
Economics, Management, Marketing and Transportation, and School of Hotel Restaurant and Institutional Management 3:30 p.m.
Communication Arts and Sciences, 2:00 - 4:30 p.m., B108 Wells Hall
Education, 2 p.m., Erickson Kiva
Engineering, 3:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Freshman
With major - Erickson Kiva
With no major - 100 Engineering Building
Transfers - C110 Anthony
Human Ecology, 300 Human Ecology Building; Last name A - K 2:00 p.m.; Last Name L - Z 2:45 p.m.
James Madison, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., Wonders Hall Kiva
Justin Morrill, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., 207 Olds Hall
Lyman Briggs, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., 101 - 104 Holmes Hall
Medical Technology, 3:00 p.m., 146 Giltner Hall
Natural Science, 2:00 p.m., C109 Anthony Hall
Social Science, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., 326 Natural Science Building
University College (No-Preference Students, (2:00 p.m. Main Auditorium
Urban Development, 2:00 - 4:30 pm W-1 Owen Hall
Veterinary Medicine - 3 p.m. 100 Veterinary Clinic
7:00 p.m.
Black Student Program, Ballroom, Union Building. Displays, booths, and presentations by members of Black student organizations.
7:00 p.m.
Handicapper Student Reception, 1961 Room, Case Hall. A slide presentation with a discussion of facilities and services by the staff from the Office of Programs for Handicappers. Call the office, 353-9642, if transportation for this meeting and other Welcome Week activities is needed.
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Transfer Student Program, B102 Wells Hall. (Tuesday's program repeated.)
8:30 - 10:30 p.m.
MSU Observatory Open House. (See Tuesday.)

Thursday, September 21

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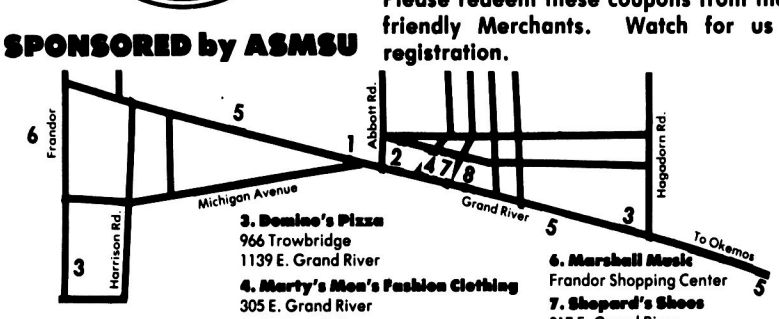

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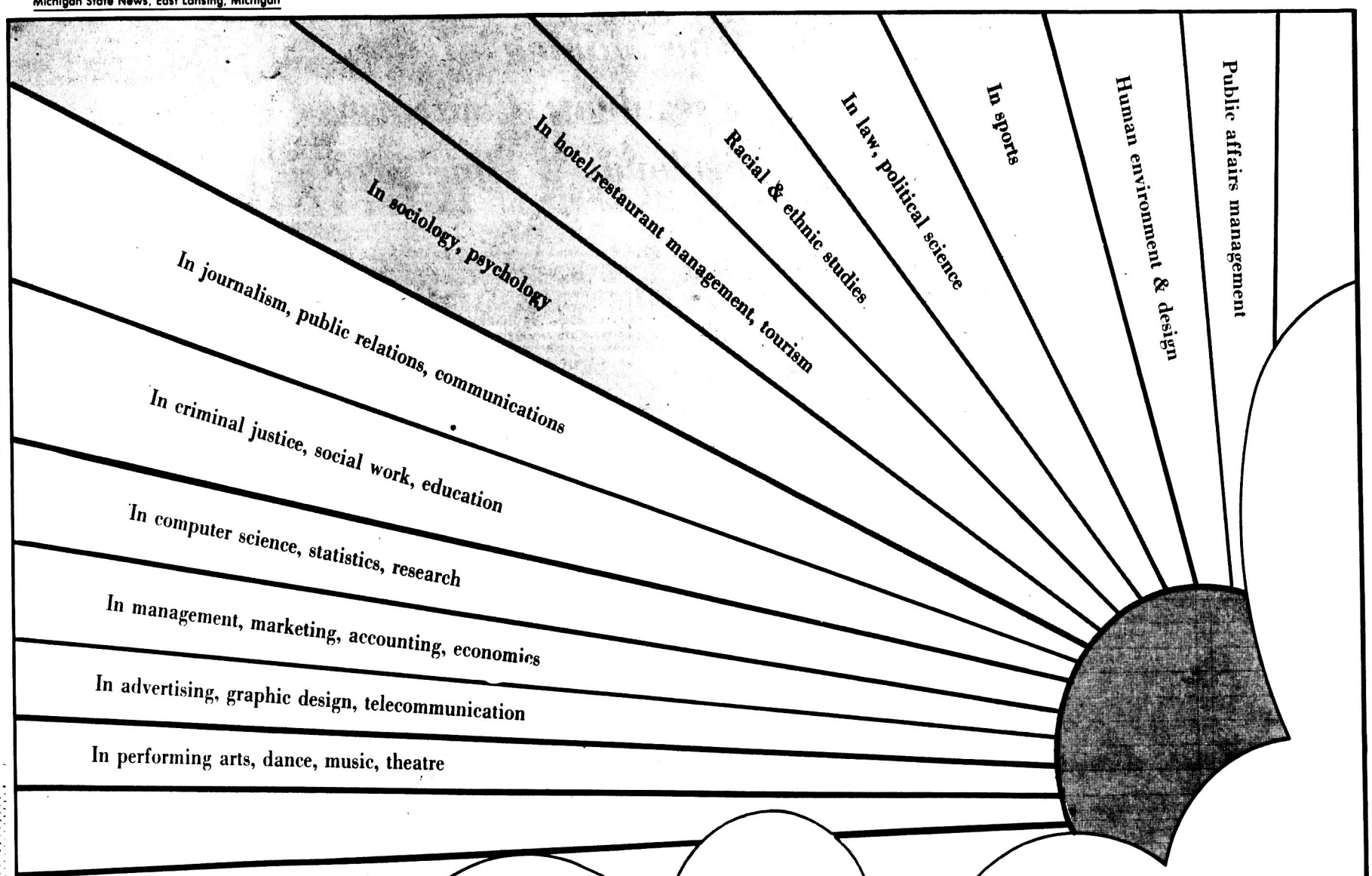

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Presidential selection: Highlights of its history

Oct. 26, 1977 — MSU President Clifton R. Wharton Jr. announces his resignation effective Jan. 1, 1978.

Oct. 28, 1977 — The MSU Board of Trustees appoints Edgar L. Harden as interim president beginning Jan. 1, 1978.

Nov. 1, 1977 — The Academic Council appoints an ad hoc committee to study and make recommendations.

Nov. 3, 1977 — Ad hoc committee meets for the first time and appoints John F. A. Taylor, professor of philosophy, as chairperson. Taylor authored the selection procedures document in 1969 which led to the appointment of Wharton.

Nov. 29, 1977 — Final ad hoc committee report was presented to Academic Council for the first time. Trustee involvement in the permanent committee runs into some faculty opposition. Final vote scheduled for the next week.

Dec. 6, 1977 — No quorum present for Academic Council, which stalls approval of document until after New Year's Day.

Jan. 10, 1978 — Selection procedure approved by Academic Council with little debate.

Feb. 3, 1978 — The MSU Board of Trustees stamps its approval on the selection document and procedures.

March 15, 1978 — First meeting of the permanent selection committee. Despite protests by members of the press the meeting is closed.

March 30, 1978 — Over the protests of the press and trustee Michael J. Smydra, D-East Lansing, the second meeting of the search committee is closed for private discussions.

April 12, 1978 — Procedural questions and a discussion of criteria necessary for a new president. The committee also voted unanimously to pay seven of its members for work anticipated over the summer.

April 18, 1978 — A resolution expressing "regret" over the selection committee's voting itself summer pay was turned back by a 36-24 vote on the floor of Academic Council.

April 20, 1978 — The first of four open public access sessions scheduled by the committee was attended by only two members of the press. Members expressed "disappointment" over the apparent apathy of the campus community.

April 24, 1978 — Robert Barker, chairperson of the biochemistry department and member of the selection committee, was chosen to head the two-month old group.

May 10, 1978 — Selection committee votes 6-5 to destroy all tapes of its open meetings.

May 12, 1978 — The selection committee reverses vote of May 10 when informed destroying tapes does not conform to MSU policy.

May 17, 1978 — Final draft of presidential job description is approved by committee.

Aug. 10, 1978 — The State News learned that among the 115 names which the committee was still considering was Current Provost Clarence L. Winder, Executive vice president Jack Breslin and former MSU Provost and current president of Oklahoma State University Lawrence Boger.

"The president serves as chief spokesperson to the University's diverse constituencies, both internal and external, and represents the University at a variety of educational, cultural, public service and athletic programs..."

-Presidential job description formulated by the search and selection committee

The Making of the President: Controversy beclouds a slow process

"(Allowing the trustees on the selection committee) is an invasion of the right of the academic community to reach its own decision, unimpeded by the board of trustees."

--Zolton Ferency, professor of criminal justice, Nov. 29, 1977

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The process was stalled when final approval of the selection document was impossible because a quorum of the Academic Council was not present at the Dec. 6, 1977 meeting.

The Council did approve the 17-member final committee at its meeting of Jan. 11, 1978.

Trustee approval of the final document was delayed a week when the blizzard of Jan. 26, 1978 prevented the board from meeting. Board approval of the selection procedure came on Feb. 3 with trustees Michael Smydra, D-East Lansing and Aubrey Radcliffe, R-East Lansing voting against the procedure.

Another month elapsed before the 17 people were chosen to serve on the committee.

At their board meeting of Feb. 24, trustees appointed Patricia Carrigan Strickland, D-Farmington Hills, and John Bruff, D-Fraser, to represent the board during committee deliberations.

The board also approved a $15,000 budget for the search and selection committee to provide for secretarial services, out-of-pocket costs and travel expenses.

A Dec. 1, 1978 deadline was voted at the February meeting for the search and selection committee to submit a recommended list of at least five candidates for the new president.

Faculty Council selected Robert Barker, chairperson of the department of biochemistry; Douglas Dunham, professor of social science in University College; Julia S. Falk, associate professor of linguistics and Oriental languages and Jeanne E. Gullahorn, professor of psychology.

Also chosen to represent the faculty in the selection process were Gordon E. Guyer, director of cooperative extension services, William Lazer, professor of marketing systems and future environment and Lawrence Redd, assistant professor of telecommunications who holds the committee's non-tenured faculty position.

Student members appointed to the committee were Anne Crowe, representing Student Council; Paul Meaders, of the Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU); Steve Spivey, who was picked by the Council of Graduate Students and Juana Gonzales, a member of Chicano Students for Progressive Action.

Administrative-Professional employees selected director of financial aids Henry C. Dykema to represent their position and Richard Byerrum was chosen as the administrative representative. Byerrum is dean of the college of natural science.

William Caldwell, a partner in a Midland-based investment firm, was selected to represent alumni and Gwen Norrell, serves on the committee as an ex-officio member because of her position as chairperson of the Academic Council steering committee.

Before the committee was even in place a mistake in protocol was announced at the Academic Council's Jan. 31, 1978 meeting. Inadvertantly presidential nomination forms were mailed to faculty prior to trustee approval of the selection procedures.

Advertisements were placed in the Chronicle of Higher Education and the New York Times and the names of interested candidates began rolling in, but none would even be considered until months of deliberations over committee function, job description of the president, and necessary qualifications were hashed out.

On April 12, the committee voted unanimously to pay seven of its members for their services over the summer. Three faculty members and all four students were covered by the action.

An anti-pay resolution was defeated on the floor of the Academic Council by a vote of 36-24 on April 19, which seemingly paved the way for final approval of the summer pay.

But Harden said "no" to the committee and the summer pay issue died.

Four open public meetings were scheduled in late April and early May to provide for faculty and student input into desirable qualifications for MSU's next president.

The meetings were sparsely attended and many committee members expressed "disappointment" in the apparent "apathy" related to their chore.

Barker was chosen to head the committee and the trustees stamped their approval on his selection at their April meeting.

Representatives of several groups presented concerns that a new president should be committed to affirmative action, women's rights and concerned with MSU's involvement in foreign affairs through its international programs.

Then, in a confusing set of events the committee voted 6-5 on May 10 to destroy tape recordings of their meetings, but reversed that decision May 12 unanimously.

By June, nearly eight months after the process began, the committee completed the job description and rating scale necessary to evaluate potential candidates.

The job description formulated by the committee was intentionally vague, but called for a president who was committed to MSU's land-grant philosophy, affirmative action and equal opportunity for all students.

"The president serves as chief spokesperson to the University's diverse constituencies, both internal and external, and represents the University at a variety of educational, cultural, public service and athletic programs, participating in organizations related to these pursuits," the document stated.

The description also calls for a president with both academic and fund-raising skills. Fund-raising was particularly emphasized.

By July, chairperson Barker announced the committee had whittled several hundred names down to 115 with scheduled interviews with a smaller number planned for early fall.

While the entire process has been haltingly slow and frustrating to both those inside and outside the committee, it appears the committee may achieve its December 1 goal for submitting its final list.

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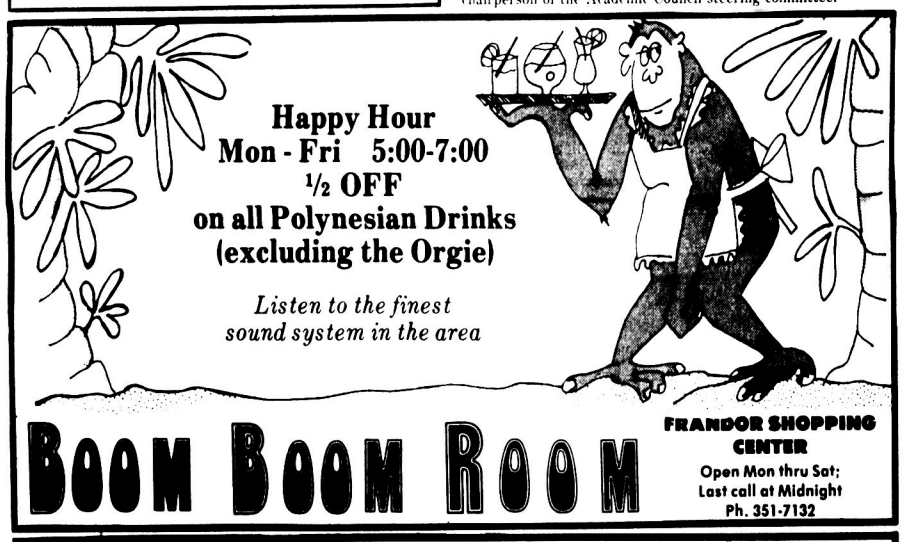

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MSU's temporary president has made an impact

Edgar Harden: He's here today, gone...

By JAMES L. SMITH
State News Staff Writer

After a 22 year hiatus from MSU, Edgar L. Harden returned to MSU to fill in for the departing President Clifton R. Wharton Jr. last January.

Harden, a faculty member at MSU from 1946 to 1955, set as his goal the improvement of MSU finances when he returned to campus as its 15th president.

During a late summer interview, Harden said he believed MSU had generally been "successful" so far as legislative appropriations are concerned.

"The major factor in our having done better is the close cooperation which we received from campus and constituent groups, agricultural groups, labor and business," Harden said.

To the critics of his predecessor, Harden said any comparison between himself and Wharton would be unfair.

"Dr. Wharton was here during a different time, his style is a different management style than mine, but he made some significant contributions to this University," Harden said.

After eight months in office Harden said that while the job was grueling in the terms of hours and energy "it is about what I expected."

But then Harden was not a complete stranger to the president's job when he took over.

After leaving MSU and a one-year stint with the Drop Forging Association in Cleveland he assumed the presidency of Northern Michigan University in 1956.

At the beginning of Harden's term at Northern, student enrollment was approximately 800. When he resigned in 1967 to become president of Story Inc. in Lansing, the university had multiplied to 8,000 students.

Harden is on a leave of absence from his job with Story during his stay at MSU.

An area where MSU's interim president did get considerable flack for a short time was in the news release that the academic portion of the Performing Arts Center had been dropped from the plans.

After plans for the theater wing were redrawn and meetings with groups angered about the loss of the academic wing, Harden said he believes the "misinterpretations" were cleared up.

"The Performing Arts Center, as proposed, will be built," Harden declared.

Harden, who will be 71 in October, has earned a solid reputation in the area of complaint mediation. He quickly resolved a months-old counseling complaint of the Chicano Students for Progressive Action the first month he worked at MSU.

Moreover, Harden quickly became known for his impatience with bureaucratic roadblocks.

While Harden pointed out that student-faculty participation is necessary to the University, he said, "I think the governance situation needs an overhaul."

"Dynamic inaction" is how the president describes the current governance system. "You have to have participation, but you can't wait forever for a decision," he observed.

Harden is a strong supporter of intercollegiate athletics.

"I feel excellence in any form begets excellence in many forms," he said. Harden also believes sports has a beneficial unifying effect on the University's divergent components.

Specifically on the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Harden said, "it has served a useful purpose, but it is time for it to undergo a searching re-examination of its policies."

Harden has stayed out of the areas of long-range planning, academic council, and presidential selection. He said he sees his role more as improving MSU's standing with the Legislature.

"I think it will make it easier for a new president to come on board with the Legislature aware of our needs," the president said.

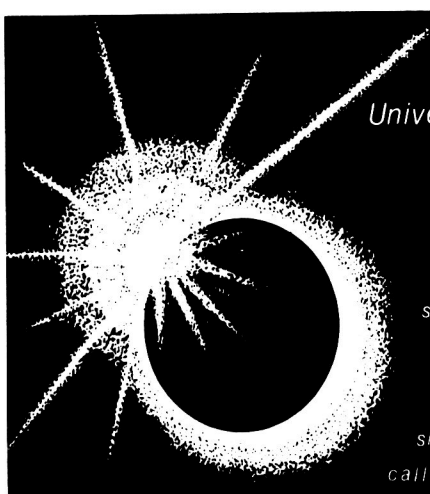
Harden began his career when he graduated from Iowa State Teachers College in 1930. Before his first MSU days, Harden was a teacher, a coach and a high school principal.

He earned his master of arts degree from the State University of Iowa in 1937 and his doctor of education degree from Wayne State University in 1951.

Harden served as chairperson of the board of the Lake Superior and Ishpeming Railroad Company and is a member of the board of directors of Win Schulers Inc., a restaurant chain.

He is also a member of the boards of the Michigan Welfare League, Lansing's Sparrow Hospital and the Capital Area Comprehensive Health Planning Association, and has memberships in several area business and service clubs.

Edgar L. Harden, selected last October by the MSU Board of Trustees to fill in as president for the departed Clifton R. Wharton Jr. until a permanent replacement could be found, has proved adept at wheedling more money out of the lawmakers downtown. Says Harden: "The major factor in our having done better is the close cooperation which we received from campus and constituent groups, agricultural groups, labor and business."



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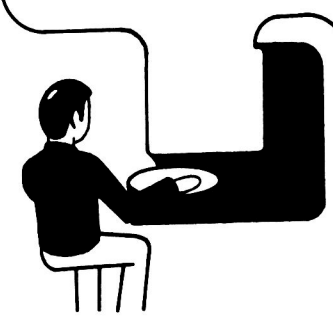

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"If I had my druthers, I would streamline the governance system so that there would be a way to have communication quicker and take action on problems before it is too late."

— President Edgar L. Harden

MSU: Harden says he runs it, but there's more

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and Student Council did not even exist. Although more influence does exist, it is hardly accurate to say, and few would, that Academic Council "runs" MSU.

Many faculty members and students continue to complain that the contact they have with those who dwell inside the Administration Building is minimal. Many more are intimidated by that vault like structure on the banks of the Red Cedar.

The fourth floor of the Administration Building presents a natural barrier to most faculty and students. Unless they have some specific gripe, most do not go there," explained Mordechi Kreinin, economics professor and member of Academic Council.

President Harden agrees that there should be more interaction between faculty, students and administrators but he also believes that "too much advice is as bad as too little."

"If I had my druthers," explained Harden, "I would streamline the governance system so that there would be a way to have communication quicker and take action on problems before it is too late."

Clearly, it can be argued that the system, called Academic Governance seems to ignore the inherent dissimilarity between the groups involved — students, faculty, administrators — and the problems that stem from putting them all in one room and expecting progress or efficiency.

Larrowe said the council, despite the red tape that constantly bogs it down and the tremendous amount of time it spends on items, maintains a sense of control over the administration simply by slowing things down.

In the 1963 Michigan Constitution, Section 5 of Aricle VIII provides for the Board of Trustees of MSU. The board consists of eight members, all pictured in the chart, who serve eight year terms.

"The Board of Trustees is a body corporate and has general supervision of the institution and the control and direction of all expenditures from the institution's funds," reads the constitution.

The ultimate responsibility for MSU lies with the board, and it has the legal right to make University policy.

But the trustees — who legally are given absolute power over MSU — for the most part are scattered throughout Michigan. Only two of them reside in East Lansing, making them directly accessible to the University they govern. The rest live mostly in the Detroit area, with one living in Indiana.

The trustees meet at MSU only once a month, over a two day period. Between lunch, dinner and breakfast the next day they manage to conduct the University's business.

Most are professional people who are pursuing careers while carrying out their trustee functions. The one exception to that is Michael Smydra, D-East Lansing, who is a student at the University of Notre Dame.

By looking at the system as it appears on paper, it would seem that the trustees run the show from both the policy-making and financial standpoints, but since Harden arrived in January, the tone of the administration has changed.

Larrowe, who has been at MSU for 22 years, said Harden's relationship with the board is much different from Clifton R. Wharton's, his predecessor.

"Wharton did not have the full support of the board so a lot of his proposals were obstructed," Larrowe observed.

He said the board sees Harden as a sensible thinker who makes quick rational decisions, and for that reason they have trust in his abilities.

"The buck stops at this office," Harden said, fully accepting his role as the next step down from the board in the hierarchy. Whether or not this is the case will never be definitively answered in an institution this complex, but the interaction between Harden and the board seems to imply a great deal.

Harden's active role in using his position to accomplish considerably more than Wharton had and his propensity for taking personal responsibility for problems presented to him and solving them, has caused some observers to say the board is nothing more than a "stamp of approval" for his proposals.

Harden vehemently denies this.

"Honest differences exist between the board and I," he said.

He attributed the fact that most of his presentations to the board are accepted, to his careful preparation and his philosophy of tackling a problem before it becomes critical. Harden said the key was "communication."

"If the Board makes a decision that I can't live with, and I can't convince them that I am right, it emphasizes my inability to communicate," Harden said.

Smydra said Harden was both "aggressive and a doer," when he was selected as Wharton's replacement last October.

"He is not a stranger to the University administration but he also has valuable business and political ties in the state. He has an excellent rapport with the political and business community," Smydra noted.

That opinion was echoed by Trustee Aubrey Radcliffe, R-East Lansing, who said the reason relations between the board and Harden are so good is because the board has "100 percent confidence in him."

So . . . who runs the place?

Is it Academic Council, with its many members scattered throughout the University? Is it the Board of Trustees, who by power invested in them by the state constitution would seem to be the people at the top? Or is it Harden, who acknowledges his role along with the power that goes with it?

The University does not exist in a void, it is bound to reality by many of the factors that help define it. Unfortunately, one of the most pronounced is money. Regrettable as it may seem, the equation "Money plus people equals education" is the mainstay of the University.

Examing the role of money means looking at the budget, which in turn means looking at MSU's annual appropriation from the legislature.

"We choose to emphasize the importance of the budget this year," Harden said, and along with his staff he did exactly that.

Roger Wilkinson is vice president for business and finance and the treasurer of the University. Wilkinson has held that position since 1970. He was an asset to the president in the budgetary process this year, and under Harden's leadership, his abilities and keen perceptions of this vast financial maze came to an apex.

Jack Breslin, is MSU's executive vice president and primary connection with the legislature. Since Harden has arrived Breslin's role in helping to run the University has been emphasized much more than it was under Wharton. He is considered by many to be a prime candidate for the presidential search and selection committee in its hunt for a new MSU president. The keen interaction of these two men played a primary role in MSU's legislative success this year.

Leland Carr is the University's attorney, as well as a highly successful attorney in his private practice. His knowledge of the bureaucracy in which he is afloat is equalled by his abilities to foresee potential problems for the University. His aloofness tends to alienate observers, but he seldom disappoints administrators.

Winder has already been discussed at length. Suffice to say he is one vice president Harden has singled out as "irreplaceable."

The other four vice presidents each play different roles in that undefinable bureaucracy that makes up the administration of this institution.

MSU has been called a big business, a multinational corporation, a complex bureaucracy, a jungle and many other less savory expletives by those who live, work and play here.

Whatever MSU is — it's complicated. And the question of who runs MSU as a single entity is as blurred as the painting smeared with color that represents it. However, the attitude of the man in a position to have some control is going to greatly influence how this place is run. That man is Edgar Harden.

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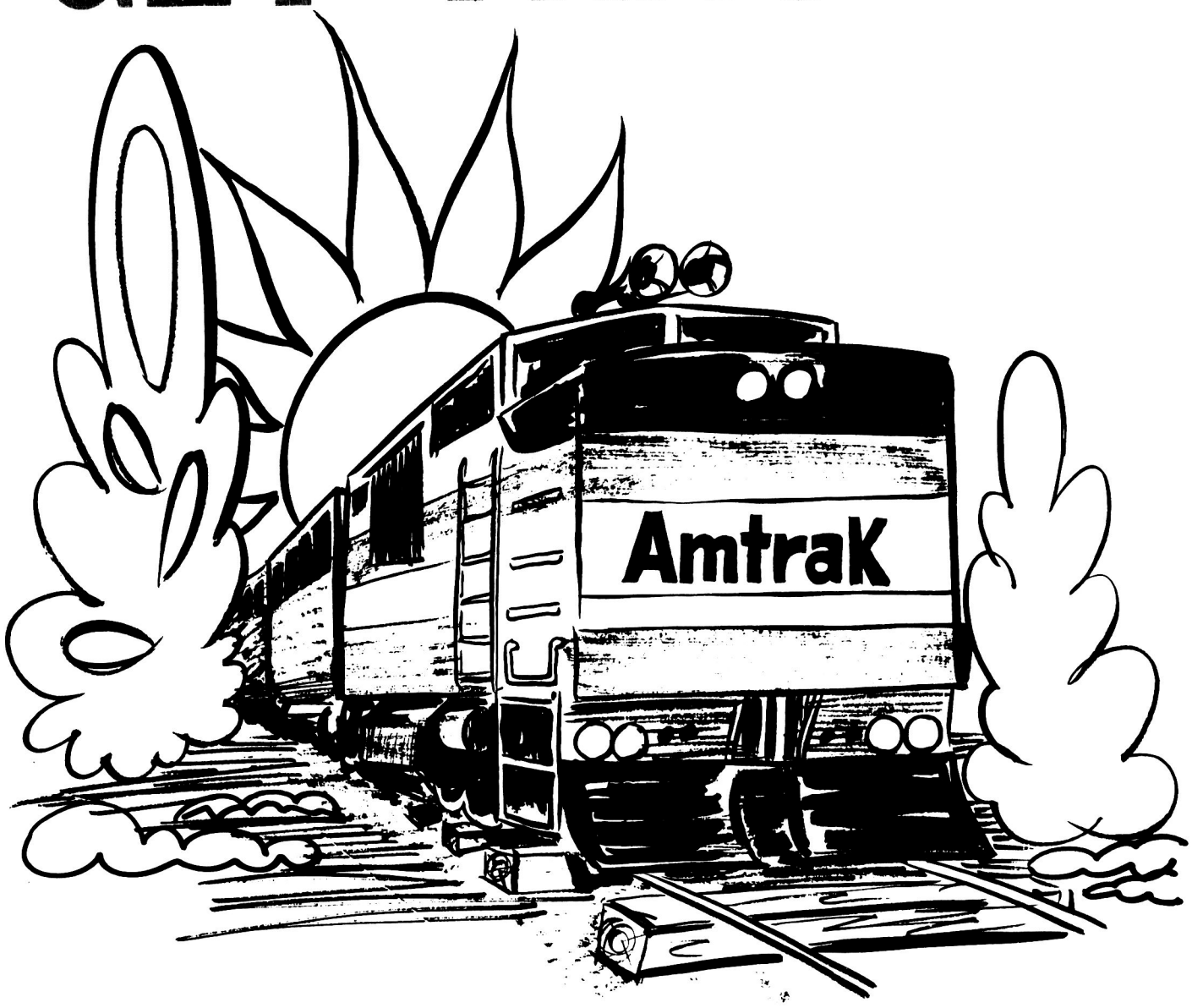

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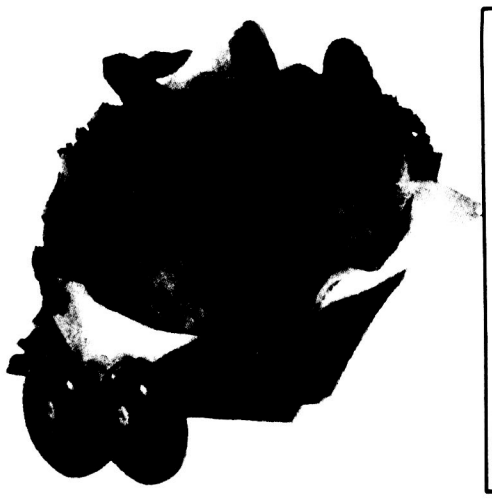

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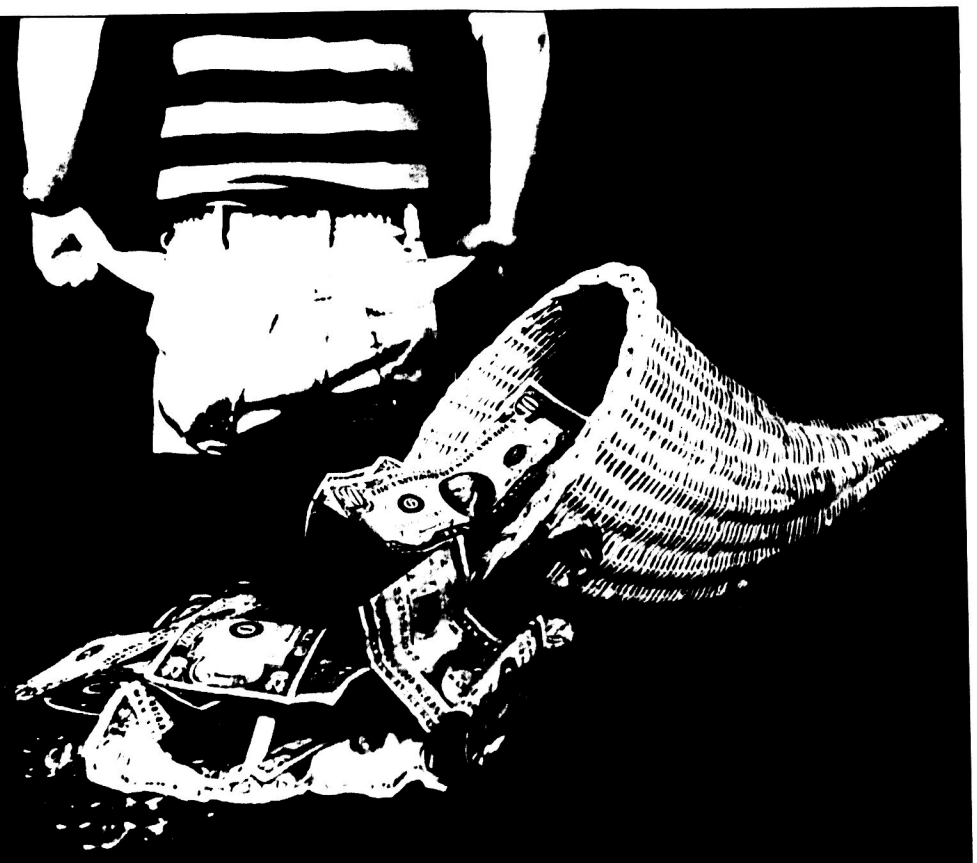

By KIM CRAWFORD
and
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State News Staff Writers

"You pays your money, and you takes your chances."

It's an old saying, popular among gamblers. And in a sense, everything about this consumer-oriented society is a gamble. The money you own is a paper commodity to be exchanged for goods and services. In and of itself, the green bills in your wallet and the silver coins in your pockets are worthless.

But because some people are willing to trade very valuable items for it, money assumes an influence and desirability all out of proportion to its diminutive, utterly non-utilitarian physical presence.

Society has set up these ground rules, and they date far back into history. In this bastion of consumerism called the United States, the ground rules allow — indeed, encourage — consumers to exchange money for a service called Higher Education.

But Higher Education costs a good deal more than a twinkie — or even an automobile and a color television set. There is relatively little risk in buying any of the latter three, for their prices are fixed at the moment of purchase and each, to some degree, provides immediate gratification. It's a nice trade-off.

Ah, but Higher Education. There's a different story. Now you're really gambling! The cost of Higher Education is not fixed — it goes up year after year. And those costs are both immense and unforeseeable.

Worse, when you buy in, often you get nothing in return. There is no immediate gratification from buying yourself a Higher Education, and nor is it accurate to suggest that the return on your purchase is entirely what you make of it. In recent years countless thousands have bought themselves degrees, and have nothing to show for it — not even a well-paying job, for so long extolled as the pot of gold at the end of the Higher Education rainbow.

And all too many, pockets empty, will attest to the fact that the Higher Education they bought was no education at all — at best it was a degree, a signed piece of paper suitable for framing.

Of course, many others succeed handsomely. They gambled — and won. In most cases the winners are not especially gifted or even self-motivated. They got lucky, which is the controlling factor in gambling and in consumerism of all kinds.

Luck — and money. Higher Education is money and vice versa. They are symbiotic animals, one unable to exist without the other.

As they say, you pays your money and you takes your chances . . .

Tuition: Students shrug at rates

"We've gone too far in student taxation."

Those words could have been spoken last summer, when the MSU Board of Trustees once again approved a tuition hike. The cost of tuition for the 1978-79 school year was fixed at $22.50 per credit for in-state freshmen and sophomores and $24.50 per credit for in-state juniors and seniors.

For non-Michigan residents attending MSU, the bite will be far more painful: $50 per credit for freshmen and sophomores and $52 per credit for juniors and seniors.

But the "student taxation" statement wasn't made last summer. It was made in the fall of 1970 by then-trustee Warren Huff, D-Plymouth, in response to the board's approval of a tuition hike that brought the cost of one undergraduate credit hour to $14.

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In the fall of 1976 students from universities and colleges across Michigan held a rally on the steps of the capitol in Lansing to protest the skyrocketing costs of tuition.

The rally was organized by the Michigan Higher Education Student Association and Students Associated for Lower Tuition — an organization established in August 1975 and consisting of representatives from universities throughout the state.

The purpose of the rally was to convince Legislators — who, through state appropriations, control money flow to universities and indirectly set tuition costs — that the cost of college education was too high.

A march that began at Beaumont Tower about noon grew to 1,000 chanting, placard-waving protesters by the time it reached the steps of the state capitol.

Many people spoke at the rally, including Rep. Perry Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, and Nancy Christianson, director of SALT.

Police blocked traffic as the students already at the capitol marched eastward to meet those approaching from MSU. When the two groups met on Michigan Avenue they cheered and ran together, a highly visible testimony to student concern over the rising costs of higher education.

Although the turnout from MSU was not as great as expected, many thought the demonstration might help, in effect, to "shout down" some of those costs.

Then ASMSU President Michael Lenz, organized MSU's input into the demonstration, had this to say: "It (the march) proves that MSU can be mobilized. It gives proof that students aren't as apathetic as they're given credit for being."

In 1976, the cost of an undergraduate in-state credit was $16.50.

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At a board of trustees meeting late in July the trustees approved this year's hike in tuition. Some were dismayed by it. Michael Smydra, D-East Lansing, said that he regreted the increase but would vote for it because it seemed the only way for MSU to get the money it needed to keep this place going.

Aubrey Radcliffe, R-East Lansing, disapproved of the increase, but was the only trustee to vote that way.

The tuition hike was buried this year beneath President Edgar L. Harden's successful efforts to get MSU a significant budget appropriation from the legislature. Harden's triumph came as such a welcome surprise that the tuition increase was slipped in under the noses of those who were still applauding the president's efforts.

The cost of 45 resident undergraduate credits (an average credit load for a three-term year) has increased by about 95 percent over the past 10 years — from $585 in 1969-70 to about $1,140 in 1978-79.

A full load of credits at non-resident rates has risen by about 72 percent.

If indeed as administrators maintain, this year's increase is by no means drastic, it certainly seems that way in the context of recent years. The trend seems to be well established. Tuition is steadily going up and up. The key word is "steadily." Yet, as tuition continues to climb, the one factor that seems to be missing from the whole process is student input.

Concern over the last 10 years has varied, depending on the period. Several groups have existed in the past to fight tuition hikes — SALT, Michigan Higher Education Student Association, and the Committee on Student Tuition.

Where have they gone? Why is "apathy" the word most commonly used today to describe the attitude of students toward increasing tuition costs?

"SALT could have worked out if more people had become involved — but the prevailing attitude was apathy. Most students said 'it's not my responsibility,' " explained Bob Stark, a senior majoring in philosophy and international relations. Stark was active in ASMSU for three and one-half years until 1977.

He said the attitude of students in general is to take anything that is given to them — to say "that's the way it goes" to tuition increases.

More students are concerned now with getting good grades, finishing their education as soon as possible and getting out, Stark asserted.

He said most students accept higher prices as "a fact of life," and that he doubted a coordinated student effort to protest tuition rates will materialize this fall. But he said before anything like that can happen, a general change of attitude must take place.

"It will take a change from the 'me first, I take care of myself' attitude, to an attitude of 'we've got to look out for all of us,' " Stark declared.

Former ASMSU president Lenz was a summer term graduate of MSU. He said the tuition increase was "terrible" but that it "almost has to happen."

"I think its getting too high for a lot of people, but I have questions about the solution — I mean, the state isn't going to give us a lot more, and if a tax proposal passes there may be even less," he pointed out.

Lenz attributed student apathy over the increase to "a different breed of people in student government."

This would parallel the rationale of Stark, but Lenz thinks things were different in the past.

"Three years ago we were more into vocally defending our rights. I think its a pity that there's no activism."

That apathy does exist. It can be seen only from the perspective of the student — who was once involved but is not longer — but from the point of view of the board of trustees, which makes University policy and sets tuition rates.

Radcliffe, who has been on the board since 1972, sees the problem as a nation-wide one.

"No one is questioning, doubting or challenging why it (raising tuition) is done," Radcliffe observed.

He said that the July board meeting, when the trustees vote to approve the budget — replete with tuition and fee charges — is the most significant board meeting of the year.

"But no one shows up," he noted. "No one asks 'why?' "

The student Radcliffe described has had no significant input into the system since the late 1960s. Radcliffe believes this trend began in 1972, when "society got fat."

"The emphasis was changed to a career-oriented trend away from education," Radcliffe said.

Radcliffe voted against the tuition increases this year and said the situation should be explored in greater depth.

"If students questioned, they would find out why it was increased," Radcliffe predicted.

Increased student fees will generate more than $2.8 million for this year's $174 million budget.

This year's expenditures, more than $24 million above last year's, include almost $9 million more for increased wages, salaries and fringe benefits.

Utilities costs were set at $683,300 more than last year, with expected increases in the costs of coal, gas, fuel and electrical rates.

All of this, and more, is used by administrators to rationalize higher tuition. Yet it is also true that this year's budget appropriation from the state Legislature was the highest in MSU history.

Still the tuition hike became a reality in July, and hardly a voice was raised in protest.

Donald Stevens, D-Bloomfield Hills, has been a trustee for 26 years. When he began his trustee career a $55 tuition fee was charged for 10 or more resident credits and the non-resident charge was only $75.

"It could be the students understand that because of our appropriations and inflation that it is necessary to increase tuition," Stevens said.

"Maybe people are taking for granted that their tuition will go up. I hope of course we can stop this inflationary spiral, but you have to live in the real world."

If anyone is taking for granted that tuition must go up — it is the students. If anyone suffers from the increases in tuition — it is the students. If anyone can change the situation, or at least call attention to it, it will probably be the students.

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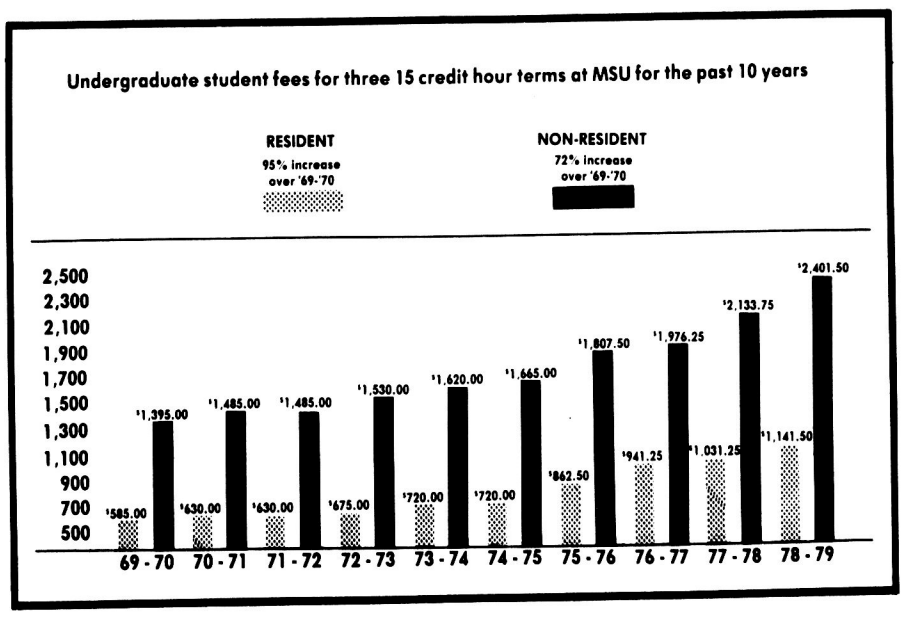

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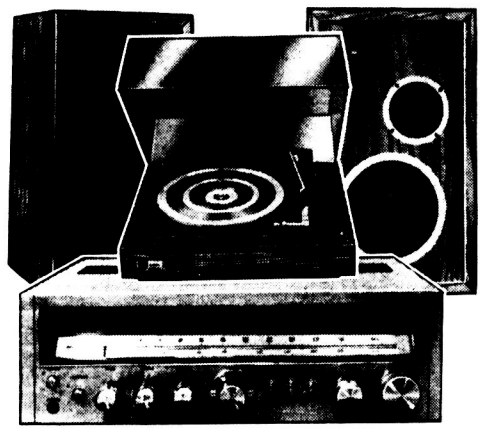

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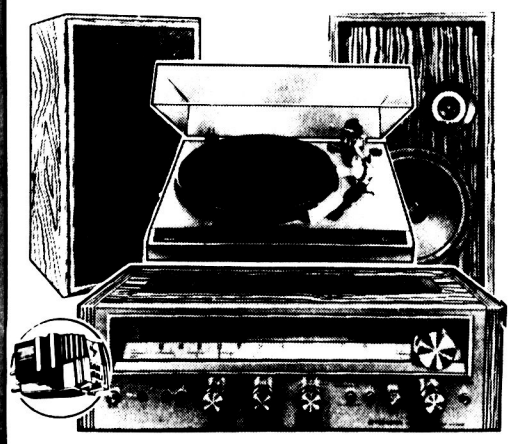

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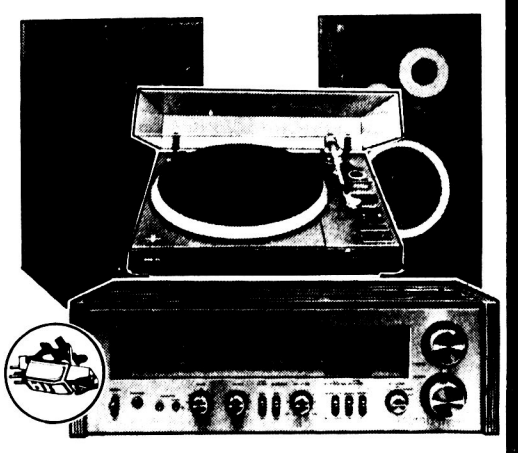

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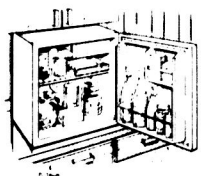

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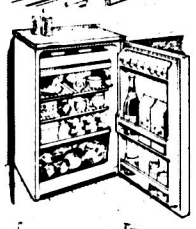

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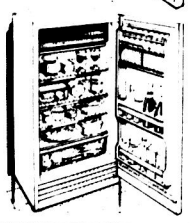

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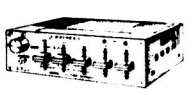

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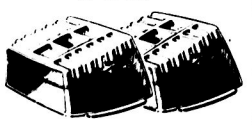

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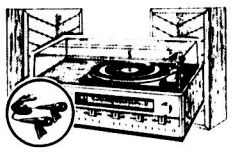

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'Closet racism' plagues black faculty, but the real battles may yet be fought

Those who profess to favor freedom, and yet deprecate agitation, are men that want rain without thunder and lightning. They want the ocean without the roar of its many waters.

William Lloyd Garrison

By KIM SHANAHAN
State News Staff Writer

At one time at MSU, blacks — both students and faculty — recognized the necessity of agitation. That time has long passed both in years and in spirit. But memories of commitment linger on in the minds of blacks who were here on April 28, 1969, or heard of the day from older brothers and sisters. The cry from black student leaders who missed those times is: Where have those days gone? Why the apathy?

In a very convoluted sense, Walter Adams, distinguished professor of economics and president of MSU on that fateful day, holds the answer to these seemingly-rhetorical questions. For it was Adams who dealt with the "race issue" when it manifested itself in a three-day seige of Wilson Hall Cafeteria by black students protesting cafeteria hiring and advancement prejudices.

It was also Adams who pushed for blacks to be allowed admittance to the MSU cheerleading squad and who saw two blacks join the squad for the first time in 1969. It was Adams who forced the all-white Athletic Council to accept black mathematics professor Irvin Vance as a council member. It was Adams who nominated and stood behind then "militant" Robert L. Green as the director of the Center for Urban Affairs. Later Green was to be named dean of the College of Urban Development.

A decade later, these actions on the part of Adams seem almost patronizingly honky — like what any good "white liberal" would do. But it wasn't so easy for Adams. In 1969, the president did things no other administrator in his position would have even considered doing.

For his part in settling the Wilson Hall takeover, Adams absorbed a barrage of criticism from many quarters — including the Detroit News and the MSU trustees for, as Adams recalls, "selling out to blacks" and granting black student demands at the expense of "due process".

For his part in supporting Green's nomination — Green was very outspoken during the Wilson Hall incident — Adams was accused by people, especially the faculty council, of stirring up trouble where it didn't need to be stirred. Green, in the eyes of his more conservative faculty peers, spoke and acted more like H. Rap Brown or Stokely Carmichael than a distinguished MSU professor.

It is quite possible that Adams himself, however innocently and inadvertantly, is the cause of the pervasive black apathy that exists today at MSU. If someone else had been at the helm of MSU in those nine months, these paltry concessions might not have come for years. Adams took the wind out of MSU's black movement by giving more than was demanded and giving with a sense righteous indignation toward the conditions of MSU's blacks, coupled with a self-effacing sort of humility.

When Adams turned over the reins to Clifton R. Wharton Jr. in 1970, the black movement at MSU was over. In its time, it might have been the most solidified, effective black movement on any campus in the nation. It most assuredly outstripped anything the white Students for a Democratic Society ever accomplished at MSU.

But blacks active then achieved what they hoped to accomplish. And the young blacks of today — to even a greater degree than their white counterparts — can justifiably plead for the struggle not to end just yet.

However, from the standpoint of the potential moral and intellectual leaders of young blacks — MSU's black academicians — the concessions appear to have been enough. While black students have found apathy the biggest obstacle to black development, black faculty have failed to even acknowledge it as a problem.

It is true that each year the University issues a report to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare on the state of MSU's affirmative action programs and each year the Black Faculty and Administrators Association issues a counter report criticizing the University for maintaining such terrible minority employment figures.

But the days are long gone from when an angry Robert Green stated ominously: "In the future — and this is a warning — when racism exists in any component of this University, we will close the component down."

Where have these bold declarations gone? Can it really be true that blacks have made progress of such sufficient magnitude that further agitation is a waste of time? If there is any sort of consensus among black faculty, the answer is both yes and no — yes, significant progress has been made; no, it has not been enough and agitation can still be useful.

Approximately a month before the Wilson Hall incident in 1969, Dr. Green wrote a viewpoint for the State News warning blacks to be wary of tokenism. Be wary of the special programs, the special colleges and the special favors whites will grant, Green cautioned all blacks. Recognize them for what they are, he stated sagely.

But a year later Green was selected to be the only black allowed into MSU's "mainstream." And even then it wasn't really the "mainstream" since Green assumed directorship of a program that was more or less designed for black students and faculty.

Had Green been "bought off" by white superiors? It would be too presumptuous for a white student reporter to opine, but Green has fairly or unfairly had to live with this stigma ever since his appointment. Green could not be reached for comment on these charges.

Another black professor who has been around even longer than Green but has never entered the "mainstream" is Dr. Alex J. Cade. Cade has been at MSU since 1956 and was one of five blacks on the Committee of 16 — a committee set up in 1968 by "concerned" administrators to look into the "race issue."

In 1969, black students occupied Wilson Hall Cafeteria in protest over hiring and advancement practices.

Cade said the differences between 1969 and 1979 are a matter of degree. The same problems still exist and are as insidious as ever, but now they are not so blatantly obvious.

"In 1969 we had realistic objectives. Enrollment figures for black students were horrible. Racism and prejudices were easily recognized and attention could be focused on them," Cade said.

"But we made the gains in enrollment we were seeking, we had special programs started and we did see anti discrimination grievance procedures set up," Cade added.

The problem, then, has shifted focus in the interim 10 years. At one time it was simply equal opportunity for young blacks. Now the focus has shifted from students to faculty. Now it is faculty who have legitimate grievances — grievances black students have either willfully ignored or failed to acknowledge as something directly affecting their lives and educations.

Cade acknowledged the administration has at least paid lip service to equal opportunity and has been quick to institute programs with black students soley in mind, but he added:

"Sure, they have created special colleges. I myself was instrumental in setting up the Center for Urban Affairs, but we are training people there that have no real job-related usefulness. You know, like how many urban counselors can one city hire?"

Cade also commented on special projects set up in other colleges as a means to help educationally-disadvantaged black students — one prime example being the Sloan Project in the College of Engineering. Its purpose is to give blacks remedial classes in engineering-related topics, such as chemistry, physics and mathematics.

"The special programs just haven't been enough," Cade explained. "They've had a tendency to pass blacks through graduation without quality educations. The black student isn't aware of this, however, until the competitiveness of the job market is experienced."

As it stand today, there is an obvious paradox existing among MSU's blacks. On one hand there are concerned black student leaders who lament black apathy, which they partially blame on a dearth of significant and visible problems that would elicit a united student response.

On the other hand, there is black faculty with real problems and real needs but who are stifled by their tenuous positions from affecting any sort of positive change. Agitation may have useful effects in some cases, but apparently only rarely among University personnel.

Cade pointed out just how the University's structure is inherently stifling, and in some instances, inherently racist.

"All you have to do is look around," he said. "Except for Dean Green, there are no black deans, there are no black department heads, and there are no blacks in any significant administrative positions."

The implications of this phenomenon manifest themselves in the structure of the faculty tenure stream system.

"All advancement for faculty members is up to deans and department heads, and the black that does not accept their individual definitions of the status quo will simply not progress in this University," Cade charged.

Cade's explanation does show how the system could be abused by institutionalized, closet racism, but is that in fact the case? Cade says there is no question.

"I have no doubts whatsoever about the prejudices that exist among the faculty," he declared. "It doesn't really matter if the administration institutes special programs and creates special colleges when prejudices still exist in other colleges among deans and department heads.

Cade's view, while extremely insightful, is not necessarily shared by all black faculty. Cade does, however, have the unique experience of residing at MSU for 22 years. And more than likely, Cade would have come to the same conclusions two years ago that he makes now.

But two years ago the Supreme Court had not decided the case of Allan Bakke. The decision has been heralded by whites as being a landmark case in judicial reasonableness — a re-affirmation of race consideration while at the same time stopping so-called "reverse discrimination."

To nearly all blacks — and especially young black students — the case is a landmark of a different nature. Their view is this: while it could have been worse, it **should** have been much better. Last spring term many MSU blacks and whites converged in Washington D.C. to protest the Bakke case before the decision was handed down. Since the decision, nearly every black group, ranging across all shades of the political spectrum, has either vehemently criticized the decision or at least taken a stance of alarmed caution.

While there is not yet — perhaps never will be — consensus of opinion among MSU's

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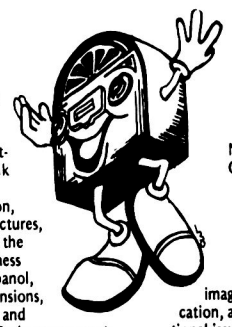

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College life and marriage: Do they mix?

By DANIEL HILBERT
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"When you are married, professors can't understand that you have a life to go back to after their class." — a married MSU student

Two of the most complex institutions in this society are marriage, and more practically higher education — more specifically in this instance, MSU. The complexities of MSU were grappled with in another story in this issue that concluded MSU is constantly changing and evolving and any attempt at definition is virtually impossible.

Marriage as an institution is also in flux. As mores change, so does the validity of marriage as a way of life for millions of people. More couples than ever before are living together without adhering to the rite of marriage as a social bond.

A situation in which both of these institutions clash is bound to present problems. To determine the influence of marriage on college students, the State News conducted a telephone poll earlier this year.

The survey questioned about 100 married students living on campus in University Apartments, and those living off campus in East Lansing and the surrounding area.

The overwhelming conclusion reached by over half of those surveyed was that it was indeed harder to cope with the problems of married life if you are a student.

These findings support a major study done in 1975 by Gary Gruver and Susan K. Labadie, both from the University of Arizona: "The college environment does have an important effect on college marriage.

"It creates a situation wherein serious students feel compelled to spend a great deal of time away from their mates, either physically or emotionally . . . because of the extra time required for studying for examinations, writing papers and other outside-class work."

Paralleling that question, over half of those surveyed said they think there will be fewer pressures on their marriage once they are no longer students.

The average off campus married student, based on the date attained in the survey, is white, male and between 25 and 30 years old.

The average on-campus married student is also white and male, but between 21 and 25 years old.

"The apartments are old and not well maintained," said a male graduate student. "The appliances don't work well and the refrigerators will only keep milk for a few days. "When we moved in here it was bad, but we adjusted to it," he added.

A significant difference between the two groups can be noted in the amount of years those students surveyed have been married.

The majority of off-campus students have been married for more than five years. The vast majority of on campus students have been married for less than five years.

Data points to an older, more established group of students who live off campus, which is also indicated by the total family income average for the two groups.

The average annual family income for on-campus students is between $5,000 and $8,000 a year, with two-thirds making below $8,000.

Off campus — three-fourths of the students polled reported annual family incomes over $10,000.

One fifth of all students attending college in the United States are married, according to the Gruver-Labadie study.

At MSU that figure is a little smaller. Last spring term found 6,276 married students attending this University out of a total enrollment of 39,897.

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Housing

Of the approximate 6,000 married students who attend MSU, about 1,800 of them live in University Apartments, which includes Spartan Village, Cherry Lane and University Village.

According to Robert Bickenback, assistant manager of University Apartments, there are a total of 2,468 units, but about 600 of them are rented to faculty and single students.

The rent for these apartments averages about $140 per month, including utilities.

Married students without children are automatically given a one-bedroom apartment, while those with children get an apartment with two bedrooms.

Data for those students living off campus is not as easily attainable, since no office on campus keeps any kind of statistics on them.

These students are scattered throughout mid-Michigan and the East Lansing area, and commute from such cities as Grand Rapids, Detroit and Ann Arbor.

Their living quarters are not as uniform as those of the on campus students, but more than three-fourths of them have in their dwelling more than the four rooms afforded by the largest University Apartment.

The rent they pay is also substantially higher, with about three-fourths of the 50 off campus married students surveyed paying over $175 per month.

A large majority of those who live off campus described their dwelling as "very satisfactory."

"We like the neighborhood and we like the style of the home," said one woman. "We own it."

"What I like most about my house is that it is far enough away from campus so that I don't get involved in problems like traffic congestion," said another woman.

One man described his dwelling as "satisfactory" despite the fact that it was in Ann Arbor. He said his wife began college at MSU, but when she transfered to University of Michigan they both moved to Ann Arbor while he continued to attend MSU.

The majority of on-campus married students described their apartments as "satisfactory."

Their reasons for liking the apartments were primarily their price — cheap — as many respondents put it, and their convenience in being accessible to campus.

Some who live on campus and described their dwelling as less than satisfactory offered the following reasons.

"The place is too tight, we're really cramped," said one man.

"The apartments are old and not well maintained," said a male graduate student. "The appliances don't work well and the refrigerators will only keep milk for a few days."

"When we moved in here it was bad, but we adjusted to it," he added.

Another man, who was married for two years while he was in the Army and then moved to Spartan Village, described it as a "very

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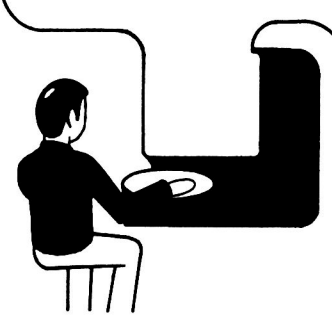

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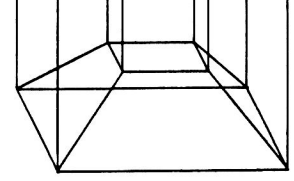

College, marriage clash

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constricted adult environment."

Opinions varied on this question, but over all four-fifths of those married students surveyed found their dwellings to be at least "satisfactory."

Almost all of the off campus respondents said that their living quarters put strain on their marriage either "never" or "seldom."

One-fifth of the on-campus students who responded said their dwelling "often" put a strain on their marriage.

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Children

When considering the marital problems confronted by college students, it is extremely important to consider the children.

Again, the Gruver-Labadie study pointed out; "The discipline of children was important to both fathers and mothers, as was the question of whether to have children."

Out of the total sample of married students, less than half had children.

About two-fifths of the on-campus families had between one and three children, while that figure for off-campus students stood closer to one half.

Bickenback, from University Apartments, said he estimated the total number of children who live in that complex at about 1,500.

When asked if they thought their children were happy in their present environment, three quarters of the on campus parents said yes.

All of the off campus parents responded that their children were happy where they were.

Complaints from the on-campus parents concerning the conditions their apartment lacked, ranged from cramped space to the lack of playgrounds.

"The kids don't have enough room to play," said one mother of three.

"It's very small, there isn't enough playground," said one South African father.

A more concerned parent exhibited the feeling that her child "didn't have the freedom to explore her environment the way she should be able to."

About half of the respondents said their classes "never" interfere with their role as parents. That percentage held true for both on and off campus parents.

One quarter of the on-campus parents said if they had it to do over again they would wait until after graduation before having children.

The same number of off-campus parents said they would also wait.

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Academics

The questionaire also attempted to measure the intrusion of marriage on academics.

The Gruver-Labadie study also pointed out that marital problems plague most student marriages, even the relatively happy ones.

Over three-quarters of all the students interviewed said that their studies or those of their spouse interfere with their home life.

The breakdown between on- and off-campus students is almost identical to the overall figures.

Finally, the students were asked if they had it to do over again, would they wait to marry until after they finished college.

Almost 85 percent of the students said they would not wait and that they would still get married before graduation.

Fifteen percent said they would do it different; they would wait until they had graduated before getting married.

The breakdown for the on- and off-campus groups were virtually identical to the percentages for the overall sample.

Despite the problems of being married and attending MSU, the large majority of married students said it was worth it, and they would not do it differently despite the difficulty.

Black students, faculty may yet join forces

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black faculty on the decision — it has created concern among black faculty members. And almost all can be expected to begin keeping a more attentive eye on the University's affirmative action commitments.

While a few black faculty members may have gone so far as to claim Bakke as a partial victory, white faculty and especially white administrators have nearly unanimously praised the decision and confidently assured that it will have no impact on the progress being made in instituting affirmative action programs.

Most black faculty, however, are positive the decision will have some impact on white administrators.

Thomas S. Gunnings, assistant dean of health programs for the College of Human Medicine, speculated that the case could ultimately affect MSU's admission policies.

"It has definitely had a psychological impact on the administration that could have an impact on how actively blacks are recruited into the faculty," Gunnings said.

Cade agrees wholeheartedly with Gunnings.

"Bakke will most definitely have a psychological impact on the administration. I know of certain individuals who are practically poised for counter-action using Bakke for justification," Cade said.

Lee June stresses that black faculty are aware of the problems existing in the University structure and **do** want things to be different. But the structure makes it nearly impossible to effect changes.

June says the Black Faculty and Administrators Association has worked closely with various black student groups in the past and they have accomplished much. But Cade contends that students in the past have been hesitant to embrace faculty problems because they are either too complicated or because it would be such a time-consuming effort.

An effort will be made this year, June predicts, to more actively involve black students with black faculty affairs and have black faculty become more aware of black student problems.

Despite recent declines in black student enrollment at MSU, there is a good chance this ever dwindling minority will be taking more strident measures in the very near future.

In any case, realistic, achievable goals, coupled with indignant youthful energy, could be coming together for the first time in nearly 10 years. And since the underlying principle of any educational institution must be change, the potential confrontations that lie ahead can only be considered good for the future of this University.

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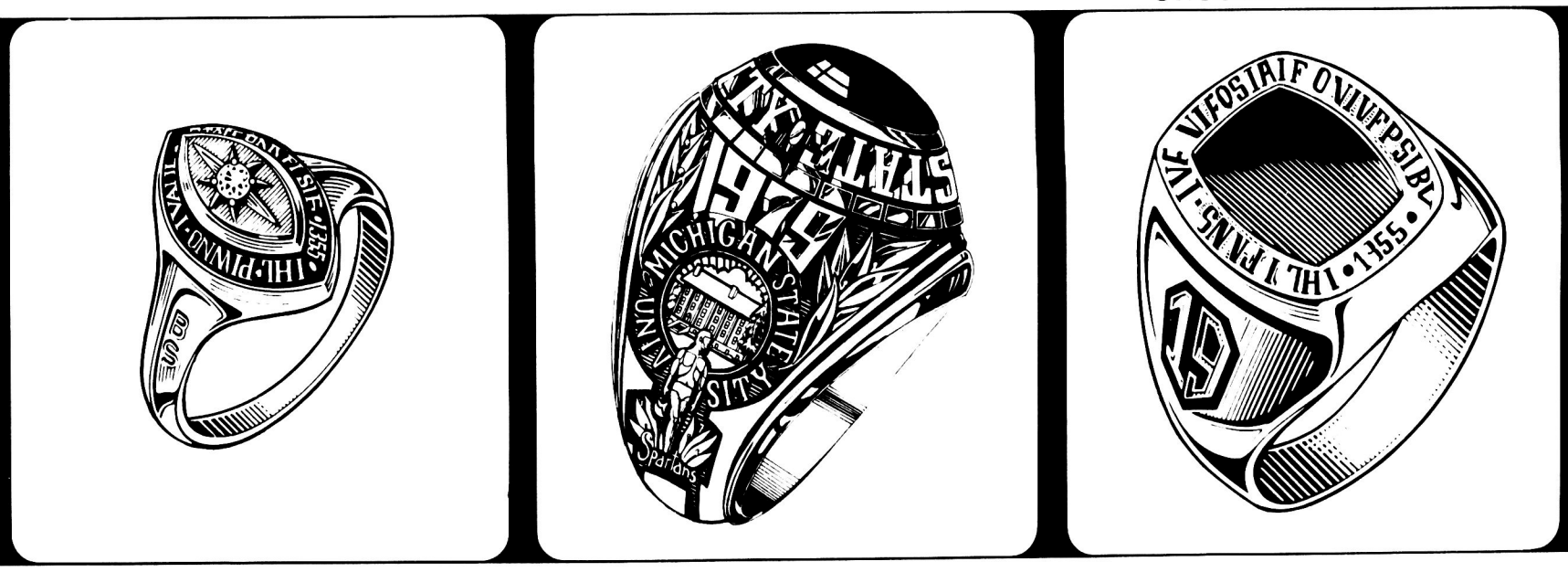

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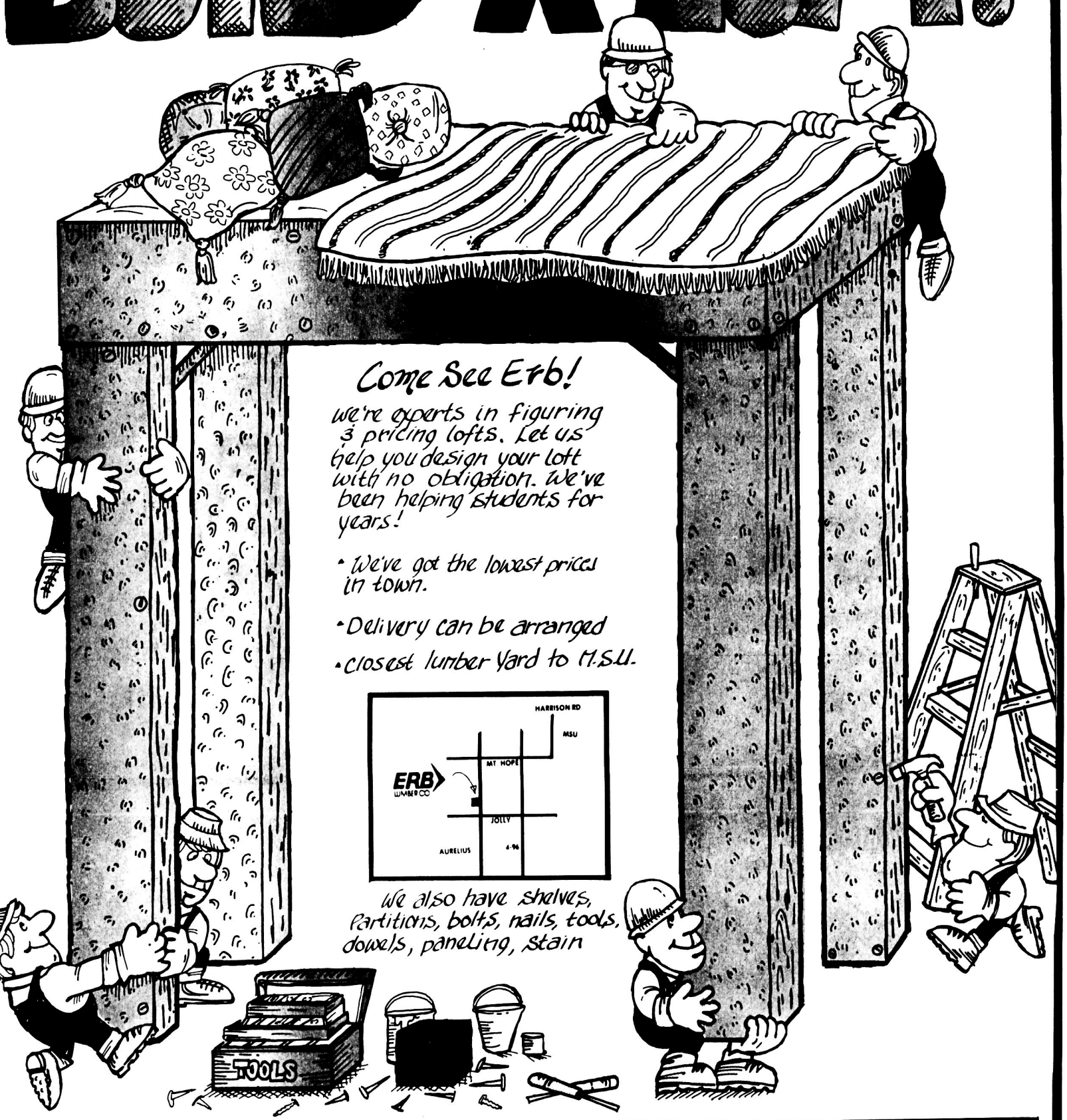

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True, tuition is up again. True, students today pay exorbitant fees for the opportunity to earn a degree which, experts say, is plummeting sharply both in value and marketability. And true, students may feel they are paying through the nose — with empty pockets and unemployment checks to show for it — after graduation.

But if you think tuition tells the whole story of how a university like MSU makes its dough, guess again.

Ironically, tuition plays only a minor role in MSU's complex grandiose money-making schemes.

In fact, the cash students will dish out to University coffers this year will contribute only 30 percent to MSU's total budget.

Almost two thirds of the funds will come from state appropriations passed by the Legislature late in June and approved by Gov. William G. Milliken in July.

Although MSU's actual request for state funds for the 1978-79 year exceeded $162 million, administrators expressed satisfaction with the final $132.6 million granted the University this summer.

The original request, which was formulated last fall during the final months of President Clifton R. Wharton's administration, exceeded MSU's 1977-78 allocation by about $43 million.

President Edgar L. Harden called the Wharton administration's request "honest in need, but not well conceived." The University's appropriations request is quite literally a year-round process.

In the fall, University officers meet with representatives from the governor's Office of Management and Budget to outline MSU's needs. Requests from colleges and universities all over the state are analyzed and the governor makes recommendations on higher education appropriations early in the year in his state budget proposal.

In January, the governor recommended a $9 million increase over the 1977-78 MSU appropriations level, while MSU had requested an increase of $43 million.

"I can't begin to tell you the disappointment that was felt around here that the governor had not seen fit to recommend higher levels," one administrator lamented.

The governor's budget recommendations are crucial to the final outcome of the appropriations process, for if he recommends much less than what the University feels it needs, even sympathetic legislators will find it difficult to lobby for more dollars because of the threat of the governor's veto.

In the spring, University officials again take part in hearings, this time with legislative committees and their fiscal analysts, to once more make their case for a higher budget.

After these hearings, the state Senate introduces an appropriations bill, which this year exceeded the governor's recommendations for MSU by $5 million. If the state House of Representatives disapproves of the Senate version, House members will introduce a substitute bill, which is what happened this year.

Under the House bill, MSU appropriations were larger still, a $3.6 million increase over the Senate's.

Because neither house would accept the other's bill, a joint legislative conference committee was formed to work out a compromise and come up with figures that the governor would also approve.

"It's tough for legislators to stand up and say, 'the University is underfunded, its needs are not addressed,' " Marylee Davis, special assistant to Executive Vice President Jack Breslin, pointed out. "But they were tough this year."

"The respect President Harden has at the capitol has made a difference," she said.

Executive Vice President Jack Breslin also praised Harden's lobbying efforts.

"He's well recognized in the halls of the Legislature," said Breslin.

Harden's contacts in the business community and with the Legislature may have been crucial in obtaining this year's healthy budget. Former President Clifton R. Wharton Jr. and the lawmakers had cool — even strained — relations.

A consensus seems to have developed that Wharton was ineffective — even incompetent — in his dealings with those who control the pursestrings downtown because he was almost devoid of political savvy or even acumen. Wharton was an aloof acamedician — a "caretaker" president, in the words of Trustee Michael Smydra, who disdained the elbow-rubbing and back-slapping game of horsetrading that Harden so obviously relishes.

As the committee struggled to cut its appropriations budget to a level the governor would approve, Sen. Bill Huffman, D-Madison Heights, and Reps. Dominic Jacobetti, D-Negaunee and Thomas Sharpe, R-Howell — defended MSU's increases.

"Do you want Edgar Harden to resign because we don't give them the money to run MSU?" Huffman asked Rep. Gary Owen, D-Ypsilanti, who called MSU's proposed increases "unjustified."

"This committee has a responsibility to 44,000 students on that campus," Huffman declared.

Huffman pointed out that in the past, MSU had finished behind its sister institutions — the University of Michigan and Wayne State University — in budget increases.

Jacobetti, long-time friend of Harden (Harden served as president of Northern Michigan University in Jacobetti's district), also vigorously defended MSU's appropriations.

Although MSU's final appropriation of $132.6 million was second only to the University of Michigan's $133.8 million, Harden observed in his July budget memo to the trustees that MSU again finished last in appropriation increases in main campus funds (which exclude special programs such as law, medical, dental and veterinary schools).

MSU received a 7.9 percent increase in main campus funds while U-M got an increase of 9.7 percent and Wayne State netted an 8.8 percent increase.

But these comparisons can be deceiving — even a bit dishonest.

The fact is that MSU is a land-grant institution — it trailblazed the concept that students should be granted access to higher education not merely as privilege, but almost as a right.

So drawing comparisons between MSU and schools like U-M and Wayne State is to belabor a metaphor, about as worthwhile as comparing apples and oranges. Under the firm, almost dictatorial leadership of President John Hannah, MSU enjoyed a period of unprecedented growth in the years between 1941 and 1969. That growth far outstripped advances made by other universities around the country.

Hannah let pass through MSU's revolving-door degree machine more students than the state could adequately finance. MSU grew to an educational institution of international repute — and today it is paying the price for this progressive but undisciplined expansion.

Relatively speaking, the Horn of Plenty brought forth only pennies in the late 1960s and early 1970s, causing MSU to undertake the painful process of retrenchment and priority reassessment. Courses, classes, concepts and building projects became expendable as the source of funds from downtown began to dry up.

The salad years were over — and in retrospect, those administrators who have spent the last several years carping that MSU was being "shortchanged" seem to have little basis for their charges.

True, this year's budget is relatively healthy — but if, as evidence suggests, Harden deserves most of the credit for it, MSU may again face some lean years not far down the road. For Harden is leaving shortly, after all, and there is no guarantee that his successor will be similarly equipped to lobby lawmakers for the extra cash MSU claims it so vitally needs.

Those who run this place and struggle to keep its financial head above water are actively seeking ways to cut costs, streamline operations and make MSU's budget requests more palatable with the vault-keepers downtown. One idea is zero-based budgeting.

Zero-based budgeting, which President Carter says he has instituted in the federal government, would require each department and administrative unit in MSU to justify, from the bottom up, each and every dollar it has spent and plans to spend.

Trustee Smydra believes that zero-based budgeting "has sufficient support" on the board to be given a try in the near future. But this new concept will have to wait for a new president, who may object to the idea.

And zero-based budgeting could severely damage those colleges with a liberal arts orientation that are losing students. With plummeting enrollments, the dollars will shrink even faster. Education as such has no place in these calculations. Because, after all, the name of the game really is cash. Everyone wants it. Everyone needs it.

But, regrettably, there's just not enough to go around . . .

MSU dabbles in stocks

MSU, detractors say, is too much like a big business.

The charge is often leveled against the University on the grounds that MSU's setup is too big, too impersonal, too impervious to change.

Of course, MSU's administrators and bureaucrats would find fault with this reasoning. We do respond to the needs of students, they would say. We're not at all like, say, the board of directors of IBM.

But MSU is very much like a big business — even a multinational corporation — in another sense.

And those who run the place wouldn't even flinch at the charge. In fact, they would welcome the comparison.

Like all big businesses, MSU rakes in its share of contributions from other corporations, from alumni, from clubs, from concerned individuals.

And even more like big business, MSU is heavily involved in the game of stocks.

All told, MSU's holdings in common and preferred stock, notes, bonds, short and long term investments total some $100 million.

The various investments are broken down this way:

- income funds — primarily short-term investments, designed to attain maximum profit when income is needed quickly, or for high annual return. Income funds might be used to pay off scholarships, for example, or payroll funds for student and administration employees;
- growth funds — primarily long-term investments in common stocks designed to attain maximum appreciation over a long period of time. For example, the income derived from long-term investments might be used for construction of new campus buildings; and
- balance funds — a combination of both of the above.

Money for both long and short-term investments is derived chiefly from the endowment fund, which consists of gifts given to the University by various benefactors.

MSU maintains accounts in First National Bank of Lansing, East Lansing State Bank and the National Bank of Detroit.

Long-term investments are a minimal risk proposition. A low but steady return on investment in corporate stock is virtually assured, barring some unforseen and highly unlikely castastrophe like the stock market crash of 1929.

Short-term investments are another matter.

"The name of the game is to get every available dollar invested," Assistant Vice President for Business and Finance Steve Terry explained. "Frequently we have overdraft on our books."

Terry said that decisions on short-term investments are made daily.

MSU receives advice on long-term investments from an investment counseling firm in Cincinnatti called Scudder, Stevens and Clark. The firm advises the Administration Investment Committee, which then passes along its recommendation to the Board of Trustees Investment Committee.

At one time MSU's investments were undertaken with one goal in mind: profit. But things have changed a little.

With the board of trustees resolution passed in March that committed MSU to withdraw investments from companies with holdings in South Africa (see story, page 29), the University seems to have spiced its financial wheeling and dealing with a touch of morality.

And for MSU, that is indeed a break with tradition.

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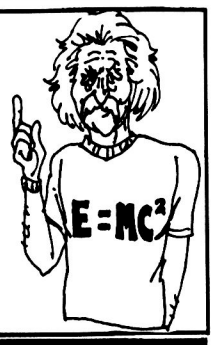

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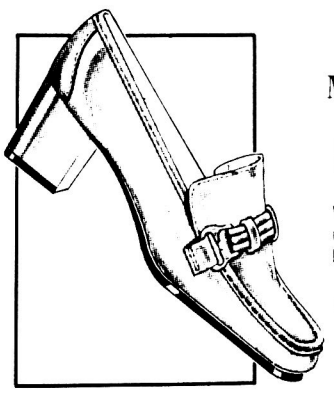

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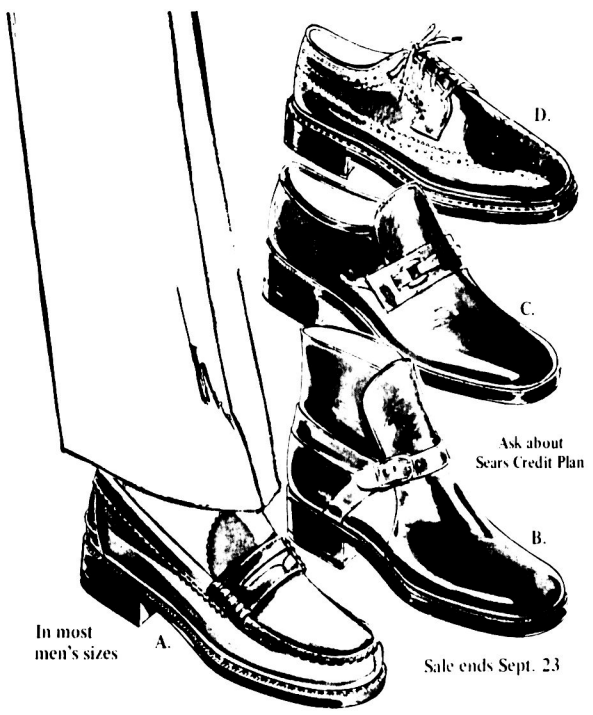

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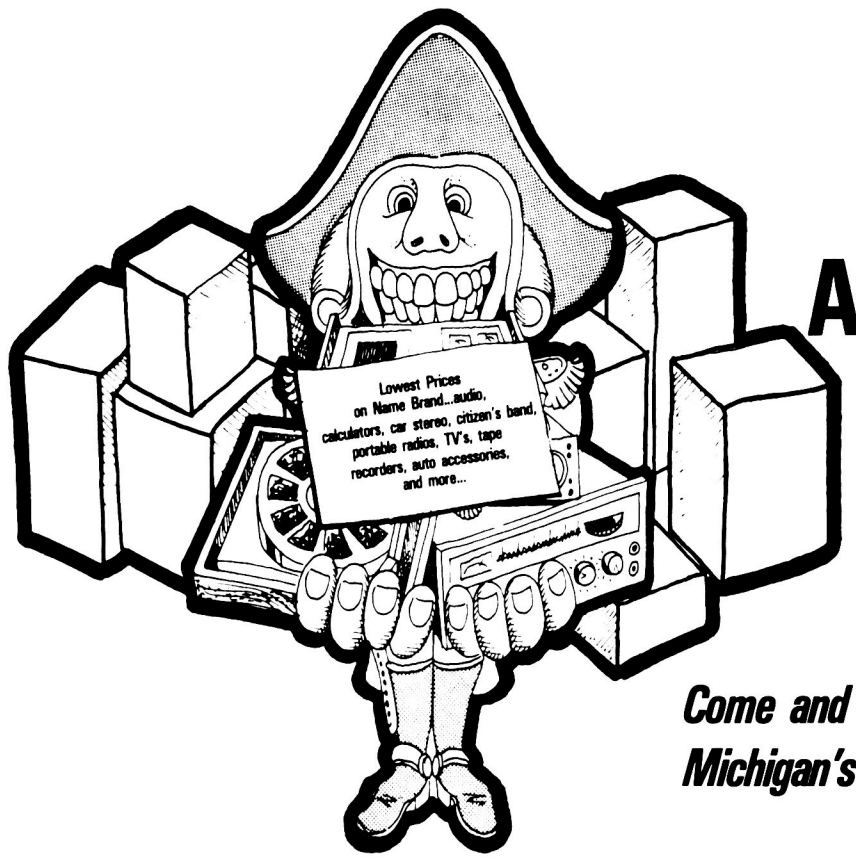

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EXIT

Get out of South Africa, the trustees thundered in a precedent-shattering vote —but the exodus has yet to begin

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William Derman of the South Africa Liberation Committee argues for divestiture at a board of trustees meeting last March.

Today in South Africa a government elected by 4.3 million whites lords over 18.6 million blacks and 2.4 million coloreds (mixed blacks and white) who do not have the right to vote, to buy or sell land, to own factories, to join registered trade unions or to move freely within Sough Africa's cities.

By DAVID MISIALOWSKI
State News Staff Writer

It came not with a bang — not even with a whimper.

It came, rather, with a detached efficiency and speed that almost immediately raised eyebrows — and suspicions. But the skeptics are becoming fewer in numbers these days, the cynicism progressively less intense.

For it seems that when the MSU Board of Trustees voted March 31, 1978 to show South Africa the gate, they meant business.

The trustees, by a vote of 7-1, directed MSU to begin divesting itself of financial holdings in corporations that do business with South Africa on Dec. 1, 1978, unless those firms supply "sufficient evidence or assurances that (they) have adopted and are implementing positive measures to withdraw from the Republic of South Africa."

The board stipulated that these companies, including some of the biggest and wealthiest in the nation, abide by the following terms:

- No new investment in South Africa.
- No reinvestment of profits in South Africa.
- No expansion of facilities and operations in South Africa.
- No new licenses, affiliates or subsidiaries in South Africa.
- No operations in Bantustans, homelands or Namibia.
- No importation of technologies, processes or equipment for use by the police, military or for social control.

In addition, the trustees ordered an end to investments in banks granting or renewing loans to South Africa, and endorsed voting MSU proxies in support of stockholder initiatives to weaken that society's policy of enforced racial segregation.

The resolution was the first of its kind by any university in the nation.

Not long afterward, the University Committee on Academic Environment composed a list of guidelines, or indices, for the board to use in monitoring progress made by the affected firms toward withdrawal. The board accepted the guidelines, thus cementing MSU's position.

Or so it seems.

The move was surprising — even shocking — because for so long the trustees and University administrators had held fast to the proposition that MSU should gear its financial wheelings and dealings with an eye toward making a maximum profit — nothing else.

The moral implications of maintaining indirect financial ties with a nation — South Africa — whose white minority practices brutal and systematic oppression against the black majority was never seriously considered.

"If you were to find some gross exploitation of human beings in a country, perhaps we should withdraw investments," Trustee Patrica Carrigan-Strickland, D-Farmington Hills, had long ago observed. Carrigan-Strickland's naivete is magnified by the incontestable fact that South Africa practices a social policy known as "apartheid" — "separate development" — for black and white.

Today in South Africa a government elected by 4.3 million whites lords over 18.6 million blacks and 2.4 million coloreds (mixed black and white) who do not have the right to vote, to buy or sell land, to own factories, to join registered trade unions or to move freely within South Africa's cities. Black males 16 or older must show passbooks on demand or face arrest.

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Investments in Firms doing Business in South Africa

Stocks	3-31-78 Market Value	No. of Shares	Shares Outstanding
Exxon Corporation	$891,072	19,968	447,738,000
IBM Corporation	848,742	3,604	147,471,000
Eli Lilly & Company	617,500	15,200	69,143,000
Dow Chemical Company	533,450	22,700	183,568,000
PepsiCo, Inc.	507,478	19,425	86,740,000
Upjohn Company	483,938	13,350	29,637,000
Ford Motor Company	483,438	10,625	118,800,000
Coca-Cola Company	468,893	12,380	122,195,000
Minnesota Mining & Mfgr.	430,938	9,850	16,015,000
General Motors Corporation	390,648	6,352	287,705,000
Citicorp	322,455	15,540	122,813,000
Carnation Company	304,917	12,136	37,297,000
Eastman Kodak Company	211,250	5,000	161,586,000
American Express	181,474	5,649	71,296,000
Xerox Corporation	119,972	2,865	79,527,000
Borden, Inc.	85,125	3,000	31,078,000
International Tel. & Tel.	84,303	2,958	100,046,000
Firestone Tire & Rubber	9,890	688	57,547,000

Bonds	3-31-78 Market Value	Par Value
Du Pont de Nemours	$594,750	$600,000
U. S. Steel Corporation	287,788	385,000
General Motors Acceptance Corporation	265,075	300,000

As it turned out, Carrigan-Strickland was the only trustee to abstain on the resolution, thereby preventing a unamimous vote.

The board's new mood was summed up by Trustee Jack Stack, R-Alma, who said bluntly, "Companies can't end oppression, so they must withdraw."

Still, the trustees left themselves an escape hatch. If, when Dec. 1 rolls around, the companies in which MSU has holdings have not met the University's standards for withdrawal, the trustees could simply change their minds. There is, after all, nothing legally binding about the divestiture resolution.

Moreover, there is likely to be great pressure, both from within the University and from without, for the trustees to do just that. MSU owns stock in 19 corporations with South African ties, including Ford, IBM, Exxon and General Motors. As of March 31, 1978, the day the resolution was passed, the total market value of those stocks was just under 7 million dollars (see chart).

Some will undoubtedly suggest — some already have — that MSU should not cripple itself financially by unloading these investments. Several members of the University Committee on Academic Environment, directed by the trustees to draw up usable guidelines, balked at the prospect of divestiture.

"MSU has $8 million invested in South Africa and less than 10 percent affects the government," professor Leo Nothstine declared at one of the committee's public hearings. "For an investment influence of $80,000 we're trying to make ethical decisions. Who's going to notice us?"

Eventually, after much haggling, the committee did forward to the trustees the requested guidelines, which, its report stated, "during a specified period of withdrawal," would be factors within the control of a firm showing good faith progress in getting out of South Africa.

Most of the guidelines would have these firms operating in a color-blind manner in the areas of unionization, wages, benefits and legal assistance for its South African employees.

So the die has been cast — MSU, it seems, is exiting South Africa. But the questions remains — why? And why bother?

In the spring of 1977, on campuses all across the country, small but dedicated groups of students and faculty raised objections to the financial ties their schools had with firms in South Africa. For a time the issue became a hot one — and several schools reacted.

Some, like Stanford University, ordered studies into the feasibility of divestiture and several less severe measures to influence corporate policy.

Others, like the University of Michigan, resolved to continue their investments on the stipulation that corporations show initiative in promoting apartheid's demise.

But MSU was the first school to go as far as it did.

Precisely what motivated the board's action remains unclear. What is perplexing is that MSU's move really was unprecedented — and history shows that this University's trustees and administrators are basically a conservative bunch, not given to radical or daring innovation.

Of course, the violations of human rights in South Africa are so widespread, visible and well-documented that the board might have felt hard-pressed to ignore them — if for no other reason than that of "saving face."

Prior to the board's vote, the pendulum of world opinion began to swing cuttingly against South Africa. When several black South African newspapers began to inquire into the questionable circumstances surrounding the death of Steven Biko — evidence suggests that police murdered the prominent civil rights activist — the government of Prime Minister John Vorster shut down the papers and threw many outspoken blacks into prison.

In Washington, the Carter administration — no doubt prodded to a great extent by U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young, who has been outspokenly critical of apartheid and racism in general — reacted swiftly. It pushed through the United Nations a resolution calling for a mandatory worldwide arms embargo against Vorster's regime.

The hardening of global opinion against South Africa has placed an ever greater burden on institutions and individuals alike to justify any and all ties with South Africa.

Locally, the East Lansing City Council passed a resolution in August 1977 stipulating that the city would seek goods and services from suppliers who have no stakes in South Africa. In March 1978, the state Senate concurred with a state House of Representatives resolution urging the U.S. Congress and the president to impose immediate economic sanctions against the South African government.

So the pressure was building on MSU — and with good reason. The argument that scores of nations have human rights records as bad or worse than South Africa's and therefore the Vorster regime should not be singled out for this kind of treatment, is flawed. A January 1978 Subcommittee on African Affairs report to the U.S. Senate explains it this way:

"What sets South Africa apart from other countries which have equally oppressive and, in some cases, quantitatively worse records of human rights violations is that (1) South Africa's policies are based on race as the sole criterion of discrimination, (2) its human rights violations have been made 'legal' through legislative and regulatory actions that have institutionalized racism into the fabric of society, and (3) its policies are justified in the name of defending the Free World of which South Africa claims to be a member."

Still, MSU has hardly been a hotbed of anti-South Africa protest. A small minority of students and faculty have expressed concern over the issue and University trustees and administrators, much like the legendary Gibraltar, are seldom moved by this kind of miniscule pressure.

Perhaps the right explanation is also the simplest one — and the one most difficult to accept. Perhaps the MSU Board of Trustees, taking seriously for a change their positions as elected public servants accountable not only to profit but to morality, decided it was time MSU stand for principle rather than expediency. Perhaps they decided that extricating MSU from South Africa's odious influence was, quite simply, the right thing to do.

With the passage of Dec. 1 — the date MSU must begin divesting from those firms which have not shown progress toward exiting from South Africa — we will begin to learn the depth of the board's commitment to its own pronouncements.

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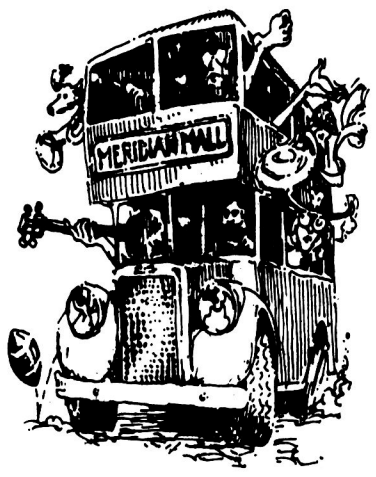

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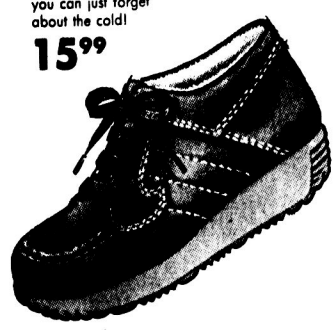

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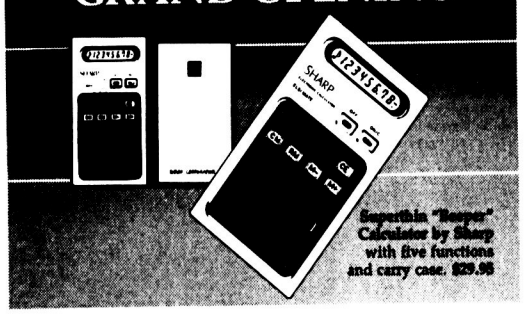

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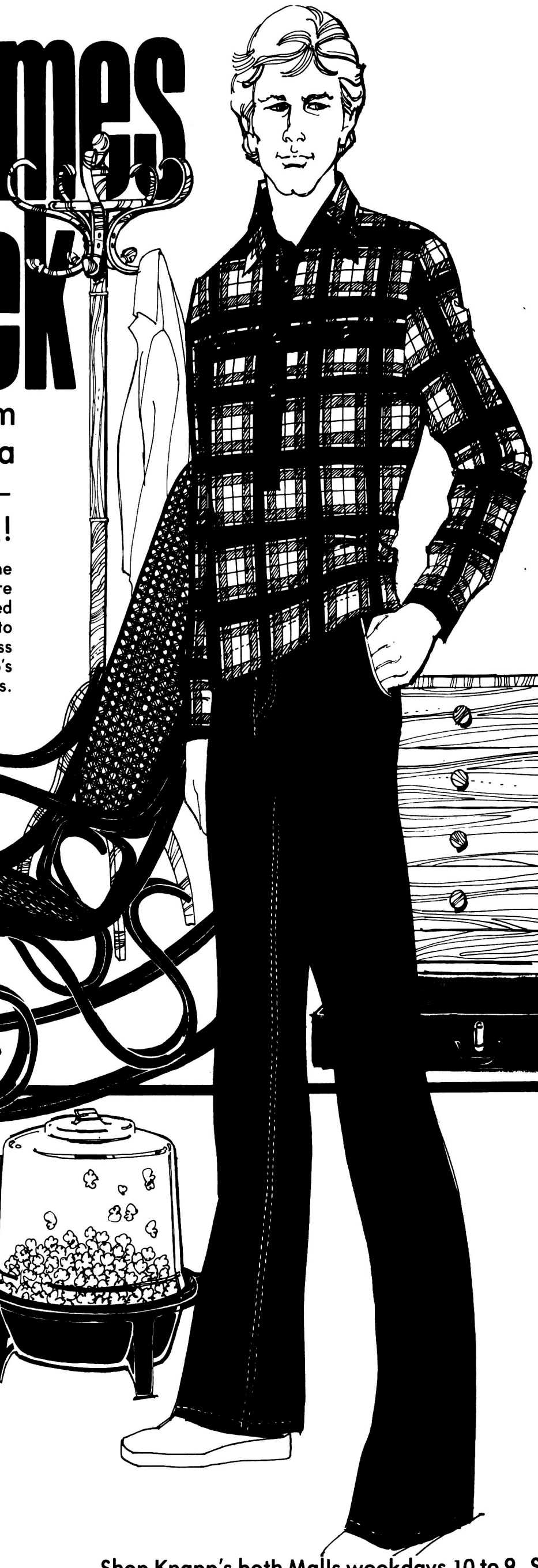

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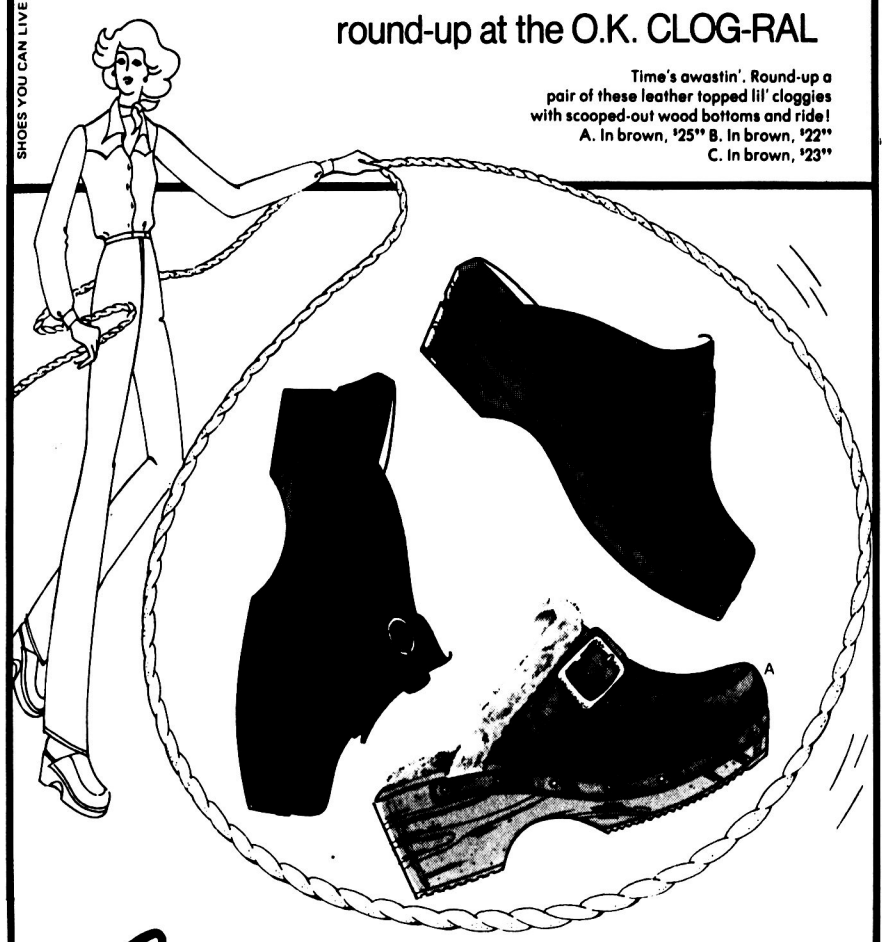

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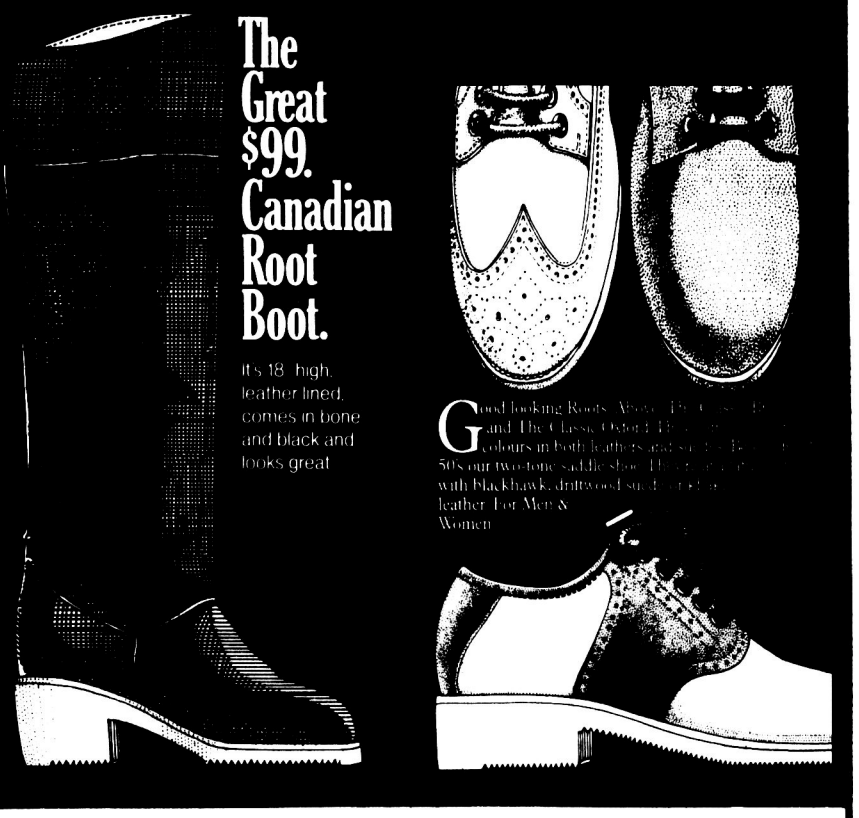

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Olin under fire, but students will pay its way

BY PAUL COX
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You will notice, should you look carefully at your fee cards, that an $18 health fee is being charged to students for the first time in MSU's history. The $18 is being assessed to support Olin Health Center — that innocuous brown building on the north side of campus whose occupants attempt to serve the health care needs of MSU's students.

In recent years Olin's staff has been the target of a variety of accusations, ranging from incompetence to insensitivity. And even more pressure came from lawmakers downtown.

Earlier this year the state Legislature decided that health services offered by state universities should be paid for by students and user fees — and so MSU's $18 health fee was born.

"I don't know where the $18 fee figure came from. It is a number put out by the administration," said James W. Cooke, head administrator at Olin.

The fee is not refundable and is charged to all students who take seven or more credits. Those students who take less than seven credits can buy into the plan. In the case those who have under seven credits

Many have criticized the plan on the grounds that it is too inflexible. Cooke explained that a mandatory fee might not be fair to students whose religious beliefs prohibit them from going to doctors, to those full-time students who live far from campus and to students whose parents may already have health insurance coverage.

For these and other reasons, Cooke said, the mandatory fee will have to be reviewed soon.

Prior to this change, the University incorporated the annual budget for health fees into its general fund.

Last year the health center received

John Siddall

revenue from the general fund totaling $1,890,000, according to Pat Keating, University budget officer.

The projected revenues arriving from the health fee charged this year were estimated at $1,990,000 by Keating.

"There wasn't much of an increase," Cooke said. "Every effort is being made in cost containment."

The question that must be asked next is this: What quality of health care is the student getting for the $18 fee?

An MSU student visited Olin last winter because he had sharp back pains. The doctor prescribed Darvon and physical therapy. During Christmas break, the student complained of the same pains and saw an internist in his home town. Two hours after the appointment, he was on the operating table suffering from a collapsed lung.

A complaint was filed with the Ingham County Medical Society by the parents, alleging that the collapsed lung should have been diagnosed by the Olin physician.

Dr. John Siddall, director of Olin, reviewed the case and did not suspend the doctor because he discovered no "irregularities."

Siddall said that last year there were only four complaints against Olin, and characterized only one of those as being serious.

"You don't see any malpractice around here lately," he said. "There have been no malpractice suits since the two years I've been here."

Many students have also complained about the gynecological care available at Olin.

In 1977, investigation of these charges was carried out by the Council of Graduate Students through a study conducted by Carol Kramer, vice president for graduate welfare.

The study found these significant problems:

- no full time gynecologist on the staff;
- the quality of general gynecological care is inadequate because of the excessive waiting time and insensitive doctors; and
- if consultation with a gynecologist is required, the charges are high.

The gynecology clinic at Olin has seven staff physicians, and an eighth who works on a rotating basis. There is one nurse practitioner, which points to another complaint — that there is a lack of female doctors for women.

Siddall has put together a Student Advisory Committee to help get input into the health center from students.

Siddall describes Olin as understaffed and its doctors as overworked.

"The staffers are only human," said Siddall.

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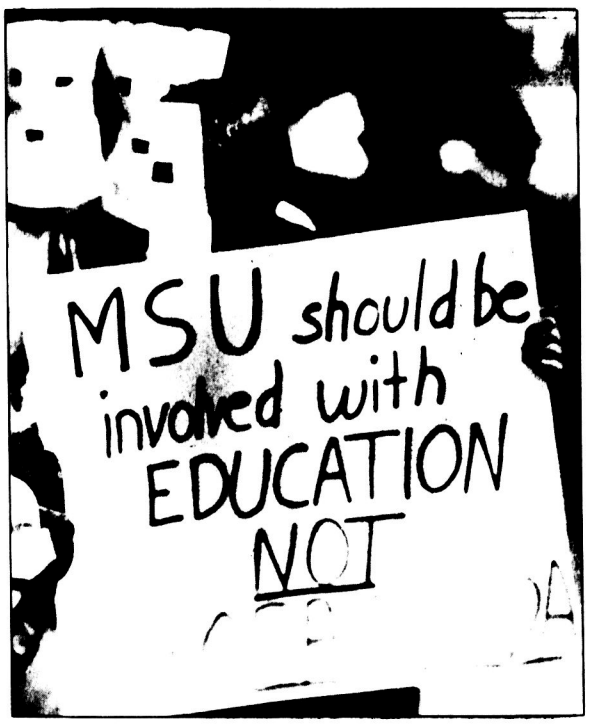
International programs: Iran film project long gone, but a slew of ventures persist

State News/Laura Lynn Fistler

It began innocently enough: On Dec. 19, 1974, MSU signed an agreement with National Iranian Radio and Television to produce a series of instructional films that, in the words of project director M. Ali Issari, would "capture the new Iran, the country as it is today, as well as its glorious civilization which has contributed so much to world advancement." But by the time the project died last spring, far short of completion, it had generated a level of controversy unseen since the days of massive student protest in the late 1960s. Iranian students and their supporters, enraged because MSU was dealing with a nation—Iran—that has been identified by human rights watchdog Amnesty International as the world's most repressive regime, staged a weekend-long sit-in at MSU's International Center in June of 1977 after the board of trustees refused to rescind the contract. Ironically, the project finally met its demise, some say, because of administrative incompetence—not because of the opposition it generated.



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International programs. It is a phrase so bureaucratic, so obscure, so innocent, that it says nothing. Its umbrella spreads far and wide over an intimidating gallery of projects and contracts that defy superficial analysis. It is a phrase calculated to enhance MSU's reputation both at home and abroad.

International programs — two words that constitute the tip of a proverbial iceberg. Some would say that what lies underneath is really a Pandora's Box.

Iran, South Korea, Uruguay, Brazil, Indonesia, Nepal . . . the list of this University's foreign entanglements, for better or worse, rambles on and on. And the details of this list are prone to a staggering array of interpretations — not all of them pleasant.

MSU is currently involved with at least two projects that appear to violate its policy guidelines. One contract is an agency for International Development loan from Uruguay for agricultural assistance programs, the other with National Iranian Radio and Television.

In Uruguay, MSU is a prime contractor along with a consortium of other Midwest universities. The last contract signed in 1976 gave MSU a budget of $2,444,937 to be used for increasing agricultural production among small farmers and upgrading the quality of the Uruguayan government agricultural personnel.

The Uruguayan project, MSU's third largest, helps the agricultural arm of the government reorganize by sending in short-term consultants covering a wide range of agricultural expertise. Another important aspect of the project is the development of an informational network to provide farmers easy access to research results.

While involvement with the government is not direct — MSU experts deal with the lower echelons of administrators — the project is vulnerable to attack from the government's political foes.

Although many programs MSU participates in fulfill official goals of the host country, the close link in the case of Uruguay could be viewed as a violation of University policy.

The University policy on International programs in sensitive areas states that no program would be initiated or continued if it was found to require MSU to violate U.S. laws or regulations or those of MSU or the host country, subject U.S. paticipants to undue physical danger or directly benefit instruments of repression in any country where the civil liberties of its citizens are materially compromised.

However, the sensitive-areas policy hedges on what constitutes repression and also makes it clear that MSU cannot be expected not to shy away from totalitarian regimes. ". . . we do want to undertake the projects which will improve or enhance the condition or well-being of the people of a foreign nation," the policy reads.

The MSU Urguayan project could be interpreted as a violation of the policy guidelines because MSU personnel deal directly with a repressive government. Although MSU's participation may not "directly benefit instruments of repression" in the government, its association with it could possibly "subject U.S. participants to undue physical danger or harrassment" from enemies of the repressive regime. That event would clearly violate the policy.

The second project, with Iran, grew out of domestic activities of a consortium of universities, including MSU. The consortium has been developing training packages dealing with instructional development and technology for various populatons.

The College of Education is sponsoring the project for MSU, which has a subcontract with the University of Southern California.

Kent Gustafson, associate professor of secondary education and curriculum, is heading the project for MSU.

Funding is coming from NIRT and Educational Radio and Television of Iran, and totals about $135,000. Basically, the project seeks to develop curriculum for training educational technologists, implementing and evaluating the curriculum by actually training educational technologists and training a counterpart team to continue the training procedure.

Although Gustafson indicates that the local climate (Iran) is favorable for the program, he concedes the possibility for counterproductive uses of the training exists. As he states, "There is no absolute guarantee educational technologists will apply skills toward positive education goals. However, based on assignments of the graduates of Phase I training we see no evidence to support this concern."

Gustafson could not be reached for clarification of the statement, but whether it means the training may not be effective or may be applied to goals other than education, it still implies the training might not prove beneficial — and might, therefore, violate MSU policy.

A potential problem with the project stems from a contract requirement which states, "NIRT shall have the unrestricted right of publication

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MSU in bed with some vicious dictators

Aparacio Mendez: Uruguay. Amnesty International reports that under his stewardship, torture and repression have become "accepted and routine practice."

Park Chung Hee: South Korea. Park's gang goes in for "electric shocks to the genitals, beatings, sleeplessness, and the forcing of cold water through the nostrils."

Ernesto Geisel: Brazil. Geisel has fashioned a society in which torture is "widespread . . . even against people detained for a short period of time."

Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi: Iran. Amnesty International calls the Shah, who has been described as an urbane, witty, charming man, as the "sole source of authority" in his country. The Shah likes to brag that he has instituted "reforms" in Iran. "Beating of feet, weighted handcuffs, insertion of electric cosh or bottle into rectum, and placing a prisoner on an electric grill which is then heated" are several oft-practiced reforms documented by Amnesty International.

MSU has established international programs with each of these men, who embody their respective nations. Dean of International Studies Ralph Smuckler maintains that these ties help "people in developing countries to improve their own lives and the conditions of the societies around them." But economics professor Milton Taylor is unimpressed with this logic.

"Anywhere for a buck," he scoffs — and MSU's policy seems to be just that.

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This requirement is found in the overall contract, which is with USC. Yet, as a subcontractor, MSU must uphold the principle of the overall contract, and is going against established University policy that guarantees availability of research data.

Moreover, according to Ralph Smuckler, Dean of International Programs and Studies, MSU will take no part in a contractual arrangement of this kind. Also, the chairperson of the advisory consultative committee that reviews projects said as far as she knows MSU is not now conducting any projects with such an agreement.

One major cause for several of the problems surrounding international programs is the often lackadaisical record-keeping practices. The committee that reviews international commitments is purely advisory and consultative, meaning it lacks the impact that might be needed to thwart involvement in some areas.

Further, the committee is less than rigid in its enforcement practices, seldom calling upon project sponsors and directors to keep it informed on political as well as mechanical changes and problems. Once a project is approved it is out of the committee's purview.

The information forms required for submission to the office of international studies have also been lacking, until recent revisions in April that added significant questions to the previously innocuous forms.

In what can only be interpreted as a direct outgrowth of campus protests, the new forms ask prospective project promoters if "there is likely to be a controversy surrounding this project on this campus or elsewhere." The new procedures force faculty members and administrators to consider not only the academics, but the political and social ramifications of the program as well.

MSU has recently taken other actions to make its international dealings more responsible. The board of trustees resolution on South Africa, which was passed March 31, is one example. The resolution calls for prudent stock divestiture from corporations doing business in South Africa.

Additionally, the African Studies Center is revising its policy for Southern Africa and the Office of International Studies and Programs has revised its overall international programs policy, as well as its informational forms explaining international project proposals.

However, this increased responsiveness appears to be an effort to mute criticism and play up considerations of MSU's current international projects.

Another complicating factor is that many current projects were approved before the new atmosphere became a part of policy decisions.

Of the estimated 34 programs the University is currently participating in, several immediately call to mind repressive regimes – Uruguay, Indonesia, the Philippines, Brazil and Iran.

The total funds committed to current programs exceeds $23.5 million. The largest amount of money goes to the Brazil project, which has a budget of $7,590,047.

Brazil's Ministry of Education and Culture is funding the project through an aid loan. The project is designed to assist Brazil in an orderly but rapid expansion and improvement of its graduate education, especially in agriculture, which is the country's main area of export.

In the past, the project has drawn considerable heat because of that country's military dictatorship. It is seen by critics as a violation of an MSU policy guideline which states "we would not want to be engaged in strengthening the elements of repression in an extreme regime of either the left or right."

The University's connection with repressive regimes and "profit-mongering" corporations has been the subject of bitter controversy in the past and probably will be in the future. At the root of the controversy lies conflicting perceptions about the usefulness and ethics of international programs.

While many see certain projects as aid to repressive governments by more effectively controlling the population and centralizing administration, others say better training and administration will increase the standards of living in Third World countries.

International projects are far more varied and complex than one might expect. The University does not participate solely in educational, technical assistance and research programs in controversial countries.

It also maintains foreign exchange and overseas programs, area studies centers for international emphasis curricula, peace corps programs, international institutes and consortiums with various educational institutions, and a host of other programs and services.

University interaction with foreign countries began long before the Office of International Programs was organized in the mid-1950s. But since its inception, particularly during the eight year Wharton administration, the office has escalated MSU activity in foreign lands by an unprecedented degree.

The list of countries MSU has come to be involved with through the AID are also prominently listed by another organization — Amnesty International — as being some of the most repressive regimes in the world.

It is argued — quite convincingly — that this coincidence is no mere coincidence. MSU involvement is seen by some as helpful in liberalizing the societies and raising the consciousness of the indigenous population.

Although consciousness raising may or may not help thwart the repressiveness of the government, MSU does prepare the local populations for lives in the economic complexity of the Western world.

Historically, MSU has accomplished this noble goal through its world-renowned expertise in agriculture.

University faculty have traveled to all corners of the world teaching farming techniques and directly improving the quality of life in the world's rural poor.

This involvement came long before there was an Agency for International Development or any other federal government support. Fulbright Scholarships, Ford Foundation Grants and Rockefeller Foundation Grants paid the way in the early stages.

Now the reputation of another MSU college is gaining international respect and could possibly overtake the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources in its level of involvement with foreign governments.

This is the College of Education. Its specialties with foreign countries are its programs of Non-formal education. More and more Third World governments are clamoring for the skills developed by the college.

Non-formal education has become recognized as the most effective method for educating large masses of people in the rudiments of Western society in the quickest way possible.

The local populations are simply not ready for formal education as we know it in the west. A new method to be devised to educate on a level that is effective.

Hindrances to the goal are inefficient coordination of various public service departments of the governments. The role of MSU faculty is to show these regimes how to coordinate the activities of the various ministries — Health, Education, Public Welfare and any other sub-organizations that connect the bureaucracies to the people.

MSU projects do not tell the governments what to teach, they tell them how to teach. It makes no difference if the government is left-wing or right -wing, or if it plans to teach ideologies or sewing. Whatever the goals of the governments, they welcome the opportunity to better inform their people.

It is the feeling of University officials that MSU cannot afford to make decisions on its participation based on the human rights scorecard of the various countries. If MSU refuses to accept a contract offered to it by AID, some other university anxious to enhance its international reputation will snap it up.

This self-imposed blindness on the part of contract signers — MSU's administration — imposes questions on the individual faculty involved with the countries, faculty who see with their own eyes both the desperate needs of the populous and the utter repressiveness of the regimes.

The question inevitably rises: Is any involvement better than none? The Office of International Programs says yes — the individual faculty who participate seem less certain.

Despite the fundamental questions that still have no answer, MSU's foreign dealing appear to be expanding geometrically. The biggest area of acceleration is in the field of Non-formal education. This is due in large part to the persistence of Dean Smuckler.

Smuckler was able to convince AID in the early 1970s that non-formal education programs were projects worthy of backing by the agency. The first attempted project – reorganization of the educational arm of the Indonesian government – was awarded a $750,000 contract.

AID has not always been so interested in education. At one time the CIA used the agency as a cover for covert operations in foreign lands. Police weapons and tactics for control of civilian populations were developed and implemented using AID money with the cooperation of American universities.

Again the question arises: Is any education, despite its political flavor, better than no education at all? Obviously the former is preferred.

Smuckler, who is also the chairperson of the AID Research Advisory Committee, has contributed greatly to making the agency see the logic behind education programs. Subsequently millions of federal dollars have poured into MSU and other universities to develop the programs on a worldwide scale.

Contracts are just too beneficial to be refused. MSU makes no profit on its contracts, but international programs enhance its reputation as an institution willing to work with funding agencies.

What does Michigan State University get out of it? The University is responsible to the people of Michigan. Whenever a contract is profferred administrators must ask themselves: How will this directly or indirectly benefit the people of Michigan?

MSU involvement in the establishment of Non-formal education programs in Indonesia, for example, is construed as being beneficial to Michigan residents because the coordination techniques perfected there can theoretically be applied to Michigan's rural poor and uneducated.

But are the people of Michigan benefitting from the work done in Indonesia? From a theoretical standpoint, yes. Practically speaking, no.

The contracts that implicate MSU with foreign governments are not signed with the state of Michigan but with the federal government.

Because of this, MSU involvement in international affairs is moving in a trend that bypasses not only state government but U.S. officials as well.

Dean Smuckler predicts that within five years the World Bank will finance at least half of the international programs that MSU will be engaged in. In addition to the World Bank, MSU will be signing contracts with individual foreign governments.

The governments will pay the contracts with money loaned to them by AID and the World Bank, but MSU's direct involvement with the two loaning agencies will diminish.

But what is the World Bank and whose interest do they represent? The World Bank is an institution which includes nearly every developed or partially developed country in the world — excluding the communist bloc. Member countries make small annual contributions to the fund but almost all the money they make and subsequently loan out is generated by top-notch wheeling and dealing in international money markets. By being in the right place at the right time when currencies are revalued and devalued, the Bank can make billions of dollars annually.

The World Bank is more than essential to lesser-developed nations because it provides them with loans. It is equally vital to multinational corporations, whose financial activities set patterns for world economics. Without the support of the World Bank, multinationals' tenuous footholds in these nations would be even more inflammatory than they already are.

The activities of the World Bank are large and growing annually. Certain factions of the federal government support the Bank for numerous reasons — primarily because it means less federal dollars for lesser-developed nations and also because it does not implicate the U.S. government when trouble arises.

Situations like Vietnam, for example, might have been avoided if the World Bank was footing the bills instead of the United States — or so the argument goes.

The wide range of philosophies questioning American foreign involvement bring up the oft-repeated question: Is some involvement, even if it means cooperation with detestable regimes, better than no involvement at all?

The answer as far as MSU's administration is concerned is a not altogether emphatic "I guess so." Ask the multinationals or the World Bank and it is a very positive "of course."

What it comes down to is that it makes sound economic sense for U.S. based-multinational corporations to be involved with foreign countries. They would be economic fools to let the natural resources go unexploited. MSU's presence helps legitimize the economic exploitation of the countries.

The scope of MSU's international contractual agreements is unlikely to change in the near future because the University's interests presently lie in bolstering its reputation in order to attract more grants and endowments.

But the problem is not one that will fade away either. The changes already made in the policy statements and information requests by University administrators suggest an awareness, — indeed, a concern — for the political repercussions that have resulted and may in the future result from MSU's involvement with repressive regimes.

To a certain extent human rights has of late become a political issue, and championing the values of civil liberties is currently in vogue. To this trend the vocal few who vehemently protest the fact that MSU seems bereft of international conscience owe something. The best they could give it would be sustenance, because it takes more than a handful of detractors to change University policy or define its purpose.

The role that MSU should play in world affairs if debatable. Its objectives must be clearly outlined by faculty members well aware of the dangers involved in blanket acceptance of apparently profitable projects.

Once the University strictly clarifies its position, an avoidance of repressive and dictatorial regimes should likely follow.

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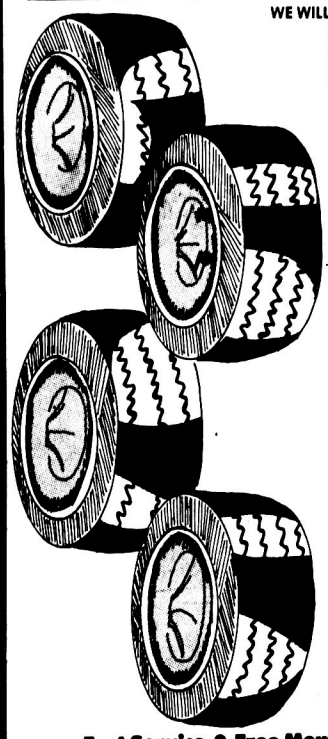

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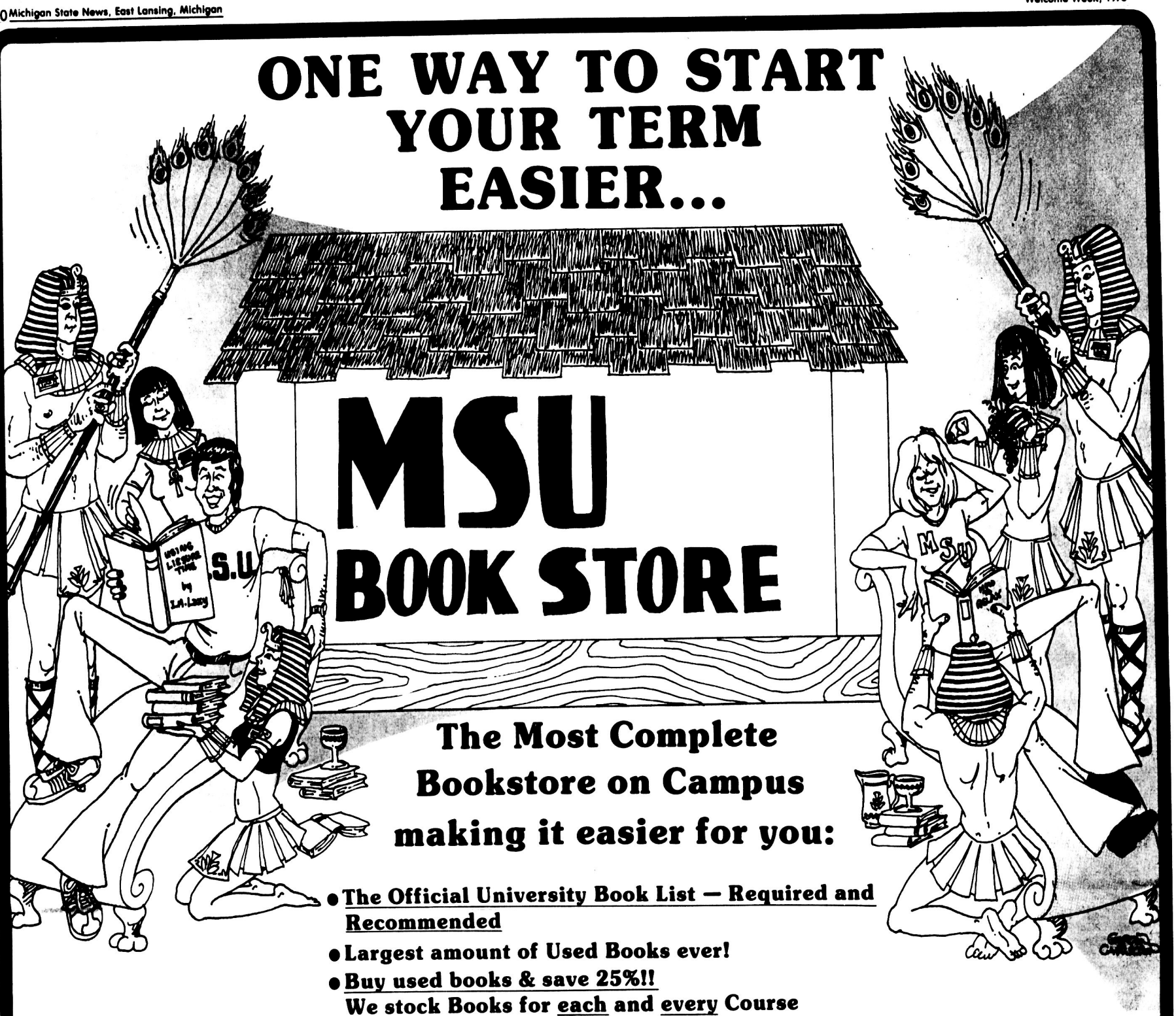

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This Year's Breed of Political Animal

By DAVID MISIALOWSKI
State News Staff Writer

"The good of man must be the end of politics," Aristotle observed in some ancient, undocumented spasm of idealism.

All well and good, but for most of us it is alarmingly easy to concur with Machiavellie, the ultimate cynic, who wrote "Politics have no relation to Morals."

And while most politicians would steadfastly deny this allegation, the record is not so kind to America's putative "statesmen."

The political animal is not a beast of prey, slyly and viciously practicing manifold deceptions and evasions to advance its own interest. Not quite that, anyway.

But the public's idealistic, naive perception of its leaders has (fortunately) yet to be salvaged from the wreckage of Watergate, and many now believe that politicians are nothing more than amoral beasts, vicious and utterly devoid of scruples — like a pack of junkyard dogs.

True, politicians *are* very much like dogs, and they *do* travel in packs — but, like dogs, and like all animals, their main interest is in survival.

Call it expediency, if you will, or self-interest. The political animal survives and perpetuates its species by exchanging long-term benefit for short-term interest.

This year's breed of political animal — a year in which a slew of Michigan prizes, including the governor's chair and a seat in the Senate are up for grabs — is no different. In Michigan and all across the nation, the political beast is stirring.

At the grass roots, analysts have pegged the public mood as "conservative." But, unlike the prehistoric brontasaurus, so ponderous and so large that fire on its tail would not register as pain in its brain for several damaging minutes, this year's political animal adapts to its changing environment with chameleonic swiftness.

Nineteen seventy-eight's potential governors, senators and representatives, here in Michigan and elsewhere, will be for tax cuts. They will favor limits, either legal or moral ones, on government spending. They will pay careful attention to precarious human rights of aggrieved Russian dissidents, but will demur from commenting on the plight of homeless, penniless, jobless ghetto youth — clients of the widely disparaged "welfare state."

This year's political animal, like an emaciated, frightened dog, will on occassion be especially cutthroat and bloodthirsty with its own kind. The smart money will be with those candidates who freely insult the office they wish to hold, who are quick to condemn fellow politicians as subservient peons in a vast, impervious governmental Xanadu.

Those on the *outside* wishing to get *in* will posture as anti-Washington, anti-Lansing, and the like. Those on the *inside* wishing to *stay* in will also portray themselves as anti-Washington and anti-Lansing — while maintaining that they, personally, have not become allies of the hated "system."

Too, the species this year is influenced, perhaps to a greater degree than ever before, by special interest lobbyists. The malady is both pervasive and growing.

In Washington, the two-party system has virtually broken down, with Republicans supporting President Carter in greater numbers on some crucial issues than his fellow Democrats. The same holds true, to a lesser extent, in Lansing and other state capitals.

Walter Adams, economics professor and past president of MSU, diagnoses the mood as

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1978: Hardball campaigns in centerfield

Candidates lay schemes for votes in November

By ANNE MARIE BIONDO
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Although the primary races were densely populated with an array of candidates representing viewpoints anywhere from radical left to reactionary right the results in most of the races produced mediocre nominees that fall somewhere in the middle.

But the campaigns, though fought in centerfield, promise to be of the hardball variety.

Democratic candidates that emerged from the two top primary races in the state — governor and senator — were predicted as sure winners. But now, as they challenge their incumbent Republican opponents in November's general election, their destiny is less certain.

GOVERNOR

Fitzgerald vs. Milliken

Sen. William Fitzgerald, D-Detroit, who claimed he has been running for governor ever since he was born, was first elected to the state House of Representatives in 1971 to fill his late father's seat.

After winning the 1974 election for the state Senate, he was selected to be majority leader. Two years later his colleagues discharged him from that leadership position because he "wouldn't compromise." He was accused of not respecting the Senate seniority rule because he refused to grant special privileges to older senators.

Fitzgerald was so confident he would win the primary race that he began taping television advertisements for the general election campaign against Gov. William G. Milliken weeks before the Aug. 8 primary election.

The Democratic nominee intends in his campaign to draw particular attention to the way Milliken handled the PBB disaster, the discovery of abused patients in the Plymouth Center for Human Development and the loss of jobs by Michigan to other states.

By stressing employment and business for Michigan, however, Fitzgerald may appear to some to be running with Milliken rather than against him, because Milliken claims the number of employed workers has actually **increased** during his governorship.

In his own campaign, Milliken intends to emphasize "the strong progress we have made in creating new employment opportunities." He has said that since 1975, some 475,000 jobs have been added to the state's economy.

If Fitzgerald's campaign centers around criticizing Milliken, the governor does not intend to let any of the senator's shortcomings go unnoticed.

Milliken plans to score Fitzgerald on his voting record, which includes absences on more than half of the Senate votes cast in the past two years.

"I fully intend to discuss that record as I expect he will be discussing mine," Milliken declared.

But the issue most serious candidates dare not evade is taxes. The opportunity for taking a stand on limiting or cutting state and local taxes has been provided by two "concerned" Michigan citizens — Shiawassee Drain Commissioner Robert Tisch and Richard Headlee, a Farmington Hills insurance executive.

Tisch has proposed a ballot initiative which, if passed, would theoretically slash property taxes in half. His campaign was given a significant boost in July when Howard Jarvis, author of California's property tax-slashing Proposition 13, stumped Lansing on its behalf.

The so-called Headlee amendment, on the surface, appears to be the safe tax proposal to endorse. Most of the candidates have done just that.

While the so-called Tisch amendment has been called a "meat ax" approach to cutting taxes, the candidates have bad-mouthed that proposal and by a process of elimination favor the so-called Headlee amendment.

Headlee introduced his proposal with an elaborate explanation of how drastically state spending has increased over the last 10 years, resulting in high state and local taxes.

The Headlee amendment would limit state spending to the current rate of inflation, but in-depth studies of the proposal have revealed that it will benefit wealthy property owners and corporate interests. Because the amendment will merely put a cap on state spending and not cut into it, some middle- and low-income families will not be relieved of their current taxation.

Few candidates have pointed out this obvious flaw in Headlee's "less drastic" tax proposal. Instead most have been quick to support it as their way of saying they favor state tax reform.

However, Fitzgerald and Milliken did not hurriedly endorse the Headlee amendment. Only after some consideration did they take a stand on tax limitation. Fitzgerald hinted toward endorsing Headlee's proposal over Tisch's early in his campaign. But Milliken remained neutral until a few days before the primary election. In the end, both did what many others have done — support Headlee, because of the two possible choices it appeared to be the most feasible.

Although both candidates seem to want the same things for Michigan — jobs, business, federal money, education and a fair tax system — they clearly are at odds on at least one issue: Abortion.

Fitzgerald, a 36-year-old Irish Catholic, has campaigned against abortion through out his political career.

"Of all the rights we have, the greatest right is the rights to life," Fitzgerald has said. "So I have been opposed to abortion and have voted that way all the time in office."

Meanwhile Milliken, the 56-year-old governor who has held the job for eight years, has demonstrated his commitment to pro-choice by vetoing Senate-passed Medicaid budget that would have eliminated state-funded abortions.

Milliken has said he does not know if the abortion difference will become a major issue in the campaign but he is ready to address it and defend his stand.

U.S. SENATE

Carr vs. Conlin

The U.S. Senate race featured six vigorous Democratic candidates and two not-so-vigorous Republican contenders.

Each candidate in the Democratic camp had to shout louder than the next to be heard. A lot of noise was made, but in the end the nominee was, as expected, Carl Levin.

In a series of proposed debates, Levin hopes to cast light on what he sees as a poor job being done by incumbent Sen. Robert Griffin.

"I want to debate Griffin's sorry legislative record," Levin declared. "I want to debate his failure to get some money back from Washington for the people of Michigan. I want to debate him on his part-time attendance record."

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Carl Levin, victorious in the Democratic Senate primary, waves to supporters. Levin bested five opponents for the right to face incumbent Republican Senator Robert Griffin, who rolled over right-wing rival L. Brooks Patterson Republican primary vote. Many analysts feel that Griffin, who at one time chose not to run for reelection and then changed his mind, is vulnerable. But Griffin has never lost an election, and has earned a reputation as a "giant-killer" for besting prominent Democrats.

William Fitzgerald is all smiles after winning the Democratic primary for Governor over three contenders. Fitzgerald will face incumbent Republican Gov. William G. Milliken in the November general election.

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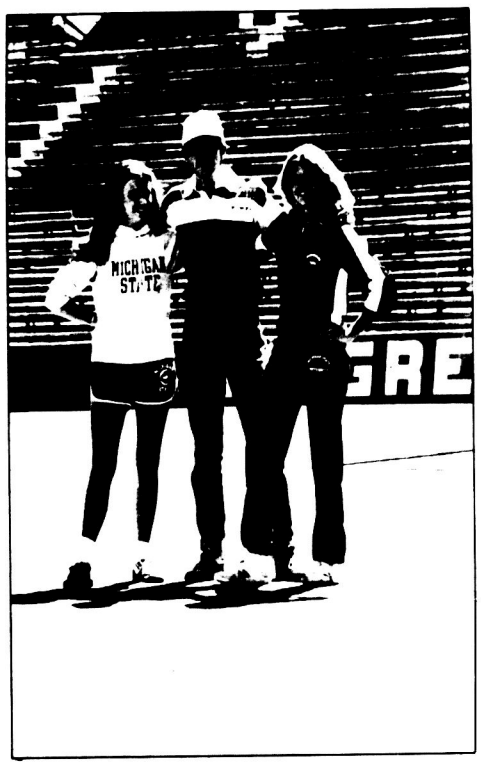

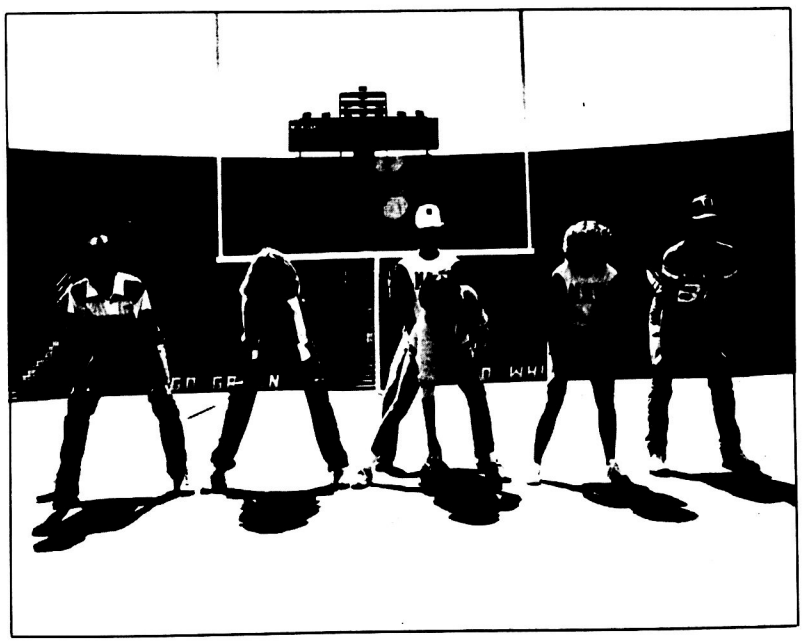

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Tenure

'Publish or perish' is one code for this prized status, which protects some 'dry rot' profs

By MICHELLE CHAMBERS
State News Staff Writer

Academic tenure began as an idealized vision that sought to protect scholars who, in the course of research, offended or jeopardized the institution where they were employed.

In short, it gave academic researchers the freedom to investigate any and all subjects without fearing the possibility of losing their job if either their university or vested interests found the results economically or philosophically damaging.

In 1952, MSU joined the ranks of universities nationwide and incorporated such a tenure system. This system has survived to the present almost exactly as it had been originally proposed, but in recent years has absorbed sharp criticism.

When tenure was established, MSU, like other vessels of higher education, did not feel much pressured to make its faculty secure in financial terms. At the time, academia was much more concerned with the freedom of expression than with monetary advancement, for faculty salaries already afforded much financial comfort.

However, time has changed the meaning of tenure. There is much less push for academic freedom, for this principle has become a right that is more or less taken for granted.

Although some would argue that MSU faculty still have not attained their rightful amount of freedom — specifically to assist administrative decision-making — most would agree they are free to do research of most kinds without threat.

The problem today is this. Job security means financial stability.

And those who criticize the tenure system say this financial security is not always being met.

The complaint is heard more often as the number of tenured faculty decreases in proportion to the growth experienced five and 10 years ago.

If a faculty member has obtained tenure, dismissal from MSU can only come about if he or she is accused of a "gross violation of professional conduct or incompetence." Both charges are all but impossible to prove.

But, even though tenure does afford its participants job security — in some cases too much security — tenure is not an easy thing to achieve.

Only those who are hired as professors receive automatic tenure — and this number is a small one.

For others who are taken into the tenure stream, the course is generally a difficult and time-consuming one. These faculty are put on various terms of "probation" during which they must prove themselves to administrators as worthy of becoming a full-time member of MSU's faculty.

Educators who are hired as associate and assistant professors are given three-year probation appointments. During this time they must not only perform the duties of a full-time professor, but also conduct research, perform public service and a number of other duties to qualify for a tenured position.

Assistant professors can be put on yet another three-year probationary appointment if they have not been promoted or awarded tenure.

And an instructor could conceivably work at the University for seven years without being granted tenure. An instructor is initially appointed to a two-year probationary term, could serve an additional term and then could be appointed to another three-year probationary period. Often these faculty hold masters degrees and are studying for their doctorates.

Tenure recommendations are initially made by the department chairperson after a review by a faculty panel. These suggestions are, among other things, based on a faculty member's teaching record, the number and quality of published materials and public services rendered.

Although the departments do make the initial recommendation, they are based on a University-wide criteria.

Some, especially members of MSU Faculty Associates, feel that each department should establish its own guidelines and not be restricted to the University's. They contend that because each department is different, the qualities being sought are varied.

After getting input from the department chairperson, the dean of the college recommends to the provost's office those faculty he or she believes should be awarded tenure. The number of recommendations is usually trimmed down a bit from the department recommendations because of realistic financial limitations — a "whittling-down process," according to Kermit Smith, assistant to the provost.

Although the provost's office does not "rubber stamp" the recommendations it receives, it generally accepts the judgment of the deans, Smith explained.

Smith examines the recommendations and advises Provost Clarence Winder on the status of the applicants.

"It is somewhat exceptional if a case is turned back at the provost's level," he explained. Most of the changes are hashed out before reaching that office.

If for some reason the provost does not accept a recommendation, an explanation is offered at a specially-called conference between the dean and the provost during which, Smith said, "notes are compared."

Although the faculty handbook states that one will be held after the provost's decision, conferences only take place if questions are raised by either the dean or provost. This not only takes less time in a very time-consuming operation, but is also unnecessary, Smith said.

The recommendations then go to the president and the MSU Board of Trustees, where the recommendations for tenure or promotion are almost always accepted.

Most faculty agree the tenure system is vital not only because of the security it provides but also because it guarantees, to a certain degree, that faculty will be hired only if highly qualified.

However, to obtain high caliber personnel, the present system creates problems that diminish the very quality tenure ostensibly promotes.

The well-known cliche — "publish or perish" — puts fear into the minds of non-tenured faculty, for indeed the cliche holds true.

All non-tenured faculty are required to publish and with a growing lack of tenure positions the pressure is exceedingly intense. Many write stacks of manuscripts simply for the sake of appearing productive.

Unfortunately, the process is counter-productive for the instructor could be spending that wasted time on a more valuable but smaller amount of research.

And students have almost no say in helping to determine a faculty member's tenure qualifications. Although an instructor's teaching ability is supposedly a major factor in assigning tenure, students can only give input on the matter by filling out the Student Instructional Rating System forms.

Another student vehicle is participation on the University Committee on Faculty Tenure — two undergraduate and one graduate student sit on the committee.

The committee, however, serves only to advise the provost on procedure and is the judicial body for all tenure actions — that is, it only hears cases of faculty who complain because they have not been granted tenure.

On the other side of the spectrum, many charge that the current tenure system allows "dry rot" professors to remain at the University.

"Dry rot" professors are those who, after receiving tenure, no longer produce.

Although this is sometimes the case, professors themselves say this is either a rare situation or one that should be accepted.

"An individual in the age bracket of 55 to 65, whether in the University or industrial environment, is not as energetic, productive or imaginative as a younger person with the same duties," said Frank Blatt, professor of physics and president of the MSU chapter of the American Association of University Professors.

C. Patric Larrowe, professor of economics and faculty grievance official, said the cost of having "dead wood" professors is outweighed by the benefits — job security and academic freedom.

He also pointed out that there are various ways to nudge these educators out of the University, which include denying their salary increases, onerous assignments and peer pressure. Of the three, Larrowe contends the last is the most effective.

But the major problem with the tenure system is the future.

The days of large and varied faculties could be an era passing by. The predicted trends of smaller university enrollments and increased inflation could very well put a stop to many tenure practices.

Even as far back as 1973, when administrators instituted a tenure freeze, indicators were showing that faculties would have to be reduced in the future.

Perhaps this explains the rising number of temporary faculty — a matter that enrages union advocates because these faculty perform the same duties as tenure-stream educators without any of the financial benefits.

Many temporary faculty, Blatt contends, are in a "quasi-permanent" position. In addition, he pointed out that when a position is offered only on a temporary basis, the quality of educators go down. The best faculty will not apply for a position that is not permanent.

"It (the large number of temporary faculty) is harmful to the University and harmful to the students," he said.

But even more offending to union organizers — FA and the AAUP — was a recent administrative suggestion that a program of "financial exigency" be established.

In cases of shortage of money, this would mean that faculty would be terminated in departments experiencing declining interests.

Union advocates became incensed with the suggestion because it meant that tenure may not be a protection for job security in the years to come.

However, Blatt seems unconcerned with these predicted trends. "The character of the University has changed in the past and will in the future," he said.

Yet these changes could be detrimental to the security of tenured faculty.

At the very least faculty and administrators should prepare a policy that would determine what will be best for all concerned if the trends become a reality.

'Troubled times' for MSU library

That red brick monolith located between Beal Garden and the Administration Building is actually one of MSU's most eminent resource centers — the MSU Main Library.

The library is an academic refuge for thousands of students who seek information and answers to the multiplicity of assignments they encounter during their undergraduate stay. The library tries to keep up to date with a constant influx of new materials, but budget factors coupled with spiraling inflation have recently put a damper on its efforts.

"These are troubled times for libraries," said Thomas Albright, assistant director of general reader services. "A higher percentage of our budget is going to maintain what materials we have. It's a problem all libraries face."

MSU spent over $4 million on the library in 1977, but still ranks 31 among major universities in library funding, Albright explained.

The University did pour funds into the library to combat book theft with the establishment of an electronic detection system in January 1977. The $70,000 system triggers an alarm when books sensitized with a sensory device are taken past the checkout area.

Albright said the system has cut book theft by about 40 percent.

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Justin Morrill College: Dead. University College: Floundering. The College of Business: Booming. What insights can be drawn from these trends? One thing is certain: the enthronement of specialized training at the expense of classical education is a nationwide trend, and it means that schools like MSU are graduating not enlightened citizens, but men and women clutching paper degrees.

The Liberal Arts' Eleventh Hour

"What kind of education shall we give them then? We shall find it difficult to improve on the time-honoured distinction between the training we give to the body and the training we give to the mind and character."

"True."

"And we shall begin with the mind and character, shall we not?"

"Of course."

"In this type of education you would include stories, would you not?"

"Yes."

"These are of two kinds, true stories and fiction. Our education must use both, and start with fiction."

"I don't understand you."

"But you know that we begin by telling children stories. These are, in general, fiction, though they contain some truth. And we tell children stories before we start them on physical training."

"That is so."

"That is what I meant by saying that we start to train the mind before the body. And the first step, as you know, is always what matters most, particularly when we are dealing with those who are young and tender. That is the time when they are taking shape and when any impression we choose to make leaves a permanent mark."

Plato, *The Republic*

By MICHAEL MEGERIAN and DAVID MISIALOWSKI
State News Staff Writers

October, 1957. A tiny metallic orb called Sputnik goes flashing into the sky, its high-pitched "Beep! Beep! Beep!" echoing like thunderclaps around the globe. Sputnik's impact on the United States is devastating, for the first artificial satellite ever to be rocketed aloft bears the hated hammer-and-sickle emblem of the Soviet Union.

The nation instantly is thrown into a turmoil of self-doubt and even fear. The Russians, it seems, have beaten us at our own game — know-how. America's educational system — its public schools and its universities — are quickly pegged as the culprits.

Politicians, educators and self-appointed experts of all philosophical stripes chorus that America needs more and better scientists. Schools should be a training ground for specialists, it is said. English majors, after all, are ill-equipped to build rockets.

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April, 1968. Leftists students overrun Columbia University, seizing the Dean's office and effectively shutting the school down. It is a period of intense social unrest, of urban uprisings and political assassinations.

Students, and many of their elders, assert that America's institutions, including its schools, are bankrupt. A university is not "relevant" to changing times, we are told, unless it gears its curriculum to "socially-oriented" issues. History, English, literature, the arts and sciences are deemed to have no place in a "relevant" higher education.

To solve society's most pressing problems, so the thinking goes, students must be trained to think about "now" — not the stodgy, dusty "irrelevance" of 10, 100 or 1,000 years ago.

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"The unexamined life is not worth living," Socrates declared. But the lessons Socrates and succeeding generations of thinkers and artists have to teach us seem to have been lost in a blaze of rockets and "relevance."

Liberal arts — a broad and deep grounding in English, literature, the humanities, art, music, and the like — is in its eleventh hour. Schools today no longer teach students to really think — to examine their own lives, to learn for the sake of knowledge and the joy knowledge brings.

No. After Sputnik and the upheavels of the 1960s, the stress has been on other, more "practical" things. In 1978 the emphasis is on "specialization" — on training students to find high-paying jobs in a society that demands expertise in a myriad of narrowly-focused fields.

And the malady is as rampant at MSU as it is at other so-called "institutions of higher learning" — perhaps more so. Justin Morrill College, a residential liberal arts school, is in the process of being phased out. University College, another liberal arts enclave, may be dismantled. And both the schools of business and engineering, bastions of specialization and breeding grounds for careerists, are bulging with applicants. Both colleges face the unprecedented prospect of enrollment restrictions.

Is anyone to blame for this situation? Or should blame even be assessed? Perhaps the trend is a useful one. Or possibly what has been passed off as a "liberal arts" education is so shallow that so-called outlets of classical learning deserve to be undone, just for the sake of exposure and a reassessment of priorities.

A case in point: University College.

University College is the academic home of all incoming freshmen, whose first brush with a major university is a list of requirements ostensibly geared to the enhancing of a liberal arts development.

Currently, all incoming students must take nine credits in American Thought and Language, 12 credits in humanities, 12 credits in social science and 12 in natural science. Students enrolled in MSU's three residential colleges or Honors College are exempted.

But by no stretch of the imagination can University College be identified as the embodiment of liberal arts ideals. In what Dean Willard Warrington acknowledges is a "starting point," University College provides a classical education that is quite broad but exceedingly shallow. And until a few years ago, the college lacked not only depth but diversity.

The response of University College has been consistent with the principle that most universities respond to, rather than shape, the demands and needs of society. Former MSU President Clifton R. Wharton Jr. blandly and supportively described this University as a "demand-responsive" institution.

"Demand-responsive" University College, bending to the demands of the radical 1960s, made an effort to liberalize the liberal arts system. But "liberal" education, in the "doing-one's-own-thing" sense of liberalism, is a far cry from "liberal arts" education.

Today University College, besides offering courses in independent study, also allows students to waive University College courses that pertain closest to those students' specialized fields. The only requirement is that students receive permission from the disciplinary college in which they are enrolled.

But things may change — possibly for the worse. The now-defunct Long Range Planning Council, established by Wharton as a means of reassessing MSU's priorities, recommended the dissolution of University College and transfer of its departments with budget, faculty and department structure intact to the corresponding core colleges.

University College faculty turned thumbs down on the proposal by a vote of 150 to eight.

But the college seems to be dissolving in spite of itself. In the early 1970s, Academic Council approved general education legislation which would allow students to choose courses outside University College offerings to satisfy the general education requirements. This fall has been set as the target date for implementing this new freedom to choose. But budgetary factors have stalled official approval by the University.

"The shelves have been stocked," Chitra Smith, assistant director of Honors College, observed. "But the store won't be opened until the University has a look at the price tags."

If the store is opened, students will be permitted to wade through a shopping list of courses, with no guarantee of any kind that they will be fashioning for themselves a genuine liberal arts curriculum.

Justin Morrill College, a liberal arts venture borne of the 1960s, is already effectively dead, for new enrollments have been prohibited. University College is floundering, perhaps deservedly so. But the business school is booming.

And is in trouble because of this.

The College of Business was warned last winter by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business that its faculty-student ratio was above the maximum allowed by that accrediting agency. In short, the school faces the prospect of losing its accreditation simply because it is so popular among the ever-growing legions of career-oriented students.

In response to this crisis, the business school is planning to place a ceiling on enrollments and to hire more faculty. By balancing the student-faculty ratio, Dean Richard J. Lewis is confident his school will keep its accreditation.

The College of Business's popularity is phenomenal, but hardly unforeseen. Job competition after graduation is keener than ever before, and the business school's curriculum is geared toward specialization — which today's market demands.

It seems, then, that the problem lies not so much with universities as it does with society at large.

On principle alone, it is tempting to argue that institutions of higher education should, in the words of British Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli, be places "of light, of liberty and of learning." On principle alone, there is merit in the argument that universities should resist the rip tides of society and at all times strive to teach students to think rather than merely train them in the art of making money and getting a job.

But the reality is far more complex. Higher education is indeed a "demand-responsive" beast, for if it refuses to twitch at the prod of public demand, it faces extinction. Yet nothing would prevent MSU and other universities from responsing to public need while at the same time putting some backbone into its liberal arts curriculum.

Sagging academic standards, pass-fail courses, teachers who do not teach or who allow graduate assistants to do all the work, required classes that barely touch on significant topics except in the most superficial way — none of these need exist. Indeed, their abolition would probably be cheered by a large segment of society.

Know Thyself: the mainstay of humanities

By Lydia Woodruff

Humanities Instructor

To acquire education at the expense of skill or vice versa is dangerous. A skill that can be sold today probably will be too obsolete to sell in 10 to 15 years.

For the Greeks the ultimate good was to develop one's potentialities to the maximum. The ancient Greek thinkers and many other philosophers inform us as to the goals for which one should stive, but they are most vague about how to achieve those goals. They tell us that wisdom is the art of choosing well.

But how does one learn that art?

A liberal or humanistic education should develop insights into what has happened to others. Such learning inevitably leads one to compare oneself with others. The hardest and most painful task of each individual is to follow the advice to "know thyself."

The Greeks had already decided that though humans are naturally curious about nearly everything, we resist trying to look inward, trying to judge or grade ourselves and the quality of our actions. In order to grade ourselves, we have to have models. An important part of education is finding good models.

What does liberal education mean? If nothing else, a liberal education should equip a person to learn. Developing in students the ability to learn new things on their own is a worthy goal for a university. A liberal education should give young people the tools to pursue learning independently, after they can no longer enjoy the delights of having a professor breath down their necks, threatening them with a low grade if they don't learn. How wonderful it is to enjoy learning new things, and thus to find fun and beauty! And how useful when the time comes (as it will often in the future) to acquire a new skill because the old one is obsolete and no longer saleable!

Knowledge is power, according to the folk wisdom. The most powerful and useful knowledge is knowledge of self — to know if one has the qualities of a Pinto or a Corvette. But how do we know our qualities if we do not test them? How can we ever know anything about ourselves if we do not have the courage needed to look at ourselves?

To learn a skill one must practice, which involves trying, and to try means to allow oneself the possibility of failing. To fail and start again one needs strength and endurance. Strength and endurance come from experience and from reflecting on one's own past experiences.

No one is born strong and with the ability to endure; one must earn these qualities. How does one earn them? How can a liberal education help one to acquire the strength and endurance necessary to live a life of reasoned choices — the "examined life" of Plato? By encouraging us to reflect on our own experiences and compare them with the experiences of people who have lived in other times and circumstances. All of this is involved in learning to "choose well."

A liberal education should give one the courage to try, and a skill should give one a confident knowledge of what one can achieve with certain tools and how to do it. Both things, the liberal education and the skill that one can be proud of, have to be earned. One has to find in oneself the courage to try, and after that learning becomes easier.

Humanistic education has also to do with standards. We learn that Leonardo da Vinci died feeling that he was a failure. He had set his standards very high. Too high? By the standards of many others in his world, he was not a failure, but by his own standards he was. Where we err most of the time is in thinking that in order to succeed it is enough to please others — or to achieve goals set by parents, universities or someone else.

One can indeed find contentment if his or her goals happen to coincide with the ones that have been imposed by others, but if there is not this coincidence, satisfaction will be meager or short-lived. Thinking about Leonardo's life leads to the idea that one is best measured by the quality of his or her failures. What magnificent and heroic failures were his!

For a while educators, parents and university presidents were fond of suggesting that liberal education was a sure formula for contentment and a guarantee of "success." Now they seem not so certain; in fact it sometimes appears that they believe one does not need a liberal education in order to find contentment — instead one needs only a technical education or a skill, a skill that will last for life and can be sold to the highest bidder. Both attitudes have flaws.

To acquire education at the expense of skill or vice versa is dangerous. A skill that can be sold today probably will be too obsolete to sell in 10 or 15 years. And what good is a skill without pride and reasons to exercise it? A few years ago a French chef killed himself after he lost a star in the *Michelin* rating of his restaurant. To him it was fatal to realize that his skill was not considered first-rate by judges he respected. (Admittedly his behavior was extreme. To be dead is to be really out of the competition! We are not impressed with the French chef's cure for failure.)

Can we sum up by observing that humanistic education should equip one to find his or her way between the eternal discontent of a Leonardo and the inflexible skillfulness of the French chef? Or did Goethe put it right: "Plan your living — but seek a balance between thought and action. . ."

TAs teaching students: Blind leading the blind?

By CATHERINE RAFTREY
State News Staff Writer

If MSU students think that over $20 per credit is too steep a price to pay to be exposed to the oration of University professors, they should think again.

They might want to consider that in addition to the 2,500 faculty members employed by the University, close to 1,500 graduate students serve as instructors, as well as an undetermined amount of undergraduates.

According to University policy, graduate assistants can be responsible for, but not limited, classroom instruction, student advising, supervision, reading of papers and examinations and research.

Responsibilities of undergraduate teaching assistants are undefined although some are paid.

Carolyn Stieber, MSU ombudsman, explained that a professor is always responsible for any class taught by a graduate student.

"A graduate student shouldn't ever be alone," said Stieber, pointing out that TAs are students themselves and are still in the learning stages as far as teaching is concerned.

"Policing is hard," she said, because there is such a large turnover within different departments — especially as far as chairpersons are involved — that they must be constantly reminded that TAs should receive constant supervision.

She also said policy requires a University professor to sign for each grade received by a student.

Problems result when irate students voice a grievance against a grade they received, Stieber explained, only to find that the professor never saw any of the work completed by the student.

There is no supervisory policy to stop professors from signing blank cards.

Undergraduate TAs are not to enter into the grading procedure at all, and are used primarily as extra assistants for the professor in a classroom.

There is divided opinion concerning the use of TAs and the amount of responsibility they should be given.

Some students reportedly avoid certain classes where TAs are the actual instructors, while others seem to prefer them.

It would seem to be a very subjective decision on the part of the student, depending on their experience with TAs.

Charles Goeke, president of the Council of Graduate Students, said in some cases he would rather have a class taught by a graduate student rather than a professor.

"Grads are more involved with teaching and know what is currently going on," he explained.

"Profs with a lot of tenure tend to forget to update their format."

He believes that professors are often to involved with their research to do an adequate teaching job.

But Goeke also said some graduate and undergraduate teaching assistants are often too busy taking classes themselves to devote the proper amount of time to teaching.

He said MSU loses a lot of professors because it is not able to compete with other institutions which offer more money. One way the University saves money, Goeke pointed out, is by hiring TAs to teach certain courses.

Goeke said the only way to eliminate the extensive use of TAs would be to raise tuition or get the Legislature to approve additional funding.

But regarding undergraduate TAs, he said, "A person taking a class is shortchanged if the undergrad does more than turn on a TV set."

David S. Steinberger, senior, worked as an undergraduate TA last spring for Anatomy 316.

"We worked hard to be qualified," he proclaimed.

The University is not always required to pay undergraduates, since they can receive credit for teaching. In departments where the budget is especially tight students often volunteer for TA positions because the experience is so valuable.

Steinberger, who obtained credit for assisting in the anatomy course, does not feel he took a job away from a graduate who would have been paid for the position because his department does not have enough graduate students to handle that kind of work.

He believes that if programs are set up carefully and undergraduate TAs are used properly, it can be a very worthwhile experience for all concerned.

Whichever side of the argument is correct, the person who ultimately decides is the person who is either learning or not learning from the TA — the student.

Zeke!

State News/Robert Kozloff

One of MSU's true celebreties, Zeke the Wonder Dog, performed at halftimes during the 1977 home football season. Zeke's frisbee catching antics often brought fans leaping to their feet crying for more. Last spring, Zeke was questioned by reporters on the lawn of the state capitol after being voted a resolution of appreciation by the Michigan Legislature.

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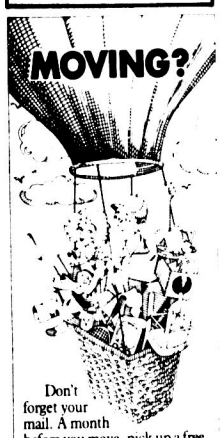

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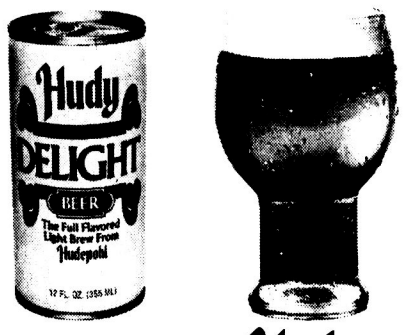

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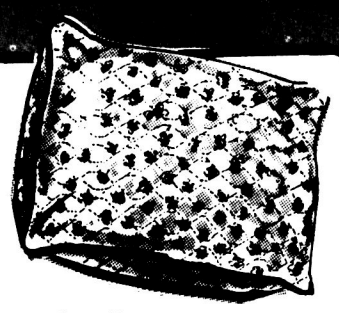

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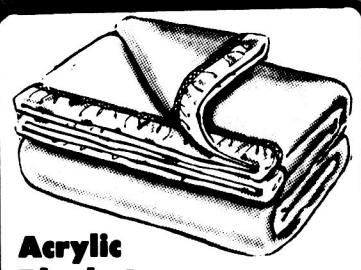

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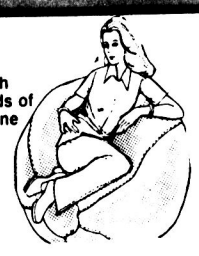

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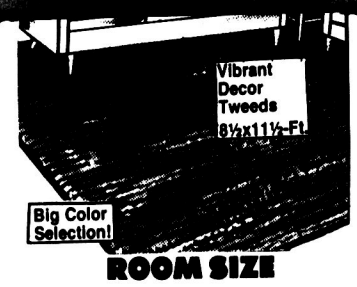

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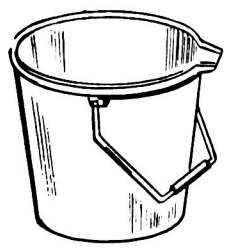

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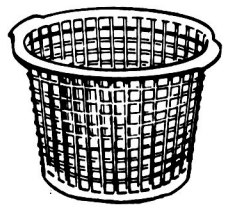

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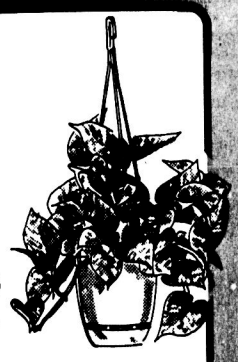

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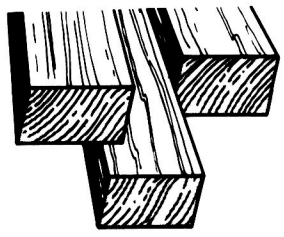

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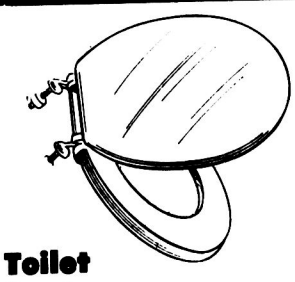

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Do years have personalities? If they do, MSU's 1977-'78 school year was utterly schizophrenic, for the tumble of events defied easy analysis or categorization. At right, President Clifton R. Wharton Jr., his wife beside him, announces his resignation in October of 1977. For months—even years—Wharton had scoffed at predictions that he would leave MSU, but when the chancellorship of the State University of New York opened up he jumped for the bait. At left, noted pianist and MSU Associate professor of music Ralph Votapek serenades the autumn leaves in the East IM fields on a sleepy Wednesday afternoon. Votapek gave his minirecital on the proposed site of the Performing Arts Center, which was planned around the expectation that MSU coffers would be bulging with at least $17 million from the Capital Enrichment Fund Drive. Later, when contributions slowed to a trickle, plans to house the Theatre Department in the new PAC were dropped.

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1977-78: How the year shaped up

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Often events, which loom large at the moment, fade with the passage of days, weeks and months. Following are the news stories which attracted front page attention during the past year.

By far, the top story for fall fall term was the resignation of MSU President Clifton R. Wharton Jr., who left for the bright lights of New York and the chancellorship of the State University of New York. Other significant fall term events, arranged chronologically were:

"Rock" move foiled

An attempt by the University to move "The Rock," a frequent target for spray-can philosophers, to a secure location near the Public Safety building was foiled by then-ASMSU President Kent Barry.

Marijuana law relaxation defeated

An effort to decriminalize marijuana laws was defeated by a 48-51 vote in the Michigan House of Representatives.

'Gay Jeans Day'

Colorful slacks abounded on campus October 14, 1977, as the National Gay Task Force had designated that day for gays to show their solidarity by wearing blue jeans.

Black magazine retains office

The ASMSU Space and Allocation Committee reversed its earlier decision to deprive the campus' black news magazine "Peoples Choice" of its office and recommended that space be allocated in the Student Services Building for the publication.

Harden named interim MSU president

Edgar L. Harden was unanimously approved October 28, 1977 to fill in for the departing Wharton by the MSU Board of Trustees.

Francine Hughes found not guilty

The controversial trial of Francine Hughes, who was accused of burning her husband to death, was concluded November 3, 1977 when a jury of 10 women and two men ruled her not guilty by reason of insanity.

The trial revealed Francine Hughes' harsh life during 13 years with her ex-husband, as she testified that her husband beat her, choked her, threatened her with a knife and ran her off the road with her car.

Last game celebration brings four arrests

Four persons, three of whom were MSU students, were arrested following a massive, game-delaying rush onto the football field.

With fifteen seconds left in MSU's 44-3 romp over Northwestern several thousand fans streamed onto the field, delaying the conclusion of the game nearly a half hour.

Holden assault brings arrest

An Indiana man was arrested November 16, 1977 on a charge of felonious assault after he pulled a gun on four MSU students at Holden Hall. No one was injured.

Sorority fire, none hurt

A second floor bedroom was gutted and other rooms sustained smoke damage in a fire at the Zeta Tau Alpha house, 639 M.A.C. Ave. on November 21, 1977. No one was injured.

John Furbush

Arson suspected in Shaw Hall fire

Arson may have been the cause of a fire that burned an East Shaw Hall door and nearly sent the first-floor dormitory room up in flames, December 2, 1977. A woman broke her leg jumping out of her loft after hearing the fire alarm.

Rogers stays at MSU

Head football coach Darryl Rogers said rumors that he was leaving MSU for the University of California at Berkeley were false.

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No doubt about it, the big story for winter term was the unexpectedly severe snowstorm which belted the Midwest on January 26, 1978. MSU was paralyzed by the storm, which led to the closing of the University for only the third time in its history.

Other events which highlighted the bitter-cold winter of 1978 were:

Basketball team cracks top 20

Creating a blizzard of his own, freshman basketball star Earvin Johnson led the Spartans into national prominence and the semi-finals of the NCAA basketball tournament. Rumors of Johnson's leaving to turn professional dissipated in spring when "Magic" decided to stay with MSU for at least another year.

Furbush suspension challenged

John Furbush, a Williams Hall resident assistant who was suspended for admitting he had smoked marijuana in his room once, was represented in arbitration hearings by Zolton Ferency and C. Patric "Lash" Larrowe. His suspension was unheld, but he later received $200 for lost salary from Harden.

MSU student arrested in Israel

Sami Esmail, an MSU engineering graduate student, was arrested over Christmas break in Israel for allegedly belonging to a Palestinian guerrilla group. A group supporting Esmail's rights was formed and the story of Sami's trial, conviction and imprisonment was a dominant story through spring term.

Barry supports tuition bill in Washington

ASMSU President Kent Barry testified before the U.S. Senate Finance Committee January 20, 1978 in support of the proposed Packwood-Moynihan Tuition Tax Credit Act.

Women victims of knife assaults

Two MSU women were the victims of knife assaults in separate incidents on January 16, 1978 near Jenison Fieldhouse. Police were unable to locate the attacker.

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Where were you during the Great Whiteout of 1978? For the first time in history MSU was forced to shut down for two consecutive days and the survivors dragged kegs of beer through icy streets. The ferocious storm dumped a paralyzing 24 inches of white stuff in less than a day.

Selection procedures approved

The MSU Board of Trustees put the wheels of the presidential selection process in motion February 3, 1978 by approving, after altering, a document approved by the Academic Council.

ASMSU attempt to get paid, fails

An ASMSU proposal that the board president be paid $350 and student board members $125 failed to get the support of students in a referendum held during spring registration.

Hubbard illness baffles doctors

An estimated 60 to 100 Hubbard Hall residents were suddenly taken ill February 21, 1978 and treated at Olin Health Center for nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. After several days, medical officials attributed the illnesses to an unidentified communicable virus.

Snake stolen from Nat. Sci. building

"Crusher", a three-foot boa constrictor was stolen from his pen in the Natural Science building never to be heard from again.

Coal short, energy cuts made at 'U'

MSU President Edgar L. Harden refuted rumors that spring break would be extended to relieve the energy shortage being experienced by the campus because of an eastern coal strike.

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There were many "hot" items gracing the front page of the State News during spring term. Following is a listing of the most worthy of those events:

Selection committee closes door

Expulsion of the press preceded discussions of a permanent chairperson of the MSU presidential search and selection advisory committee during its first meeting March 15.

Dan Jones elected ASMSU President

Dan Jones, surviving an invalidation attempt, became ASMSU's Board president starting spring term. Jones previously had headed the Gay Council at MSU.

Trustees order end to S. Africa ties

The MSU Board of Trustees voted March 31, 1978 to give corporations in which the University invests and that do business in South Africa until December 1, 1978 to show evidence of withdrawal from South Africa or be excluded from the MSU stock portfolio.

Administration building robbed

A lone male robber took $8,050 March 31, 1978 from the crowded cashiers' office in the Hannah Administration Building. It was the first time the office had been robbed, but not the last as the office was robbed a second time less than a month later for a somewhat smaller amount.

Drinking age raised to 19

Gov. William G. Milliken signed into law a bill raising the legal drinking age in Michigan to 19. The law will take effect Dec. 3 but persons who turn 18 before that time will still be able to purchase alcohol.

Keg confiscated, students fight back

Four Abbot Hall residents pursued their complaint against a resident hall adviser who had confiscated a keg of beer the students had purchased to celebrate the Spartans basketball team's clinching of the big 10 title.

They were later reimbursed by MSU trustee Michael J. Smydra, who charged it to his University account.

Supportive Services Director relieved of duties

Christine T. Wilson, director of MSU's supportive services program, was relieved of her duties because of alleged administrative concerns about the performance of the program.

No injuries in Abbott Road blaze

More than 70 residents were forced to flee the College Manor Apartments and several neighboring Abbott Road busi nesses were heavily damaged in one of East Lansing's worse fires, which occurred April 17, 1978.

Performing Arts Center plans altered

A significant portion of the proposed Performing Arts Center was abandoned by University administrators in an attempt to speed the ground breaking of the long-planned facility.

Women's basketball team files sex discrimination complaint

Substandard MSU athletic conditions were the basis of a Title IX compliance complaint filed against the University by members of the women's basketball team.

The complaint was filed April 19, 1978 by team co-captain Kathleen J. DeBoer with Title IX coordinator Mary Pollock.

Pay bias charged at WKAR

A complaint charging that only white males, with the exception of the general manager's wife, were given merit pay increases at WKAR was filed with the Michigan Civil Rights Commission in April.

MSU – Iran project dropped

The MSU-Iran Film Project, the subject of one of MSU's bitterest controversies died quietly March 31 with only three of eight planned films completed.

Business college faced with probation

It was reported May 11 that the MSU College of Business faced academic probation if it did not comply with its accrediting agency's guidelines within one year. The agency charged that student-teacher ratio was too high.

$1,000 theft at Fairchild Theater

The Fairchild Theater ticket office was burglarized of $1,000 and several checks on May 13, 1978, DPS officials reported.

MSU faculty rejects union

MSU faculty voted overwhelmingly May 24 and 25 against unionization for collective bargaining.

Four sought in rape of student

Four men were being sought for questioning by the Ingham County Sheriff's Department in connection with the abduction and rape of an MSU woman May 20. The 20-year-old woman was attending a large block party on Linden Ave.

Three men were charged during summer term with the crime. The fourth man was not located.

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Summer term was marked by the firing of women's program director Mary Pollock, three cases of missing women, one who was later found murdered, the arrest of an MSU graduate in a rape and attempted murder case and a large expensive fire at WKAR's transmitter station in Okemos. Following are those and other significant summer news events:

Mary Pollock fired

MSU's outspoken director of women's programs, Mary Pollock, was fired by Robert Perrin, vice president of university and federal relations, on June 13. Her firing touched off angry protests to the MSU Board of Trustees at their June meeting.

WKAR employee murdered

Marita Choquette, a 27-year-old WKAR employee, was found stabbed to death June 27, 14-days after she had been reported missing from her Grand Ledge apartment.

Another MSU woman missing

Wendy Bush, 652 N. Case, was reported missing to the MSU Department of Public Safety on June 26. No clues were found by police.

Despite Kelley ruling, tripling to continue

MSU will continue to triple students in dormitories this fall despite a ruling in the first week of July by Attorney General Frank Kelley saying that the University must conform to the Michigan Housing Code.

MSU graduate student probable suicide

Dale Guenther, 30-year-old MSU graduate student was found fatally shot in his car July 24, 1978 in a field on the south side of campus near Collins Road in what police speculated was a suicide.

Trustee Stevens won't seek re-election

After 21 years and four MSU presidents Trustee Don Stevens, D-Bloomfield Hills, announced that he would not seek nomination for a fourth term on the MSU Board of Trustees.

The announcement came late in July.

Cross-campus highway discussed

MSU President Edgar L. Harden and East Lansing Mayor George Griffiths met August 9, 1978 to discuss proposals for a cross-campus highway to alleviate Grand River Avenue traffic congestion.

Another local woman missing

Kristine Rose Stuart, 1300 Basswood, East Lansing was reported missing under suspicious circumstances August 14, 1978. Police searching the area where she was last seen for clues, found glasses belonging to the woman.

'U' grad arraigned in rape, stabbing

Donald Gene Miller, 23, an MSU criminal justice graduate was arraigned August 17, in Eaton County, in connection with the rape of a 15-year-old girl and the stabbing of the girl's younger brother.

WKAR fire knocks out transmitter

An August 21, 1978 fire, which broke out in the Okemos WKAR transmitting station, resulted in an estimated $1.5 million worth of damages to radio and TV equipment in the facility.

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In football, the name of the game was celebration, for MSU enjoyed an unusually successful season. But sometimes rowdy celebrants got a little carried away. With 15 seconds remaining in MSU's season-ending 44-3 triumph over Northwestern, spectators poured onto the field to mob their heroes and dismantle the goalposts. Five persons in all, three of them students, including the man at left, were arrested.

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Candidates for '78 play in centerfield

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Though Griffin refused to participate in debates against his primary opponent L. Brooks Patterson, he has agreed to an Oct. 30 debate with Levin before the Detroit Economic Club.

Griffin, who decided in 1977 that he had "lost interest" in the Senate and then changed his mind this past February, was victorious over Patterson with nearly 80 percent of the vote in the Republican primary.

While Levin is quick to vigorously point out the weaknesses of his opponent, Griffin has been more mild in his campaign approach.

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Rather than criticizing his opponent, Griffin has stressed how important it is for his minority Republican party to unite and remain united.

"There has been a minimum of divisiveness," Griffin has said of his party peers.

Precisely because the Republican party is in the minority in Washington, Levin argues that a Democratic Senator can be more effective in getting federal dollars for Michigan.

Griffin plans to counter Levin's attacks on his poor attendence record by pointing to what he feels is his positive work in the Senate.

He co-authored the Landrum-Griffin Act, which he refers to as the laborer's bill of rights, and the Equal Rights Amendment. During his first term as Senator, Griffin was elected minority whip, a position in which he served until January, 1977.

In spite of these seemingly progressive initiatives, Griffin's conservative record cannot be camouflaged. The Landrum-Griffin Act, which reformed labor laws in 1959, was not accepted by organized labor as particularly favorable legislation.

In addition, Griffin emphatically opposed the Panama Canal treaties and despite his earlier support for ERA, now seems to oppose extending the deadline for its ratification. Griffin has called himself "Michigan's muscle," but failed to increase the influx of federal dollars to Michigan while fellow Michiganian Gerald Ford was president.

Regarding the primary issue of taxes, both Levin and Griffin have come out in favor of the so-called Headlee amendment. Griffin has called the Headlee proposal "reasonable and workable," while overlooking the potential inadequacies of the tax limitation proposal.

Levin favors the Headlee initiative on the rebound. He has recognized the obvious shortcomings of the proposal by urging that it be modified to provide more tax reform and property tax relief. But if no alternative is offered to the voters, Levin has said he would endorse the so-called Headlee amendment.

No primary contest was held for the U.S. House of Representatives in the 6th Congressional District, which includes Ingham County. State Rep. Mike Conlin, R-Jackson, and incumbent Rep. Bob Carr, D-East Lansing appeared on the primary ballot unopposed.

Conlin claims to have heard firsthand from voters that "Carr has lost touch with those who elected him." Rather than representing the views of his constituents, Conlin said Carr continues to support the Carter administration and "special interests of Washington, D.C."

So Conlin has promised to be "an independent-minded congressman who votes for and represents the best interests of the people who live and work in this congressional district.

Conlin has supported the Headlee tax limitation proposal and expects it to pass in the November election. After the state adopts such a tax limitation reform, Conlin said he will push for "a reasonable limit on how big a share of our incomes the national government can take and spend."

As chairperson of the state House of Representatives Tax Limitation Committee in 1976 Conlin promoted Proposal C — an amendment to limit the total amount of tax that the state could levy.

"I worked for tax limitation then," Conlin said, "and I will continue to work for it now."

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Conlin's "common sense" attitude primarily means holding down government spending. If government can limit itself to a modest budget and make some recognizable changes, Conlin reasons that people will once again be able to "trust" their country and their legislators.

Carr, who engaged in extensive on-campus campaigns in 1974 and 1976, began exposing himself to the MSU community for the upcoming election early this year.

In the past, he has visited dormitories, given speeches in classes and participated in informal question-and-answer sessions with students and marched with handicapper students.

If Carr campaigns on campus this fall, he will be expected to do more than simply shake hands and smile.

Because Carr has appealed to the young and liberal, his position on the neutron bomb has disappointed many of his constituents.

Carr has gone as far as publishing a letter in the State News defending his position on the neutron bomb. He supported the neutron bomb, saying that "each neutron weapon would replace more than one standard-type nuclear warhead."

This position has been criticized as one that was taken to please the president, especially since Carr spent his first year in Congress voting to cut defense spending.

Carr's liberal record also includes voting for federally-

Griffin

funded abortions. In addition, in 1976 he supported the Humphrey-Hawkins full employment bill that theoretically would limit unemployment to 3 percent by creating massive public works jobs as well.

MICHIGAN SENATE
Owen vs. Sederburg

The state Senate primary race for the 24th district seat saw four Democratic and two Republican candidates compete for the chance to gain the seat of incumbent Sen. Earl Nelson, D-East Lansing.

Democrat Larry Owen, East Lansing City Council member, succeeded in chasing Nelson from his relatively insecure post. Nelson did not fare well in the primaries after being indicted on charges that he accepted a $5,000 loan for introducing dog racing legislation.

Republican William Sederburg, Ingham County Commissioner, had no problem defeating his weak primary opponent, but faces a strong challenger in Owen for the general election.

Owen supports tax reform, but has denounced both the so-called Tisch and Headlee amendments. Though he has indicated that he may support the Headlee amendment, he has expressed strong feelings about the proposal's flaws.

Sederburg, on the other hand, openly supported the Headlee proposal from the start of his campaign.

Though Owen and Sederburg addressed the same issues in their primary campaigns, Owen said he hopes Sederburg will "take a stand and come out with some issues" in the general election campaign.

Owen has said he will continue to speak on tax reform,

Sederburg

education, abortion and "cleaning up the state Senate."

Sederburg is expected to do the same.

MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Dewey vs. Stabenow

Of the three state House of Representative districts that concern Lansing and East Lansing voters, only the candidates from the 58th district faced opposition in the primary.

Democrat Deborah Stabenow, chairperson of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners, defeated incumbent Rep. Tom "Hoke" Holcomb in the primary and faces Republican William Dewey in the general election.

Stabenow has been committed to cutting government waste while providing social services in her county leadership position. Her campaign for the state House will undoubtably focus on achieving the same accomplishments.

Claiming that a graduated income tax is a "disincentive for people to be achievers," Dewey denounces a plan that, in effect, would tax people on their ability to pay.

Dewey is also against abortions and especially state-funded ones because he believes the government should not be able to tell his wife whether or not she can terminate her pregnancy.

Covert vs. Hollister

In the 57th district, incumbent Democrat Rep. David Hollister will face Republican Richard Covert of Lansing.

Hollister is attempting to bring light to a "people's campaign." Claiming he is "working with you to make government work," he is seeking an open meetings act to make government accessible and responsive.

Covert is calling his an "issue-oriented campaign" in which he will emphasize returning the control of the government to the people through tax limitation.

Like the gubernatorial race, Covert expects the biggest split between his opponent and himself will be on abortion.

"I am anti-the current abortion standards," Covert explained. "I favor returning to the pre-1972 Supreme Court ruling which would make abortions illegal."

Covert is a member and supporter of the Michigan Citizens For Life Committee and has been endorsed by the pro-life committee as well.

Jondahl vs. Pocock

In the 59th district race, incumbnet Democrat Lynn Jondahl will face Republican Jim Pocock, director of Ingham County Friend of the Court.

Jondahl is pointing to "what he's done" and "what he's doing in his campaign. Among his accomplishments, Jondahl says he has been "an architect and advocate of every piece of consumer legislation in the last four years." Jondahl is also committed to removing sex discrimination from pension benefits.

Meanwhile, Pocock "doesn't ask you to believe a lot of election year promises." Like his colleagues in the political arena, Pocock too is for limiting taxes, pumping more state dollars into education and creating more jobs.

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Anderson vs. Finkbeiner

Four districts in the Ingham County Commission races encompassing East Lansing will host a variety of new faces to the local political scene.

In the 7th district race incumbent Democrat Sherry Finkbeiner will face Republican Gary Anderson.

Finkbeiner will be pointing to the effective job she has done while serving on the board, while her opponent Anderson is directing his campaign toward what he considers inefficient job Finkbeiner has done.

She has sponsored the commission's resolution to boycott states that have not ratified the ERA and has continually voted to weaken the Metro Squad. In addition, Finkbeiner opposes the county's jail rennovation project, which would expand the current jail capacity.

Anderson is concerned about political bickering on the board that he claims is inhibiting its ability to make effective local policy.

Grebner vs. Gordon

The 8th district race is almost a replica of the 7th district. Republican Larry Gordon, a recent MSU graduate and newcomer into the world of politics, is charging his opponent, Democrat incumbent Mark Grebner, with being incapable of getting along with his colleagues on the board.

Because Grebner is considered a "liberal" and because, according to Gordon, he has spoken up when he perhaps should have remained silent, Grebner has made himself highly visible and as a result vulnerable to conservative criticism.

Grebner has claimed that the board is not split along party lines but rather liberal-conservative ones. He has continually opposed such programs as expanding the county jail and the Metro Squad, while supporting the social programs that he considers workable.

"I'm a social liberal," Grebner has said. "But I'm a skeptic."

Brennan vs. Torielli

The 9th district race welcomes two new candidates — Democrat Gina Torielli opposing Republican Thomas Brennan.

Torielli has promised to be a "full-time" commissioner. While the board does not require its members to devote full-time hours to their elected seats, Torielli claims she can do a better job if she does. Being better informed and more available to her constituents is what Torielli is aiming for.

Brennan, an East Lansing attorney, believes that "foolish spending has become habitual in the county." He has charged the commissioners with spending "far beyond their scope of authority" to produce unnecessary programs.

Rather than create new county programs, Brennan said major county functions such as the sheriff's department and the prosecutor's office should receive top priority.

Luten vs. Sobel

In the 10th district, incumbent Democrat Jess Sobel will be challenged by Republican Cathy Luten who teaches elementary school in East Lansing.

Sobel has been known for stressing environmental concerns. He has advocated expanding the county's recycling programs by placing bins to collect paper, metal and glass at various locations on campus. Like his Democratic colleagues, Sobel has opposed the Metro Squad and supported a boycott of states which have failed to ratify ERA.

Luten is focusing her energies on a "campaign of involvement." She has pledged to keep in touch with her constituents to gain insight in to what their concerns are for the county.

She said she will hold monthly meetings on campus, inviting both residents and students in her district.

As co-author of the East Lansing's education affirmative action policy, she says she will push for an affirmative action policy for the county as well as the construction of a shelter for victims of domestic abuse.

This year's political animal: self-interest

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one of "selfishness" — of rampant "looking out for number one."

"What we need is a leader like John Kennedy," Adams believes. "Someone who can make people see beyond their own self-interest and start thinking in the public interest."

Whether or not the allusion to Kennedy is an apt one, Adams' sentiment is hardly misplaced. There really is a selfish, mean-spirited edge to the public dialogue these days, and for many political animals the scent of blood is in the air.

But whether the bloodletting augurs an unusually vicious fall campaign is an open question. For in the final analysis, the political animal seeks out its own kind, and operates in a clubby, "you scratch my back I'll scratch yours" atmosphere which more often than not forecloses a meaningful exchange on the issues.

That's just the nature of the beast. The breed changes, but the species remains the same. Candidates accentuate their differences out of pure self-interest — and a good many of them, in those priceless, disquieting interludes of candor, will acknowledge exactly that.

GOP, Dems pick their slates

By KIM GAZELLA
State News Staff Writer

The Republican convention was held in Detroit Aug. 25 and 26 while the Democrats convened in Lansing Aug. 26 and 27 to nominate their slates for the Nov. 7 elections. Their candidates are as follows:

Lieutenant governor. Olivia Procter Maynard was endorsed by the Democrats as gubernatorial candidate William B. Fitzgerald's running mate. Maynard is the first woman to run for the office of lieutenant governor in a Michigan election.

The GOP candidate for lieutenant governor is James H. Brickley of Flint. The president of Eastern Michigan University was chosen several months ago by Gov. William G. Milliken to be his running mate.

Brickley was elected lieutenant governor under Milliken in 1970 and was appointed as EMU's president in 1975.

Secretary of state. GOP candidate state Rep. Mel Larsen, R-Pontiac, will face Democratic incumbent Richard H. Austin.

Larsen, 41, is a member of the House Appropriations Committee and the Joint Capital Outlay Committee. Austin has been Michigan's secretary of state since 1971.

Attorney general. Republican Stephen C. Bransdorfer will try to unseat Democratic incumbent Frank J. Kelley, who has held the post since he was appointed in 1961.

Bransdorfer, a Grand Rapids attorney, was president of the Michigan State Bar in 1974-75.

Supreme Court. Candidates for the Michigan Supreme Court are elected on a non-partisan ballot, but each major party chooses two candidates. Incumbent Justice G. Mennen Williams and Circuit Court Judge Gary McDonald were the Democratic choices. Republicans nominated incumbent Justice James L. Ryan and Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert from Bloomfield Hills.

Williams has served on the state Supreme Court since 1970. He was governor of Michigan for 12 years, and has held several public offices. McDonald, of Saginaw, was appointed district court judge in 1972 and elected to the circuit court in 1976.

Ryan was appointed to the Michigan Supreme Court in 1975 and was elected in 1976 to retain the office.

Gilbert had 15 years of judicial experience before being elected to the circuit court in 1976.

State Board of Education. The Democrats chose Malcolm G. Dade Jr. of Detroit and Annetta Miller, an incumbent from Huntington Woods. They will face GOP nominees Barbara Dumouchelle, an incumbent from Grosse Isle, and Silverenia Q. Kanoyton of Detroit.

Dade is currently an executive assistant to Detroit Mayor Coleman Young Jr.

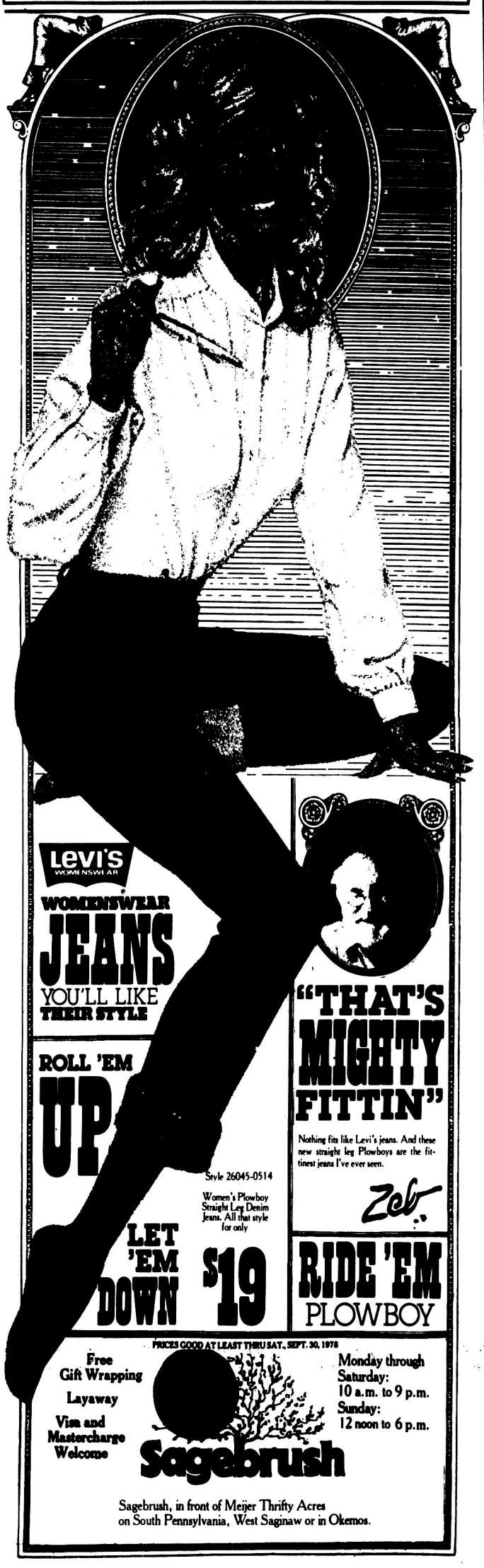
Miller was elected to the state board of education in 1970 and is currently vice-president of the board.

Dumouchelle was appointed to the Michigan Board of Education by Milliken in 1972.

Kanoyton is deputy director of the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulation.

MSU Board of Trustees. The Republicans chose Mary Sharp, a former member of the East Lansing City Council, and Paul Godola, a Flint attorney.

Running on the Democratic ticket are Carole Lick, a special education teacher from Kalamazoo and Barbara J. Sawyer, Menominee County Treasurer.



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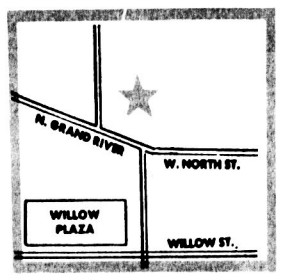

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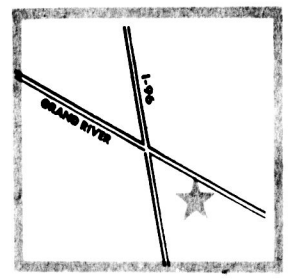

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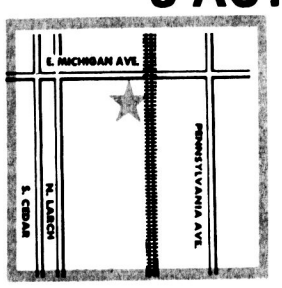

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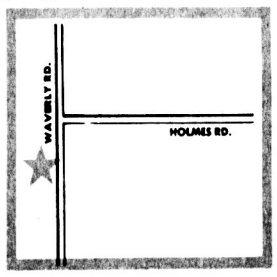

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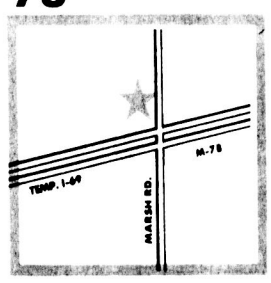

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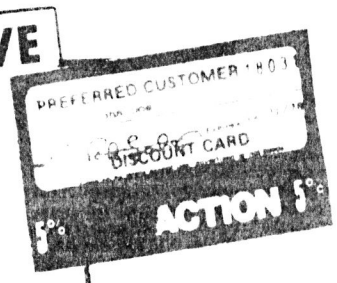

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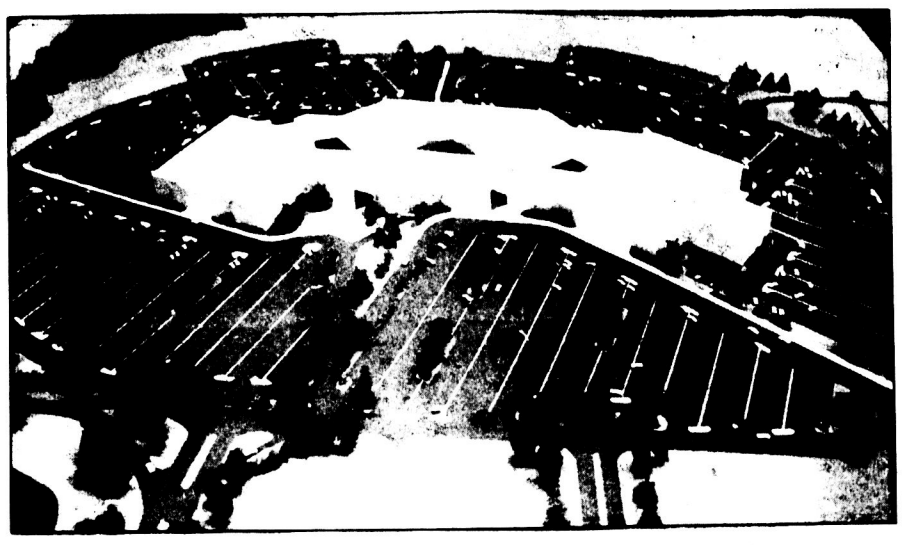


In 1976, a faceless giant named Dayton Hudson rode into town on a steamroller of money and success, determined to flatten some land and throw up a mall—and public opinion be damned. The Dayton Hudson people may have believed at one time that their steamroller could flatten anything, including what they saw as rag-tag and disorganized opposition, but it hasn't quite worked out that way. A group of concerned citizens, mobilizing around the battle cry "Don't get malled—stop Dayton Hudson!" have won a few battles here and there, and in November East Lansing residents will get to vote on what many believe, if built, would be an energy-wasting ecological nightmare.

The Malling of a city: how and why Dayton Hudson may not win

By PAULA DYKE
State News Staff Writer

A familiar bumper sticker spotted in East Lansing these days says "Don't get malled — stop Dayton-Hudson!"

Those less familiar with the mall issue than with the bumper sticker need not feel ignorant. The Dayton-Hudson mall question is perhaps the most complicated issue East Lansing has witnessed in years.

It all began in 1976 when the Dayton-Hudson Corporation, a Minneapolis-based development firm, came to town.

Dayton-Hudson is responsible for such multi-million-dollar malls as Northland, Southland, Westland and Eastland in the Detroit area, as well as the new Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi and the Genesee Valley Mall in Flint.

Dayton-Hudson began purchasing parcels of land in the northeast section of East Lansing as early as 1967. Soon after unveiling plans two years ago for a $16.4 million shopping mall bordered by Lake Lansing Road and U.S. 127, several East Lansing citizens groups came forward in opposition.

Since then, mall development has been slowed up in a tangle of lawsuits, while residents have been subjected to a barrage of conflicting opinions regarding the completed shopping center's impact on East Lansing.

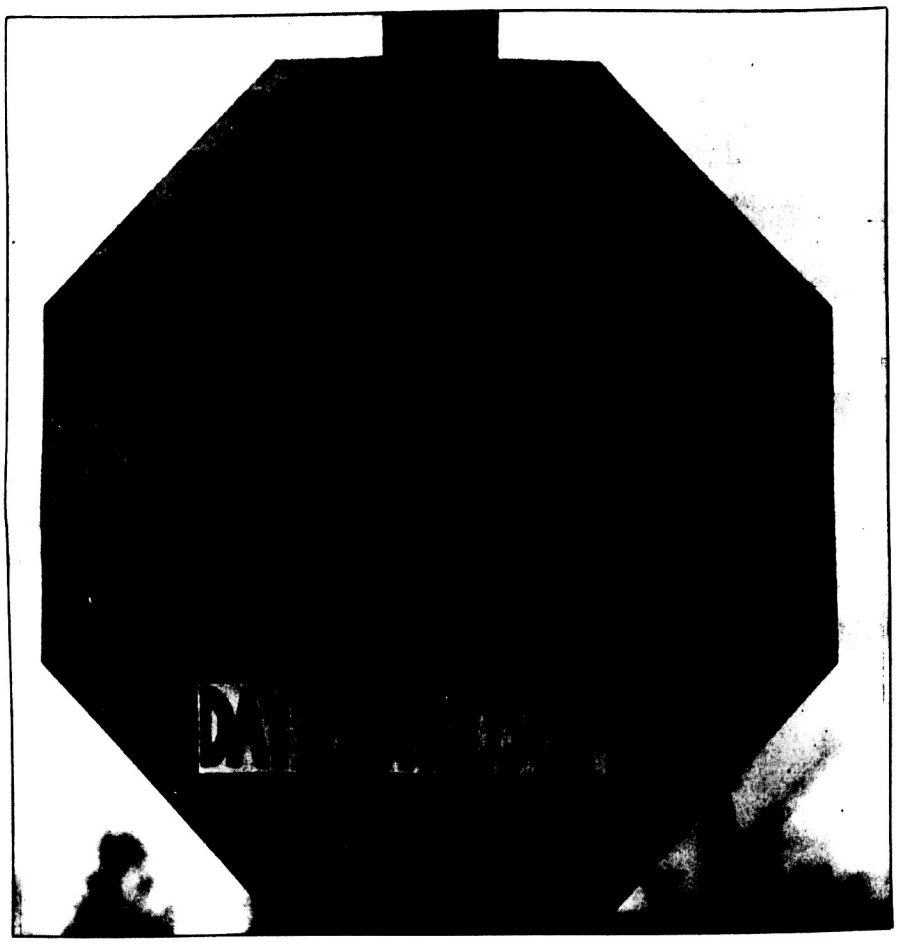
The two-level mall, to be called The Cedars, would house 100 stores and spread its mass, parking lots included, over 170 acres. Further development of the surrounding area could include hotels, banks, theaters, restaurants and convenience stores.

The mall would be anchored at one end by J.L. Hudsons. J.C. Penny's would also be included, and, according to an unnamed source, the Sears currently housed in the Frandor Shopping Center could be moving all or part of its operation into The Cedars.

Many long-time residents of East Lansing have spoken in favor of the mall. They say Hudson's and other well-known department stores would offer quality items they cannot find in East Lansing's student-dominated central business district. And, they say, speciality shops included in the mall would allow them to purchase out-of-the-ordinary merchandise without leaving East Lansing.

But opponents of the mall feel it is an unnecessary evil. Citizens for a Livable Community and their MSU counterpart, Students for a Livable Community have been highly instrumental in anti-mall efforts. Members of MSU's Public Interest Research Group in Michigan have also joined in the fight.

The groups have said they oppose construction of the Dayton-Hudson mall for two basic reasons: the negative impact it will have on the surrounding environment and the damaging business competition the completed mall would bring to bear on East Lansing merchants.



A "site-traffic" study conducted for the Dayton-Hudson Corporation predicted traffic on Harrison Road south of Lake Lansing would be 10,000 to 20,000 cars per day by the mid-1980s if the mall was built.

The same study showed traffic on Coolidge and Lake Lansing roads is expected to increase to about 45,000 cars a day.

In addition to the air pollution created by increased traffic, congestion in the mall would be "many times worse" than the typical situation at the corner of Hagadorn Road and Grand River Avenue at rush hour, a CLC spokesperson said.

Another concern is water pollution caused by improperly-treated storm water runoff from the mall's huge parking area. The runoff, which will flow into the Remy-Chandler Drain and eventually into the Grand River almost certainly will be high in heavy metals, salt and varieties of bacteria, CLC claims.

Dayton-Hudson engineers say they have solved the problem with plans for the construction of two stormwater retention ponds on the back of the property.

Polluted storm water would run into one of the ponds, flow through a skimmer and into the other pond before moving through the drain system. The skimmer is designed to trap oil and grease, while suspended solids will settle to the bottom of the ponds, a DNR specialist said.

Meanwhile, the direct business competition the mall would mean to East Lansing merchants would be disastrous, CLC coordinator James Anderson predicted.

According to Dayton-Hudson's 1976 Retail Impact Study, mall retail sales would be two to three times that of the East Lansing central business district.

The projected sales figure for the mall in its first year of operation was $50 to $55 million, while downtown East Lansing stores would take in only $24 million, representing a loss for local merchants of 14 percent of sales in the mall's first year.

City planners feel the MSU population will keep East Lansing businesses, predominantly located along Grand River Avenue, healthy. They say since the Dayton-Hudson mall would be a regional shopping center, it would draw its customers from a much larger area than East Lansing alone.

But, as mall opponents pointed out, downtown Lansing stores represent a much more vulnerable target for competition. Lansing's already-decaying downtown shopping district would be virtually destroyed by competition over and above that which Lansing Mall, Meridian Mall and Frandor Shopping center currently present.

Obviously, construction of the Dayton-Hudson mall is attractive to city officials because of the increase in tax revenues and tax base that would result.

A community planning and policy analysis specialist has stated that East Lansing schools would gain about $106,000 per year in revenues from the mall. The city would receive about $96,000 in additional yearly tax revenue, which is used to support police, fire and maintenance services for the city.

Backers of the construction point out that the mall would create hundreds of new jobs. But plenty of residents, after considering problems the mall may create, are simply asking "Who needs it?"

The upcoming November election will give both sides an opportunity to express their preferences.

Representatives of Dayton-Hudson and CLC agreed in mid-August on a ballot proposal that puts the mall's fate in the hands of the voters. It asks the simple question "Do you favor construction of the Dayton-Hudson mall in East Lansing?"

If the majority vote "yes", mall development will proceed as planned. If the majority vote is "no", Dayton-Hudson will cancel all plans and leave town.

At last the mall question will be confronted head-on. Residents will answer it with their collective votes.

MSU voters must keep in mind that under consideration is the "malling" of future generations of students, not ourselves.

Dayton-Hudson: A chronology

Oct. 1976 — Dayton-Hudson Corporation officials unveil plans for a multi-million-dollar shopping mall before the East Lansing City Council. The firm requests rezoning for commercial development of land they have purchased over the last 10 years in a Northeastern muck-laden corner of the city. They present almost $100,000 worth of reports on traffic, environmental and market impact studies.

Feb. 1977 — Citizens jam city hall voicing opposition to rezoning of Dayton-Hudson property. Environmentalists are specifically concerned because they feel the mall would create unnecessary traffic congestion, pollution and energy demands.

April 1977 — East Lansing Planning Commission votes to recommend rezoning. Some predict the large building will sink if built because underground layer of clay is holding ground water in proposed mall area close to the surface of the soil, slowing drainage.

May 1977 — Citizens for a Livable Community claim city officials cannot legally pass rezoning ordinance without first amending the city's comprehensive plan. Comprehensive Plan for 1980 specifies land owned by Dayton-Hudson to be used for an industrial park. CLC asks Ingham County Circuit Judge James T. Kallman for a declaratory judgement on their claim.

Aug. 1977 — City council approves rezoning, 3 to 2. CLC immediately begins petition drive to repeal vote and put rezoning decision to public referendum.

Sept. 1977 — City asks Kallman to rule on whether a referendum on rezoning is legal. City attorney cites other Michigan court decisions in which referendums on rezoning decisions were ruled illegal.

Nov. 1977 — City attorney announces Dayton-Hudson will free city of involvement in a lawsuit by pursuing the question of the legality of a rezoning referendum.

Jan. 1978 — Dayton-Hudson is granted a variance in the landscaping requirements included in its original site plan. Judge Kallman releases opinion upholding city's right to grant rezoning, saying city need not strictly adhere to comprehensive plan in future development of East Lansing. CLC turns in petitions with more than 7,000 signatures, vowing to appeal Kallman's ruling. Dayton-Hudson follows up on its promise by filing suit against CLC on the premise that petitioning for a public vote on rezoning is illegal.

Feb. 1978 — Ingham County Circuit Judge Ray C. Hotchkiss orders freeze of petition certification and forbids referring the petition to city council for action until the legality of a referendum is decided.

March 1978 — Mall site plan unanimously approved by city council, as well as a contract calling for Dayton-Hudson to pay for improvements in the mall area. Improvements include sidewalks, bike paths, water mains, bus loading areas and lighting surrounding the mall.

April 1978 — Hotchkiss rules referendum on rezoning legal in this case. Dayton-Hudson appeals decision to Michigan Court of Appeals and an injunction is placed on a rezoning referendum until the case is heard.

July 1978 — Representatives of Dayton-Hudson and CLC enter into negotiations to work out a clear-cut ballot proposal for November election asking voters the basic question of whether they favor construction of a regional shopping mall in East Lansing.

Aug. 1978 — An agreement is reached between the two parties on ballot proposal wording for the November referendum. Dayton-Hudson drops it appeals suit against CLC as part of the agreement. City council approves the settlement, leaving final mall construction decision up to voters. CLC plans to appeal Judge Kallman's original decision that city could lawfully ignore the comprehensive plan in the rezoning of Dayton-Hudson property.

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POP ENTERTAINMENT

A parking lot stirs hot debate

By PAULA DYKE
State News Staff Writer

There is an ever-growing need for two things in East Lansing — parking and housing — and the importance of each was dramatized recently when the two issues collided head-on.

A proposal to tear down eight houses on the 500 block of Albert Street to put in a 135-space parking lot stirred up bitter debate from people on both sides of the fence.

The East Lansing Planning Commission voted March 8 to recommend this proposal to the city council. Some 50 citizens, representatives of both sides, showed up at a public hearing May 2 to express their views in the case.

On one side was the City Center Neighborhood Organization, representing the occupants of the eight ill-fated houses, six of which are rented to students.

The group went door-to-door in the Albert Street area gathering petition signatures against the proposal in an attempt to "fight city hall."

The Central East Lansing Business Association took the opposite stand. They too petitioned citing a desparate need for additional parking spaces in downtown East Lansing to keep their businesses alive.

The parking lot proposal evolved out of a $27,000 study conducted for the city in October 1976 by Ralph Burke Associates of Park Ridge, Ill. The firm recommended four different remedies to East Lansing's age-old parking problem.

After reviewing all four recommendations, the East Lansing Planning Commission voted to pursue the most viable alternative — the Albert Street proposal — at the unfortunate expense of student housing.

The other three recommendations put forth by the Burke study are:

- The construction, over the existing surface lot, of a five-level parking garage on Albert Street across from Dooley's;
- Expansion of the Grove Street lot behind Min-A-Mart by purchasing property along Linden Street for additional city staff parking;
- Raising short-term and metered parking rates to pay for the needed improvements.

The 500 block of Albert Street is currently the only block along the central business strip which does not contain a parking lot. Obviously, tearing down a residential area to lay down yet another strip of concrete would do little to improve the aesthetic quality of East Lansing.

But the survival of these eight houses is even more crucial in light of statistics provided by the Tenants Resource Center. The center cites a vacancy rate of less than one percent in the East Lansing rental market, which consists of about 6,000 houses and apartments.

Why should the city be allowed to push students further and further away from campus? The campus housing market has always been tight, so why make it tighter?

Yet, the East Lansing businesses also have a legitimate gripe. CELBA blames MSU students in part for a lack of parking space for its customers. The Burke study estimates that 23 percent of downtown East Lansing parkers are students.

Students, who swallow up parking spots in the morning and spend the rest of the day on campus, are not buying significant amounts of merchandise, yet they take up parking space that should be used by shoppers.

CELBA fears it is losing customers quickly to area malls and shopping plazas where finding a place to park is much less inconvenient.

Rather than build its own private parking lots, CELBA would like to see the city build municipal lots subsidized through tax dollars. The city, however, loses money on such ventures. The plain fact is that municipal lots bring in very little return on capital investment.

If more parking is necessary for the survival of East Lansing businesses, which bring in revenue for the city, should the burden of providing this parking rest on the shoulders of the taxpayers?

Obviously, if the University were to provide more parking for its off-campus students, the desperate need for additional parking in East Lansing would be eased.

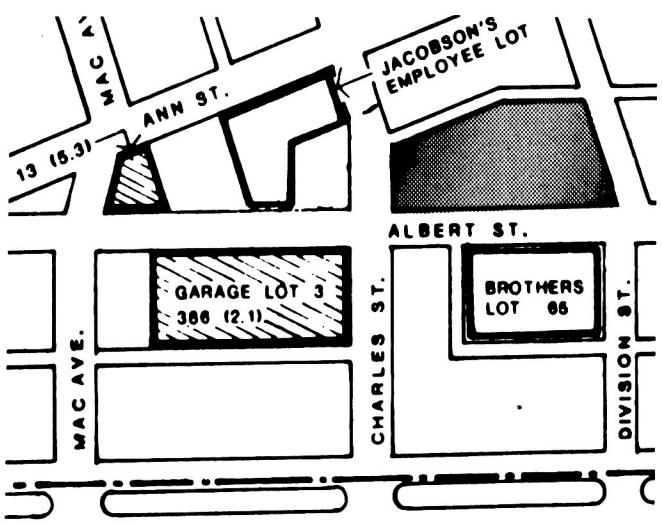
Currently, it is illegal for any student to park on campus during class hours. The only parking area provided for those students who must drive in to campus is the commuter lot, inconveniently located at Farm Lane and Mt. Hope.

The lot is so far from the heart of campus that commuters are forced to ride a bus back and forth from their cars to their classes.

If these students try to defy the rules and park on campus, they get socked with a $4 ticket, or worse yet, a $20 towing charge. So it is easy to see why so many MSU students are parking in and around the central business district.

East Lansing's parking shortage has existed for years, and the more the city expands, the worse the problem will become. But at the same time, University enrollment increases steadily each year. And students will always need housing.

A practical solution to East Lansing's parking squeeze must be developed soon. It must grow from thoughtful consideration of the wants and needs of MSU students and East Lansing merchants. It must be worked out by representatives of both the University and the city. And it must be infinitely more reasonable than simply "paving paradise to put up a parking lot."



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If I were in the place of young poets
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I would prefer not to say that the earth is a madman's
dream, a stupid tale full of sound and fury.

It's true, I did not happen to see the triumph of justice.
And lips of the innocent make no claims.
And who knows whether a fool in a crown,
a wine cup in his hand, roaring that God favors him
because he poisoned, slew and blinded so many,
would not move the onlookers to tears: he was so gentle.

God does not multiply sheep and camels for the virtuous
and takes nothing away for murder and perjury.
He has been hiding so long that it has been forgotten
how he revealed himself in the burning bush
and in the breast of a young Jew
ready to suffer for all who were and who will be.

It is not certain if Ananke awaits her hour
to pay back what is due for the lack of measure and pride.

Man has been given to understand that he lives only by
the grace of those in power.
Let him therefore busy himself sipping coffee, catching
butterflies.
Who cares for the Republic will have his right hand cut off.

And yet, the earth merits a bit, a tiny bit, of affection.
Not that I take too seriously consolations of nature,
and baroque ornaments, the moon, chubby clouds
(although it's beautiful when bird-cherries blossom on the
banks of the Wilia).
No, I would even advise to keep farther from nature,
from persistent images of infinite space,
of infinite time, from snails poisoned
on a path in a garden, just like our armies.

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DPS-student relations: trust is the ticket

By JAMES N. McNALLY
State News Staff Writer

Where once the relationship between MSU students and the Department of Public Safety was hostile at best, attitudes have shifted.

It appears people everywhere are fed up with growing crime rates and have begun cooperating with police investigations and prosecutions — at least it seems to be that way to DPS Capt. Ferman A. Badgely.

And, he contends, most students seem to have lost their oozing hatred for authority figures and are less offended by the presence of the police.

Because of this current attitude, police have recognized the potential of better relations and have become more trusting of the public — or so Badgely says.

But in the '60s the general student attitude was one of distrust. In September 1967 DPS mounted a campaign against crime by asking students to report any suspicious activity to them. The campaign started an uproar.

A State News editorial at the time accused DPS of conveying a "Big Brother attitude." Students were angry, thinking DPS was attempting to use them as an arm of the law — undercover agents designed to spy on their friends and neighbors.

The campaign fizzled shortly after it began.

The early '70s brought student unrest to many campuses and MSU was no exception. Peaceful protest flared into violent demonstration. Student aggressions were carried out against East Lansing businesses, campus buildings and the DPS.

Relations between campus police and the student body were severely crippled as the police seemed to represent Nixon's domestic army while the University community was regarded like an overseas enemy.

But Nixonian tyranny gave way to Carter complacency. As the '70s progressed, a mood enveloped the nation — Vietnam was over, Nixon resigned, the United States was a better place to live.

And when DPS asked students in 1975 to cooperate by reporting suspicious activity around the Brody Complex bikeracks, a positive response was given. A bike registration program held as part of a crime prevention project was a success as well.

Although no one could believe these later actions were anything like the DPS request in 1967, the point is that students are now cooperating with the campus police. However, it should be noted that current conditions are much more involatile than in the Vietnam era. Students now appear to accept the American system because it brings them comfort — it seems they now want to protect it.

In recent years, students have also cooperated with police in more serious crime prevention. For example, when an attempted rape suspect fled from X-lot last year, three students chased him down and "sat on him" until police arrived.

And students recently stayed at the scene of a rape to identify a suspect they had seen climb out of a dormitory window.

Although he has no evidence to back his theory, Badgely believes that the "same" students would not have helped police in the '60s.

There have been numerous contentions by individuals and various women's groups that DPS has neglected its duties in preventing rape. Badgely explained that they "drop everything" to investigate a rape; however, it is after the fact.

In order to appease the complaints against DPS, phones and better lighting are being installed throughout campus.

Twenty phones should be installed fall term, with an additional 20 scheduled for installation by spring term, DPS Lt. Terry Meyers said.

However, the idea of foot patrols has been balked at because of an inconsistent claim of a personnel shortage, but the patrols will continue in dormitories. An auxiliary police program, which would put more personnel on the streets, is in the planning stage.

DPS spokespersons contend that their relations with students have improved and cooperation between the two has improved except in one situation — illegally parked cars.

Campus police explain they intend to continue to "come down hard" on parking violations, though they do not consider them a real crime problem and try to keep them separate from the real problems.

Yet, most students who have had traffic violation run-ins with DPS feel enforcement is heavy-handed and consider the police to be overqualified ticket writers.

But, Badgley said, DPS officers account for only 10 to 15 percent of the tickets written. The rest come from students employed by the department for that specific purpose.

And for those who feel DPS is coming down too hard, more of the same should be expected.

A parking lot is being built behind DPS's building where cars illegally parked will be towed by independent wrecker operators paid a flat rate by the University. The cars can then be picked up by the owners for the tentative price of $20.

It is hoped that this central location will give the University more control over how illegal parkers are treated. Badgely said the threat of towing cuts down the number of parking violations.

Positive relations between DPS and students serve as a buffer zone — they prevent many minor incidents from escalating into major confrontations. But the relations appear positive simply because the campus mood dictates it. If the national atmosphere were to change so would the relationship.

It is unfortunate that DPS officers feel that students are now cooperative, but can spend so much time and effort dealing with parking violations and seemingly neglect many aspects of positive crime prevention. But because students seem content with the system in general it seems these problems will not be dealt with.

Photo by Chris Kuczynski

Draggin' Wagon hooks its prey

Department of Public Safety officials warn students that there will be a hard-line stance on illegal parking fall term, making scenes like this common place. One tip: people who park in metered spaces will find a $4 ticket flapping under the windshield wiper if they fail to feed the meter, which is a lot easier to take than hiking to an impoundment lot to shell out $20 to get ol' Betsy back. If you insist on leaving the family auto in restricted parking areas, you're fair game for "The Hook."

Metro Squad's drug-busters fall silent, but they're still around...

By PAULA DYKE
State News Staff Writer

In the 1960s, drug abuse on college campuses became a national concern. Parents felt sure their innocent college children were being seduced by evil forces which would deteriorate their minds and lead to the inevitable destruction of their morals.

Out of this national "drug addiction" paranoia grew various police agencies designed to get at the deepest, darkest roots of the problem: the pushers, the dealers, the Satans of social righteousness.

In East Lansing the mood was no different. The Tri-County Metro Narcotics Squad was spawned in the late 1960s to seek out the hard-core disseminators of marijuana, LSD, cocaine and heroin.

It wasn't long, however, before the Metro Squad itself became a source of fear and aggravation at MSU. Busloads of students caught with only small quantities of drugs were hauled into police stations during 6 a.m. dormitory raids, harrassed and duly exposed to the indignant eyes of the public.

Now that the public's vision has expanded in proportion to its collective mind and marijuana is no longer thought of as "the deadly weed," the presence of Metro Squad at MSU is hardly felt.

But the squad, whose quasi-legal search and seizure techniques have sparked bitter student protest in days past, today suffers from internal problems that could conceivably lead to its dissolution.

The Metro Squad unofficially began in 1968 when various Lansing-area police agencies began working together in drug-related cases.

Between 1970 and 1971 the squad was funded by the Nixon-era Law Enforcement Assistance Administration.

When LEAA funds were discontinued, the Metro Squad became the undercover offspring of seven area police departments.

Eaton, Clinton and Ingham county sheriff's departments, Lansing and East Lansing police departments, the MSU Department of Public Safety and the Michigan State Police contribute officers, vehicles or funds to the Metro Squad operation.

The Metro Squad Advisory Board, composed of heads of the seven police units, controls finances and makes all policy decisions for the squad. This means the squad reports to no elected civilian body. The squad is held accountable in their procedures only to themselves, a fact many find extremely dissatisfying.

In the early 1970s, Metro Squad cops were reportedly enrolling for classes at MSU and living in the dormitories to scout out "druggies." Their tactics reportedly included trailing users around for extended periods of time, offering any amount of cash for pot and pills, making inquiries into how drugs were obtained and even sampling the "goods."

Metro Squad investigations invariably led to surprise arrests a few days later by uniformed officers.

Once arrested, students were told they would go to jail if they did not inform on friends, enemies or anyone else they knew using drugs.

Obviously, the squad was not carrying out its original intent of "going for the big guys."

"With tactics like those, all you get are small-time users, petty dealers and whoever happens to be in the room at the time of the arrest," Ingham County Commissioner Mark Grebner said.

Grebner, long-time opponent of Metro Squad activities, said the squad has consistently overestimated the street value of confiscated drugs in reports and press releases.

"They (Metro Squad) have actually seized less than 10 pounds of pure heroin in 10 years," Grebner said.

With the advent of the student vote and increased student participation in local politics, Metro Squad operations have come up against harsh public scrutiny.

In recent years the main gripe has been the squad's lack of public accountability. Requests from various governmental bodies behind the various agencies involved in Metro Squad to create a civilian advisory board have so far fallen on deaf ears.

Last January the Ingham County Board of Commissioners voted to suspend its annual funding of the squad until it agrees to seat civilians on its governing board. The amount: $6,500.

The East Lansing City Council followed suit in May, withdrawing its annual funding of $5,000. Early this summer, however, Delta Township stepped in with a timely contribution of the same amount, thus making up for at least part of the lost funding.

According to Metro Squad Chief John J. Baylif of the Lansing Police Department, the squad is currently operating on a budget of $7,500. Lansing has kicked in $2,500 in addition to the Delta Township subsidy.

Baylif concedes there have been no major busts in East Lansing in the past year. He defines "major" as meaning an ounce or more of cocaine or heroin.

Although Baylif denies Metro Squad ever planted undercover narcs on campus or harrassed student offenders, he did admit the Metro Squad is rarely seen on the MSU campus these days. The fact is there was only one Metro Squad arrest on campus in the 1977-78 school year.

"Campus dopers are a tight-knit group to penetrate," Baylif said.

"We usually only conduct investigations at MSU if we've received complaints from individuals," he said.

In a bid to regain flagging support, Metro Squad board of directors early this summer sent letters to the various governments behind the operation requesting they each select one representative to attend the board's monthly meetings.

Because these representatives have no vote at the meetings, and therefore no power, East Lansing's elected representative Mayor George Griffiths has called the meetings nothing more than a "teaparty discussion group."

"I never actively seek an office within a body I'd like to see destroyed," Griffiths said recently.

"But I plan to use my position to question the objectives and successes of the squad. I plan to find out what they have to show for all the taxpayer's money they're using," Griffiths said.

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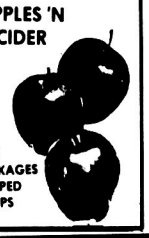
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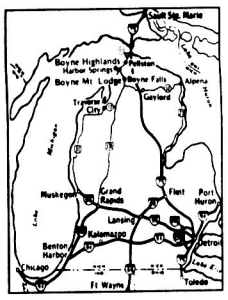

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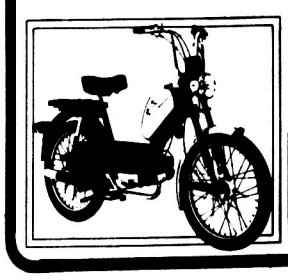

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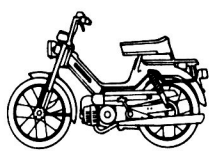

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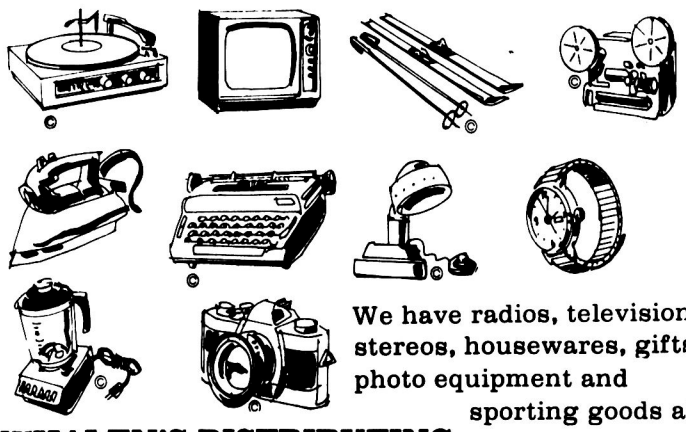

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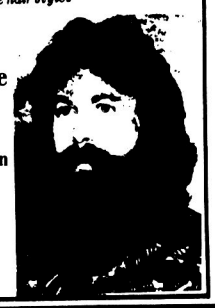

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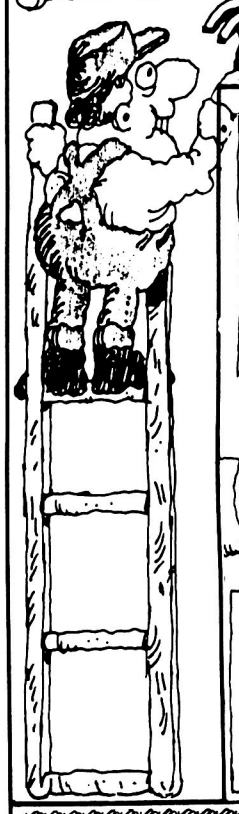

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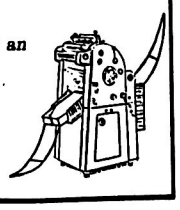

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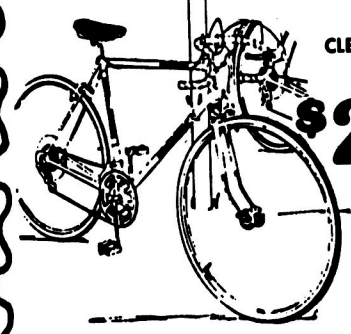

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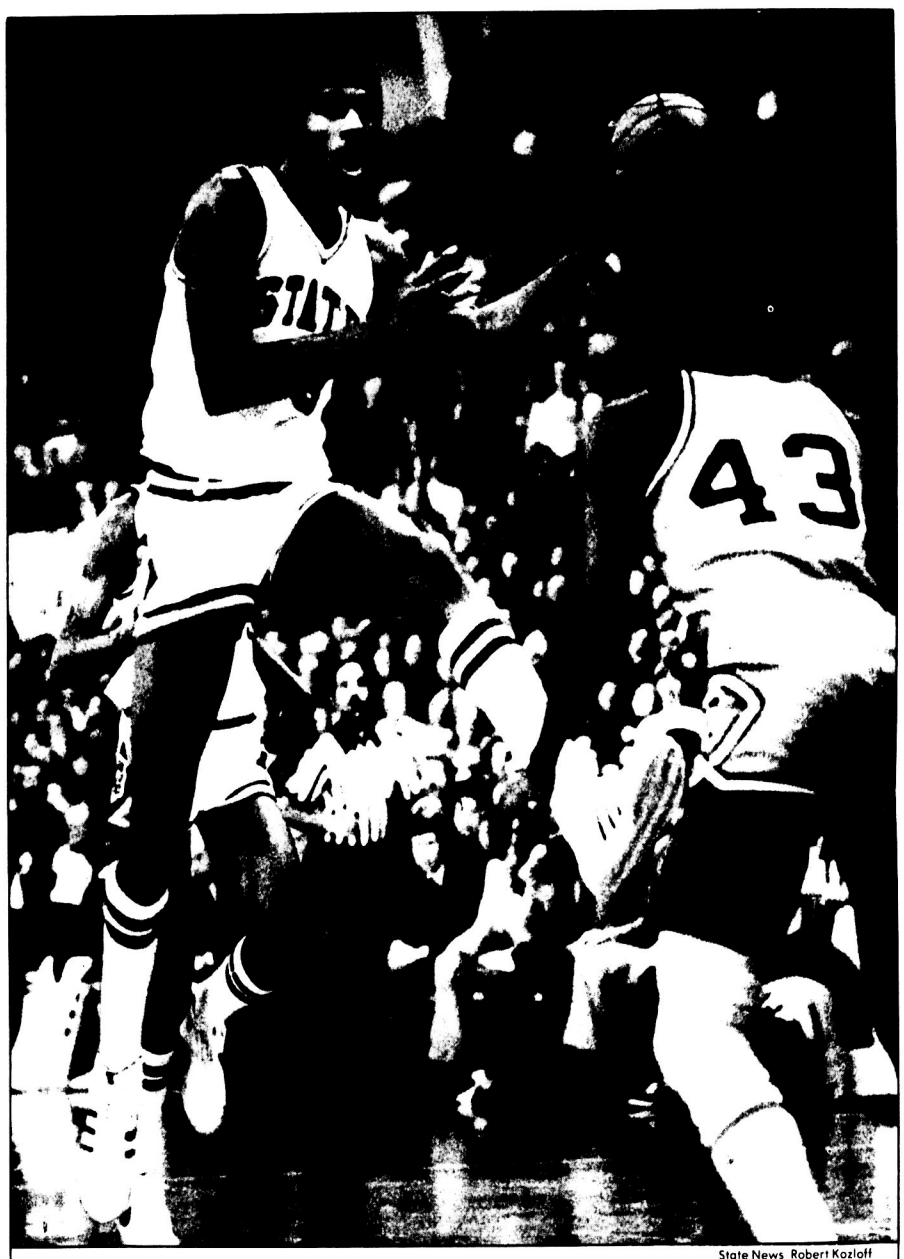

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Which way will he pass the ball? You probably have no idea, just like the Minnesota defender trying to stop Earvin "Magic" Johnson. In his first year at MSU, Johnson led the Spartans to the Big Ten title and to the NCAA Mideast Regional finals.

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

After a 25-5 season, a Big Ten championship and progressing to the NCAA Mideast Regional finals, what can the MSU men's basketball team do for an encore?

Well, any encore the Spartans are going to make will have to come this year. It can't wait another season, and head coach Jud Heathcote admits it.

"We're shooting for the national championship," Heathcote said. "That is a long-range goal, and to realize it you have to achieve many short-range goals, like finishing first or second in the Big Ten.

"I feel when you have an opportunity, you have to make the most of it. Realistically, I think this has to be our year."

Why does this have to be the Spartan's year? Well, for one thing, it's the final year of competition for jumping-jack forward Gregory Kelser, the team's leading scorer (17.7 points per game) and rebounder (9.1 per game).

Also, although Earvin "Magic" Johnson is only a sophomore, this will probably be his last year as a Spartan. Johnson came very close to "going hardship" and joining the pros after his illustrious and record-breaking freshman season.

And Heathcote admits there is a "90 percent chance" Johnson will turn pro after this season.

When Johnson enrolled at MSU, basketball interest immediately skyrocketed. Jenison Field House went from a half-filled barn to a jam-packed arena that gave MSU a tremendous home court advantage.

With Johnson controling the ball and breaking assist records, MSU won the Big Ten by three full games.

It may not be so easy this time, though.

"I think it is definitely harder the second time around," Heathcote said. "You don't sneak up on anybody. I think everybody kind of shoots for last year's winner.

"Yet, its been done a number of times and the confidence of winning might offset the fact that teams are 'gunning for you'."

For the second year in a row, teams in the Big Ten did very well in recruiting. And that won't make MSU's task of trying to repeat any easier.

Along with Johnson and Kelser, Heathcote has two other starters, many top subs and a good nucleus of recruits for the upcoming season.

Center Jay Vincent, a pleasant surprise in his freshman year, and sparkplug guard Terry Donnelly will return and likely be starters. Heathcote said the other starting spot will probably go to Ron Charles, a 6-foot-7 forward.

So you can expect MSU to use its "big lineup" with Johnson operating at the guard position much of the time. That may have not been the case if Walker Russell, MSU's top recruit from Pontiac, had raised his grades high enough to be admitted. He was billed as the person to replace the graduated Bob Chapman at the "strong guard" position.

Other top recruits include Gerald Busby of Buchanan, Rob Gonzalez of Detroit and Don Brkovich of Windsor, Ontario, Canada, the brother of sharpshooting guard Mike Brkovich, who will also return. Greg Lloyd, a transfer from Arizona, is also slated for heavy duty.

Perhaps as important as the players MSU has returning is the tournament experience the Spartans gained last season. Tournament experience is an intangible which is hard to measure, but Heathcote doesn't sell short its importance.

"A taste of tournament play not only gives you more poise and experience, it also gives you the desire to go back," Heathcote said.

Heathcote said MSU has always played a representative schedule before Big Ten play begins, but this year the Spartans will have even tougher non-conference competition. The schedule (see page 7) includes games with Kansas, California State-Fullerton, North Carolina, and the Russian National team.

Once again this season, the tickets for home games will be divided in two series so more students will be able to see the games.

Last year, every home game sold out with 9,886 people attending. There has been talk about the need for a new all-events arena, but so far most of it is speculation.

Heathcote said this has got to be MSU's year. He said the bottom won't drop out of the program if both Kelser and Johnson are gone and he'd like to think the Spartans would continue as a winning program.

But, from all indications, this could be the year MSU could go all the way. There'll be a lot of obstacles, but anyone who saw the Spartans play last year knows it's possible.

MSU cage scene turned around like 'Magic'

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

In April of 1977, Earvin "Magic" Johnson announced at a press conference that he had picked MSU over Michigan as the college he wanted to attend.

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By the time Johnson finished his freshman year the Spartans were Big Ten champions, reached as high as fourth in the wire service polls and reached the Mideast regional finals before bowing out to eventual NCAA champion Kentucky.

Personally, Johnson was voted the Spartan most valuable player by the media, selected unaminous all Big Ten and made third team All-American.

After the season, however, MSU fans had to hold their breath as the deadline for declaring hardship approached.

But Johnson decided to stay at MSU for another year — much to the delight of MSU fans and much to the displeasure of the opponents on the Spartan schedule.

While the MSU fans will have another year to enjoy watching Johnson strut onto the floor and put on his magic act, Spartan opponents will have another year of headaches in figuring out how to stop him.

Johnson can destroy a defense from anywhere and in any possible manner. He's too big for a small quick guard to cover him and too quick for a big forward. Whenever MSU puts two points on the scoreboard, the basket may not have come from Johnson, but one could be assured that he had something to do with it.

Yet, there is still one thing that Johnson wants to bring to MSU — a national championship.

"I think we can defend the Big Ten title, and this time win the national championship," Johnson said. "I think with the experience we got last year, especially in the NCAA tournament, that we can do better than last year."

Johnson feels losing MSU's top recruit, Walker D. Russell, because of academic reasons will hurt MSU's chances.

"It was a big loss for us because he moves very well without the ball," Johnson said. "That's what we need, so I could get the ball to him. We'll miss his shooting, too."

Though the Spartans lost Russell, Johnson still feels MSU had a successful recruiting season with Buchanan's Gerald Busby and Detroit Catholic Central's Rob Gonzales.

"I had never seen Busby play before Doctor Tucker's all-star game over the summer," Johnson said. "But after seeing him play, there is no doubt that we will be stronger with him. Gonzales should be able to help us, too."

Johnson said one immediate goal he has is to improve on his shooting next year.

"I'd also like to help myself and the team on the outside game as much as I can," Johnson said.

"My goal is to just win games, the Big Ten and national title. These are my goals for next year and they are the same for every season."

With one season behind him, Johnson finds college ball to have more talented players

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inside

Duffy. Biggie. Bubba. Magic. There have been some great names in MSU's sports history. For a look at Spartan athletics over the years, see page 14.

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Care to play a little soccer at MSU? You've got to do a little searching, first . . . as well as cut through some red tape. See page 15.

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What about the spring sports at MSU? What do they do during the winter? Well, they keep busy. See the photo-package on page 17.

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The coaches in the Big Ten predict more equity this season, but, c'mon, who can top Woody and Bo. For an overall look at the Big Ten, see page 6.

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Does MSU do enough for women's varsity athletics? Two top athletic administrators don't agree on the question. Two things that are needed, though, are more financial aid and better fan support. See page 3 for an analysis.

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After a 7-23-1 season, is Amo's Bessone's hockey team finally going down the tubes. No way says the veteran Spartan mentor. They're "moving up." See page 4.

MSU now a legitimate title contender

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

The "Big Two Little Eight" concept is edging closer to being broken up, and a forerunner in this battle is MSU.

Last year, the Spartans finished one-half game back of Michigan and Ohio State's tie for the title. Only a 13-13 deadlock with Indiana kept MSU from finishing in a three-way tie. And only a three-year probation kept Darryl Rogers' club from making its first bowl appearance in 12 years.

But before the Spartans tangle in the midst of the Big Ten action this year, they have some other immediate problems in front of them.

Besides a brutal beginning of a schedule, MSU has to fill the spots of some key graduates. In hope of fulfilling the voids, Rogers put emphasis on offensive and defensive linemen, linebackers and kickers in recruiting during the off-season.

"There is no doubt that we recruited some good football players," Rogers said, "but it's a matter of how soon these players can help the team."

The Spartans must fill the voids early in the season if they are to survive Southern California, Notre Dame and Michigan during three straight weeks.

"We consider our first six games to be the toughest in the country," Rogers said. "The fans think that Southern California, Notre Dame and Michigan make up the crucial part of the early portion of the schedule. But, from a coach's standpoint, we are mostly concerned about Purdue and Michigan since they are Big Ten games." But we still can't let the non-conference games slip by because they can give us national prestige, Syracuse from the East, Notre Dame in the Midwest and Southern California in the West."

Rogers feels that the key to the season is how well the defense performs early and the kicking game.

Although the Spartans have the Big Ten's leading punter, Ray Stachowicz, returning for his sophomore year, MSU lost the other two-thirds of its kicking game — kick-off specialist Tom Birney and placekicker Hans Nielsen. Recruits Morten Anderson or Rick Schario will have the task of filling these spots.

Rogers will also have to find replacements for fullback Jim Early, center Al Pitts, offensive tackle John Malinosky and linebackers Paul Rudzinski, Craig Fedore and Mike Dean.

Matt Foster will move from guard to fill the center position while Alonzo Middleton should fill Earley's spot. The other positions may fall to freshmen.

But other than filling the previously-established positions, the Spartans are sound everywhere else.

Spartan fans will have one year remaining to watch the passing combination of Ed Smith and Kirk Gibson. Over the past two years, Smith and Gibson have combined to

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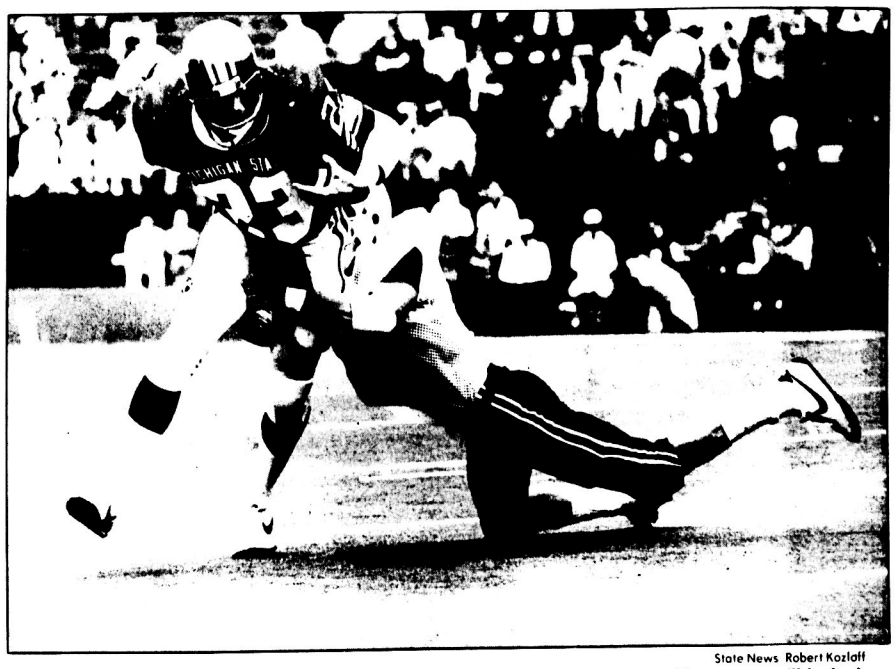

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Kirk Gibson, who played professional baseball in the Detroit Tigers' farm system this summer, will be back for one more football season at MSU. Gibson, a flanker, is a candidate for All-American honors.

SEP

MSU's coaches from many different backgrounds

Most were top athletes prior to coaching

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

The coaches of the 24 varsity sports at MSU come from varying backgrounds. Many were standout athletes while in college and several have MSU as their alma mater.

Here is a brief synopsis on each of the coaches.

JOE BAUM, soccer: Baum, starting his second year as head soccer coach after serving as an assistant under Ed Rutherford, was a standout player for MSU from 1966-68. As a goalie, Baum had a career goals against average of .70. During his career, MSU amassed a 33 game winning streak. Baum is a strong promoter of soccer in the Lansing area.

AMO BESSONE, hockey: Hockey and Amo Bessone are almost synonymous at MSU. The veteran Spartan mentor will enter his 28th year at the helm of the MSU icers carrying a 352-403-19 lifetime coaching record. Bessone was the NCAA coach of the year in the 1966-67 season when his team won the national championship.

JIM BIBBS, men's track: Bibbs will enter his second official year as head coach after serving as acting head coach and assistant coach. Bibbs was a standout in track in his college days at Eastern Michigan. He had a 6.1 clocking in the 60 yard dash and was an All American in 1951.

STAN DROBAC, men's tennis: Entering his 22nd year as tennis coach, Drobac has been one of MSU's most successful coaches. Drobac was a standout player, too. He won the Big Ten singles championship for MSU in 1953 after finishing second the year before. He also played at Wimbledon in 1946.

JACK FETTERS, men's swimming: Fetters, who once coached the United States Swimming and Diving team in the Pan American Games, will enter his 10th season as head Spartan coach. He has been active in coaching at both the college and high school level since graduating from Notre Dame. John Narcy assists Fetters as the diving coach.

BRUCE FOSSUM, men's golf: After serving as an assistant coach for the basketball team at MSU, Fossum has been head men's golf coach since 1966. Fossum, whose wife Mary coaches the women's golf team, is also a professor in the HPR Department. He has written a textbook on golf and is past chairperson of the NCAA golf committee.

MARY FOSSUM, women's golf: In the five years women's golf has been a varsity sport at MSU, Fossum has led the Spartans to five consecutive Big Ten titles. Fossum, the wife of men's golf coach Bruce Fossum, once defeated the legendary Mildred (Babe) Zaharias in match play in the 1946 Western Amateur.

JIM GIBBARD, men's cross country: Under Gibbard, MSU has won three Big Ten titles in nine years. Gibbard has also been an assistant track coach for 19 years. A standout runner for MSU in the late 1940s, Gibbard won four track letters and two cross country letters.

JUD HEATHCOTE, Men's basketball: The Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1977-78, Heathcote will be in his third year as head man at MSU. Last year's NCAA Mideast Regional runnerup team compiled a 25-5 record under Heathcote – the best mark in MSU history. Heathcote was the head coach at Montana and an assistant at Washington State before coming to MSU.

SAM KAJORNSIN, field hockey: A native of Thailand, Kajornsin has vast international experience both as a coach and an umpire. He'll be in his second year at MSU after leading the stickers to a 9-3-3 record last year. Kajornsin is a doctoral student.

NEVIN KANNER and BOKU HENDRICKSON, lacrosse: This pair, as co head coaches, has the dual task of bringing a winner to MSU and increasing interest in lacrosse at the University. Hendrickson as a teacher at Hannah Middle School and a graduate student at MSU who played college lacrosse for Cortland State College in New York. Kanner, also working on a master's degree, was an outstanding lacrosse player for MSU as an undergraduate.

MICHAEL KASAVANA, women's gymnastics: In his first season, Kasavana led the team to an 11th place finish in the AIAW Nationals. Also a professor in the Hotel Restaurant and Institutional Management Department, Kasavana was an assistant coach at Massachusetts for five years. He was a national champion in trampoline competition.

ANNELIES KNOPPERS, volleyball: Knoppers, a native of the Netherlands, is entering her sixth year as volleyball coach. Her most successful year was 1976 when MSU won the Big Ten and Midwest titles and finished tied for seventh in the AIAW Nationals. A doctoral student, Knoppers also coached at Calvin for six years.

KAREN LANGELAND, women's basketball: Entering her third season as coach, Langeland has an impressive won-loss record of 44-13. Langeland was a standout at guard in her college days at Calvin College in Grand Rapids. Langeland is known for stressing fundamentals and her teams traditionally don't commit many turnovers.

DANNY LITWHILER, baseball: Litwhiler, a former pro standout for the Philadelphia Phillies, Cincinnati Reds, St. Louis Cardinals and the old Boston Braves, will enter his 16th season as head coach at MSU. His record of 398 wins, 231 losses and 8 ties gives him a winning percentage of well over .600. Litwhiler was the head man at Florida State before taking over for the Spartans.

JENNIFER PARKS, women's swimming: After a one-year leave, Parks will return for her fifth year as Spartan coach. Parks has been swimming competitively since the age of five and she swam in the Olympic trials in 1959. She won the National Intercollegiate title in the backstroke in 1964.

GRADY PENINGER, wrestling: Although the rest of the Big Ten teams are catching up and some are surpassing MSU's wrestling program, Peninger has made MSU a wrestling power. Since coming to MSU in 1962, Peninger's teams have won one NCAA title and an unprecedented seven Big Ten titles in a row at one point. He was named College Wrestling Coach of the Year in 1967, when the Spartans won the national title.

DARRYL ROGERS, football: Rogers will be in his third year as head coach, and this will also be the final year of NCAA probation for the Spartan program. The former Denver Broncos defensive back has an 11-9-2 record in his two years at MSU. He coached at San Jose State and Fresno State, his alma mater, before coming to MSU.

EARL RUTZ, women's tennis: In 1978, Rutz' first year as head coach, MSU finished second in the state championships and sixth in the Big Ten. Rutz, although an East Lansing resident, is the tennis professional at the Jackson Racquet Club.

CHARLIE SCHMITTER, fencing: Schmitter will enter his 40th year as fencing coach at MSU, making him the coach who has served the longest at the University. Schmitter, who was a standout fencer at the University of Detroit, was named to the Helms Foundation Fencing Hall of Fame. Schmitter earned a fencing master's diploma in 1959 from the National Academy in Naples, Italy.

GEORGE SZYPULA, men's gymnastics: In his 31 years as gymnastics coach, Szypula has turned out numerous outstanding gymnasts who have captured 18 individual NCAA titles. A graduate of Temple University, Szypula won the NCAA tumbling championship in 1943. He has been named to the Citizen Savings Gymnastics Hall of Fame.

DIANE ULIBARRI, softball: Success came early for Ulibarri as she led the MSU softball team to the national championship in 1976. The Spartans then finished third in the nation in 1977. Ulibarri was formerly the head coach of the field hockey team, too.

As of the deadline for the State News Welcome Week edition, no head coaches had been picked for women's cross country and women's track. The previous coaches in these sports, Mark Pittman and Cheryl Flanagan, respectively, quit during the summer.

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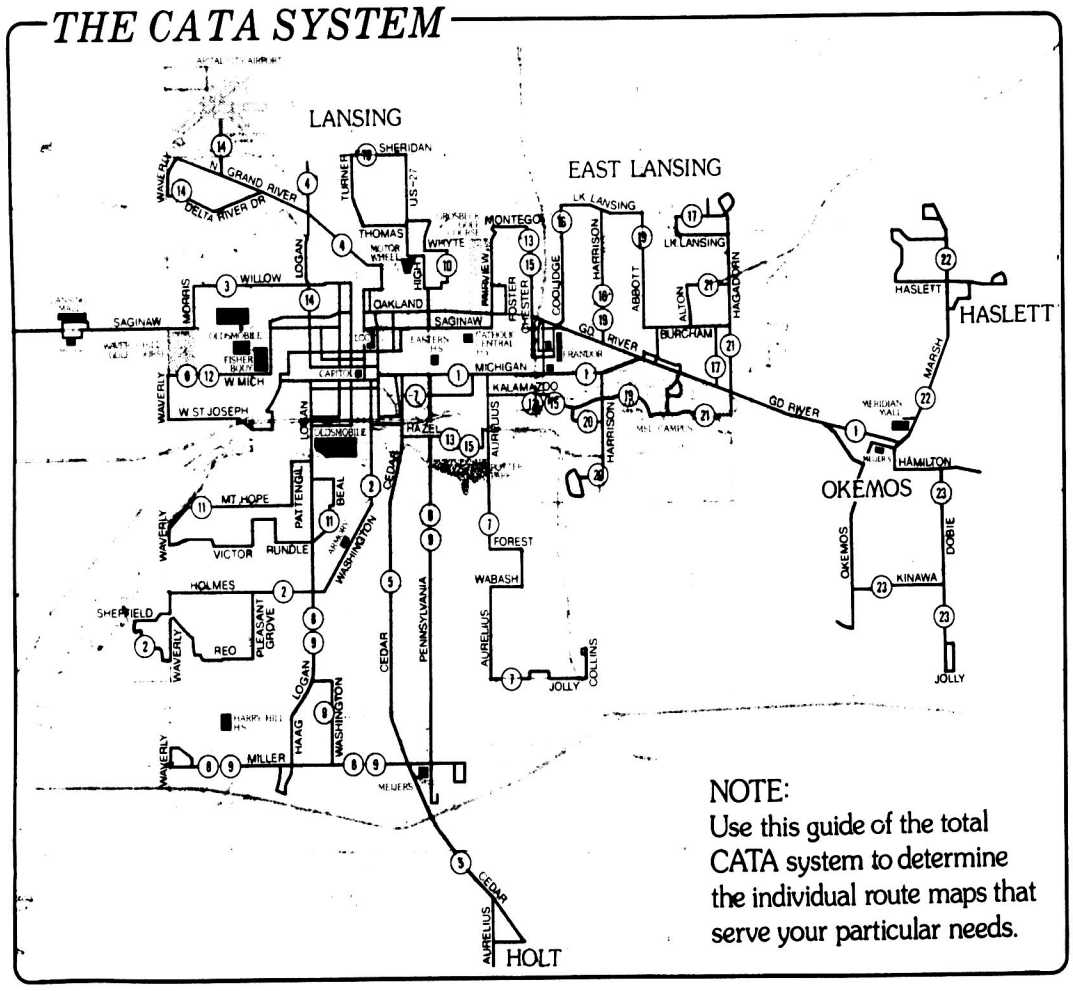

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Women's athletics need funding, support

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

There is little doubt that MSU has been very successful in its women's sports program, since varsity sports for women were began in 1972.

There are two vital areas, however, where the University must improve so that women's teams at MSU will be able to compete with all the top teams in the country. The first area is financial aid — scholarships. The athletic administrators have to handle that task. The other vital area, fan support, can be handled best by students.

To be sure, these are not the only problems the program has to overcome. Lack of facilities, coaching personnel and funding are also characteristic of MSU women's athletics.

As far as financial aid is concerned, women's athletics will receive in the area of $90,000 this year, compared to $60,000 last school year. That may seem like a lot of money, but since there are 10 varsity teams, it is insufficient.

According to MSU assistant athletic director in charge of women's athletics, Nell Jackson, each of the varsity sports progresses along at the same pace. In other words, the athletic department does not build up one women's team at the expense of another team.

Therefore, the approximately $9,000 each team receives is, in reality, no more than three full-scholarships. Most coaches divide the scholarship money among players, rather than give one player a "full-ride."

Can these two athletic administrators agree?

Joe Kearney, MSU athletic director, said he feels MSU is funding women's athletics in the "upper echelon" in the nation and that it "would break the bank" to include revenue sports under Title IX compliance.

Nell Jackson, MSU assistant athletic director in charge of women's athletics, said the $500,000 is not enough to make the major changes needed.

Recruiting is the area where lack of financial aid hurts the most.

Michael Kasavana, women's gymnastics coach, said many of the teams MSU competed against in the Association of Intercollegiate Athletic for Women (AIAW) nationals had "over 10" full scholarships. MSU had two-and-one-half.

An affirmative action committee on athletics has been meeting over the past several months looking into ways to upgrade women's athletics. So it is possible that more financial aid will be available in the near future.

For the upcoming school year, the budget for women's programs is $500,000 out of a total athletic budget of $4.7 million. Most of the athletic budget is self-generated by the athletic department.

Title IX (see story on page one of the Focus on Women section) is also requiring MSU to upgrade its women's sports programs. The university is in danger of losing federal funding if it does not meet the requirements of this anti-discriminatory legislation.

One team, the women's basketball squad, filed a complaint with the Department of Health Education and Welfare, charging discrimination against women athletes.

Disagreements between administrators on how much should be allocated to women's athletics has prevailed.

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So, as you can undoubtedly see, MSU has a lot of work to do in the area of funding women's athletics.

As far as fan support for the women's teams go, MSU has a long way to go, too.

Attendance has been very sparse at home athletic events with each team having only a certain group of fans attending events regularly.

In an effort to combat this, more prestigious games or events have been scheduled. Last year, MSU hosted the AIAW regionals in women's basketball. MSU will also host the AIAW nationals in outdoor track this spring.

Coaches, however, have been somewhat guilty, too. In order to get their teams stronger competition, they have been willing to travel more and schedule fewer home contests. There are tradeoffs to be made and, since attendance has not been good at MSU, the coaches go elsewhere to face the stronger teams.

One reason many people probably don't go see the women's teams play is that they think there is a lack of talent.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

There are some very talented women athletes at MSU and they can certainly hold their own against any one else. What the MSU women's sports program needs are two things: more financial support from administrators and more fan support from students.

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Sue Ertl, a senior from Ionia, is one of the reasons MSU women's golf coach Mary Fossum is confident the Spartans can again win the Big Ten title, despite graduation losses. Ertl set an AIAW record with a 32 for nine holes last spring.

Golfers seek Big Ten conference title...again

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

For five years, the Big Ten conference has held a championship tournament for women's golf, and in all five the winner has been Mary Fossum's MSU squad.

Last spring, the Spartans were co-champions with Minnesota in a rain-shortened tourney. But, every other year, MSU has been on top.

"Every year you see more depth and strength in the Big Ten," Fossum said. "You'll notice in lot of tournaments in our region, Big Ten teams will finish one-two-three.

The Spartans, who finished 11th in the nationals last season, play a fall schedule in addition to a southern spring trip and a full spring schedule.

Three of Fossum's top five golfers from last year have graduated, so she has some gaps to fill. Gone are four-year standouts Joan Garety, Karen Escott and Sheila Tansey.

But, with several key performers returning and a solid nucleus of incoming freshmen, the coach's ever-present optimism and enthusiasm is still there.

And the main reason is Sue Ertl.

The Ionia native will be caping of a brilliant career this season, and Fossum expects her to be the team leader.

"People are very attracted to Sue and she is a great leader," Fossum said. "She can really motivate people and she'll help the new people coming in."

Ertl was the medalist at the Big Ten tournament her sophomore season and the co-medalist her junior year. At the nationals in Florida in June, Ertl set an AIAW record by shooting a torrid 32 for nine holes.

Fossum's other top returnees are Sue Conlin, Ann Atwood and Peg Bearden. Conlin also was on MSU's traveling team and played in the nationals last spring.

One major question mark right now is whether Linda Smith, who played regularly two years ago, can come back after being injured in a car accident. Fossum said Smith is determined to come back and has been working slowly.

"It would be great if she could return; not just for the team but for herself," Fossum said.

The Spartan coach is also smiling over several fine freshman who will join the team this season.

Beth Sierra of East Lansing played in a lot of tournaments this summer in addition to working at Forest Akers Golf Course. Fossum said Sierra "has a very solid swing, and she hits her drives over 230 yards.

Lisa Speaker, a 4.0 student from Livonia, Lynn Clay of Grand Rapids and Sandy Jacobs of Tecumseh are also on scholarship. Other freshman include Mary Ann Utz, a good friend of Ertl's from Cincinnati, Ohio, and Karen Colbert of Jackson.

Clay was fortunate enough to land a job at Jimmy Demaret's Tournament of Champions course in Houston, Tex. for the summer. Fossum said this will definitely help her game.

Among the tournaments scheduled for the fall are a meet in Oklahoma with top southern teams including Southern Methodist and Houston Baptist and a tournament at big Akers which MSU is hosting, Sept. 22-23.

More women's sports, see page 16.

Field hockey team should be improved; will host Big Ten's

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

Although last year's MSU women's field hockey team had a successful 9-3 season and a good recruiting year, coach Sam Kajornsin still feels he needs more players.

"Our problem last year was we didn't have enough people to fill both the varsity and junior varsity teams," Kajornsin said. "We had problems filling injured spots because we didn't have enough players."

To encourage freshman and transfers to tryout for the team on Sept. 24, Kajornsin has been displaying posters. Anybody who wishes to play women's field hockey in the fall should call Kajornsin at 353-6803.

Twenty-two players attended spring practice, but Kajornsin feels he needs 32 players to properly fill both the varsity and junior varsity squads.

Forecasting this season, Kajornsin feels the team will be better than last year.

"Last year, we didn't have enough substitutes to fill the injuries," Kajornsin said. "This year, I hope we won't have this problem. With the recruiting and what we have coming back, we should be better than last year. It will be an exciting season, especially in hosting the first Big Ten tournament, Oct. 20-21."

Kajornsin expects to have a balanced team this season.

"Center forward Nancy Lyons will be leading our offense," Kajornsin said. "She scored 31 of our 45 goals last year. She's very good."

Kajornsin feels the team is sound in goal with veteran Theresa Morris and freshman Deborah Bondy.

On defense, Kajornsin says that Nancy Babcock will lead the way.

Other returning lettermen are Sue Campbell, Julia Johnson, Jennie Keplinger, Debra Peven and Heidi Ruiz.

Kajornsin feels the team had a successful recruiting season despite the fact that he needs more players.

The recruits were Terry Kossey, Valerie Duer, Barbara Shannon, Judy Ignaisiag and Connie Seymor.

"Our opponents in the state are biggies," Kajornsin said. "The games are always tough battles."

After dismal season, MSU spikers seek to regain winning ways

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

After sacrificing a dismal 7-34-2 record for letting the young players learn to play together last year, women's volleyball coach Annelies Knoppers feels the team is now ready to jell.

"We're very excited for this year," Knoppers said. "Last year, we had a better team than the record indicated. Last year, we had seven freshmen playing and it takes a while to learn to play together."

Two reasons for Knoppers optimism are the talented newcomers coming to the varsity squad and the conditioning program the players undertook during the off-season.

"The players worked hard all off-season," Knoppers said. "We'll be in top shape at the beginning of the season. This makes me optimistic because if the players are motivated to work hard during the summer, then just think what it will be like once we all get together."

The newcomers that Knoppers has high hopes for are recruits Becky Lukens, Eve Zurawski and Joann Creamer along with players coming up from the junior varsity squad-Heidi Musser, Sheri Knispel and Valerie Wrenbeck.

"Those players are not only good all-around players, but they are also team oriented, something that we push," Knoppers said.

Lukens and Zurawski were recruited out of Chicago while Creamer is from Flint.

Again this season, MSU will have a young team. The only senior on the squad is Mitzi Hazlett.

"She's an outstanding hitter and blocker," Knoppers said. "She has definitely improved in her first three years and has become a fine all-around player in both front and back."

Carolyn Adams and Joan Ferguson, the team's most valuable player last year, make up the only two juniors on the squad.

"Being the team's MVP and also the team's shortest player shows how hard she works," Knoppers said. "She has a good vertical jump and she's smart. Adams has good all-around skills. When she's right, she's very strong."

Two returning sophomores that played varsity last year are Peggy Lukens and Karen Keener.

Two other sophomores that Knoppers has high hopes for are Heidi Musser and Valerie Wrenbeck.

"Wrenbeck is an outstanding athlete," Knoppers said. "She has the highest vertical jump on the team and is very quick. Musser is good in the front row, but she needs work on the back."

Knoppers hopes that the schedule will be able to prepare the teams for the Big Ten, UCLA and state tournaments at the close of the season.

"Our road trip at the beginning of the season should tell us a lot about our strengths and weaknesses," Knopper said.

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Amo's icers' new motto: "Moving up"

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

"Moving up."

That's the motto for this year's MSU hockey team.

But then coach Amo Bessone is also aware of the fact that the team has no where else to go but up.

Yet, just because the Spartans can't do much worse than last season's cellar finish in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) isn't the only reason for speculating improvement.

Bessone, who is entering his 28th season at the MSU helm, and assistant coach Alex Terpay, had a recruiting season that was billed the best since 1972, when they landed All-Americans Tom Ross and Steve Colp along with Daryl Rice and John Sturges. With these four players, MSU went on to average 21 wins a season for the next four years.

Another reason for speculating improvement is that Bessone feels the icers have a good nucleus of players returning.

"There'll be a lot of pressure on them to do well for us this year," Bessone said. "They should fill our needs of being aggressive along with giving us good muscle and size up front. All of them can skate both ways."

The coaches feel the key to the successful recruiting season was luring center Jim Baker to MSU. The 5 foot 11, 180-pounder, scored over 60 goals and had more than 140 assists last season for North Streetsville in the Central Junior B League while taking most valuable player honors.

Other top recruits on the front line were leftwinger Jeff Bacon and rightwinger Joe Ompercott.

The top defensive recruits were Conrad Wiggin and Bill Shutt, who was highly sought after, especially by Boston University, last year's NCAA champs.

The Spartans will have their top two scorers returning from last year's 7-23-1 team in rightwinger Russ Welch and center Leo Lynett.

MSU's top recruit last year, Paul Gott

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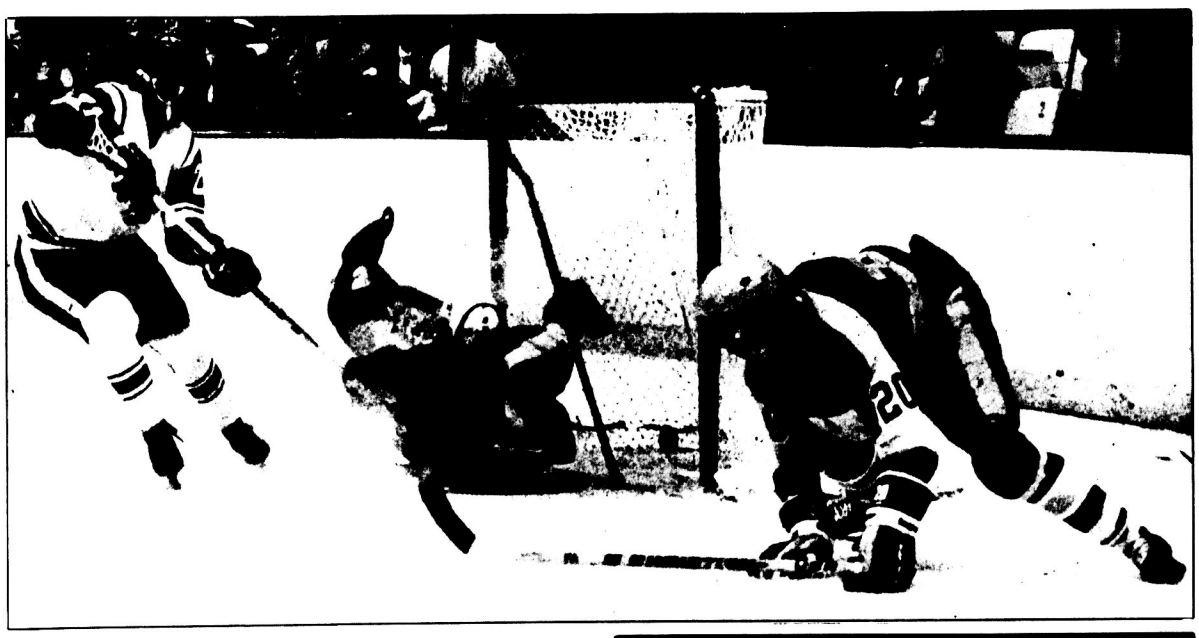
wald, played only one period last year before missing the rest of the season with a knee injury.

With Gottwald, Lynett and Baker, Bessone feels he has three top-notch centers, giving the Spartans strength down the middle, which he feels is very important in hockey.



"Gottwald went through spring training with flying colors," Bessone said. "He's a big kid and having him returning is like getting another new recruit."

On defense, the Spartans will have captain Jeff Barr returning along with Dan Sutton and Brad Wilkinson.

"Wilkinson came up from junior varsity and did extremely well for us. He just needed the experience of playing on varsity, and he improved over the year for us," Bessone said. "Sutton is a good puck carrier and a year's experience now behind him should help him a lot."

MSU will be losing its most valuable player the past two seasons in goaltender Dave Versical. But Bessone is not worried about replacement, Mark Mazzolini, who shared the duties with tne Versical in his first two seasons as a Spartan.

"Mazz is as good a goalie as you'll find in the WCHA," Bessone said. "He knows that he has the number one spot this year, which should give him more confidence. Barring injuries, he should do the job for us."

An injury-free season would be something refreshing next year for Bessone. Key players returning off the injury list will be frontliners Paul Klasinski and Darryl Dipace.

The ten-team WCHA has religned itself into two divisions this year. The Spartans will be in the East Division with Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Notre Dame. The West Division will consist of Colorado College, Denver, North Dakota, Minnesota-Duluth and Michigan Tech.

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Last year's MSU hockey team was a far cry from what Spartan fans had grown used to in the early 1970s. The icers finished with a 7-23-1 ledger — the worst record in Spartan history.

But there is an optimistic attitude among the MSU coaches for the upcoming season. Part of the reason is junior Paul Klasinski (above) shown scoring the winning goal in an overtime contest against Minnesota.

Amo Bessone (right), is entering his 28th season as MSU head hockey coach — and you can bet he doesn't want any more seasons like last year.

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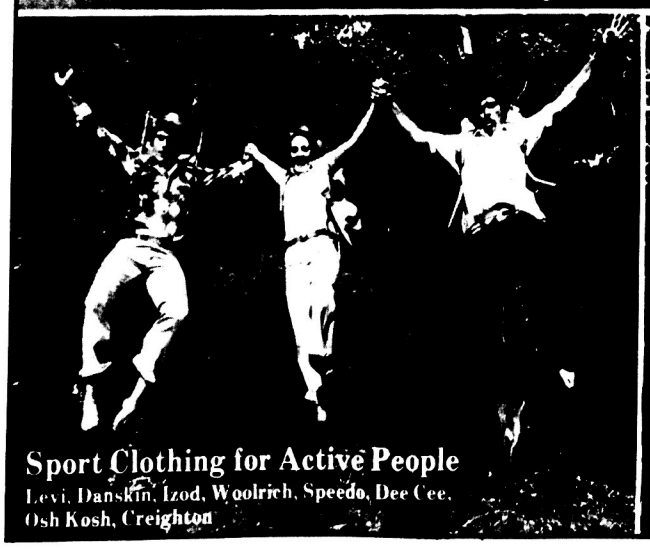

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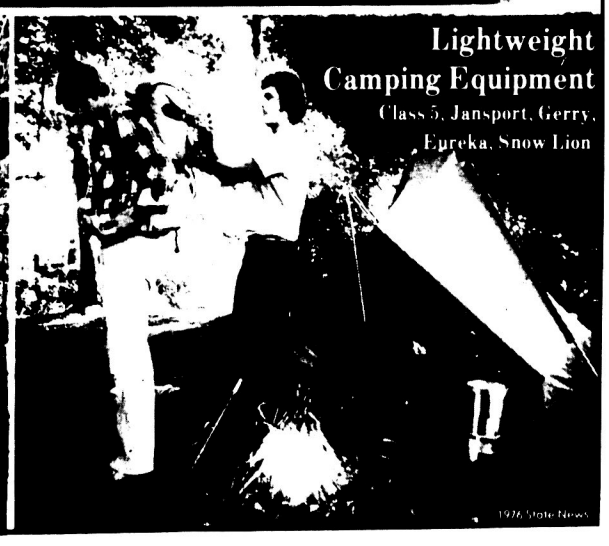

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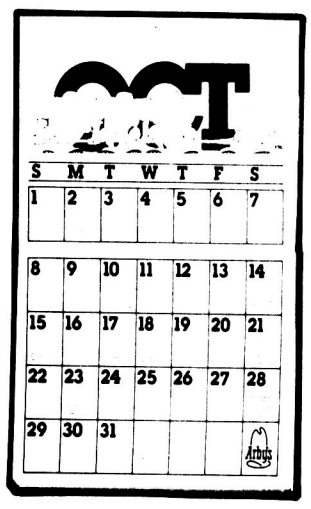

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The Big Ten: *Coaches predict more conference equity, but can any team really expect to top the "Big Two"?*

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

Almost without exception, the Big Ten football coaches feel there is a leveling-off process occurring and that equity in talent is coming to the Big Ten conference.

However, almost without exception, those same coaches believe Michigan and Ohio State will once again dominate the conference race this fall.

All 10 coaches, who spoke at the Big Ten Kickoff Luncheon in Chicago this summer, talked optimistically about their teams' chances. Although no one would go out on a limb, several coaches hinted at the possibility of breaking up the "Big Two-Little Eight" for the first time since 1971.

"Absolutely," said Indiana coach Lee Corso, when asked if he thought Michigan and Ohio State would again battle it out for conference supremacy. "Then it's the rest of us battling to see who survives.

"There ain't nobody who thinks they can beat Ohio State or Michigan. Somebody might catch them once a year . . . on grass."

But Corso has a strong team and he is hopeful his squad can break into the top of the Big Ten. One advantage the Hoosiers have is that they don't play Michigan.

Michigan coach Bo Schembechler believes the league will be more closely contested, but he said the Wolverines will have a great team "because we always do."

"Now that we are at the 95 scholarship limit with red shirts counting, some great teams will become average teams," Schembechler said. "The key is who stays healthy."

Schembechler's team was hurt by heavy graduation losses, especially on defense. The Wolves have won the last two conference titles.

"I see a great change coming," said Iowa coach Bob Commings. "If everyone played Ohio State and Michigan as tough as we do, we'd catch those rascals.

"With the reduction down to 95 tenders, there are more good football players. All the games are getting closer and I think everybody realizes it."

Commings said defense will be the Hawkeyes strongsuit, but he does have a void to fill at quarterback.

Purdue coach Jim Young doesn't concern himself with such matters as the "Big Two-Little Eight."

"My philosophy is to concentrate on my own team and not worry about the 'Big Two-Little Eight' concept," Young said. After last year's 5-6 campaign, Young's philosophy of worrying about only his team is probably the proper one.

But the Boilermakers do have quarterback sensation Mark Herrmann and one of his favorite targets, Raymond Smith, returning. Young's defense will be a major problem area.

Many of the coaches said they expect MSU to give the "Big Two" a real battle for the title this year. The Spartans finished only one-half game out of first last year and would have tied for the championship, had it not been for a 13-13 tie with Indiana.

"Our kids have to play 11 games whether we go to a bowl game or not," said Darryl Rogers, whose team is in their final year of NCAA probation. "We'd love to go to a bowl, but we don't discuss it. We play our bowl games during the season."

Rogers said the strength of the Spartans will be the offense, led by quarterback Ed Smith and flanker Kirk Gibson, whom he called "the greatest athlete I've ever coached."

Minnesota coach Cal Stoll points to the fact that three Big Ten teams went to bowl games last year as evidence of the overall strength of conference football. The Gophers lost in the Hall of Fame Bowl to Maryland last year.

"It's no longer a 'Big Two-Little Eight,' it is a Big Ten," Stoll said. "We were the first team (other than Ohio State and Michigan) to go to a bowl game, but we won't be the last."

Gary Moeller, ready to begin his second year as Illinois' head man, said it is possible that the teams are drawing closer to Michigan and Ohio State.

"The only time you ever overcome them is to bring the other programs up to their level," Moeller said. "You can't wait for them to stumble. I think it will take some time."

Moeller is optimistic about the upcoming season, but it does appear that the Illini are destined for a finish in the lower part of the conference.

Dave McClain, first year head coach at Wisconsin who was previously head coach at Ball State, said there will be a lot of good things happening in the Big Ten in the near future.

"Sure, it's hard to beat the 'Big Ten-Little Eight' syndrome," he said, "But it's that way in other conferences, too."

McClain is inheriting a rather mysterious team which won its first five games a year ago, then dropped six in a row.

Woody Hayes, Ohio State coach and the dean of Big Ten coaches, said the Big Ten is the cleanest conference in the country, and that he respects every team.

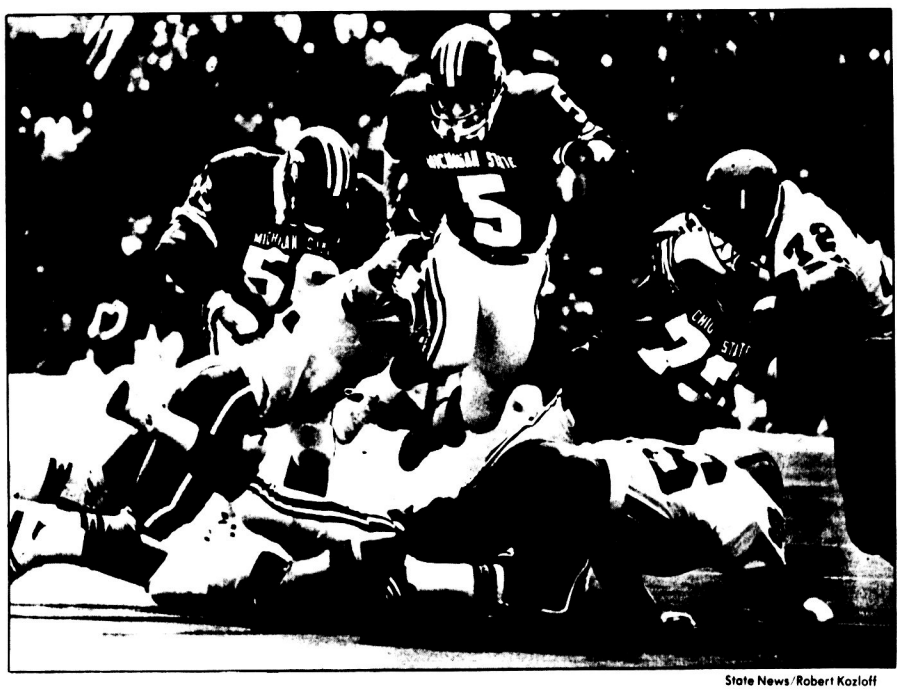
"We have basically the same team we did last year," Hayes said. "That team up north (Michigan) will be strong again, as will Michigan State and Indiana."

Rick Venturi, who will take over a Northwestern team that went 1-10 a year ago, may be stepping into a tough situation, but you'd never know it judging by his enthusiasm.

"I'm not going to be too concerned about what other people do," he said. "I have a two-fold challenge: to build a winning program and to be a hit at the box office."

Most of the coaches agree that Michigan and Ohio State will battle it out in their post-Thanksgiving contest for the title. One thing the coaches do agree on is that the conference teams must do better in bowl games.

Dave Condon, of the Chicago Tribune, who was the emcee at the Kickoff Luncheon, probably said it best: "Woody says the Big Ten is the cleanest conference in the nation and he's right. They got taken to the cleaners in three bowl games last year."



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Mike Hans (5), who was a high school teammate of MSU quarterback Ed Smith, burst through a gaping hole in last year's 19-14 win over Purdue. Hans performed well for the Spartans last year, and he is an example of the tremendous depth Darryl Rogers has at running backs.

In addition to Hans at fullback, MSU has Alonzo Middleton and Andy Schramm, who will battle for the starting spot. And at tailback, Leroy McGee, Steve Smith and Bruce Reeves all sparkled in their first year.

Gridders have overcome probation

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rewrite the Spartan record book.

"We'd like to go 60 percent run and 40 percent pass," Rogers said. "It's not how many times that you throw the ball that matters, but how effective you are when you throw it."

Rogers, however, would like to find more ways to get the ball to Gibson, who signed a baseball contract with the Detroit Tigers and played for their Lakeland farm team during the summer.

"Gibson is the finest athlete I've ever coached," Rogers said. "He has size, speed and ability. There is no doubt in my mind that he could be a number one draft pick in football. He has that ability."

The running game should be no problem with offensive tackle Jim Hinesly breaking open the holes for the Spartans' strength of the rushing attack — tailback.

In Roger's recruiting season a year ago, he didn't have any tailbacks. But he landed junior college transfer Leroy McGee, who led the Spartans in rushing. When McGee became injured, freshmen Bruce Reeves and Steve Smith filled in admirably.

Darryl Rogers

MSU's best player lost to graduation was defensive tackle Larry Bethea, the first lineman to be named the Big Ten's most valuable player since Dick Butkus of Illinois in 1963.

But the Spartans will have the services back from 6-foot-6 285-pound Angelo Fields. The junior who underwent knee surgery after the third game of the season last year, is as good as any defensive tackle in the country, according to Rogers.

Mel Land and middle guard Bernard Hay, who replaced injured Kim Rowekamp after the Michigan game as a freshman, will make up the rest of the defensive line.

The strongest part of the defense will be the secondary with Mike Marshall, Mark Anderson, Jerome Stanton and Tom Graves.

Graves was all-Big Ten his freshman year, but has had knee troubles since. His knee has now fully recovered from surgery.

"Graves is, by far, one of the premier defensive backs in the Big Ten," Rogers said. "Mark Anderson is an outstanding football player and Marshall is an outstanding athlete."

Marshall is returning after missing all of last season with a leg injury.

No matter how well the Spartans do this year, they will not participate in the post-season festivities, since this is the final year of the three-year NCAA probation.

"Not being able to play in bowl games doesn't hurt us that much," Rogers said. "We still have to play 11 games whether we go to a bowl game or not. A bowl game is nothing but a window dressing for a fine season."

Where are the nets?

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I'm still, at this writing, short one soccer goal with which to practice. So the search continues.

It has had its merits, though. "You have lost a lot of weight," Penny Lee Smith said to me recently.

Yep. Twenty pounds to be exact. I'm now down to 152. All that hoofing around the East Lansing area in search of a soccer goal, you see, can really help trim a person down.

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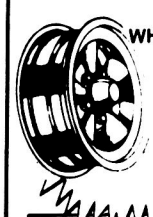

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Purchase of tickets is done by student ID number and will follow this schedule:

- Thursday, Sept. 21, 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 1 through 741599;
- Thursday, Sept. 21, 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., 741600 through 770499;
- Friday, Sept. 22, 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 770500 through 794999;
- Friday, Sept. 22, 12:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., 795000 and above;
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A validated fee receipt card must be presented for each ticket purchased. A maximum of eight season football tickets may be purchased by one student. No attempt can be made to place more than eight tickets in any one location. Proof of marriage must be presented in order to purchase tickets for a spouse.

If available, adjacent seats for parents, friends, etc., may be purchased if the student reserved ticket is presented on the Thursday preceeding the game at the Stadium Ticket Office on the west side of Spartan Stadium.

The Athletic Ticket Office in Jenison Fieldhouse is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (including lunch hour) during the football season.

Basketball tickets, a hot commodity last year, are expected to be even harder to obtain this year. The price of the student ticket package has been raised to $15 for either the "A" or "B" series. All student seating is reserved. The tickets will be on sale the week of Oct. 9.

Hockey tickets are $20 on a season basis for either the Friday or Saturday night games. All student seating is reserved. The hockey season will go on sale the week of Oct. 2. If available, the price for single game tickets is $3.

Spartan sports schedules

1978 Football Schedule

Sept. 16	at Purdue
Sept. 23	Syracuse
Sept. 29	at Southern California
Oct. 7	Notre Dame
Oct. 14	at Michigan
Oct. 21	Indiana
Oct. 28	Wisconsin
Nov. 4	at Illinois
Nov. 11	Minnesota
Nov. 18	at Northwestern
Nov. 25	Iowa

1978-79 Basketball Schedule

Nov. 14	Russian National Team
Nov. 27	Central Michigan
Dec. 9	Cal. State-Fullerton
Dec. 13	at Western Michigan
Dec. 16	at North Carolina
Dec. 19	Cincinnati (at Silverdome)
Dec. 27-30	Far West Classic (including Indiana, Wyoming, Seattle, Washington, Washington State, Oregon, Oregon State and MSU)
Jan. 4	Wisconsin
Jan. 6	Minnesota
Jan. 11	at Illinois
Jan. 13	at Purdue
Jan. 18	Indiana
Jan. 20	Iowa
Jan. 25	at Michigan
Jan. 27	at Northwestern
Feb. 1	Ohio State
Feb. 3	Northwestern
Feb. 4	Kansas (National TV)
Feb. 8	Iowa
Feb. 10	at Ohio State
Feb. 15	at Indiana
Feb. 17	Michigan
Feb. 22	Purdue
Feb. 24	Illinois
Mar. 1	Minnesota
Mar. 3	at Wisconsin

1978-79 Hockey Schedule

Oct. 20-21	Ohio State
Oct. 27-28	at Denver
Nov. 3-4	Minnesota
Nov. 10-11	at Michigan Tech
Nov. 17-18	at Notre Dame
Nov. 24-25	North Dakota
Dec. 1-2	Wisconsin
Dec. 8	Michigan
Dec. 9	at Michigan
Dec. 15-16	at Colorado College
Dec. 29-30	Northeastern
Jan. 5-6	at Wisconsin
Jan. 12-13	Notre Dame
Jan. 20-21	Denver (2 p.m.)
Feb. 3-4	at Minnesota
Feb. 9-10	Michigan Tech
Feb. 16-17	Minnesota-Duluth
Feb. 23-24	at North Dakota
Mar. 2	at Michigan
Mar. 3	Michigan

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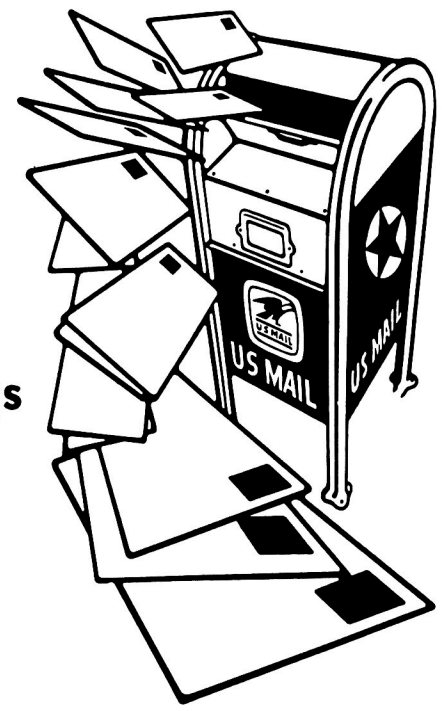

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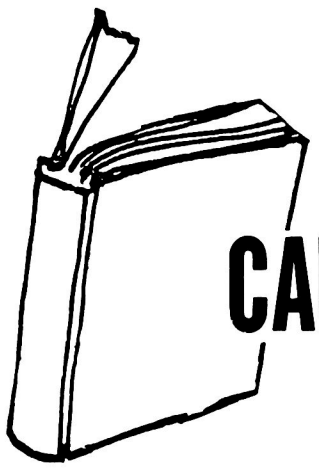

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Read this, or the sports section will look foreign

Sports pages are rife with metaphors, synonyms and active verbs. As a service to our readers the following dictionary of sports slang is printed to guide you through the pages of the sports section this year.

In general, sports participants never run, they "put on the afterburners," "motor," "streak," "rabbit," "kick it into high gear," and "fly" down fields, courts, ice and around basepaths.

So let's "motor" through the dictionary sport by sport.

Football players are also referred to in headlines and news copy as gridders. Passes become aerial displays, barrages and blitzes (not to be confused with the blitz, which is a defensive play.)

Tackles become "bone-jarring" tackles except when it involves the quarterback in which case it becomes a "sack." A long pass often becomes a "bomb", a quarterback's run up the middle is called a "sneak" and his end run is a "bootleg."

A team's offensive progress down the "gridiron", not field, comes out "march" in the Monday morning news accounts. If the frequent use of military metaphors hasn't hit you yet, try these:

"Field general" (quarterback); "strategy"; "defense"; "offense"; "front line"; "attack"; "field of battle" (corny, but sometimes used); and to repeat "barrages, blitzes and bombs."

Basketball players, or "cagers", don't just make rebounds they also "garner caroms" which translate thusly into the verbage of sportswriters, "Earvin Johnson ripped down (ripped down?) 12 caroms in Thursday's romp."

"Cagers" make free throws, but they also make tosses from the "gift line" and the "charity stripe."

Hockey translates into "icers" and "skaters" in the sportswriters dictionary. "Pucksters" don't do time in the penalty box they serve their time in the "sin bin."

Hockey players don't just score goals they "tally" them.

The goal or "net" is the target of skaters who "glide" and "slide" down the "frozen floor."

But nowhere is the talent of sportswriters to abuse the English language more apparent than in America's favorite pastime, baseball.

"Stickmen," "Hitters," "swatters," "batsmen," "b-ballers", are all used interchangeably to describe baseball players. Pitchers become "hurlers" and fielders become "glovesmen" when they "take to the field."

Sports "scribes" went to the penal code statutes to describe baseball action. Players "steal" bases (or "swipe" them) and the guys who do it a lot are called "base burglars." New players "break into" the line-up and fielders often "rob" opposing players of hits.

Continuing the crime metaphors, a victory in both games of a double header becomes a "twin-killing" and often "hitters" will "murder" the ball.

Baseball is also a neat sport, often a team will "sweep" or "clean sweep" a series, often helped along by a "clean-up" batter, whose job is often to "clean the bases."

Home-runs convert to "round-trippers" and "four-baggers," in the columns of sports writers.

"Tape-measure four-baggers" are frequently "unloaded", "lined," and "parked" in the "mezzanine" and "pavilion."

A simple fielding mistake becomes an error, but also a "bobble," a "boot" or a "kick."

A good "hurler" is called an "ace," relief "aces" are brought in "to put out a fire." A pitcher with a good fastball is labeled a "flamethrower" and is often put in when someone at bat "carries a big stick."

Ineffective pitchers are "pulled", "snatched" and "relieved" when they are "sent to the showers." A strike-out is a "whiff" (a whiff?) and a base on balls is usually a "walk", but sometimes a "free pass."

Other MSU sports have catchy titles as well. Swimmers are "tankers." Cross country runners are "harriers." Ever "grapple?" Well MSU wrestlers do. Golfers take to the "links" and understandably are called "linksmen or women."

Track stars wear scanty outfits and are appropriately called "thinclads." Soccer players are "kickers." and lacrosse is referred to as "laxers" which is an unusual label for a sport as active as lacrosse.

Lansing parks offer variety, change of scene

By ANNE E. STUART
State News Staff Writer

Take a Lansing quiz.

What do the names Reutter, Moores, Fenner and Potter all have in common? Hint: They're just a few of many in the area.

Sports and recreation buffs can quickly supply the answer. The names are just four of 102 parks located in and around Lansing.

Lansing's Parks and Recreation Dept. boasts over 2,600 acres of park land in the area, including three cemeteries and four golf courses.

The history of the park system began with Oak Park, located at the corner of Saginaw Street and Pennsylvania Ave. in Lansing. Until about 1870, Oak Park was a cemetery, but during that decade, the graves were moved to what is now the Mt. Hope Cemetery at Mt. Hope and Aurelius Roads. Since then, park land had accumulated in parcels ranging from tiny triangles in the downtown area to the 120 acres of the Fenner Arboretum. More than half the land has been donated to the city by residents.

Reutter Park in downtown Lansing, formerly Central Park, served as the ceremonial park in the past, but was renamed after former Mayor J. Gottlieb Reutter donated the fountain that stands in the center of the park. Dedicated fountain fans will enjoy watching the fountain, complete with colored lights during the summer months.

Moores Park, located along the Grand River a few blocks south of downtown Lansing, is believed to be one of the first school-park combinations in the country. Settled into an older but exclusive residential section of Lansing, it boasts one of the two outdoor public pools in Lansing. Frances Park, located farther west on Moores River Dr., one of the more outstanding area parks, was also a gift. A popular spot for family picnics and gatherings, Frances Park slopes gently to the riverbank and includes playground equipment and a pavilion.

Easily the most popular park in the Lansing area, especially on weekends and holidays, is Potter Park located off Pennsylvania Ave., just north of Mt. Hope Ave. Potter Park is the home of Lansing's zoo.

Friends of the Zoo, a nonprofit society formed in 1969, has been active in raising funds for the development and expansion of the park.

Fenner Arboretum, located at the corner of Mt. Hope Ave., and Aurelius Road, is one of the most unusual parks in the area.

Sports are not encouraged in the park, and a variety of nature trails lead through wooded areas, a field and around such attractions as a duck pond and pioneer cabin. A small museum explains many of the attractions of the park and displays geared particularly toward the many school children who make field trips there every year. Just a few minutes from the campus by bike, it is a peaceful change from the hectic, urban life of East Lansing.

One of the more recent additions to the park is a system of guide posts for the blind and accompanying booklet in Braille which explains what exhibits the person is approaching as he walks along

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Akers: a challenge for even the best

There are some fine golf courses in the area surrounding MSU, but possibly the best is the University's own Forest Akers Golf Course located at Mt. Hope and Harrison Roads, just south of the campus.

The West course, an 18-hole championship layout, is a test for even the most skillful golfer with its narrow fairways and fast greens. From the regular tees, the course measures 6,417 yard and is par 71.

Perhaps the best known hole on the course is the relatively short, par four, 14th hole. With the tee down in a valley, you must hit up what is dubbed "Heart attack Hill" in order to play your second shot to the green.

The head professional at the course is Forest Anderson. Both the MSU women's and men's golf teams play their home matches at the West Course.

The East Course, located just across the road, is more attuned to the average golfer. It is par 33 with six par four holes and three par threes.

There are plans in the works to turn this course into an 18-hole course which will be similar to the West Course, but somewhat shorter. In fact, building of the additional nine holes is in progress.

The rates for the East Course are: $2 for students, $2.50 for faculty and staff, $3.75 for alumni and $4.25 for the general public.

Rates for the West Course for 18 holes are: $3.75 for students, $4.75 for faculty and staff, $6.50 for alumni and $8 for the general public.

It may be too late now, but season passes are also available each year.

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The 14th hole at Akers West Golf Course is known for its steep hill which has been dubbed "Heart Attack Hill" because of its steep slope. The championship layout is a test for the best golfers and the home of the MSU men's and women's golf teams.

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Kearney bringing MSU back from its probation

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

When Joe Kearney was appointed athletic director at MSU in April of 1976, the Spartan football program had just been slapped with a three-year probation by the NCAA. Kearney's prediction on how long it would take to rebuild: five years.

But there can be little doubt that MSU has come back from probation a lot faster than anyone, including Kearney, thought possible.

Football hasn't been the only sport to prosper, either. Under Kearney's leadership, teams at MSU are winning again . . . and the athletic department is actually making money.

Among the many tasks Kearney has as MSU's top athletic administrator is handling the finances. And this year the athletic budget — which is almost solely self-generated — will be close to $4.2 million.

"It's very difficult to fund a well-rounded, comprehensive athletic program for men and women," said Kearney, who was athletic director at Washington before coming to MSU. "With the increased responsibility for women's sports, it's kind of like one department asking to be two with no additional resources."

Kearney has said that "to do the right thing for women," a budget from anywhere from $750,000 to $1 million is necessary. But the women's athletics budget for this fiscal year will be $500,000. Compliance with Title IX, a federal anti-discrimination statute, is currently one of the more controversial issues on campus.

"We feel we are funding women in the top echelon in the nation. If the federal government says we're not in compliance, we'll have to get in compliance. We can't jeopardize the money (in excess of $30 million) that the University gets in federal funds."

So MSU athletics, of course, still has its problems. But Kearney thinks the whole atmosphere at MSU has improved.

"There is a general interest resurgence by alumni, students and supporters," Kearney said. "Alumni groups are more supportive and fund raising has gone up.

"The thing I'm seeing happening is student bodies are getting more into their own participation in sports through intramurals and club sports. I really think that if you can accommodate this, you build a greater appreciation by students for the competitive student athlete.

"You build a better base of support," Kearney continued. "The worst thing you can have is minimal facilities so that inter-collegiate athletics dominates them all."

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Before coming to MSU, Kearney, 51, had been involved at just about every level of athletics — player, coach and administrator. Through his experience, Kearney said he has found that all extra curricular activities — not only sports — are important.

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Jackson leads women's varsity athletics at MSU

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

Intercollegiate athletics for women at MSU began in 1972, and one year later Nell Jackson was appointed to head up the rapidly-growing women's program.

In naming Jackson assistant athletic director in charge of women's athletics, MSU filled the post with a person who had proven herself as a capable athlete, coach and administrator.

Jackson was the women's track coach at MSU, too, but she had to relinquish these duties in the spring of 1977 since heading up the women's programs was, in itself, a full time job.

Things certainly have changed in women's athletics in the five years Jackson has been here. There are now 10 varsity sports for women and the budget is $500,000 out of a total athletic budget of $4.2 million.

The Title IX issue, as it relates to sports, is currently one of the most controversial issues on campus. Despite the growth of women's athletics, some people don't think enough administrative support is shown . . . Jackson is one of those people.

"The budget ($500,00) is certainly an improvement over last year and it allows us to give moderate increases in our program. However, it is still not enough to allow us to make the major changes we want to make." — Nell Jackson, MSU assistant athletic director in charge of women's athletics.

"The budget ($500,000) is certainly an improvement over last year and it allows us to give moderate increases in our program," Jackson said. "However, it is still not enough to allow us to make the major changes we want to make.

"There are two aspects I am concerned about in our program and would like to change. I would like to upgrade the salaries of the coaches; perhaps not bring them up to compliance with Title IX, but take a step in the right direction.

"Second, financial aid. I hope the affirmative action committee will recommend more financial aid for women athletes."

Last year, $60,000 in financial aid was given to women athletes, and Jackson said a total of $90,000 is expected this year. The committee she spoke of met throughout the spring and summer, taking a comprehensive look at women's athletics at MSU.

Even if the women's athletic programs at MSU are short of funding and administrative support, as some say, there's one thing the women's teams aren't short of — success.

The Spartans have perenially done well in all sports, and a lot of the credit has to go to Jackson.

And since MSU does not allocate a lot of money for financial aid to women athletes, Jackson said the coaches have to rely on a lot of walk-ons.

"A large percentage of women athletes at MSU are what you could call walk-ons," Jackson said. "They are interested in a sport and they just come and try out."

"The recruited athletes at MSU are a very small percentage of the teams. It's based on the nature of the sport."

Jackson, a graduate of Tuskegee Institute in Alabama, was a superb amateur athlete. She was a member of the United States Olympic team in 1948 and held the American record in the 200-meter dash for a number of years with a time of 24.2.

Before coming to MSU, Jackson was a coach and associate professor at Illinois.

Gwen Norrell faces a unique challenge as the first woman faculty representative

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

On June 20, MSU became the first school in the Big Ten, and possibly the first university in the country, to appoint a woman as faculty representative.

Gwen Norrell, who has served the University in many different capacities since 1945, was selected for the job. Among her duties will be chairing the Athletic Council, the major policy-making group on campus for athletics, and representing the school at the Big Ten and NCAA meetings — very important duties for a person whom administrators feel is more than capable to handle the chores.

But will the uniqueness of the situation — the fact that she is the first woman to hold the post — distract her from her duties? Will male faculty representatives accept her and be receptive to her ideas?

"My first goal is to learn the job," Norrell said. "I don't know enough of what is currently going on. My first priority is to do my homework and learn as much as I can about the job.

"Some (of the male faculty representatives) will probably accept me and others will adopt a 'wait and see' attitude. The first year will probably be the hardest . . . it will take some time."

Norrell will be the sixth person to hold the post, taking over for the retiring John Fuzak, who was faculty representative for 20 years and will retire Jan. 31, 1979.

"I'm sure we'll approach the job differently," she said. "I know I can't just step in and do what he has done in the last 20 years."

Norrell said she will be working with Fuzak in the interim, to learn as much as she can about legislative matters and other facets of the job.

As faculty representative, Norrell will be called on almost daily to make rule interpretations for coaches. She said it may take some of the male coaches time to feel comfortable about coming to her. She added that she'll always be available and willing to listen to the coaches.

As if being the first woman to hold the post isn't enough to live up to, Norrell will also have to fill the shoes of Fuzak, who is held in very high esteem in athletic circles. Fuzak was the former president of the NCAA.

"He has a national reputation, and a lot of people look up to him for what he has done. I've received many letters from people speaking highly of Dr. Fuzak."

Fuzak, in return, speaks very highly of Norrell, saying, "I don't think the fact that she is a woman will make any difference. When I was president of the NCAA, she was vice-chairperson of the Athletic Council. So she was our voting delegate and got to know a lot of people."

Gwen Norrell

Norrell serves as vice-chairperson of the MSU presidential search and selection committee and as head of the MSU Counseling Center. She'll keep both these jobs in addition to her faculty representative duties.

As possibly the first woman at a major college to hold the post of faculty representative, Norrell finds herself in a unique and challenging position.

"I look on this as a challenge, sure. I don't know whether it's more of a personal or professional challenge," Norrell said. "Perhaps it's more of an opportunity. But, when you have an opportunity, there's always a challenging aspect in it."

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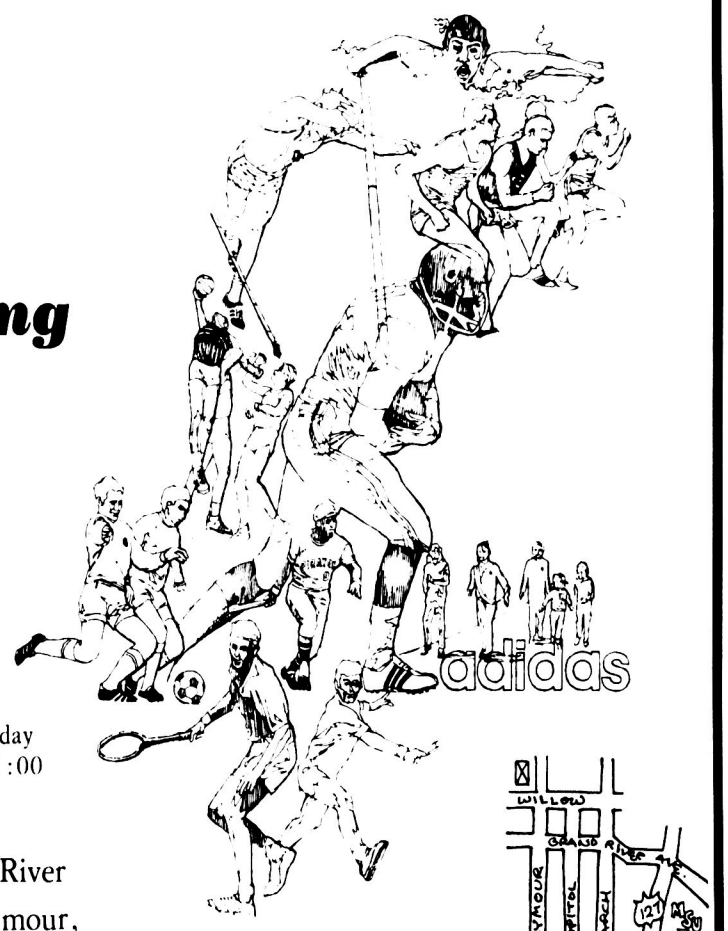

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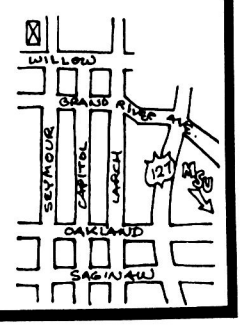

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Can only jocks use the IM? No way!

State News Debbie Wolfe

By MIKE KLOCKE
and CHERYL FISH
State News Sports Writers

Any article about intramural sports at MSU has to dispell one myth at the very outset: you don't need to be a jock or talented athlete to use the IM facilities or participate in the various sports offered.

You see, involvement and the chance for everyone to compete are two of the underlying principles of the Men's IM Department. "Even when there is a reduction in enrollment, there is always an increase in IM participation," Frank Beeman, director of intramural sports programs, said. "The IM program is open to all, both good athletes and those with few skills."

The main sports offered by the Men's IM Department are touch football, basketball and softball. But IM officials try to offer a wide variety of different sports, and any time there is a demand for a sport, they try to accomodate it.

"We know that coming into a university of this size, a student can feel lost," Beeman said. "Many social activities arise from sports."

Beeman feels many students arrive at MSU from high school unaware that the facilities are for their use, mistaking them as available to varsity athletes only.

"They are for everyone, and every level of skill," Beeman said.

During fall term, touch football takes the spotlight, drawing well over 5,000 participants. And this is not your ordinary touch football, either. Continuous passing is allowed which, along with adding more action to the game, gives every team a chance to develop into a winner.

Some of the other fall sports include: bowling, volleyball and a cross country race called the turkey trot.

During the winter, of course, basketball has the most participants. Due to the lack of court space, limits on the number of teams allowed to compete have had to be placed. It is hoped that a proposed additional IM building would enable more teams to compete.

Ice hockey is another winter sport which has become very popular. Since ice time is rather scarce, only 50 teams are admitted into the league. The games are played on the fine ice at Munn Ice Arena.

During the spring and summer comes softball, the sport which draws the most participation from students. Well over 10,000 students — about one-fourth of the student body — participate in softball.

In addition to the team sports in the spring, there are also a golf tournament, tennis tournament and track meet.

So, as you can see, the variety is certainly there.

Club sports are also an integral part of the IM programs. More than 5,000 students are involved each year in the 40 club sports which include frisbee, judo, rugby, water polo and cycling, just to name a few.

For the main sports, there are several different leagues that are available. There are dormitory leagues in which the teams compete against other floors and then go into the playoffs against other dormitories. There are also two independant leagues, one which is more competitive with playoffs and one which is recreational with no playoffs. There are fraternity leagues, too.

The opportunities for participation in IM sports are almost limitless. And all you've got to do is ask.

Beeman hopes each new student will take some time to keep alert for notices and feel free to investigate or ask questions on any of the IM programs.

"The only limitations are when all the facilities are full," he said. "We are concerned with providing enjoyable, recreative experiences; and we hope the students take advantage.

New IM plans almost complete; will be accessible and co-rec

By MIKE KLOCKE
and CHERYL FISH
State News Sports Writers

The MSU Men's IM Building was built in 1957, and it handled the needs of a 20,000-student campus rather well. Now enrollment at MSU is over 40,000 and, it say the least, the IM Department is short on space.

Crowded conditions fostered different plans to deal with the conditions in the late 1960s, but these proposals were voted down by students and derailed by the recession of the early 1970s, explained Frank Beeman, director of intramural sports.

The overcrowding got so bad that in 1974, Beeman had to stop students from bringing guests into the building. The only people admitted, and that policy still holds true, are students, faculty and staff with validated identification cards.

Quite obviously, the IM Department needs a new building, and plans for one are nearing completion.

An architect's proposed plans will be completed soon, at which time the University must decide allocations and funding of the building, Beeman said.

The Men's IM Department, though, is not the only one caught in the "lack of space" problem. The fast-growing women's intramural sports and co-recreational sports need more space, too.

"Two of our main goals for the new IM building are to provide a completely accessible building for handicappers and it furnish women with equal opportunities," Beeman said. "It will be a totally co-rec building."

The new building would be located near the Life Sciences Building on the southeast side of campus.

Although not definite, the new building will probably include the following: eight tennis courts, 24 paddle-racquetball courts, six gymnasiums for basketball, an indoor jogging track, a gym for roller skating, men's and women's weightlifting rooms and a multi-purpose room with dancing facilities available.

The fact that the bowling lanes at the Union are inaccessible to handicappers is one of the main reasons 32 new lanes will be included in the new building. It is hoped that money can be generated through these lanes to support the intramural programs.

Pistol and archery ranges, as well as steam rooms and saunas, will be available for use. The locker facilities for men and women will be equal.

Beeman said that once both buildings are in use, they will fill the needs of students for some time. In addition to the new building,

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Co-rec sports becoming very popular

State News Kay McKeever
Water polo is one of the most popular co-recreational sports sponsored by the IM Department. The game is rather unique in that it is played in inner tubes. Each team must have at least three women on the seven-person teams. This is just one of the many co-rec sports which are offered each year. Director Pam Kruse said the co-rec sports program has grown every year.

Stressing fun over competitiveness

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

Women and men participating in sports together has been an increasing occurrence at MSU. The Intramural Department's co-recreational program has been offering formal ways to suit this increase.

"You see men and women jogging, playing tennis, raquetball, paddleball together," Pam Kruse, assistant director of co-recreational programs, said. "Yet, many of these people are not aware of the opportunities we offer them."

Ever since its inception in 1972, however, co-rec sports has increased in participation every year. Last year, the increase was 28 percent.

"I do see growth in the future for co-recreational sports," Kruse said. "Basically, our philosophy is one of having men and women coming out to have fun in sports. We don't stress the real competitiveness."

One major change co-rec will do this year is have less modifications from the conventional rules of sports.

"We'll probably make just a few major changes from the conventional rules," Kruse said. "The competition of teams will be an equal amount.

"The transition from men's and women's IM rules will be easier too. This also goes the same from an official's standpoint. With a lot of moderations before, many of the participants thought the game was taken out."

With the fall IM sports approaching, Kruse feels one problem is students don't have enough time — one week — to prepare and organize teams for the sports. Volleyball and touch football will be offered this fall.

"We're offering touch football for the first time," Kruse said. "The rules will be pretty much the same as the men's and women's rules."

The manager's meetings will be held during the beginning of the first week of classes.

"We will discuss the rules, hand out information sheets and in order to get an entry card, you must attend these meetings," Kruse said.

"Any student interested in officiating co-rec should attend the officials meetings. It's not necessary that one have prior experience. But it is to one's benefit if they do."

In the winter, co-rec sports will offer basketball, floor hockey and water polo.

"We'll be using the men's and women's rules for basketball. But we will have a couple of major modifications," Kruse said.

Softball and water polo will be offered in the spring. There will be two kinds of softball, one-pitch and conventional slow pitch, which was offered the first time last spring.

The same sports that were offered last spring were also offered in the summer.

"We found the students are interested in playing the same sports during the summer as in the spring," Kruse said. "In softball, we more than doubled our entries for the summer. After the end of the first five-week session, many of the teams wanted to continue playing. We also picked up another six teams during the second five

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Women's IM still pushing for even more student participation

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

While the men's intramural programs are overcrowded, the women's intramural programs is in a different situation.

"We're pushing for an increase, but the men's IM program wants us to stay still," Allison Scruggs, assistant director of women's IM programs said. "We have to publicize and hope that we can get more women tuned to sports."

Yet, participation in the women's IM program is increasing, and Scruggs feels it will continue.

"We're just hoping that women continue to take an interest," Scruggs said. "Participation by women in sports is just coming around. Everything is on the upswing."

The women's IM program is flexible enough that it can make accomodations to suit the people's needs.

"We work things out so that we can keep the IM buildings open an hour early or hour later to accomodate the participants," Scruggs said. "It's easier to work it out with the outdoor sports because there is more space."

The biggest draw for the women's IM program is softball. Last spring, 198 teams participated.

"During spring term, more people like to get outside than any of the other terms," Scruggs said. "Only the more serious women athletes play football instead of softball because it gets so cold."

This fall, football and volleyball will be offered. Last year, the women's IM program drew 61 football teams and 81 volleyball teams.

"Because we have two popular sports in the fall, we don't get a big draw for just one sport," Scruggs said. "Whereas in the men's IM program, football is the only sport ran, so everyone goes there."

The main sport in the winter is basketball. Last year, basketball increased from 75 to 93 teams.

"In the winter we do get crowded. The Men's IM has to stay open until 1 a.m. while the women's IM stays open until 11 p.m. in order to get all the games in," Scruggs said.

A new aspect to the Women's IM program is disco roller skating.

"We had a roller skating party this summer and it turned out great," Scruggs said. "We would like to have the party run once a week. We have the gym but we need the money for the music. We would have to figure out some way to come up with $60."

Cheap Skates provides the skates, charging half of what they normally charge.

"We can do whatever the interest dictates for roller skating," Scruggs said. "We're thinking of family nights and things like that. But we will do whatever the people ask for."

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Bump!

This bump doesn't take place on a dance floor, but rather in a women's IM basketball game last winter. During winter term, basketball has the most participants of any sport run by the Women's IM Department. Last year, 93 teams were entered in the leagues.

IM meetings, deadlines are set

MEN'S INTRAMURALS

There will be an officials meeting for touch football held on Thursday, Sept.21 in 206 Men's IM Building at 6 p.m.

Touch football team managers must attend or have a representative at one of the meetings scheduled for their respective leagues. The meeting dates are the only time entries will be accepted. The meetings for residence Hall, fraternity and independant teams are Sept 25-27 in the Men's IM Sports Arena at 6 p.m. There will be a limit on the number of teams and the cost per team is $15. Play begins Oct. 1 and there will be preseason scrimmages.

There is a managers meeting for independant soccer on Wednesday, Sept. 25 in 215 Men's IM Building at 7 p.m. Soccer teams may have to play on weekends because of construction on the East IM Fields.

The entry deadline for six-member volleyball team is noon on Friday, Sept. 29. The cost is $15. The play will be on Wednesdays and Mondays if needed.

Deadline for entry for fraternity bowling league is noon, Friday, Sept.29. The bowling is done on Tuesday nights and there are five members on a team.

The deadline for entry is the same as above for residence hall bowling, which will be held Monday through Thursday every week, depending on the number of entries.

The deadline for entry for team paddleball is noon, Friday Oct. 6. This will be in a tournament format with four-person teams — two singles and two doubles players.

Among the other events scheduled for fall term are the Turkey Trot cross country race, team badmition, and a singles tennis tournament.

See the State News during the first week of the term for more information. The building hours for Men's and Women's IM Buildings will also be published during the first week.

WOMEN'S INTRAMURALS

A team representative meeting for women's volleyball will be held Tuesday, Sept. 26 in 137 Women's IM at 6 p.m.

A team representatives meeting for women's touch football will be held Tuesday, Sept. 26 in 137 Women's IM at 7 p.m.

Team entry deadlines for touch football and volleyball for women are Thursday, Sept. 28, at noon in 121 Women's IM.

An officials clinic for women's volleyball will be held Thursday, Sept. 28, in 137 Women's IM at 7:30 p.m.

Disco Roller skating, sponsored by the Women's IM Department, will be held on three Thursdays during fall term, Oct. 5, Nov. 2 and Dec. 7. All three will begin at 10 p.m. and run to midnight in the Upper Gym at the Women's IM Building.

CO-REC INTRAMURALS

A mandatory meeting for team representatives for co-rec touch football, a new sport this fall, will be held Monday, Sept. 26, in 137 Women's IM at 7 p.m.

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The officials clinic for co-rec volleyball will be Thursday, Sept. 28, in 137 Women's IM at 6 p.m.

More IM coverage in the State News

Intramural sports at MSU involve a great portion of students, faculty and staff on campus. Whenever there is something noteworthy going in either of the Intramural programs or in co-rec sports, the State News will publish it in the IM Notes column.

To add to Intramural coverage this year, the State News will also have space reserved weekly for a feature story dealing with IM sports. This may look at a certain team, the way a sport is played, an official, an issue, etc.

State News sports writer Cheryl Fish will be handling the articles, although anyone wishing to freelance articles about IM Sports is also welcome to submit them.

Tentatively, these stories will run on Wednesdays during the school year. Of course, there will be stories on IM sports in on days other than Wednesdays, as space allows.

New building planned

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36 more outdoor tennis courts and six to eight new football fields are also tentatively planned.

Beeman has expressed the need for a new building for some time and the MSU Athletic Department also sees the need for more space.

"The thing I'm seeing happening is student bodies are getting more into their own participation in sports through intramurals . . . ," said MSU athletic director Joe Kearney.

Co-rec interest is rising

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weeks. So, slow-pitch softball has really been well received."

The co-rec program has also formed committees comprised of both men and women to find more ways to make the sports enjoyable. One of the committee's ideas has been to form an "A" league and "B" league.

"The 'A' league will have playoffs and will be for people that are more serious and maybe higher skilled," Kruse said. "The 'B' league is more for people just to go out and have a good time. Having two leagues should work out better for students."

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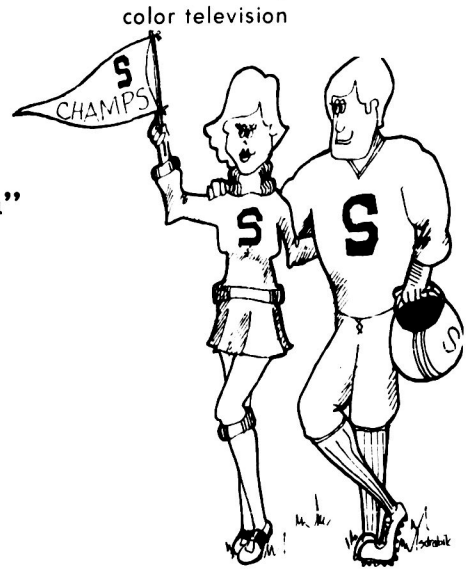

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Turmoil!

Track shakeup...still hosts nationals

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

MSU's women's cross country and track athletes will have an extra task this year in adjusting to new mentors after a shake-up in the coaching staff because of the internal turmoil.

Head coaches Mark Pittman for cross country and Cheryl Flanagan for track and field resigned because they wanted to get out of an unhealthy situation.

Flanagan's reasons for resigning were because of the differences between her and Women's Athletic Director Nell Jackson, who decided to make her and Flanagan associate head coaches for the team at the close of last season.

"I made us both associate coaches because I wasn't pleased with the way she was running the program or the team," Jackson said.

Jackson handled the head duties for three years before giving the job to Flanagan in the spring of 1977. Jackson still has been coaching the team on an assistant basis.

"I think she was glad to get rid of me because she probably thought that I was just going to do whatever she dictates instead of being my own person," Flanagan said.

Flanagan felt the two different philosophies on techniques between her and Jackson were hurting the team.

"The kids liked what I was doing, and I felt it was more important to get the job done with the kids than acting out Jackson's wishes," Flanagan said. "I felt after a year-and-a-half of transition, I would fully be able to use my expertise, but I wasn't.

Mark Pittman

Cheryl Flanagan

Flanagan feels it is difficult and a mistake for a previous head coach to still have a presence.

"Without a complete takeover, some of the athletes still relate to the previous coach," Flanagan said. "With two different coaches telling them what to do, the kids don't know how to react, and it's an unfortunate situation. But Jackson didn't see this as a problem."

Yet, the key problem was not that Flanagan and Jackson had differences, but rather they could not reconcile these differences.

"What hurt the track team was not the difference in philosophies, but the way the differences were handled between the people," Pittman, who is still keeping his assistant track coach position, said.

"I think one of the problems was a lack of communication," Jackson said. "I tried to tell Cheryl last winter that we needed more of it. I was not totally aware of the problems in her mind because of the communication problem."

Flanagan also agreed that there was a communication problem, but that she wasn't the only one having trouble communicating with Jackson.

"There's a lot of good people on the women's coaching staff, but not all of us see eye-to-eye with Jackson," Flanagan said. "Nell would not inform us on things, and we all come out looking like a bunch of dummies, and it's frustrating. There were a few coaches that were close to her. But it seemed like Nell felt threatened when some of the other coaches and I would come to her. As a consequence, we had few staff meetings and didn't know what was going on."

Pittman wanted to remove himself from the many hassles of the situation that had arrived with the cross country team. His differences, however, were not with Jackson but with Flanagan.

"Nell gave me a free hand, and let me do whatever I wanted to," Pittman said. "Cheryl wanted the cross country job and is a distance coach, and I had been doing well for four years. So you can see the conflict that came up."

Though Flanagan has left, Pittman still doesn't want his cross country job back.

"The conflicts between Cheryl and I got through to the kids, and it would still be there between us," Pittman said. "they (the runners) no longer respect me, and I no longer respect them."

Nevertheless, there will still be cross country and track teams this year, and, once again, they should be good ones.

Injuries to key runners Cynthia Wadsworth and Mary Ann Opalewski hurt MSU's chances at doing better than its 17th ranking in the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW) national championship. Those two runners along with top finisher Lil Warnes are returning.

As many as eight and possibly nine out of 10 of last year's track national qualifiers will be returning this year. They will be needed when MSU hosts the AIAW nationals this year.

The returning national qualifiers are Gwen Patterson, Cheryl Gilliam, Kim Hatchett, Lisa Berry, Lil Warnes, Pam Swainigan, Karen White and Karen Harris.

Middle-distance star Sue Latter's decision from the AIAW on whether she is allowed to run for a "fifth year" or not is still pending.

MSU will also try to recapture its Big Ten title, which it lost to Wisconsin last year.

"Health is the key word," Jackson said. "If we can stay injury free, unlike last year, I feel confident we can have a very good team."

"Based on the material on last year's squad and the material coming in, we will have a stronger team than last year," Jackson said. "I'm excited for both cross country and track programs, especially track."

State News/Robert Kozloff
MSU's women's track hurdler Kim Hatchett and her teammates will have to adjust to the loss of head coach Cheryl Flanagan, who resigned because of the internal turmoil at the coaching ranks. Mark Pittman resigned from his head cross country duties for the same reason. But he will remain as an assistant track coach. Hatchett was one of three track members to qualify for the AAU nationals last year. Eight, and possibly nine, of last year's national AIAW qualifiers will be returning. They will be needed if MSU wants to make a good showing when the team hosts the AIAW nationals this year.

Gibbard's harriers look to rebuild from last year's team

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

Last season marked a decade of coaching the MSU cross country team for Jim Gibbard, but with the way the season went, that was the only thing worth celebrating.

MSU brought up the rear in the Big Ten last year for only the second time in 27 years. The other time came in 1967, the year before Gibbard took over the head job.

But Gibbard doesn't want to suffer through any more cellar seasons, and he feels the team will definitely be moving up next year.

"Our goal is to finish in the top five in the Big Ten," Gibbard said. "Wisconsin is the defending champ and Michigan and Indiana should be up there."

Losing senior captain and top runner Jeff Pullen may put a damper on an enhancing season, but Gibbard hopes that a team that was mostly comprised of freshman last year will be coming back with enough experience to come through for the team.

The second year men are Ted Unold, Tim Featherstone, Tim Kerr and Todd Moss.

More experienced runners for the Spartans will be senior Steve Carlson and junior Keith Moore.

"I think Moore is gaining enough experience that he can do better," Gibbard said.

Moore also runs the 1,000-meter event and the half mile for the Spartan track team.

MSU also recruited three state cross country champions and a half mile state champion in Jeff Lewis from Holly.

Mark Nesler out of Grand Blanc won the state Class A championship.

Michael White from Jackson took the state Class B title in cross country and the mile run.

Martin Schulist from White Hall took the state Class C championship in cross country, the one mile and two mile events.

Gibbard also hopes that Herald Rutilla from Farmington will be able to contribute. He finished in the top 10 in the state in cross country.

The cross country team has had its problem in other areas besides winning races, too. Many of the runners, both former and present, have complained about the coaching methods Gibbard uses.

The State News published an article in August which listed many of the grievances.

WILL HOST BIG TEN OUTDOOR MEET

Sprinter Smith paces MSU tracksters

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

Despite the key losses of high jumper Dennis Lewis and hurdler Tim Klein, MSU's men's track coach Jim Bibbs still feels his team can do better than last year, when they finished fifth in the Big Ten Indoor meet and seventh in the Big Ten Outdoor meet.

"We had a young team last year, and with all of them returning, including the people that were academically ineligible, along with a good recruiting season, I think we can do better than last year," Bibbs said.

Klein was lost to graduation while Lewis was lost because of academic reasons.

The Spartans will be led by key returning runners Randy Smith, Ricky Flowers and Keith Moore.

Smith, a junior sprinter out of Jackson, took a fifth-place finish in the NCAA two years ago in the 60 yard dash with a 6.1 time. He also runs the 100-yard dash.

Flowers, who runs the 200-meter event, was selected as one of 35 college athletes who competed in Europe this summer.

"Keith Moore is rapidly developing in the 1,000-meter run as well as the half-mile," Bibbs said.

Tyrone Williams will be returning from what Bibbs felt was an outstanding freshman year for him.

"Tyrone is a fine hurdler, and he did well academically last year with a 3.4 average," Bibbs said.

Another freshman last year, Denny Anderson ran into academic trouble, but Bibbs feels he's an outstanding sprinter and expects him to be at 100 percent.

In the field events, a key factor coming off a season of academic problems and injuries last year will be long jumper Fred Parker.

"Fred never had a chance to show what he can do last year," Bibbs said. "He should be one of the leaders in the Big Ten and a candidate for national honors. His best is 24-feet-5.

In the high jump, the Spartans will have Dan King, Pete McClain and Andy Wells.

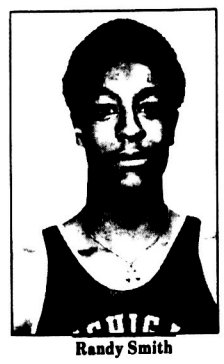
Bibbs expects sophomore pole vaulter Jim Steward to repeat his outstanding season last year. "His best vault was 15-feet-6."

Runners headed MSU's recruiting season.

Holly's Jeff Lewis was the Class B State champ in the half-mile run with a 1:53 time and is regarded as the best high school half-mile runner in the state last year.

Bibbs also has high expectations for mile-runner Michael White of Jackson.

"Michael is one of the leading milers in the country. He may be our best recruit in this event since Ken Popejoy. He should have a fine career at MSU, an I expect him to break the four-minute mark before he graduates."



Randy Smith

Martin Schulist is regarded by Bibbs as the best recruit for the two-mile in the Midwest. He was the Class C champ in the mile and two-mile events.

MSU's top recruit from outside of Michigan was quarter-miler Calvin Thomas of Cleveland, Ohio.

"Calvin should help us in the open quarter and the relays," Bibbs said.

Thomas has been clocked at :48.1 in the 440-yard dash and at :21.5 in the 220-yard dash.

Mike Nesler was the state Class A cross country champion and Bibbs expects him to help out in both track and cross country.

"We expect to be competitive in the Big Ten next year, but I'll probably have to favor Michigan or Indiana," Bibbs said. MSU will host the Big Ten outdoor meet in the spring.

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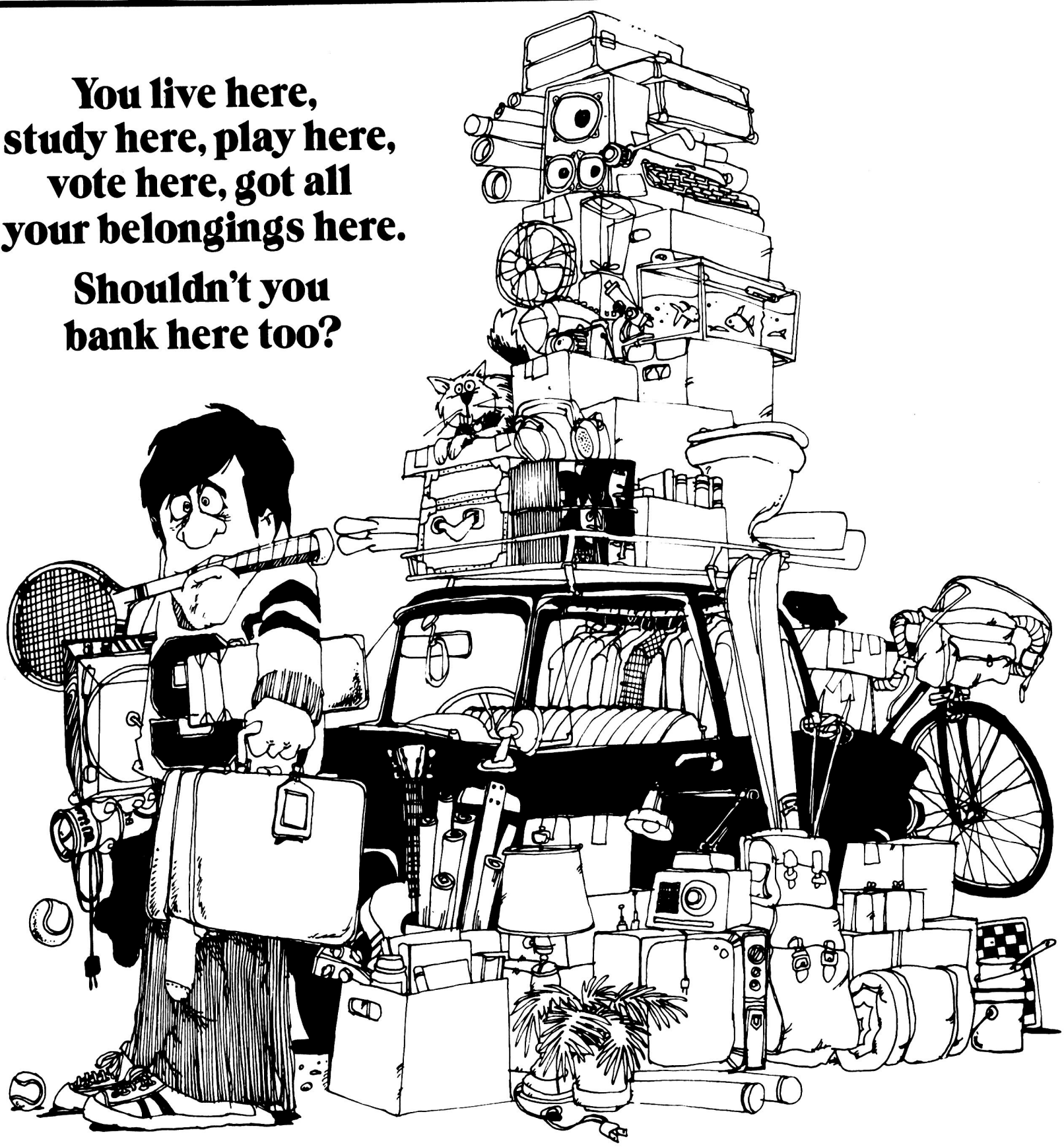

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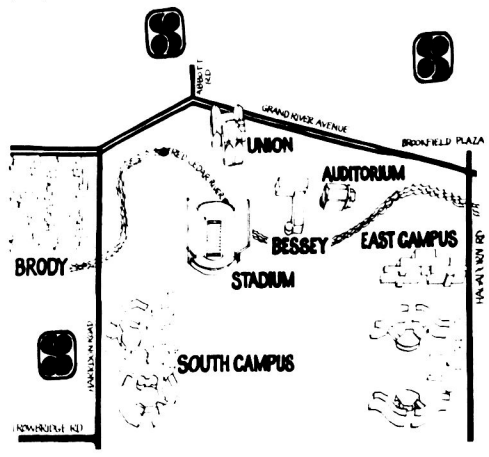

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Athletics at MAC...and MSC...and MSU

Spartan sports 'saga': many historic names

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

On a bright, sunny day in the fall of 1873, students at Michigan Agricultural College took part in the biggest sporting event of the year: a hunting match between the sophomore and junior classes.

It was indeed a successful hunt, too, as the kill included 79 squirrels, 12 pigeons, nine quail, eight ducks, four turkeys and six partridges (in a pear tree?).

Now, mind you, that was the biggest sporting event of the year.

Quite a contrast to today's sports picture at MSU. There are now 24 varsity sports for men and women at MSU along with at least 40 Club sports and one of the five largest intramural sports programs in the country.

The story of how this university has gone from MAC, with hunting as the main sporting event, to MSU, with sellout crowds for football and basketball, is an intriguing one.

Fred W. Stabley, MSU sports information director, and Lyman Frimodig, winner of 10 varsity letters at MSU, co-authored a book on the history of MSU sports entitled Spartan Saga. This remains the only published comprehensive work on MSU sports, and it is much more detailed and complete than this article.

Athletics at MSU would certainly come under the characterization of a "saga." But there have been trying times. It has taken the work of many athletes, coaches and administrators to make MSU what it is: one of the great names in college athletics.

Lists of names may be somewhat meaningless, but, in this case, they do provide insight into the evolution of Spartan athletics.

First, some of the coaches: Clarence "Biggie" Munn, Charlie Bachman and Duffy Daugherty in football; Benjamin VanAlstyne in basketball and golf; Amo Bessone in hockey; John Kobs in baseball; George Szypula in gymnastics; Fendley Collins in wrestling; Charles McCaffree in swimming; and Charlie Schmitter in fencing. Each of these men was held in very high esteem in his sport for the decade or more he served in coaching.

Some of the outstanding athletes MSU has had include: Earl Morrall, Bubba Smith, George Webster, Gene Washington, Lynn Chandois, Ed Budde, George Saimes and Don Coleman in football; "Jumpin' Johnny Green, Ralph Simpson and Earvin "Magic" Johnson in basketball; Steve Garvey, Robin Roberts, Ron Perranoski and Dick Radatz in baseball, and the list is almost endless going through the many sports.

But it was a good thing these athletes didn't come around in the late 19th century . . . for if they had, they may have never had a chance to display their talents.

THE PRE-1900 YEARS AT MAC

MAC was somewhat behind other schools in the development of an athletic program. But it was through no fault of the students.

The idea of sports was taboo to the faculty and administration at the college. When MAC was founded in 1855, there were no plans for organized, intercollegiate athletics . . . and the anti-sports faculty wanted to keep it that way.

Through the first 20 years of the college's existence, the only sport which was played against other competition with any regularity was baseball. The name of the squad was the Star baseball team, but it was completely student run.

It was in the 1880s when students began getting serious about wanting athletics on the campus. The campus newspaper at the time was the Speculum, and it often printed editorials urging the administration to start athletics on campus.

Then came one of the big breaks that helped firmly establish athletics on the MAC campus. Professor R.C. Carpenter, a faculty member who supported the idea of athletics on campus, was made adviser of a student run athletic association which controlled all college athletics.

With this "lift," athletics on the campus began their first boom. A track was built; so was a gymnasium. And in 1896, football finally began at MAC with a four-game schedule.

MAC's opponent for the first game? Lansing High School. Anyway, it was a start. The MAC Aggies won, 10-0.

Basketball began three years later and sports at MAC were off and running.

THE EARLY 1900s

The first decade of the 20th century was an indication of just how fast MAC sports were growing. The school hired Chester L. Brewer as athletic director to become one of the first colleges in the country with a top athletic administrator. And in 1906, MAC decided to drop out of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association. Why? Simply, because there was not enough competition for the rapidly improving Aggies.

The football team was beginning to be a real power with an undefeated season in 1908 (6-0-2) and its first perfect season in 1913 (7-0).

About the time when cross country and various other sports were becoming varsity teams, two of the first great names in the school's athletic history came along — John Macklin and Lyman Frimodig.

Macklin, whom Macklin Field (now Spartan Stadium) was named after, took over as athletic director and head coach of all sports in 1911. And Frimodig was on his way to winning 10 varsity letters — the most in the school's history. In 1915 he scored 30 points in one basketball game. In 1915, mind you. That was unheard of in those days, and it was the school's record for many years.

THE 1920s AND 1930s

A lot more than just the name of the school changed during this time period. In 1925, MAC was renamed Michigan State College and a year later the nickname was changed from Aggies to Spartans.

Perhaps more important, though, was that the school joined the NCAA in 1920, paving the way for a full fledged intercollegiate athletic program.

And in 1923, the school got the man it needed to head up the program — Ralph Young. Young, whom the MSU athletic money-raising fund is now named after, remained athletic director for 31 years, and it was largely through his leadership that the university became a power in intercollegiate athletics.

During this period some of the university's greatest coaches started their tenures. Baseball's John Kobs began his 39 years of service in 1925, Ben VanAlstyne started his 23 years as basketball coach in 1927; Fendley Collins, wrestling coach for 33 years, came to MSU in 1933; and present fencing coach Charlie Schmitter began his service in 1939.

During this time, MSC teams were very successful as several national championships, both team and individual, were won in NCAA and IC4A competition.

The football team, which had mediocre records during the 1920s, began to become a national power in the 1930s. If you think Michigan has a hold over MSU now, take a look at the fact that, when MSC beat the Wolverines in 1934, it was the first time since 1915.

In 1937, the Spartans got their first bowl bid, losing the Orange Bowl to Auburn, 6-0.

THE 1940s AND WORLD WAR II

Sports were abandoned during the 1943-44 school year because of the war, but that, by no means, was the highlight of this decade.

First, Jenison Field House, which is now seen as sort of an anachronism, was dedicated in 1940. Second, in 1947, Biggie Munn became football coach. And, third and most important, in 1948 Michigan State was voted into the Big Ten conference.

The State News ran a banner headline proclaiming the occasion, and it was appropriate. For, in a sense, Michigan State had arrived.

The school had to wait to compete in the conference, but all sports seemed to get a lift out of this. Hockey became a varsity sport once again and other sports prospered, too. Cross country was especially big, probably because 26 straight national championships were held on campus.

THE 1950s AND DUFFY

MSU had to wait until 1953 to compete in the Big Ten in football. It was a shame. For in 1952, the Spartans went undefeated and won their first national football championship, rating at the top of the AP and UPI polls.

The following year, the Spartans tied for the conference title, and defeated UCLA in the Rose Bowl, 28-20.

In 1954 came the most famous changeover of personnel in MSU sports history. Most famous because it involved three of the greatest names in Spartan sports history — Ralph Young, Biggie Munn and Hugh "Duffy" Daugherty. Young stepped down as athletic director, Munn took his place and Daugherty became head football coach. It was, indeed, one of the most historic changes in MSU history.

And Duffy didn't do too bad in his initial year, leading the Spartans to another Rose Bowl win over UCLA, 17-14, on a 41-yard field goal by Dave Kaiser in the game's final seconds.

This was also a good decade for the basketball and baseball teams. Behind former pro standout "Jumpin" Johnny Green, MSU went to the final four in the NCAA basketball tournament. Kobs also had had former Los Angeles Dodgers' pitcher Ron Perranoski on his staff.

Other varsity teams fared well, too, including George Szypula's gymnastics team, which tied for the NCAA title in 1958.

Although not dealing with varsity sports, a significant event in 1959 was the opening of the Men's IM Building. MSU now has one of the five largest intramural programs for students in the country.

THE 1960s AND THE GAME OF THE CENTURY

Whenever this decade is mentioned, people think of football . . . and rightfully so. For in 1965 and 1966, MSU had two of the greatest teams in college football history. Take a look at some of the names: Bubba Smith, George Webster (voted the greatest Spartan ever), Clint Jones, Gene Washington . . . the list is endless.

The Spartans went undefeated in 1965, but UCLA got its Rose Bowl revenge with a stunning 14-12 upset.

MSU came back with another undefeated season, meeting also undefeated Notre Dame in what was billed as the "Game of the Century" at Spartan Stadium.

The build-up for this game was tremendous, and, in retrospect, it was rather unfortunate that it ended in a 10-10 tie. Especially unfortunate for MSU. For Notre Dame went on to trounce Southern California, 51-0, to claim the national championship.

The football team's success did overshadow the efforts of some other MSU teams which also did well. In 1966, Amo Bessone's hockey team won the NCAA title; in Grady Peninger's wrestlers won the national championship; and the soccer team won a pair of NCAA co-championships during the decade.

And, of course, baseball coach Danny Litwhiler had Steve Garvey, two-time MVP in the All-Star game and first baseman for the Los Angeles Dodgers, knocking down fences.

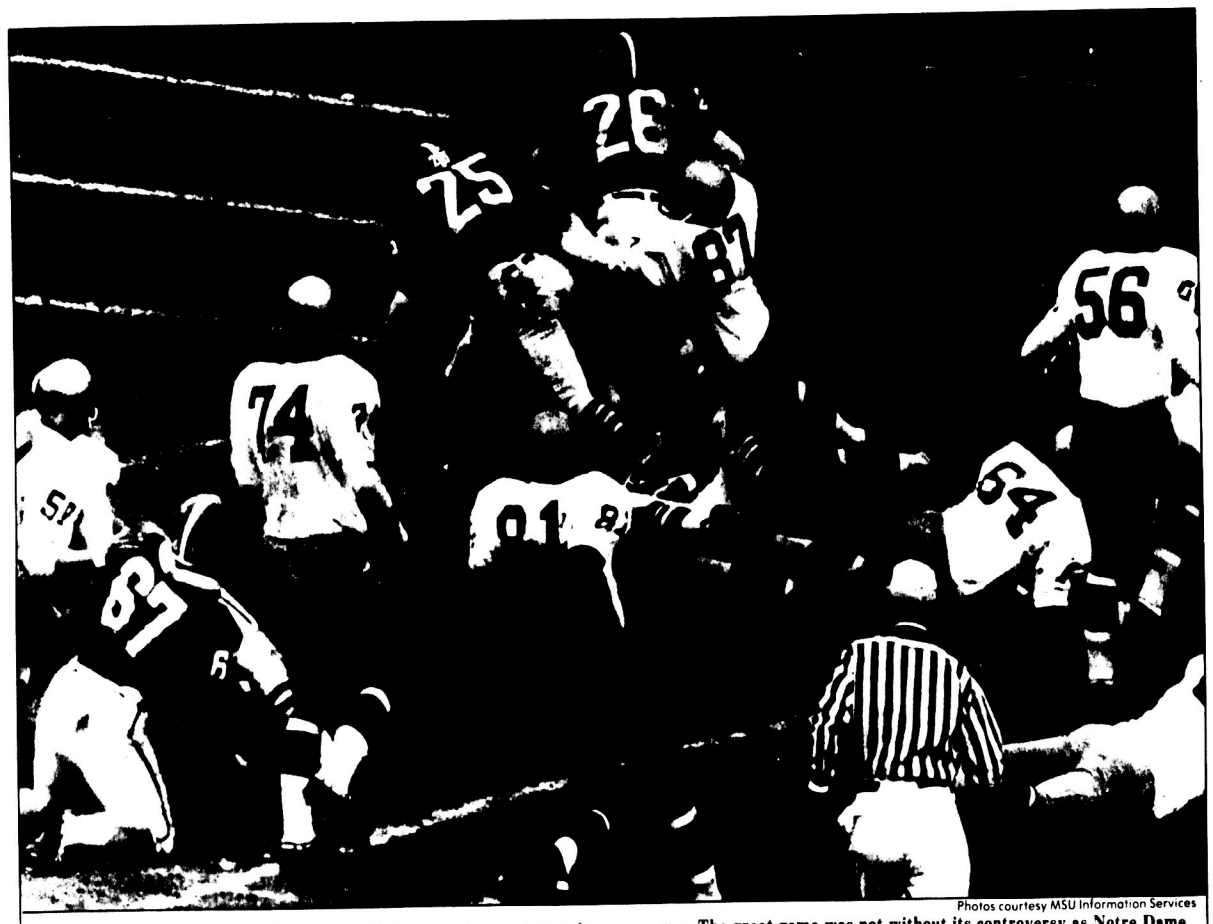
THE 1970s AND PROBATION

MSU has had some outstanding athletes this decade, including world record holding track stars Herb Washington and Marshall Dill and current basketball sensation Earvin "Magic" Johnson.

But the two things that stand out the most are the advent of women's varsity sports and the NCAA probation placed on the football program.

Women's sports began in 1972 with Nell Jackson being appointed to head the program up. There is little doubt that the Spartan women's teams have been very successful. But they are still in a battle with administrators over funding, and Title IX is currently one of the more controversial issues on campus.

The three-year NCAA probation was something that has put a dark cloud over the whole university — not just athletics — and has brought about many personnel changes. MSU is still feeling the effects of the probation, but is taking steps to recover.



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They called it the "Game of the Century." The media hype prior to the meeting between MSU and Notre Dame in 1966 was tremendous. But after all, it was a game to decide the national championship. In the titanic struggle, the two teams ended in a 10-10 deadlock. Regis Cavender (25) is shown here scoring the Spartans' only touchdown of the game. The great game was not without its controversy as Notre Dame coach, Ara Parseghian, was chastized when he went for the tie instead of the win at the end of the game. From this strategy came the slogan "Tie one for the Gipper."

MSU sports: a chronology

Michigan Agricultural College was founded in 1855 with no plans for organized sports of any kind. The administration, it was said, was very "anti-athletic."

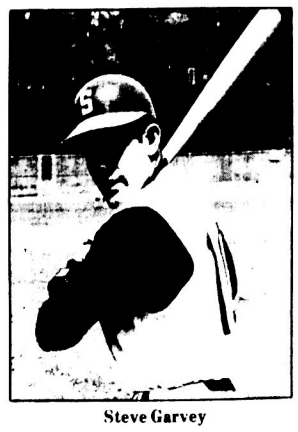
Now the name has been changed to Michigan State University and there are 24 varsity sports, about 40 club sports and one of the five largest intramural sports programs in the country.

How has it all happened? Here is a chronoloy which was taken, in part, from the book, Spartan Saga, by Fred W. Stabley, Sr., and Lyman Frimodig.

1862 Students begin the first of many campaigns to get athletics on campus.
1865 The student-run Star baseball team, first organized athletic team of any kind, is born on campus.
1881 The student newspaper of MAC, The Speculum, takes up a crusade against the anti-sports faculty and administration.
1886 A student-run athletic association is formed.
1889 Drill Room of the Armory, located where the Music Building now stands, is designated as MAC's first gymnasium.
1896 Football starts with a four-game schedule.
1899 Basketball enters the sports scene.
1903 Chester L. Brewer is hired as athletic director and coach of all sports with professional rank.
1908 The MAC Aggies have their first undefeated football season.
1916 The original version of the "Fight Song" is written by F.I. Lankey, a cheerleader.
1920 MAC joins the NCAA.
1923 The great Ralph Young becomes athletic director and football coach.
1924 Macklin Field, Spartan Stadium is dedicated. It seats 14,000.
1925 The school is renamed Michigan State College, and a year later, the nickname "Spartans" replaces "Aggies."
1937 After some good football seasons, the Spartans get their first football bowl bid, losing to Auburn in the Orange Bowl, 6-0.
1938 First of 26 straight NCAA cross country championships is held in East Lansing.
1940 Jenison Field House is dedicated.
1943 Regular sports are abandoned for World War II.
1945 The Spartan Statuette, Sparty, is unveiled.
1947 The legendary Biggie Munn becomes football coach.
1948 Seating in Macklin Field is raised to 51,000.
1949 Michigan State officially becomes a Big Ten member.
1952 Football team post second straight undefeated season and is ranked tops in both wire service polls.
1954 State beats UCLA in Rose Bowl, 28-20. Ralph Young retires as athletic director, Biggie Munn takes his spot, and Duffy Daugherty becomes head grid coach.
1956 Spartans win another Rose Bowl thriller, 17-14, over UCLA.
1957 Macklin Field renamed Spartan Stadium, and second deck is put on to raise the seating capacity to 76,000. Behind "Jimpin" Johnny Green, the basketball team goes to the semi-finals of the NCAA.
1958 Forrest Akers Golf Course is completed.
1959 Men's IM Building is completed.
1965 Football team undefeated and wins national championship before losing thriller in Rose Bowl to UCLA, 14-12.
1966 Called the biggest college football game in history, MSU ties Notre Dame, 10-10 at Spartan Stadium — the only blemish on the Spartans' record.
1969 Spartan Stadium gets a Tatan Turf surface.
1972 Women's athletics starts on a varsity level at MSU.
1974 MSU upsets Ohio State, 16-13, to upend Buckeyes' chances for a national title.
1976 MSU is slapped with a three-year probation for recruiting violations by the NCAA.
1978 Basketball interest is rekindled at MSU behind sparkling freshman, Earvin "Magic" Johnson. MSU makes it to the final eight in the NCAA tournament.

Ralph Young

John Kobs



Steve Garvey

George Webster

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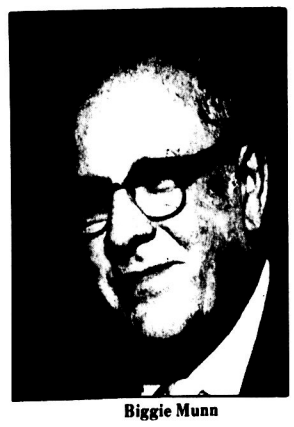

Biggie Munn

MSU staffer Mooney in search of a soccer goal

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By BILL MOONEY

Bill Mooney is an administrative assistant in the MSU Honors College who has written for Sports Illustrated. He is a frequent contributor to the State News. A confessed soccer adict, Mooney has found himself a bit lost on the MSU campus.

It is a common virtue of the Honors College secretaries that they give honest answers to questions, even if a query begs for collusion. My bathroom scale is bestowed with the same reliability, and one morning last June it registered 172 pounds, the most I had ever carried on my 5-foot-9 frame.

I informed Penny Lee Smith of this fact. "Well," she said, resting her arms on her typewriter, "you are getting a little chubby."

"Oh, come on, Penny, it doesn't really show that much, does it?" I stood sideways so she could get a better view.

"Yes it does. Your stomach . . . er . . . it sort of . . . ah . . . protrudes."

Ahem. The time had come to take some serious steps to get in shape. It wasn't going to be easy. My daily diet was to undergo major revision. Limited carbohydrates. Hardly any sugar at all. And the beer had to go.

I confided my plans to James H. Pickering, Director of the Honors College. "I figure 1½ pounds a week for fourteen weeks," I told him. "I'll be down in the low 150's by the end of the summer."

"It's an admirable quest you have," he said. "But you have to exercise, too. Look at me. I'm in good shape. I run three miles a day, play tennis. You have to do that to keep trim."

"But running bores me, and I can't swing a tennis racquet." I had broken my right arm the previous year and it was still bothersome.

"Hmmm," said James H. Pickering, puffing on his pipe. "Why don't you try soccer?"

It is said that soccer is one of the fastest growing sports in the United States, what with the New York Cosmos and the attention the game has received on national television in recent years. I went home and dug into my box of athletic equipment. Yes, the Wilson soccer ball was still there. I got on the phone and called Jim Kern, whose wife, Donna, teaches for the English Department.

"Listen, Kern, I want to get in shape. Get rid of this excess poundage. Would you like to work out with a soccer ball three or four times a week?"

"Sure," said Jim Kern.

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Finding the proper facilities and equipment to vent one's aggressive tendencies can, at times, be surprisingly difficult. I remember a couple of years ago when a friend and I decided to find out to what degree we had retained our ice hockey skills. Both of us had played in high school: he as a defenseman, I as a goalie.

The problem was that it was June and there were no ice rinks in operation. We did have some equipment in the form of a couple of sticks, but we lacked skates, a puck, and a goalie's mask and glove. Tennis shoes, a wiffle ball, and a baseball catcher's mask and outfielder's gloves helped solve our equipment shortage. The courtyard at Capital Villa Apartments, where I lived at the time, was our rink. A portion of the fence surrounding the swimming pool served as the goal.

"I feel kind of foolish," I told my friend, whose name was Paul Smyth. I stood by the edge of the fence and adjusted the catcher's mask. "Look at all those people on the balconies."

"It's no more foolish than playing with a frisbie," replied Paul Smyth. He lifted his stick and took a wrist shot.

For two hours, Smyth fired away as I tried to prevent him from scoring. We played evenly. The people on the balconies stared. One fellow put his finger next to his head and twirled it around.

Such problems don't exist, though, when one wants to play soccer. All you need is a ball and a goal. I had the former, and there were plenty of the latter on the MSU campus.

For a week, Jim Kern and I worked out on the soccer field across from the Instructional Media Center. We played games of twenty points: for every goal he scored he got one point, for every five shots I stopped I got the same (this was with him kicking from a designated spot). My muscles ached all over. It felt wonderful.

Then one evening in early July, we discovered that the soccer goals had been taken from the field. Our disappointment was hard felt, although in this case it turned out to be short-lived. "I've found some other soccer goals," said Jim Kern over the phone the next morning. "There are four of them, next to the varsity baseball field, in back of the Kellogg Center. They've got nets and everything."

For a fortnight, we practiced on the field in back of Kellogg. It was idyllic, the grass lush and green, the wind whispering through the trees in the background. My reflexes got sharper each night. My stomach began to flatten out, my leg muscles began to harden. My weight was fast approaching 160. "I'll never let myself get heavy again," I told Jim Kern.

Unfortunately, we arrived one evening to find that those soccer goals, too, had been removed. "How can they do that!?", said Jim Kern, the "they" obviously meaning the MSU Intramural Office. "Geez, you think they'd leave one goal up."

We drove to the varsity soccer field. The previous evening, the goals had been up. But now, everything, the nets, the goals, the stands, everything had vanished. "They've dismantled the entire field," said Jim Kern.

Around and around the MSU campus we drove. There wasn't a soccer goal in sight.

"I am going," I announced to the Honors College staff the next morning, "to write the nastiest column about the MSU Intramural Office imaginable. I'll wring their hides. The fastest growing sport in America, one of the largest universities in the United States, and there isn't a single soccer goal on the entire campus. Archery targets, tennis courts, a hundred softball diamonds, but not a single soccer goal."

I held an index finger up for emphasis. "It's all a plot, you know. MSU is determined to keep me fat."

The staff sympathized. One member, Associate Director Chitra Smith, had some advice. "Go see Frank Beeman, Director of Intramurals," she said. "Talk to him before you waylay anybody."

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Frank Beeman is, I would guess, in his fifties. He is in as fine a physical condition as anyone that age I have ever met. His shoulders are broad and square, his waist narrow, his face lean and friendly.

Beeman greeted me cordially. He listened to my tale of woe and chuckled. "Guess you seem a little snakebit, eh?"

"Yes," I said. "Why is it there aren't any soccer goals on campus? There are a couple, okay, over at Spartan Village. But they adjoin a softball field. When a softball game is going on, you can't use them."

Beeman sat back in his chair. "Those have been put up recently," he said. "We've got a number of foreign students over there."

"Accomodating students' athletic, intramural needs on campus is difficult," he exlained. "We had to remove the soccer goals on the east end of campus so the band could practice. Football season's coming you know. We took the goals down on the west end of campus so we could use the field for intramural softball. The goals and nets behind Kellogg were there for a special clinic. When it was over, we took them down."

He shuffled some papers on his desk. "These are the statistics for participants in intramural athletic activities for the past calendar year," he said, handing me several sheets stapled together. "We do the best we can to fulfill students' requests for sporting activities."

I looked through the sheets. In 1977-78, there were 35,870 participants in the 77 sports activities of the MSU Intramural Office. Softball, alone, totalled 14,633. Participation in soccer was minimal; 24 teams and 312 participants.

"Soccer started here initially as an intramural sport," said Dr. Beeman. "First four teams, made up essentially of foreign students. Eventually the program expanded to twelve teams, and then a soccer "club" was formed. The members, after a while, petitioned to become a varsity sport. Their request was granted and for two years that's all there was for soccer. But it ultimately did get going again intramurally, though not for a while."

I continued to browze through the list. Sports I had never heard of, Co-Rec Innertube Water Polo and One Pitch Co-Rec Softball, had drawn more participants than intramural soccer last year.

"But you will put up some soccer goals for fall?," I said to Dr. Beeman.

"Oh, yes, on the field across from Case and Wonders."

"And if more student interest develops, you will expand the intramural soccer program?"

"Oh, yes, assuredly."

He's a nice gentleman, Frank Beeman: typical of most administrators, I should add, whom I have met in this university. He gave me a valid explanation of why things are done, although

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With poor offense, MSU soccer team in search of the goal, too

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

With an experienced team returning, it's a safe assumption to say that MSU's soccer team will not be blown out too many times this year.

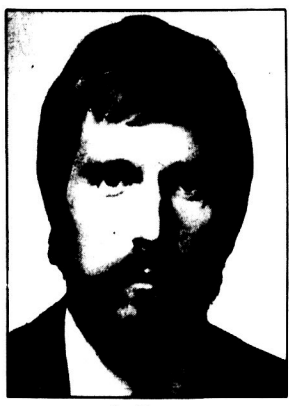
But one has to put something other than zeros on the scoreboard to win, which is where the Spartans problem lies.

Joe Baum saw this problem unfold last year as he found his first year as head coach of the Spartans to be the soccer team's first losing season ever.

"We were able to control the game 80-percent of the time, but were not able to cash in on the opportunities," Baum said. "Hopefully, with a year of experience under our belts, we will be able to score and gain more victories."

MSU has one dependable forward returning in last year's leading scorer Scott Campbell. If Baum can't find anyone at the forward position, he will have to do some juggling.

"I expect the freshmen to fill the forward spots, but if they don't, then I'll have to move someone up from the midfield position," Baum said. "The transistion from high school to college is drastic. In high school, you just don't play that many good teams."



Joe Baum

Although scoring was a problem last year, the forwards, at least, were given the opportunities to put the ball in the net, resulting from the strong play of the midfielders and defenders to set them up.

Baum expects the midfielders and defense, once again, to be solid this year.

The outside fullbacks on defense will be led by Bill Abbott and Obi Nwabara. But the strength of the defense will be on the inside with Tom Coleman and John Haidler.

Baum feels that Haidler hasn't received the recognition that he deserves and is pushing him for All-Midwest and All-American honors.

MSU was depending on Nick Bowento supply the key offensive punch last year. Bowen, however, ended up having a disappointing year at forward, but he has now found a new home on defense.

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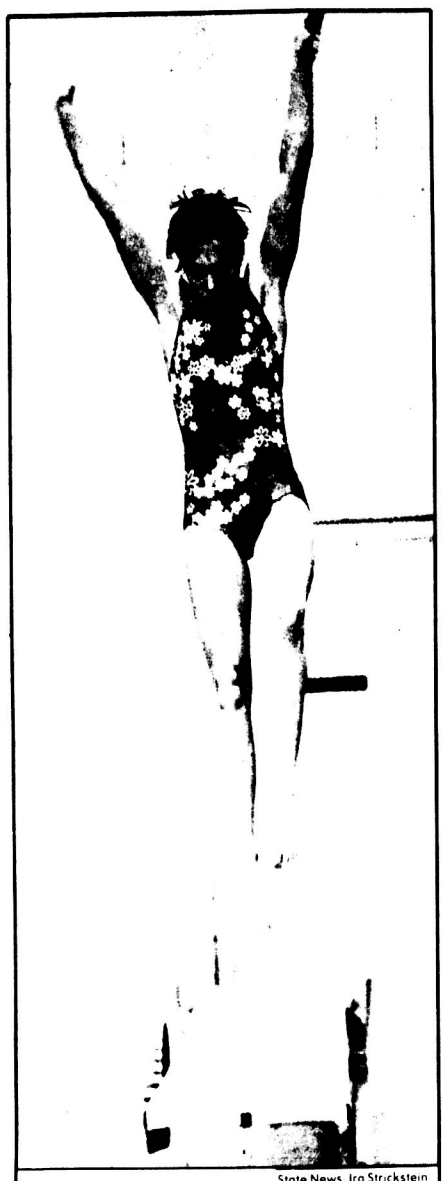

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Sophomore diver Annette Kubiske

Women gain coach; men are rebuilding

After a year's absence, MSU's women's swimming coach Jennifer Parks will be returning, having three Spartan record holders to work with.

Parks took a year off to work on her doctoral degree and will now enter her fifth year.

Three top returnees are Melinda Whitcomb, Kathy Kolon and Vicki LeFevre.

Whitcomb broke two team records last year in the 200-yard individual medley (2:13.52) and the 50-yard freestyle (:24.71).

Backstroker Kathy Kolon holds individual marks in the 100-yard backstroke (1:09.032) and the 200-yard backstroke (2:09.893).

Freestyler Vicki LeFevre holds the record in the 1650-yard freestyle with a 18:31.544 time.

On the other hand, the men's swimming team will not have as many top swimmers returning. It will be a rebuilding year as the team graduated the core of last year's squad.

Diver Kevin Machemer may be MSU's top returnee. The Detroit native completed his sophomore year with a second-place finish at the Big Ten conference meet on the one-meter board and a fourth-place finish at three meters. He went on to finish seventh at three meters in the NCAA competition.

Senior butterflyer Jeff Gaeckle and sophomore breaststroker Brian Story are the team's only other returning varsity letterwinners.

The Spartans lost ten seniors, including two-time Big Ten conference butterfly champ Shawn Elkins and 1978 Big Ten three-meter diving winner Jesse Griffin.

EIGEL, BOES PACE BALANCED TEAM

Women gymnasts eye Top 10 finish

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

MSU women's gymnastics coach Michael Kasavana has a rather pleasant problem: he has so much depth on his team, he doesn't know what to do with it all.

One thing he'll probably do with all the depth is lead the team to a top ten finish in this season's Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women nationals, a meet which the Spartans finished 11th in a year ago.

Missing will be All-American Pam Steckroat, who has graduated. But MSU has such strength, especially in the all-around competition, that the Spartans should be much improved this season.

"We were able to get some national exposure with our finish last year and that helped in recruiting," Kasavana said. "We've got three gymnasts coming in with extensive training. And with the people we have returning, we should be in the top ten in the country."

Last year, the Spartans won the Big Ten title, the State of Michigan AIAW championship and finished second in the regionals before finishing 11th in the nationals.

The four events competed in for women's gymnastics are floor exercise, vaulting, uneven parallel bars and balance beam. In meets, a team can use two specialists in each event and four people must compete in all-around.

So there's only four spots for every meet in all-around competition. But Kasavana said he has seven outstanding all-around performers who will vie for the four openings.

A pair of sophomores will lead the Spartans' all-around corp, Mary Beth Eigel and Lori Boes. Eigel, whose best event is floor exercise, averaged 34.38 in all-around competition last season. Boes also had an excellent average of 33.15, with her best event being the balance beam. Amy Thompson and Diane Lovato, who are also returning, had identical averages of 33.02 last season.

And when you add incomers Jennifer Britt, Colleen Smith and Kit Bunker, MSU has so much all-around strength that many of these gymnasts will have to compete as specialists.

Specialists who are returning for Kasavana's squad include: Sara Skillman (9.2 in the uneven parallel bars and 9.1 in vaulting), Cheryl Ballaire (9.45 in vaulting) and Pam Harris (8.95 in the uneven parallel bars).

Unfortunately for MSU fans, the team will not have that many home meets this season. One of the reasons for this is because Kasavana thinks MSU doesn't get as good of judging in the state of Michigan as schools do elsewhere. Consequently, the Spartans suffer when trying to qualify for the regional and nationals.

But the competition MSU will face this winter is very strong. Included will be a meet at Jenison Field House against national power Louisville, and road meets against Clarion State, Massachusetts and Chicago-Circle.

Kasavana and his assistant coach Jodi Hitt Brandon are eyeing a finish in the top five or six in the country.

And this year, MSU has the talent and experience to do it.

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Lori Boes is just one of the numerous outstanding all-around performers women's gymnastic coach Michael Kasavana has on his squad. The gymnasts finished 11th in last year's AIAW nationals.

Women cagers hurt by key graduation losses

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

Ordinarily, when a basketball team loses four of its five starters, it's a good bet that a rebuilding year is in order.

For the MSU women's basketball team, that may not be the case.

Although the Spartans are losing their two starting guards (Karen Santoni and Diane Spoelstra) and a pair of excellent frontliners (Kathy DeBoer and Jill Prudden), Langeland still has a nucleus to build around.

Center Mary Kay Intyre and guard-forward Lori Hyman are the main reasons for the enthusiasm.

Itnyre, who transfered after one year at Arizona State, led MSU in almost every offensive category last year, including scoring with a 17.1 points per game average.

Hyman was injured early in the season against Northwestern, after starting her first two years at MSU. She is an amazing shooter and, if the Spartans would have had her in tournament play last year, they could have been a force to be reckoned with.

"It hurt a lot to lose Lori," Langeland said. "She has the furthest shooting range I've seen and we could have used her against all the zone defenses we faced."

Even without Hyman, MSU finished with a respectable 21-7 mark, although it did lose in the first round of the AIAW Regionals, held at Jenison Field House. As Langeland begins her third season at the helm, she carries a 44-13 record with two state titles and one regional crown to her credit.

Guard could be a real problem area for Langeland since Santoni, Spoelstra and Carmen King have graduated and Pam Rendine has quit school.

Anne Sober is the only returnee at the position with a lot of experience, so Langeland will have to count on some incoming recruits to pick up the slack. Two junior college transfers — Dawn Hertz and Nancy Hinenburg — along with freshman Debbie Traxinger are expected to battle for starting spots.

"It's hard to tell what kind of a team we'll have with only five of our top 12 players returning," Langeland said. "We just have to get everyone working together."

Last spring, the team unanimously filed a complaint with since-fired director of women's programs Mary Pollock. The complaint has been taken off-campus to the Department of Health Education and Welfare.

Basically, the complaint stated that the team was discriminated against in terms of facilities, coaching personnel, financial aid, etc., on the basis of sex.

There is the possibility that the complaint could be considered during the season, but Langeland doesn't expect it to affect the team's play.

"It's hard to tell, but I don't think it will matter," she said. "They are here to play basketball. But, at the same time, this is a very important matter."

Women's tryouts to be held soon

According to assistant athletic director in charge of women's athletic, Nell Jackson, most of the varsity athletes on the 10 women's teams have been walk-ons.

Scholoarship money is rather scarce for the teams, so in order to get sufficient depth, many of the coaches rely on the non-recruited athlete. Many have become starters, despite not being recruited out of high school.

During the next few weeks, tryouts will be held for many of the sports. Anyone interested in playing the sports is urged to tryout. Although MSU does have some top athletes it is by no means easy to make the teams, every year some walk-ons will make their presence known.

Contact the women's athletic department by phone or in person at Jenison Field House to find out the tryout schedule.

The complete schedule was not made available for publication by the deadline for the Welcome Week edition.

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MSU spring sports kept busy all year

Forced to practice in some rather odd places

While the fall and winter sports are in full swing, the participants for many of the spring sports will still be kept busy, practicing whenever and wherever they can find a place.

The spring athletes have to spend the first two-thirds of the school year practicing at odd hours and at odd places, including the basement of the Men's IM, the Turf Arena and tennis clubs around Lansing.

But many teams also get a break after winter term by heading southward to face other schools in warming up for the season.

Yet some sports, such as women's softball, don't have a full squad to have pre-season practice with because some of the athletes are involved in other sports.

Last year, five of the softball players were unable to make the spring trip due to previous commitments to the basketball team.

One key player for the softball team that will again have the same problem this year is Carol Hutchins (top left).

The softball team went through a disappointing season last year. The previous season they were state and Big Ten champs and placed third in the nation. The year before that they were national champions.

Last year, they had most of their team back but couldn't defend their state title and were eliminated in the regionals after receiving an at-large berth.

The Spartans did salvage a Big Ten title and defeated powers Northern Illinois, Grand Valley and Ball State.

Another team with a disappointing season last year was MSU's golf team.

A young squad last year finished ninth in the Big Ten. But coach Bruce Fossum was going with his underclassmen and the Spartans are hoping the experience will pay off for them this year.

Junior Rick Grover (bottom middle) was the team's top performer last year. Grover was MSU's top finisher at the Big Ten tournament and Spartan Invitational.

The Spartans also got a chance to give last year's freshmen Kirk Herrick, Ed Kelbel and Steve Lubbers experience at the Big Ten tournament. Another key veteran returning will be senior Eric Gersonde.

MSU's men's tennis team will also have a young team returning.

The top two singles players Tighe Keating and Kevin McNulty have graduated from last year's squad that placed sixth in the Big Ten.

But MSU will have sophomores Frank Willard, Matt Sandler, junior Steve Carter and Steve Klemm returning.

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Sandler and Carter (top right) took the runner-up spot in the Big Ten in No. 3 doubles. Sandler was also a third-place finisher in the Big Ten in the consolation singles competition.

Klemm and Willard combined in the No. 2 singles bracket to reach the consolation finals in the Big Ten.

The men's tennis team may have most of its team returning, but the women's team will have all of its team coming back.

One player, however, that coach Earl Rutz hopes to see more action from is top singles and doubles player Debbie Mascarin, who missed a good portion of last season with a re-occuring pulled leg muscle injury.

Mascarin, a senior, and junior Cindy Bogdonas went to regionals last year. Bogdonas bowed in the first round, but Mascarin reached the quarterfinals.

Big Ten winner in No. 5 singles last year, Diane Selke (bottom left) returns for her final year along with Mike Kruger.

Heather MacTaggart, who reached the Big Ten finals in No. 6 singles as a freshman last year, and junior Jennifer Brielmaier will round off the Spartan squad.

The team placed sixth in the Big Ten last year, second in the state and received an at-large bid for regionals. The Big Ten finish was without Mascarin and Brielmaier.

Also during the spring, one gets a chance to see and wander around Spartan Stadium when it's nearly empty while an MSU lacrosse game is in progress.

But MSU lacrosse coaches Boku Hendrickson and Nevin Kanner are trying to fill Spartan Stadium during the spring by not only promoting the team, but the sport through clinics, leagues and all-star games to make the game the kind of money-producer it is in the East.

But first, MSU's lacrosse team must produce a winner. Since they have no scholarship money to work with, the coaches have to teach most of the athletes from scratch. Their young players, such sophomore Mark Purcell (bottom right) will be counted on in building the program for the future.

The Spartans will lose their top point-getter Tim Flanagan, but will have Kevin Willitts, MSU's third all-time leading scorer coming back from a year's absence because of a broken leg.

Last year's top goal scorer Joe Politowicz, co-captain Ken Davis and goaltender Bill McGinniss will also be returning.

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Serving needs: *Men's and women's Varsity Clubs emphasize community involvement*

By LINDA M. OLIVERIO

"Athletes, who have so much attention paid to them, are required to pay attention to other people. They realize that other people aren't as fortunate as them," said Dr. Fred Tinning advisor for the men's Varsity "S" Club.

The Varsity Club, organized in the late 1800s, was created to promote cooperation among the varsity athletes, high standards of involvement with the community and University and "unite and direct the purposes of MSU athletes for their collective betterment," according to the club constitution.

"It's really a good character building organization," said Tinning, who is also the assistant dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine.

"The athletes realize they are serving the University with their talents. It's still a privilege for them to get a fine education at a fine University," he said.

Kay White, vice president of student affairs and advisor of the Women's Varsity Club, added, "The main benefit for both clubs is they (the athletes) get to meet other people. The club provides a form for people in different sports to get to know each other."

The clubs are involved in many community service projects. Last spring the men's organization held a softball game of varsity athletes versus celebrities and invited over 200 handicapper kids to watch. The event raised $500 for the Ralph Young Fund, Tinning said.

Members do such things as hospital visitation and the club also brings handicappers to different sporting events on campus. He explained that many of the 100 active members are also Big Brothers.

The men's organization also works closely with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, of which Tinning is also the campus advisor. With the FCA, the men's club brought in 200 Christian boys from a home in Marlet for a football game.

"The athletes realize they are serving the University with their talents. It's still an opportunity for them to get a fine education at a fine university." -- Fred Tinning

The Women's Varsity Club was started just two years ago, White said. She describes the group as "very heterogeneous in that the athletes are from all 10 women's varsity sports."

The self-supporting club sold bumper stickers and tickets to the Green & White game. There are between 25 and 30 members currently.

Activities still being planned include becoming Big Sisters and sponsoring a symposium on women in sports.

"I'm sure there is going to be a AIAW (Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women) track meet at MSU next spring and we'll be helping out voluntarily with that, too," White said.

Both clubs induct honorary members every year. Last year the women added Nell Jackson, assistant director of women's athletics, and golf coach Mary Fossum.

The men's organization inducted, amongst others, Presidents Edgar Harden, stadium janitor George Forback, and Roy Bergman, who supports MSU athletics from his Upper Peninsula home.

Officers for the clubs are elected every spring. Jim Cotter (baseball) is president, Kevin Willitts (lacrosse) is vice-president, and Jeff Minahan and Jody McCullogh of the football team are secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Volleyball player Mitzi Hazlett is the women's president, Sue Campbell (field hockey) is vice-president, Amy Thompson (gymnastics) is secretary and golfer Sue Ertl is treasurer.

In order to become a men's Varsity "S" Club member, any letter winner should attend a meeting, held every other Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the Varsity Club room, located in Spartan Stadium, Tinning explained. Requirements include working on a service project with other members, knowing the fight song, being committed and getting the traditional club paddle signed.

The women's club meets every other Sunday in the Women's IM Building lounge. Members must attend at least three meetings per term. Prospective members have to have a paddle signed by honorary and active members and there is a $10 initiation fee. The first meeting will be held September 24 at 7 p.m.

State News Kathy Kilbury

Sophomore Marvin Gibbs, shown here on the pommel horse, is the main reason men's gymnastics coach George Szypula is optimistic about the upcoming season. The North Carolina native was impressive is his first year as a Spartan and Szypula feels he is one of the strongest competitors in the Midwest in all-around competition.

Although still rebuilding, MSU grapplers should be improved

By JERRY BRAUDE
State News Sports Writer

Not only will MSU's football team be attempting to break up the "Big Two, Little Eight" concept; so will the wrestling team.

Instead of collapsing the football dominance of Ohio State and Michigan, the grapplers will be endeavoring to surpass conference powers Iowa, the champions for the past five years, and Wisconsin.

Last year, MSU finished a distant third to the two schools, and on paper, it looks like this year may be no different, according to coach Grady Peninger.

"The intangibles such as injuries have a lot to do with it," Peninger said. "Iowa will be back up there, and Wisconsin should be pushing them. On paper, it looks like it will be between the rest of the schools for third place."

Besides Iowa and Wisconsin, Peninger's biggest worry is Minnesota.

"We scored a tremendous upset by beating Minnesota out for third place last year," Peninger said. "The Gophers have a very good team coming back."

Peninger feels that he will have a solid lineup this year, but that he is constantly rebuilding.

"We lost Dennis Brighton, Don Rodgers and Bruce Harrington, but we should still have a good team with Mike Walsh and Jim Ellis returning," Peninger said.

Walsh, who wrestled at 134 last year and Ellis, who wrestled at 177 last year, took runner-up positions in the Big Ten meet a season ago.

Peninger also has high expectations for Jeff Thomas, who wrestled in the 126 weight class last year.

"Jeff is a tremendous wrestler and could possibly be nationally-ranked. He's a very fine young man and is a tough wrestler," Peninger said.

Peninger hopes to form the recruits around a good nucleus of returning letterman.

"Overall, we were pleased with the recruiting," Peninger said. "I consider that we recruited some very fine athletes."

The Spartan's top recruit was Fred Worthum out of Mt. Clemens, who will wrestle in the 150-pound weight class.

"I feel that Fred will be able to make a definite contribution," Peninger said.

The wrestlers also have received the services of junior transfer Charlie Schowen, a 190-pounder from Cincinnati.

One of MSU's major changeovers is losing highly-regarded assistant coach Stan Dziedzic, who will be preparing the U.S. team for national competition in Lincoln, Neb. Pat Milkovich is Dziedzic's replacement. He was the first wrestler in the Big Ten to reach the finals of the NCAA tournament for four consecutive years.

Minus Gibson, hitters still strong

The MSU baseball team will be minus one superstar this season when it attempts to improve on last year's 33-21 record and subsequent berth in the NCAA tournament.

Kirk Gibson, a football and baseball standout for MSU, signed with the Detroit Tigers following last season -- his first year of baseball since high school. After hitting .390 and setting Spartan seasonal records for homeruns (16) and runs batted in (52), Gibson opted to sign a professional contract with the Tigers for a reported $200,000.

Even without the Waterford slugger, Danny Litwhiler's MSU squad should be strong this season. The reason is tremendous depth in pitching.

Three of Litwhiler's four starting pitchers will return this year, headed by junior righthander Brian Wolcott (9-3, 3.96). A pair of freshmen, Mark Pomorski (6-3, 2.54) and Jay Strother (4-2, 2.38), should also improve this season. Litwhiler also recruited some top-notch pitchers.

When you add to that some powerful hitting, the outlook is bright.

Returning is All-Big Ten shortstop Rodger Bastien, a .353 hitter last season. Outfielders Tom Schultz, Joe Lopez and Kenny Robinson return, too.

Last year, the Spartans gained an at-large berth in the NCAA tournament, after losing the Big Ten title to Michigan on the last day of the regular season. MSU was eliminated with two straight losses in the tournament.

The outlook is bright for Litwhiler, who formerly played for the Philadelphia Phillies. And a Big Ten title isn't out of the question.

State News Robert Kozloff

MSU shortstop Rodger Bastien, an All-Big Ten selection in his junior year, looks to turn a double play in a win over Michigan last year at Kobs Field. Danny Litwhiler's team should battle for the conference title with its strong pitching staff and powerful battling lineup.

Gymnasts lack depth, but in Gibbs, they have a superstar

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Sports Writer

The MSU men's gymnastics team has enough front-line talent to make head coach George Szypula optimistic for the 1979 winter season. But Szypula is the first to admit his team lacks the depth to be a power.

"We were hurt by graduation and we lack a little depth," Szypula said. "We should be a good team, though."

Lost to graduation were all-around standouts Jeff Rudolph and Doug Campbell and ringman Tom Meagher, among others.

But returning is Marvin Gibbs, who last year as a freshman showed the potential to be one of the top gymnasts in the Midwest.

"The key man on our team will definitely be Marvin Gibbs," Szypula said. "We're counting on him and Dan Miller to give us a good all-around punch."

The events competed in for men's gymnastics are floor exercise, horizontal bar, parallel bars, rings, vaulting and side horse.

In addition to the all-around performers, Szypula can use specialists in each of the events. And one of his top specialists is Charlie Jenkins, who is strong in floor exercise, parallel bars and vaulting.

On the side horse, Szypula has very few worries. He said senior Paul Hammonds, transfer Jim Prescott and Hubert Streep should do well in this event.

Jenkins and captain Charlie Fanta give MSU a strong one-two punch in the parallel bars.

Others who should contribute in the all-around competition are Pete Porzucek, Ken Stansburg, Bruce Unkefer and Carl Szypula, the coach's son.

Szypula also had a respectable recruiting year, and he expects many of the freshmen to step right in and help. Rich Licata, a sixth-place finisher in the Illinois high schools finals in the horizontal bar, and Greg Shelton, runner-up in the rings competition while competing for Ann Arbor Huron, are two of the top recruits.

MSU fencing team

Entering his 40th season as head coach of the MSU fencing team is Charlie Schmitter -- the varsity coach with the longest tenure at MSU.

As has been the case in the past, Schmitter will not have any scholarships to work with in building his team. Naturally, he has to rely on a lot of walk-ons to fill the spots on the team.

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Johnson aiming for NCAA championship for MSU

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and to be more physical.

"You have to be a lot smarter in college," Johnson said. "I can't get away with the mistakes I made in high school."

"When I make these mistakes, I have to pay the price."

Compared to last summer, Johnson has been under the spotlight less this off-season because of the smaller number games that he is allowed to appear in.

MSU head basketball coach Jud Heathcote said there is a 90 percent chance Johnson will turn pro after this season. So, enjoy him and his act while you can. It's something not easy to forget.

Kearney working to rebuild MSU athletics

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"Extra-curricular activities are an integral part of campus life because they take the student out of the narrow confines," Kearney said. "Extra-curricular activities cut across so many boundries, and the excitement spills over to the fans. Activities such as the band, clubs and just associating with other students are just as important as sports."

So athletics at MSU are one the upswing. But how about college athletics as a whole?

The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the same body which put MSU on football probation, is currently being investigated by a United States House of Representatives subcommittee.

"I sort of have mixed feelings about the NCAA; all of us have felt that the NCAA has room for improvement," Kearney said. "I just hope Congress doesn't get into intercollegiate athletics. There would be a lot of 'political football' issues tossed around."

The MSU football program has overcome the stigma of probation, but this season it will face another tough problem — a tenacious schedule. With Southern California, Notre Dame and Michigan back-to-back, MSU's record may not improve, even though the team may be stronger.

"We feel pleased with our progress; but what we still need is a program with depth," Kearney said. "We've still got a lot of development to do."

MSU soccer team needs more offensive output

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"We moved him to defense this spring, and it turned out to be a very successful move," Baum said.

The midfielders will have three starters returning in Mike Price, who will begin his fourth year as a starter, Dave Abbott, who started last year as a freshman and junior Coleman Younes.

Overall, the team will have 14 of its top 18 players returning including nine of 11 that started for the second half of the season.

But one key player that won't be returning is goaltender Mark Gembarowski, presenting another problem for the team.

The job will be open to two freshman along with returnees Rob Grinter and Peer Brunnschweiler.

Baum, who has first-hand knowledge of the goaltender position since he had a career goals against average mark of 0.70, including a 33-game unbeaton streak at MSU, feels goaltenders have a lot of pressure on them.

"Goaltenders have the most pressure on them because they are the last man on defense," Baum said. "There will be a lot of competition for goal this year. Whoever wins it will have a burden on his shoulders."

Baum's primary goal for the season is to regain a winning season. His secondary goal is to get a NCAA tournament bid.

"Getting a NCAA bid will be really tough because we will have to win something like 13 of our 14 games," Baum said. "That's with a schedule that includes Indiana, Spring Arbor College, Akron and Bowling Green. All those schools give scholarships, but we don't. But that doesn't bother me, and I think we can hold our own.

Last spring, MSU played the Detroit Express reserves in an exhibition game and lost 1-0. "Even though we lost, the game was a real confidence builder," Baum said. "It made us realize how good we can really be."

Lansing parks peaceful

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the trails.

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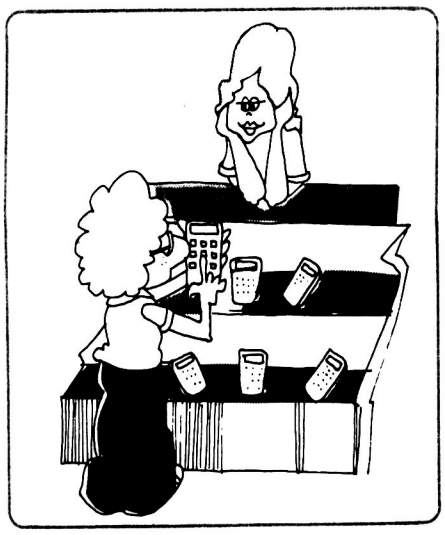

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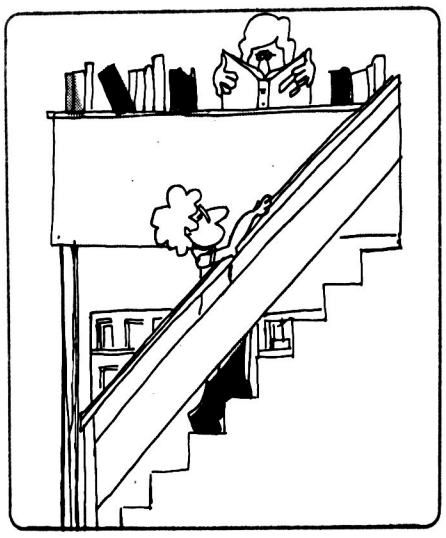

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Welcome Week September, 1978

MSU On Stage

By IRA ELLIOTT
State News Staff Writer

The phone rings.

The voice at the other end of the phone is muffled — but recognizable — and the music playing behind me is loud.

"Are you in the know?" the voice seems to say. I recognize the caller as a local promoter, but don't know what he's talking about.

"In the know?" I shout back.

"You have some blow?" he repeats.

Ah, *blow*. "No, but how much are you interested in?"

"About two grams," he says.

I hesitate. "Maybe. But I doubt it. When did you want it?" I ask, as it's getting late in the evening.

"Tonight," my promoter friend says. "The guys in the band are a little hot."

Light goes on. The show's tonight, I remember. The brief business conversation ends and I promise to call some people, though the likelihood of getting something together for that night is small.

As it turned out, the boys must have cooled off on their own, because no coke could be obtained that night.

If it had, the cash for it would have come straight from the performer's pocket. Perhaps a promoter will act as go-between, but as far as I can tell they never actually buy the drugs for a performer. It's possible that on a professional level a promoter might score some dope for an artist and pay from his own funds, but (ethics aside) it's too expensive for campus groups.

The cocaine story is an isolated case. But it illustrates pretty well the ways a promoter is responsible for keeping an artist — and, in turn, the audience — happy.

Along with many contracts between artist and promoter comes a rider, which may specify anything from exact dimensions for the stage to the kind of dinner the band members would like. The bigger name acts usually have more detailed riders than the smaller ones.

One of the most detailed riders for a Mariah Folk and Blues concert, for instance, came with the contract for Jesse Winchester and Midnight Bus last spring. They asked for a "Steinway Grand Piano (7 feet)" that "shall be tuned to A440 prior to artist's sound check on the day of the engagement by 3:30 p.m., returned after the sound check and prior to artist's performance."

In addition, Winchester asked for a "comfortable and private dressing room" with "two tables, six chairs, at least two mirrors, six cloth towels," and "eight towels on stage." For dinner, Winchester's band requested "assorted meats, cheeses, fruit, vegetables, breads and relishes; two quarts of unsweetened orange juice, one quart of milk, two pitchers of water, and 24 assorted soft drinks;" along with a hot meal

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The area arts: Much ado about money?

State News Kathy Kilbury

inside

Above, the Princess (Marianne F. Lubken) and Chance Wayne (Rob Lewis) in the "Sweet Bird of Youth," staged last May. Theater is but one delicacy (some would say spoiled food) in a veritable smorgasboard of entertainment offerings at MSU. There's film (page 3) the museum and Kresge Art Center (pages five and six) and the newest craze, disco, with all its narcissistic overtones (page 4). But if dancing and spectating is not to your taste, try your hand at the new-fangled generation of electronic "you are there" computer games (page 27), learn about record care (page 21), or check out the Big Picture at Abrams Planetarium and the observatory (page 18). Cavort with prostitutes and porno purveyors on Michigan Ave. (page 17), and if all else fails, drown your sorrows in some healthy brew at the watering holes surveyed on page 24.

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

They all want to escape from the pain of being alive. And most of all, from love. I always knew something like this would turn up — some problem, like an ill wife — and it would be too much for those delicate, hothouse feelings of yours.

It's no good trying to fool yourself about love. You can't fall into it like a soft job, without dirtying up your hands. It takes muscle and guts. And if you can't bear the thought of messing up your nice, clean soul, you'd better give up the whole idea of life, and become a saint. Because you'll never make it as a human being. It's either this world or the next.

John Osborne's
Look Back in Anger
Act II, scene II

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Look Back in Anger opened in London in 1956. The passion, anger and intensity with which it explored the topic of marriage, dependence and love was new to the theater. Williams had broached the subject before, but not with the hardcore realism of Osborne.

The quotation mean a great deal to many people. For them, Jimmy's Porter's verbal tirade against his wife Allison is the quintessence of what love is; a realistic definition of what the process of falling in love involves, and probably the closest we can come to defining the elusive term.

Art, like love, is also a state that one cannot attain easily and only by wanting. There are problems, pain, conflict and complication involved in attaining both love and art. The idea of not being able to fall easily into something can also be attributed to the state of the arts at MSU, particularly theater.

There are problems with the theater offered at MSU. But the problems are not easily delineated or defined. They represent a complex labryinth involving dollars, space, talent, tenability, egos and again.

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"We have to convince the student sitting in his dorm room that he should spend his $5 at a play rather than at a known quantity like Dooley's." — *Frank Rutledge, chairperson, MSU Theatre Department*

The evolution of a new theater (it's still evolving)

By JAMES L. SMITH
State News Staff Writer

And the beat goes on.

Before many of today's MSU students were born, the need for a new theater facility to replace out-dated Fairchild Auditorium were being bantered about. Frustrated through the years by a lack of money and constantly shifting priorities, the dream of a new performing arts center is still in the planning stages.

The currently-planned facility is the $11 million showpiece of a $17 million Capital Enrichment Program launched in April 1977 by then MSU President Clifton R. Wharton Jr.

But the history of MSU's quest for a modern theater complex goes much further back.

In 1965, when plans for a new student union were discarded by then MSU President John A. Hannah, plans for an all-events building evolved, after meetings with student leaders.

Plans were drawn for a circular building to be located across from the tennis courts on Shaw Lane with a seating capacity of 14,870 for basketball, indoor graduations, concerts and convocations. But there was a hitch.

Cost, coincidentally, for the all-events building was estimated at $11 million, to be financed from a $10 yearly student fee and football ticket sales. The bulk of the money, $9 million, would have come from the student fee.

"We've got to get the students to accept this building," Executive Vice President Jack Breslin said in 1970. "If we could get the students to put up $10 a year, we could pay for it. But the students will have to come out publicly and say they want it and will pay for it."

The students didn't and the idea faded into the archives.

During the discussions for the events building, however, renewed efforts were launched to upgrade MSU's theater

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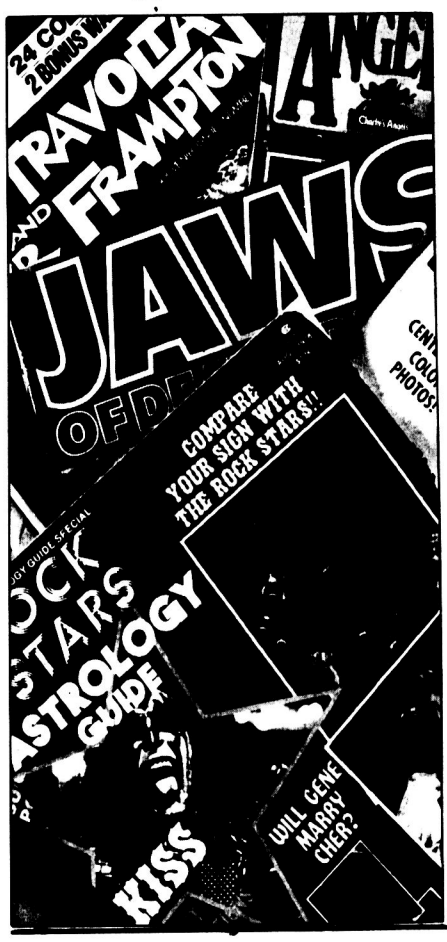

By DAVE DiMARTINO
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Pop culture, as the saying goes, knows no bounds.

Last month, Farrah Fawcett-Majors hair-care products were introduced by Faberge. Lynda Carter and Cheryl Ladd released their first — and hopefully their last — record albums. John Travolta is undoubtedly on his way to decorating Charmin toilet tissue wrappings and money, good ol' money, is piling up higher and higher in the bank.

Popular culture is the equivalent of a "people's" recorded history; it reflects the values and valuelessness of our culture while it happens and is probably ultimately more influential than the presence of Cuban troops in Angola or the devaluation of the American dollar could ever be. Politics is conceptual; **Grease**, **Sgt. Peppers** and sharks and swarms aren't. Politics control money; pop culture simply makes it and asks no questions.

College students and little children are the best reflectors of popular culture for essentially the same reason: whatever they want, their parents will buy them. It's as simple as that. And that's why it's the little kids who wear Darth Vader shirts and buy Charlie's Angels cards, and the big kids who bought Annie Hall clothes last year and this year read Tom Robbins before they go to sleep at night.

College and pop culture go together like hot dogs and buns or pharoahs and faucets. You scratch my back, I'll scratch yours **ad infinitum**. Posters, T-shirts, buttons, magazines, fan clubs, more posters, even Kiss and **Kotter** comic books — they're all over, waiting to be bought by finally-free freshman who've attained their first real degree of freedom away from home and their parents' overbearing concern. Best of all, their parents haven't quite cut all ties with their college-bound kids, and these kiddies still get weekly checks from the folks at home. As a rule, parents always overestimate how much their kids actually **need**, and as a result, freshmen, finally out on their own, ready to establish their own identity, have lots of extra cash. Where do you think it goes?

Ultimately it goes into Suzanne Somers' — among many others — pocketbook. Which is fine. She needs all the money she can get this year, someone else'll need it **next** year. As Andy Warhol suggested a decade ago, everyone in the world should be famous for 15 minutes. It's happening sooner than we think.

Face it. Some things are **cool**, some aren't. They come and they go. And probably the biggest indicator of hip, college sophistication is to be committed **totally** to either the cool or the uncool aspects of our popular culture. Sure, you may have a couple of punk rock records up there on your shelf — but look across the room. Aren't there a couple of Carlos Castenada books up there on the shelf, too? Shame on you.

Mixing cool with uncool is **bad** news. It's unsophisticated. Commitment — **true** commitment — is cool. If you like **Star Wars** and have children, then you **force** them to wear a Darth Vader mask when they eat and sleep. You call your husband Luke, your wife Leia. You buy John Williams records — and John Williams alone. You buy every piece of printed matter concerning **Star Wars** and glue it over your TV screen. You **live** Star Wars and you like it. You spit on Richard Dreyfuss and boycott Jack Webb. Et cetera.

But say you're a piddlin' greenie (all space puns aside) of a freshman, anxious to display your wealthy knowledge of the truly cool. Obviously **Star Wars** is out. Too common, too well-known, and too exploited. You wanna be different, be known as the person who "was hip to" phenomenon X before it was a full-fledged phenomenon. What do you do?

You can take a chance. You can wait in line to see **King Kong** before everyone finds out it's a dog of a flick. You can spot the new star of a "jiggle show" the first week it's aired and tell all your friends you **especially** like the cute, stupid blonde or the dumb guy with the mustache who always walks into walls. You can walk down to Paramount News and check out their magazine racks to see which star has his or her face on the most magazine covers, then tell your friends you're especially sick of that person.

But why be so negative? Why be so unsure? Why even **worry** about liking the right or wrong stuff when you don't have to:

Why don't you have to? Glad you asked.

What follows is an official guide to cool and uncool things to like for fall 1978. While such a list might reasonably appear pompous or high-falutin' — big deal. Save this list and check it out a year from now. And remember, you read it here first:

Cool TV stars: Jethro Bodine, Oliver and Lisa Douglas; Jerry Hubbard; David "Bosley" Doyle; Barnaby Jones, (only because of **Beverly Hillbillies associations**); Oral Roberts, (because of first name); Davey of **Davey and Goliath**; Misterogers (for his tongue-in-cheek manner); Porky of the Little Rascals; Samuel Beckett (whenever he's on); Dr. Smith of **Lost in Space** (he's not quite so good in **Space Academy**); Sally Field as either **Gidget** or the **Flying Nun**; George Jefferson of **The Jeffersons**; Marcus Welby, because of his vague drug associations; Gomer Pyle; Herman Munster; both Wilbur Post and Mr. Ed; Cosmo Topper; Donald Duck; Wimpy; Fozzy Bear; Allen Funt, for being legal; Barney Fife; Mel of the **Dick Van Dyke Show**, who also gets special mention as Lumpy's dad in **Leave it To Beaver**; **Petticoat Junction**'s Uncle Joe; Rerun on **What's Happening?**; Mister Greenjeans; Paul Lynde, for being possibly the **most obnoxious** performer on television; Elroy Jetson; Sgt. Schultz; Gilligan; Ted Baxter; and last but not least, a special mention to **Green Acres**, a show that not only spawned the above-mentioned Douglases, but also a veritable wealth of cool stars including the terrible trio of Arnold Ziffel,

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RHA: taxing its way to more (better?) movies

Dormitory residents will be able to view an unlimited number of RHA movies each term at no admission charge. A $3 refundable movie tax collected at registration covers the cost.

Despite protests from local theaters and other film groups, students passed the movie tax in January by a three-to-one margin.

The new tax, which will divert $5,000 to other film groups, allows RHA to rent films for a flat fee of $10,000.

Prior to the tax, RHA was required to pay a percentage of its gross earning for each movie.

The All-University Student Judiciary ruled against the RHA tax shortly after it was passed, claiming RHA's constitutional tax procedures did not meet University tax collection criteria.

Steve Sunshine, Beal Film Co-op manager, filed a grievance with the Judiciary, saying RHA's tax would grant them a monopoly on the film market.

Beal Films, an off-campus organization, was denied any of RHA's funding because it was not an on-campus organization.

The judiciary eventually ruled that RHA could tax student for the films, but states it would have to amend its constitution to bring it in line with the tax collection criteria.

Students will be assessed a $3 tax, which will be earmarked for the movies which run every week-end throughout the term. Students may also receive a refund after registration.

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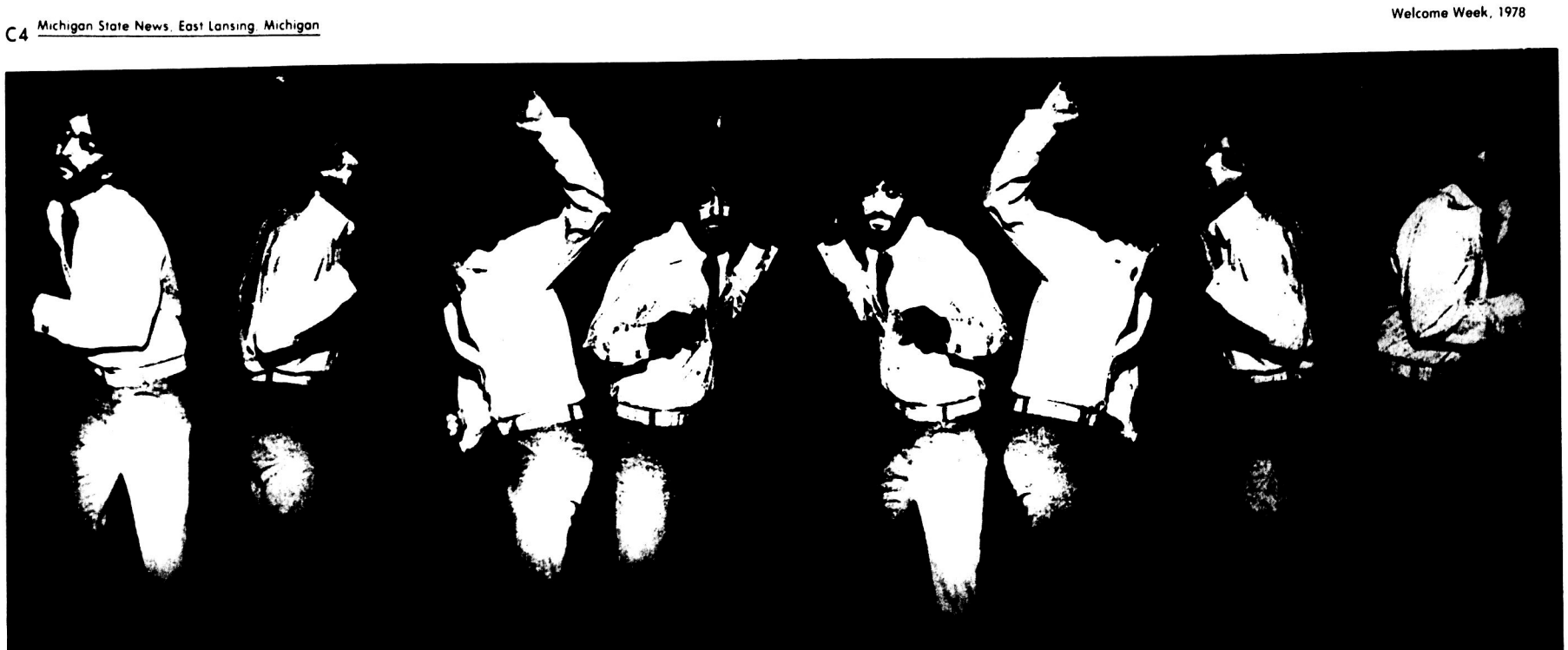

Disco!*

By RENALDO MIGALDI
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"Disco means sex," a friend had once told me. "That's the only meaning of it." — I'd believed him. It had seemed to make sense.

But now I was beginning to wonder if there wasn't more to it than that. If the point of disco was simple to get sensual pleasure from shaking one's body on a dance floor, why had it taken so long for American folks to catch on to it? And why all the glamor and lights?

What set disco apart from, say, the Twist, that old proletarian dance associated with tennis shoes and sweatshirts and afternoons after highschool in the days when I was just a sniveling squirt enviously watching the Big Kids having a fun time down at the corner soda fountain? The Twist had been sex too; unpretentious, playful sex in the trees behind the garage, or on the family room couch when the folks were asleep. Disco sex, on the other hand would be nothing less than an all-night marathon of urgent gyrations with a near-stranger in a foaming jacuzzi bath with solid gold nozzles. What had happened?

I was reflecting on this as I paid a hulking bouncer the $1.50 cover charge necessary to enter East Lansing's Rainbow Ranch. His face a grim granite oblivion, he motioned me into the long domain of tables and chairs under colored lights hung from high rafters in this night spot which had once been a dairy barn. I proceeded to the far end, where the tables surrounded a sunken dance floor overlooked by a drummer wearing headphones and mean silver shades, thumping at his traps to the beat of an Ohio Players record blaring on the sound system.

It was 9:30 on a midsummer Saturday night. Two couples were dancing. O.K. what sex here? One couple appeared to be well-acquainted with each other, as if they'd been dating for some time. They were moving, but without putting much passion into the motions. Their dancing was perfunctory; a social ritual. After all, why not dance if there's a dance floor right under their noses? They didn't mind being nearly alone on the dance floor under the eyes of dozens of other patrons — they were secure and smiling in each others' presence.

The Rainbow Ranch is pretty much the utilitarian boogie. For what is usually the cheapest cover charge in town on any given night, two can dance all evening to an endless stream of Donna Summer-Bee Gees-type pablum which is occasionally spiked with some gutsy reggae or old 1960s Motown soul. You can wear jeans and a T-shirt here if you like; this place has relatively few pretentions.

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At Dooley's, a sign informed me that tonight was strictly Standing Room Only.

Without a doubt. It was 11:00, the dance floor was packed, and onlookers were crowding the rails. Dooley's is not a disco in the strict sense of the word, for they feature a live band instead of records. But on this night, the band was performing faithful (though inferior) reproductions of all the top disco records. The female vocalist quivered in an almost-nothing halter top and sang in a weak, breathy voice while the rest of the group, resplendent in red dress shirts and black vests and pants punched out the disco riffs behind her.

The dance floor was bubbling with college folks in their cords and doubleknits, boogeying; I got an urge to dance. I approached a woman sitting alone; she eyed me suspiciously. "Care to dance?" I asked. — "No," she answered, without a smile. I felt like telling her that I just wanted to dance, that I wasn't looking to pick her up; but instead I went up to another woman and asked her the same thing I'd asked the first one. She smiled, somewhat nervously. "Well, I've got a drink coming . . ." — "Fine," I said, pleasantly, putting up my hand to stop her. I walked away.

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I hopped in my Mustang and tooled a few miles west on Michigan Avenue until I reached inner Lansing. Here, Michigan Avenue is Sin Strip and Skid Row, with its adult bookstores, massage parlors, and winos. In the midst of all this was a huge canopied facade beneath which a T-shirted doorman sat in a folding chair. The Bonnie and Clyde disco does look a bit out of place on East Michigan.

The whitewalls, glitter chic little lamps, raised hardwood dance floor with lightbulbs inside it, and fancy glasses were amazing. The waitresses wore slinky little white dresses and the waiters and bartenders had white ruffled shirts with bow ties. The place dripped class, class, class. It looked like big-city disco palaces I'd seen pictures of in Time magazine or something.

I was looking for a place to sit when I suddenly noticed my old highschool friend Vicenzo Perduto leaning against a column, smoking a cigarette. I went up and tapped him on the shoulder. "Hey, Renaldo, what's happenin'," he said, extending his hand. — "Not much," I replied.

We shot the breeze for a few moments, and then he went off to talk to some more people. It seemed as though he and a lot of other people there all knew each other. Must be damn expensive to be a regular here, what with $3 cover charge, etc.

The sound system was playing disco records. Strictly Donna Summer-ish stuff, elegant and saccharine. Not Wilson Pickett, no James Brown, not even any Earth Wind and Fire or Ohio Players. Not elegant enough, I supposed. People were absolutely packed on the tiny dance floor, underneath one of those round glitter balls hanging from the ceiling.

Vicenzo approached me again. "It seems weird to see you here," he said. "What's the deal?" — "I'm doing a story on discos for the paper," I told him. — He smiled, nodded, and shouted this word in my ear:

"Narcissism!"

"Huh?"

"Narcissism! You know the old Greek story about Narcissus, the guy who . . ."

"Yeah, yeah, what I mean is how does it relate to this place?"

"Well, look!" He gestured at the dance floor. "This is where you can be a star, get up there and dance, act cool in all your funky clothes."

Some funky clothes. Some crowd. They all were dressed to the nines in silk-satiny polyester and whatnot, shuffling about.

"Hey, Vicenzo, I see what you mean. Look at all those mirrors around the dance floor."

"Exactly. It's narcissism."

He walked away, his eye apparently on some female. I went up to the bar and ordered a shot of Johnny Walker Red on the rocks. It came in a tiny mug with a handle, and cost $2. Vicenzo came back, talking with a dark-haired woman. Her name was Juliet and she was wearing black lipstick.

I asked her for a dance. We were on the dance floor for about 15 minutes, dancing to what seemed to be one song with only the most minute variations. When one record ended, it seemed to just melt into the next. Juliet's face was fairly impassive, but she knew her steps. I could see myself reflected in the mirrors on the walls.

After we quit dancing, she disappeared. I found Vicenzo again. "Hey, care to go for some fresh air?" I asked. — "Sure." We went up some stairs to a balcony that overlooked a huge parking lot.

"So it's been a couple months since I've seen you. How are things?"

"Just lousy, Renaldo. Just lousy."

"Really? What's wrong?"

"I'm sick of one-night stands, I'm sick of coming here and being a star, looking like I have the world by the tail, when inside I just feel like a dog."

"Well, I can see why that would be. This place is pretty superficial."

"You're telling me!"

"How often do you come here?"

"Oh, twice or three times a week at least."

I sighed. "Vicenzo, why don't you just kick it?"

He slowly rubbed his face with his hands. "Hey, this is all I've got. Anywhere else I feel out of place."

"Vicenzo, don't give me that pathetic bit!"

"What the hell, I'm pathetic!"

We both stared into space for a moment.

"Look," I said. "You want to talk about this? We could go get some coffee or something."

He looked at his watch. "Eh, I'd like to but I'm supposed to meet Juliet at her place around two . . ."

"Some more stardom, huh?"

"Yup."

"Well, all right. I'm gonna go home now. But give me a call real soon and we will talk about it, all right?"

"For sure," said Vicenzo. "That'd be good."

We shook hands.

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Outside Bonnie and Clyde's, doormen were already driving people's cars up to the door to turn them over to the owners and collect their tips. I crossed the street to where my Mustang was parked.

So what do I know now that I didn't know before, I thought.

I wheeled the car around and headed east, back down Michigan, passing old crumbing storefronts where winos sat snoozing in doorways. In the middle of the melange of leering porno marquees and delapidated businesses was the City Rescue Mission. The sign read: "Christ Died For Our Sins."

Oh, well, I thought. Whatever gets you through the night. Just so long as it works.

Photos by Jean Moore and Bob Stern

*or is it really just self-love?

'DINOSAURS POPULAR, BUT WE DON'T HAVE MUCH'

No, it's not Hollywood... just a museum

By MICHAEL MEGERIAN
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The calendar on the wall of the dimly-lit kitchen reads August 1904.

Across the room, a woman kneads dough while her daughter carries a tray of biscuits into the adjoining dining room. Two loaves of freshly-baked bread sit on top of the Garland stove, while a stew simmers on the flame. Shelves of canned fruit line the walls of a nearby storage room, its door slightly ajar. A general store, closed for the evening, lies adjacent to the household. A peek inside reveals stacks of cornmeal, starch and flour.

The scene is not from a Hollywood movie but the first floor of the MSU museum, a building whose popularity is resurging, said Education Curator Richard Snider.

"I don't know why," he said. "But the museum is more popular than ever. Professors are using it more and student use is on the upswing."

Snider said the museum features what is probably the best natural history exhibit in the country as well as an abundance of anthropological artifacts.

"We're unique becaue we cover the man angle as well as the animal angle," he said.

Behind each exhibit lies an abundance of artifacts from the museum's massive collection of birds, mammals, fish and other historic and prehistoric products of civilization. Snider led the way up to the museum's fourth floor and proceeded into a room lined with rows of labeled drawers. The walls were embellished with mammal skulls, arranged in evolutionary order.

"We don't buy anything," Snider explained. "Many artifacts are donated to us by alumni or interested citizens. Sometimes we get things on loan."

The museum staff has amassed the mammal collection — which Snider said is the largest in the country — through research, field studies and donations from zoos and hunters.

"Hunters are always good about donating," Snider said. "They usually don't know what else to do with their stuff.

We have lots of backup material," Snyder said as he entered a storage room where a number of stuffed mammals are kept. "We don't put everything on exhibit. He pointed to one mammal perched on an artificial branch. "I would guess that one was stuffed sometime around the turn of the century," he said.

But Snider conceded some of the exhibits are lacking.

"We have holes in our displays," he said. "Our dinosaurs are very popular but we don't have much."

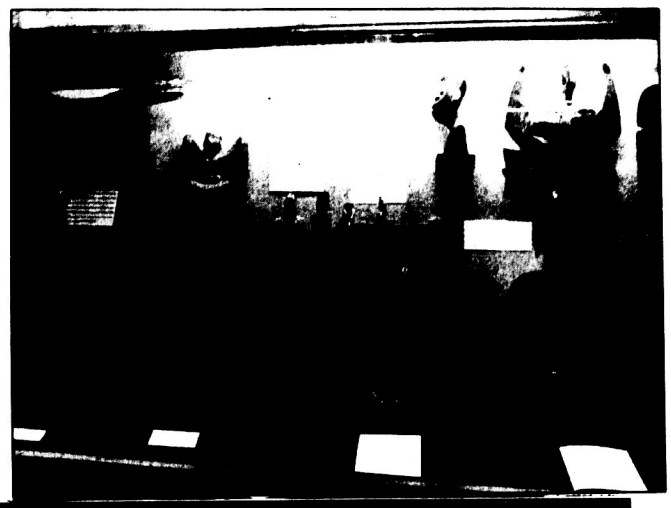
The paleontological exhibit was one of the first displays the museum offered when it opened its doors 21 years ago. Originally a library, the building was constructed in 1927 and operated as a library until 1957 when the University made the move to convert the structure into a museum.

Displays on Michigan Wildlife, which still make up most of the building's first floor, were also one of the first features of the museum. Entering patrons can observe lifelike animals, fish and birds, some set in replicas of their natural habitat.

The museum also has exhibits on Indian history, North American mammals and fossils.

Snider, who has been with the museum four years and holds a degree in entomology, said the recent discovery of the museum by enthusiastic students and facilty amazes him. But, he said, the museum has drawn reaction from outside the community too.

"I see a lot of parents," he said. "Football season brings in a lot of tailgaters too. Last week, we had a retirees' club come up from Detroit. It really surprised me."



A display of African cultural artifacts is one of many exhibits open to the public at MSU's museum. The museum offers a wide variety of interests for just about everyone.

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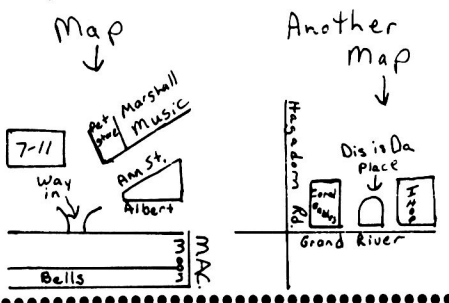

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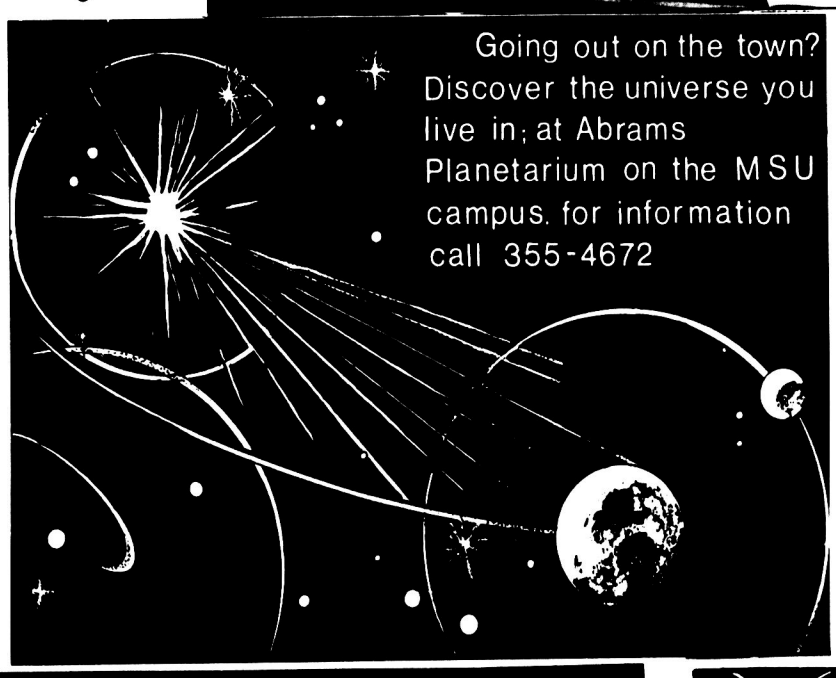

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Kresge Art Center: an array of exhibits geared to the public

Kresge's permanent exhibit includes works from the Neolithic, Egyptian, Greek, Roman, Medieval and Byzantine periods as well as paintings from the 15th century to the present. There are representative ethnic works from Africa and Asia. Most cultures are included, in fact, with the exception of Southeast Asia.

By ROSANNE SINGER

The Kresge Art Center, located between the Auditorium and the Alumni Chapel, is small but has a varied permanent collection and features a new show every month. An outdoor courtyard contains several pieces of modern sculpture.

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"It becomes precious because it's one," he said.

The main and north galleries of Kresge accommodate temporary collections. These exhibits usually last one month. The former time of three weeks was too short, Ishikawa said.

"Even now people are always saying, oh, is that show down?" he said.

Kresge's first exhibit of the school year may not be ready by Welcome Week since the gallery was going by last year's schedule when classes started later. Two artists will be featured. One, Ernest Trova, is a leading American sculptor and the other, Marcel Breuer, designs furniture. The show will include Breuer's architectural designs, photographs of his work and samples of his chairs. After the show's closing Oct. 22 there will be a break before the November opening of a 20th century folk are exhibit entitled "Rainbows in the Sky."

On Oct. 20 Kresge will hold a print sale of works from the International Print Society. Most of these will be contemporary German prints but some American and Japanese works are included. Throughout the year representatives from the Lakeside Studios in Lakeside, Mich., and the Tomlinson Collection will bring some of their works to Kresge for a day.

Kresge Art Gallery itself has an extensive print collection in storage. This includes single-leaf woodcuts from almost the inception of printing up to present-day samples. In addition, the gallery stores contemporary paintings and African masks.

"We could use as much space as we have now to exhibit what is in storage," Ishikawa said. "The acting president is aware that we need space."

Since taking over as director four years ago, Ishikawa has tried to make the gallery more public-oriented. He started a group called the Friends of Kresge Art Gallery which is a source of funding. The approximately 325 members consist of faculty, students and community people. They offer tours to the Chicago and Detroit Art Institutes, arrange social events and give area house tours.

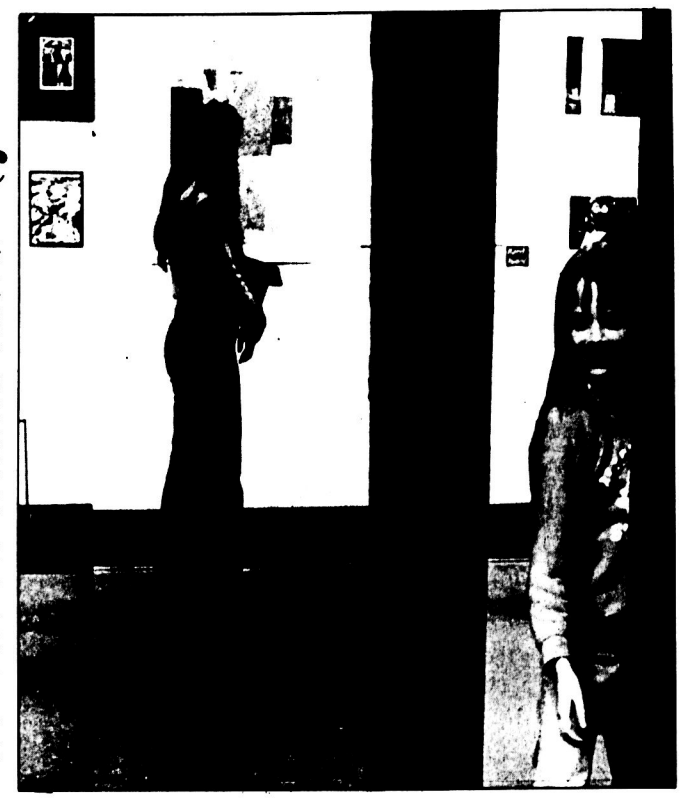
Ishikawa has also changed the physical look of Kresge's exhibit area. Last year he decided to construct individual windows for objects that had been grouped together. He made a prototype for a window, then hired someone to do the rest.

"I think by making little intimate spaces for them they become more precious," he said.

In spite of space and funding limitations, Kresge Art Gallery offers an interesting variety of art. It has a certain advantage over a larger gallery in that it can all be seen in a single visit.

"I'm glad I'm in this kind of museum, rather than curator for a special area in a museum," Ishikawa said.

Kresge is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.



Kresge Art Center is a 'what's next?' proposition. Around every corner and through every crack, there lurks some new sensory delight.

Pop culture-cool

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Mr. Haney and Mr. Kimball, all legends in their own time.

Cool movie stars? Well, there aren't very many. I can think of maybe two: Joan Collins and Benji, the dog.

Everybody else just doesn't seem up to snuff. Sorry.

And on it goes. There's cool writers — Dr. Seuss, Judd Arnett from the Detroit Free Press — cool comic strip characters like Dagwood and Nancy, cool hair care producers, cool movies — so many cool movies, in fact, that they can't possibly be listed. Cool cars, cool plants, cool rock 'n roll stars, cool Barry Manilow fans, cool books — jeez, are there cool books? — and so many other cool facets of our popular culture, they can't be counted.

So, if you want to be known as the person with his or her finger on the pulse of American pop culture, remember these names. "Cool" counts for a lot in our world; just ask John "Box Office" Travolta or his 33 million clones getting down at various discos throughout the world.

Remember this: Farrah Fawcett-Majors/Cheryl Ladd/Lynda CArter/Lindsay Wagner/Cheryl Tiegs/Suzanne Somers are just one step removed from Nancy and Sluggo in the hip world of pop culture. You can buy your posters down at the bookstore, then hang them up and impress your roommate and friends.

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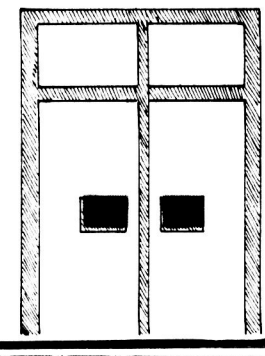

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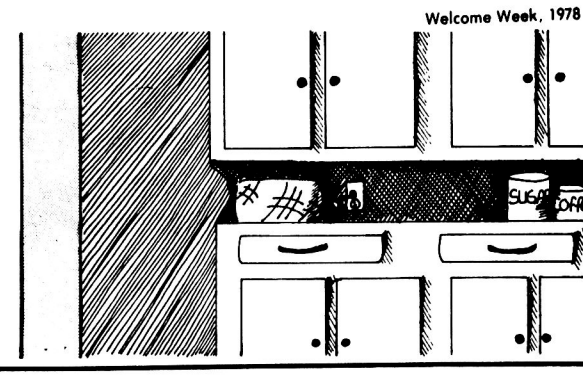

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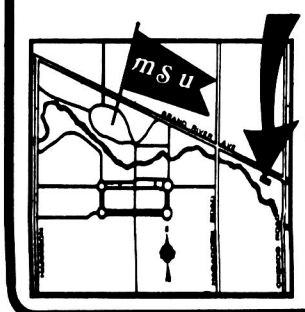

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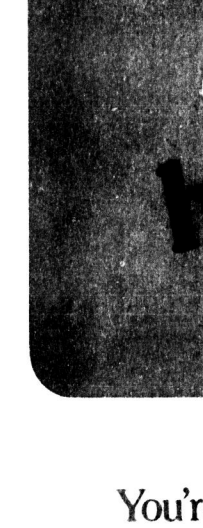

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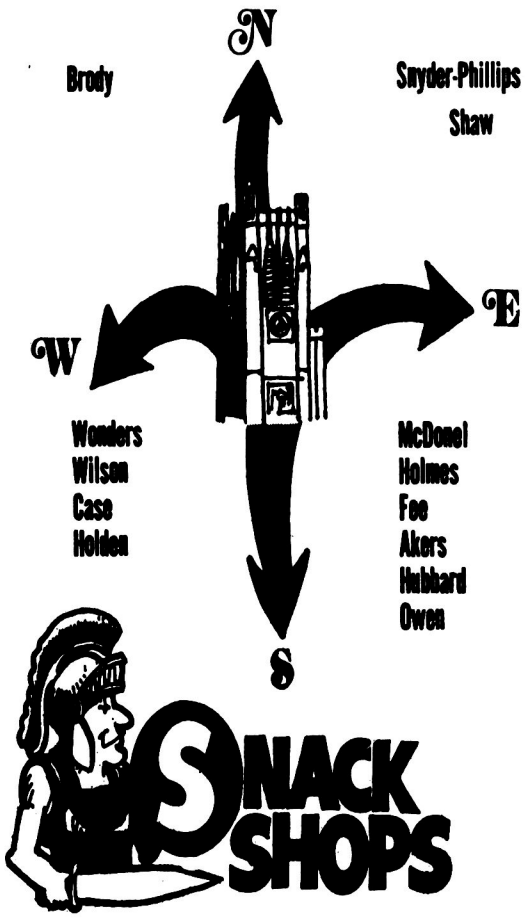

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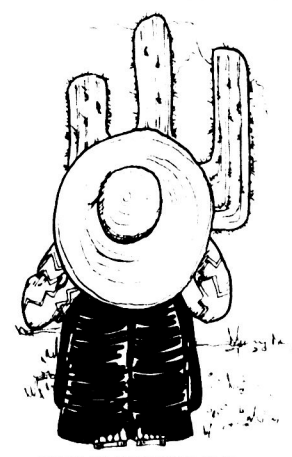

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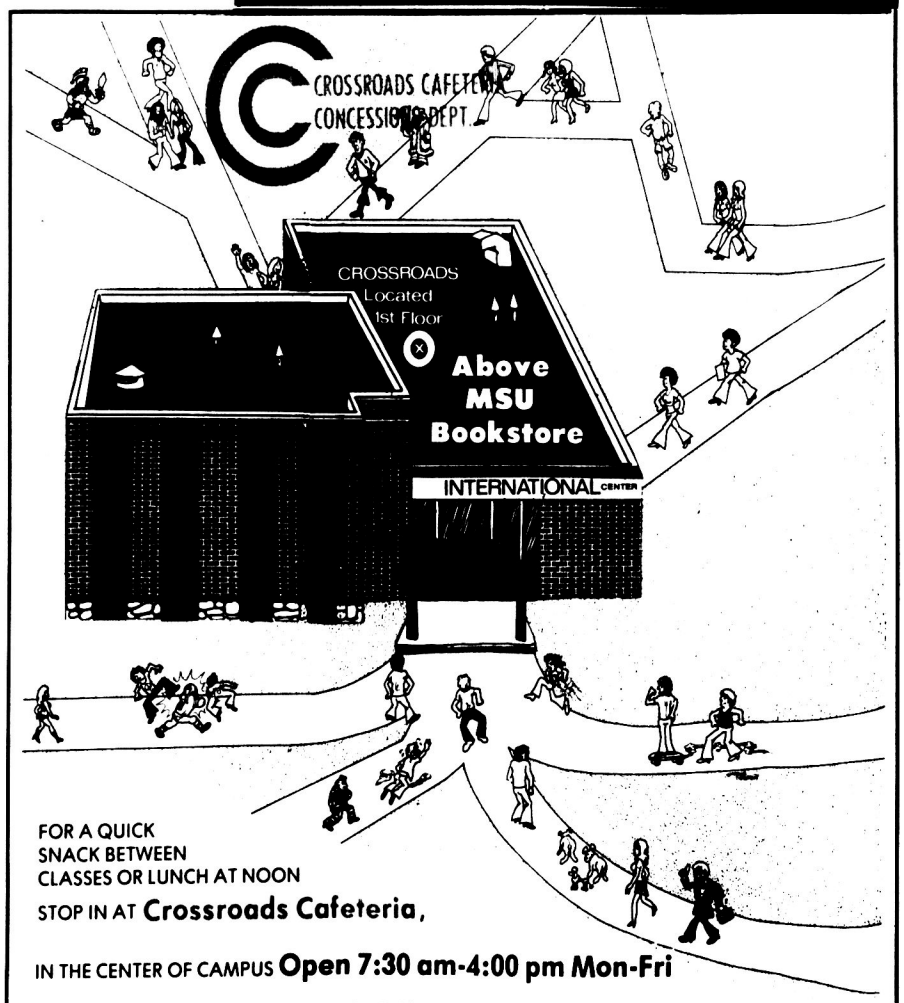

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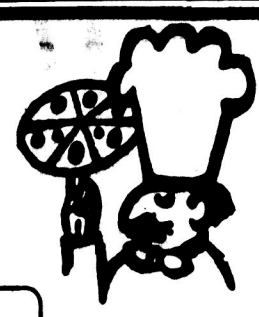

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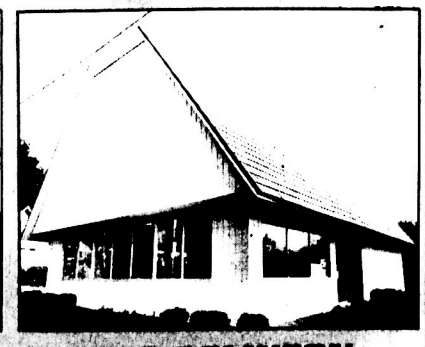

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Lecture-Concert offers a wide, colorful range of entertainment

By JOHN NEILSON
State News Staff Writer

Despite its rather inauspicious name, the Lecture-Concert Series has long been a source of high-quality entertainment at MSU. This year promises to be no exception.

The Lecture-Concert Series is actually four different series, each of which provides a unique line-up of diverse delights. These include the so-called University Series, the Lively Arts Series, a series of Chamber Music programs, and a number of professional World Travel films. Each series will feature seven programs, with the exception of the World Travel series, which boasts 15 evenings of globe-trotting entertainment.

All Lecture-Concert Series programs are held in either the University Auditorium or the adjoining Fairchild Theatre. Tickets are available either singly or as part of a season ticket for the particular series, which enables one to see seven shows for the price of four. As an added bonus, holders of season tickets for the three music series can see World Travel programs at no charge.

The Chamber Music series will kick off the '78-'79 season on Sept. 26 with the first of three performances by MSU's ensemble-in-residence, the Juilliard String Quartet. Now in its second year of residency, the quartet features the talents of Robert Mann and Earl Carlyss on violin, Samuel Rhodes on viola, and Joel Krosnick on cello. Subsequent concerts will be held on Jan. 19 and May 1.

Alvin Ailey's American Dance Theater will bring its combination of modern, jazz and classical dance to campus Sept. 27. This critically-acclaimed troupe dances to music ranging from symphonic to blues, jazz, and spirituals. Leontyne Price, the soprano N.Y. music critic Harold Schonberg has called "the Stradivarius of singers," will open the University Series on Sept. 30.

Give 'em Hell, Harry, the play based on the exploits of our "feisty" 33rd president, will be presented Oct. 3. Kevin McCarthy stars as Harry Truman in this provocative and funny work, and his portrayal has been called, "one of the handsomest pieces of acting anywhere around." He will be followed on Oct. 17 by pianist Emil Gilels, who in 1955 was the first Russian artist to appear in this country in over 30 years. Dutch soprano Elly Ameling will give a song recital Oct. 24.

The Austrian Tonkuenstler Orchestra will present "An Evening in Old Vienna" under the direction of Franz Allers on Oct. 26. The program will consist of light concert favorites and dance numbers by Beethoven, Schubert, the Strauss family and others. Then, on Nov. 13 it will be the music of southern Europe when the 50 dancers of the National Ballet of Spain bring their highly acclaimed show of Spanish dance to campus.

The English Chamber Orchestra, under the leadership of conductor and piano soloist Vladimer Ashkenazy, will present an evening of chamber music with the accent on the works of Mozart on Nov. 16. Then, the accomplished 23-year-old Chinese cellist Yo-Yo Ma will give a performance on Nov. 28.

The Lecture-Concert Series will continue into winter term with a performance of the Moscow Philharmonic Orchestra on Feb. 6. Their MSU visit was originally planned for last season, but was rescheduled when the orchestra's tour was postponed. This will be followed by a concert featuring Jean-Pierre Rampal on Feb. 20.

Baroque and classical guitarist Michael Lorimer, who is a favorite protege of Andres Segovia, will give a recital on Feb. 23. Then the 110-member NDR Symphony of Hamburg will appear here on March 1.

Music in a somewhat lighter vein will be the order of the day when the Preservation Hall Jazz Band of New Orleans makes its appearance on March 6.

Fun also happens to be the motivating force behind Victor Borge and Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo. Borge, who will be on campus Apr. 4, is an entertainer whose performance is a "brilliant combination" of music and comedy.

Renowned clarinetist Gervase De Peyer, meanwhile, will perform here on Apr. 10. Joining him in this recital will be Tsuyoshi Tsutsumi on cello and Judith Burganger on piano. And finally, the Lecture-Concert Series' music programs will conclude on May 6 with a performance by Mstislav Rostropovich, who is considered by many to be the world's greatest cellist.

The World Travel series will run on Saturday (and occasionally Friday) evenings between Oct. 7 and Apr. 28.

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The MSU orchestra staged an outdoor concert last spring at Sleepy Hollow.

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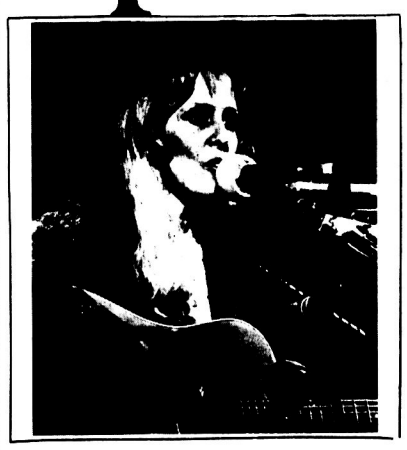

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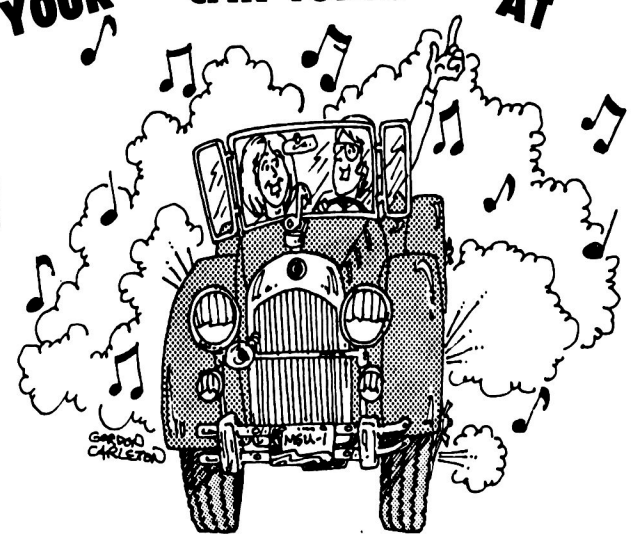

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suggested it as beef, chicken, Chinese, or Mexican), a case of beer, and a bottle of Remy Martin VSOP upon completion of concert.

In general, the bigger the name, the bigger the hospitality bill. During the past year at MSU, for instance, Linda Ronstadt requested $100 worth of plants, and the hospitality charges for the Jackson Browne, Karla Bonoff concert for one night reached the neighborhood of $600, paid for by Browne's promoter and not Pop Entertainment.

For the largely successful Browne show, the lighting crew began setting up in Jenison around 8:00 the morning of the concert. Well before noon the stagehands also appeared. The performers themselves might have spent the day relaxing in their hotel rooms, practicing, or maybe visiting local bookstores or picking up souvenirs like MSU T-shirts.

Jackson Browne played raquetball after the show. Emerson, Lake and Palmer flew out that same night. Rufus partied.

Barbara Silber, who directed hospitality (a kind of artist relations job for Pop Entertainment last year, found Ronstadt rather aloof ("God forbid anyone should see her.") and observed that American bands were often "nicer" than British groups.

"We try to pull as many strings as possible to make the performers happy," Silber said. "It's nice to get letters from them later saying they had a good time."

Drugs have always been an important part of rock culture, but Corky Siegel only sipped beers, while Carlos Santana, a scientologist, forbade even drinking in his presence when he appeared last year.

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Shows don't just happen. The relative success of any concert relies largely on the creative and organizational talents of the promoter.

Last year's Ten Pound Fiddle director Bob Blackman generally dealt directly with the artist, unlike larger groups that work through agents and managers, but he still had to detail everything from travel directions to sleeping accommodations.

Tim Kirkwood, who directed Mariah last year, tried to have shows for the following term booked at least a month before the beginning of the term. But it doesn't always work that way.

Campus promoters have certain restrictions the professional is free from, Kirkwood explained. There may be nine weekends to a term, but after all the limitations are considered, rarely are there more than three weekends open for viable programming.

Mariah and Showcase Jazz work closely together when scheduling concerts to avoid unnecessary overlapping. So if Jazz plans on having Dizzy Gillespie the first weekend of any given month, Mariah will avoid booking Randy Newman on the same date. With a fairly big attraction like John Lee Hooker it's also advisable to make sure B.B. King isn't playing the same night in Ann Arbor, since Hooker also draws fans from the University of Michigan.

A case of circumstances beyond anyone's control: This past spring Pop Entertainment had planned on Bruce Springsteen for the last weekend in April. To avoid a conflict, Mariah moved John Lee Hooker, originally scheduled for that same date, to a later date. But Springsteen cancelled his tour, leaving MSU with a concertless weekend.

David Brooks, who headed Ebony Productions last year, noted that one of the biggest problems in scheduling concerts is securing facilities on campus.

"I've tried to get George Benson three times," Brown said, "but each time he was available there was a basketball or hocky game."

Ebony also has a harder time reaching its primarily black audience than Pop Entertainment has reaching its broadly-based market.

The only radio program that caters to the black community is Earl Robinson's "Takin' Care of Business" show over WKAR radio. But since WKAR is public radio, it accepts no ads.

"We're trying to catch a black audience over white radio," Brown said, "so we may have to work harder on promotion than other groups."

"Jazz is in an unusual position," last year's Showcase Jazz director Gary Wilson said. "The music has been suppressed so long that the last couple of years we've seen a surge of activity to support black jazz and provide more access to this kind of music."

Like Mariah, Showcase Jazz operates out of the kivas — usually Erikson as opposed to McDonel, and for the first time this year sponsored an artist-in-residence, saxophonist and a leading figure in a particularly progressive school of jazz — Anthony Braxton.

The Pound Fiddle usually has one show each weekend and features little-known acts like Michael Cooney, Utah Phillips, and Highwoods Stringband (among its more popular attractions) in the Old College Hall room of the Union. Anywhere from 30 to 100 people make the audience, many of whom regularly attend Ten Pound Fiddle shows. This kind of intimacy was what Blackman wanted. His group features no openings acts and he deals directly with the artist, who generally makes anywhere from $75 to $100 a night, driving from gig to gig in instrument-filled cars, and in many cases sleeping at the promoter's home.

But by far the largest MSU promoters are Pop Entertainment and its sibling organization, Ebony Productions. Whereas Mariah may pay Steve Goodman $3,000 for two nights, Pop deals big money with big names. Jackson Browne's one-night performance cost more than $30,000. And according to Pop's new director, Jody LaFrance, usual fees run to about $20,000.

Because of the vast amount of money that changes hands at Pop Entertainment and Ebony, they are the groups student leaders keep most careful watch over. And at present, the closest observers of the situation are the MSU comptroller and chairperson of the Programming Board.

Pop Entertainment, Ebony Productions, Mariah Folk and Blues Coffeehouse, Showcase Jazz and the Ten Pound Fiddle Coffeehouse are the five groups that comprise the Concert Council. The interests of these organizations are represented by the head of the council, who also holds a seat on the Programming Board.

The Programming Board, formed as recently as the spring of 1976, is a 10-member group that operates pretty much autonomously from the ASMSU Student Board and other student government agencies. Along with the Concert Council, groups like Theater, Special Projects, Audio Visual, Speakers, Student Union Programming (formerly Union Activities Board) and the like from the Programming Board.

Colleen Hennessy, director of Union activities, serves as advisor to Showcase Jazz, while Jeff Frumpkin, who also works as a student services assistant, acts as adviser to the other groups.

According to Chairperson Stever Politowicz (chosen by the board itself), Programming Board was born out of politics.

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"We wanted to put on programs without political overtones. Union Activities Board joined because of financial troubles," Politowicz said.

From the $2.50 tax collected each term of all undergraduates, Programming Board receives about 90 cents per person, which comes to about $90,000 per year. Ten percent goes directly to registered students organizations. The remaining funds are divided accordingly among the board membership.

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And money is what currently occupies the time of several campus promoters and student body leaders. Specifically, the question on everyone's mind is: Why were Pop Entertainment and Ebony Productions some $14,000 in the red last year, and what's to be done?

What's being done immediately is that the ASMSU comptroller and Programming Board chairperson must approve all shows planned by Pop Entertainment and Ebony. It's a temporary solution to the problem, but considering the financial state of both groups, most people are going along with the watchdog arrangement. The problem inherent in this type of situation is obviously that the comptroller and the Programming Board chairperson cannot possibly have the experience to judge which shows will prove successful and which will not.

One way to minimize the financial risk is to work on a "rental agreement," whereby the artist's promoter [who usually handles several performers] rents a hall and facilities for a flat rate. This ensures a specific amount of money for the campus group, regardless of ticket sales and other finances. Insiders say this type of arrangement is the newest trend in concert promotion, and quite likely is responsible for the success of the Browne/Bonoff show.

"The notion of closing (the two groups) has been around for a while," Politowicz said. "But there was a big spring schedule with Bruce Springsteen, Boston, and Jefferson Starship lined up that fell through. A slam-bang spring would have lifted Pop out of trouble."

Pop Entertainment director Jody LaFrance feels that Comptroller Tom Church's decision to cut off Pop Entertainment funds until this fall was "necessary for the situation," and called the Pop deficit a "hazard of the business."

"Before booking a show we check record sales, charts and schools with a similar market, like the University of Wisconsin at Madison," LaFrance said. "But I really can't explain the financial condition. It's just the way the wind blew."

Most observers agree that when dealing with the kind of money involved in Pop and Ebony, occasional losses of large sums are unavoidable. In the past, both organizations have operated almost entirely off performance revenues.

Pop Entertainment and Ebony got into this money mess last year with a string of highly disastrous concerts. Charlie Daniels, the Average White Band, the Dramatics, Gary Wright and the National Lampoon shows were all financial failures.

"But if you look back on the total track record in the past 10 years, it's pretty good," Brown said.

No one's pointing the finger of blame at any individual for Pop's dismal financial record. That's just the way the business works. Campus promoters are proud that students run the show at MSU; most schools have professionals booking performers.

"We program for artistic excellence. We're not financially oriented and sometimes we should keep more of a financial goal in mind. We did Les McCann last October in an attempt to bring our account up to some kind of solvency," Jazz director Wilson said.

"We don't want to trespass on the original intent and integrity of the group," Wilson added. "What people think is artistically important we try to present." Jazz is also in a unique financial position because if operates on a limited amount of grants. In past years, the MSU Lecture-Concert Series, the Michigan Council for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts have helped subsidize the jazz program.

The National Endowment dropped Showcase Jazz this year, but there's a good chance of receiving funds again for the coming year.

"I think the National Endowment felt it should give money to those groups just now starting. We've been going for a while now," Wilson said.

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One campus reporter tells how he was so excited for the first concert he worked that he showed up a week early for the performance. The following weekend, however, he came on time and with a bag of excellent pot. He became an immediate success within the organization. Two years later he was the group's director, which shows that it only takes talent plus.

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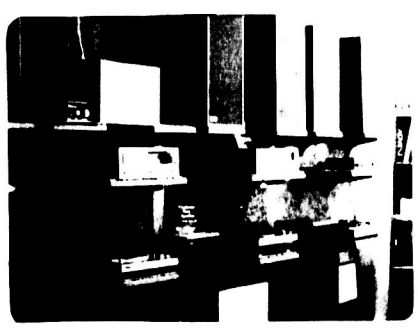

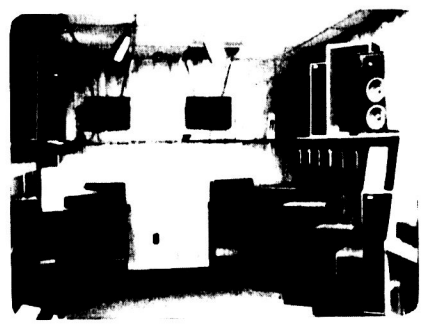

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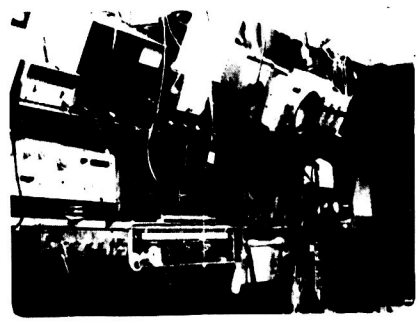

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The performing arts at MSU hamstrung by a dearth of space, cash

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perhaps above all else — dollars.

In the past years it has been the habit of many to ascribe whatever theatrical failings might plague MSU to the ineptitude of the Performing Arts Company. By accusing, a finger has been pointed towards practices and faculty in the theater department. It is not nearly as simple as that.

Most observers of the theatrical scene at MSU, including Frank Rutledge, chairperson of the theater department, agree that plays produced in the past few years have tended toward the safe and bankable.

Plays such as James Berry's **Peter Pan**, Shakespeare's **Romeo and Juliet**, Eugene O'Neill's **Desire Under the Elms** are entertaining pieces of theatrical art, but do not reflect current trends in the dramatic arts — and there is no reason why they should.

It can be argued, with a great deal of accuracy, that there is a considerable amount of material from old standard productions in today's more modern theater pieces.

Peter Schaffer's **Equus**, for example, owes much to plays dating from Tennessee Williams' **A Streetcar Named Desire**, of the middle 1940s, and to Edward Albee's **Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?** circa the middle '60s.

Michael Bennett's **A Chorus Line** is a Broadway musical that smashed both financial records and the belief that only the big name musical could succeed. **A Chorus Line** has an intimate ensemble of unknown actors, but it still owes much to those lavishly staged musicals that it postdates. The production number that closes the show comes from dozens of years ago when the musical was still in its infancy.

But why are we not seeing shows like these performed on campus? Why no **A Chorus Line**, no **Equus**, no current plays like **Travesties** or **Comedians**? The list of possibilities is endless. The PAC did attempt **Equus** about two years ago, but the problems they had in doing so apparently has dimmed its enthusiasm for similar ventures.

The answer to the question is very complex, and is directly related to the state of the arts at MSU.

"We pick plays that for the most part are standards so people will buy tickets," said Rutledge.

He said the PAC tries to do more experimental and contemporary plays in the Arena Theater, but must keep Fairchild Theater for productions that will attract a big crowd.

The new Performing Arts Center, which is to be completed in 1981, stands as MSU's significant tribute to the arts. The two auditoriums are an exercise in modern architecture that will finally provide the PAC with more-than-adequate facilities.

"The new center will not change the selection of plays to be produced, but will primarily affect the quality of the costumes and the scenery we will have to make, Rutledge said. "Because of the closeness of the stage to audience they will have to be made much better."

Dollars and marketability are the major roadblocks to quality theater, Rutledge maintains.

"We have to convince the student sitting in his dorm room that he should spend his five dollars at a play rather than a known quantity like Dooley's," Rutledge argued.

Alternatives do seem to exist — for example, charging more for tickets to allow the PAC to lose money on more experimental productions — but still there exists what Rutledge calls the "battle for the entertainment dollar."

"If we charge more, we begin to lose the audience because tickets cost too much, which leaves us in the same place — without enough money," he said.

Rutledge also explained the rationale behind the rewriting of many of the plays performed by the PAC that has aroused critics for so long.

He said the problem came to a head a few years ago, when directors seemed to be rewriting at will. He then decided to add a note to the bottom of each program.

"If a director revised a play, then a note would go at the bottom of the program saying this play was 'adapted' by whoever did it," Rutledge explained.

That helped stem the tide, he said, but still plays are rewritten and Rutledge said the success or failure of each revision must be examined on a case-by-case basis. He said it worked with **Jesus Christ Superstar** last year, although many critics disagreed. Rutledge explained that one reason the PAC tends to stage standard plays is because the Theatre Department faculty is "conservative."

He also described the state of the peforming arts at MSU in the same way: "Adequate, but conservative."

Rutledge conceded that because of the PAC's role as the only major theater production group on campus, it has had little problem in the last several years attracting audiences for its shows.

That trend in itself could promote conservatism in a group that knows that no matter what play it produces and how many times it stages it, so long as the play is safe, standard and familiar, people will pay money to see it.

However, it would appear that other theater groups on campus have not had this degree of audience turn-out, and fell victim to some problems.

Last year saw the death of both The Company and the Player's Gallery, which together produced an average of one or two plays a term.

One of the stand-outs of last year's season was a production of Tennessee Williams' classic **Sweet Bird of Youth**. The play combined talents of faculty, students and staff at MSU as well as alumni and community people. The reviews of the play were excellent and it was one of the very few pieces of theatre presented at MSU that was not from the PAC.

Peter J. Vaccaro, English instructor at MSU, staged and directed Sweet Bird. It was funded through the ASMSU Programming Board, which in the past funded The Company and Player's Gallery, and Sweet Bird had the entire year's budget for both groups.

Vaccaro characterized the production as a complete success, and said the large number of dedicated people working on the production helped make it so.

"The biggest problem was getting the facilities in which to mount the production," Vaccaro said.

He attributed the play's success primarily to its audience.

"There exists at MSU a discriminating audience for sophisticated theater," he said, and the success of Sweet Bird seems to prove that he is right.

Vaccaro attributed the demise of the other theater groups to a variety of problems.

"The attempts at theater by the alternative groups were half-hearted or dominated by a handful of personalities who come and go and leave little sense of ongoing enterprise," Vaccaro asserted.

Sweet Bird of Youth concerns the plight of an aging film actress clinging to her youth and beauty through a constant barrage of pills and booze and her destructive coupling with a jaded stud who is seeing his own vitality rapidly wither away. Together they try to cope with a reality neither wants to face.

The production of Sweet Bird proved that there is a place for theater at MSU that is not ordinary, and dollar-safe.

What does all of this mean? Perhaps just this — that the basic underlying problem with the state of the arts at MSU is money.

For Vaccaro, the money for the production was there — it was only a matter of adhering to a budget. But Rutledge says that for the PAC, which sells most of its season through coupon booklets that hold tickets for all of the plays, it needs audience recognition with the play to sell the tickets.

The potential for quality theater would seem to be endless should the University find some way to alleviate the PAC's money woes.

One method suggested by Rutledge would be a subsidy for the arts at MSU which would go toward the theater department, the museum and Kresge Art Center. Perhaps a tax could be assessed to each student, on the order of the RHA movie tax, that would allow students entrance to all plays performed by the PAC.

"The tax would allow us to do a great deal of new and different things," Rutledge declared. "It would also take the money pressure off the PAC."

But the chances for a tax subsidy look bleak.

Rutledge said there might have been a possibility under former President Clifton R. Wharton, because of his concern with the arts, but it just didn't happen.

The paradox is frightening. We can have art, but only at a price, seems to be the conclusion. But the theory is vacuous, the metaphor awry. Money can not be equated with or produce art, yet in some intangible, absurd way they seem to be intrinsically linked.

Set forth in the bylaws of the Theater Department is its primary objective — to introduce theater to the students at MSU.

Can this be a fair trade-off? Rutledge has said it is better for a student to see a safe, bankable play than none at all. Is that true? Indeed — education must begin somewhere. But this is not an institution concerned only with beginnings. MSU supposedly is committed to researching new forms of creativity in all fields. Past the beginning and into forging new inroads should be MSU's course. Why then, and how, could this University allow its theater department to lag behind in so many ways?

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facilities.

A motion at a monthly deans and vice presidents meeting in early 1970 asked that the MSU Board of Trustees give intensive consideration to cultural facilities.

Jack Bain, then dean of the College of Communications Arts, said many deans felt the all-events building "did not include the broad cultural aspects as are needed."

Warren Huff, an MSU trustee in 1970, who was an often outspoken critic of University policies, said "I'm sick and tired of the lack of planning and priorities at this University. A number of other things besides the events building could be done first.

"We could use a new fine arts complex to replace that lousy auditorium," Huff said.

In 1971, in a speech before members of the University Club, Kenneth Beachler, director of MSU's Lecture-Concert Series, promised that plans were forthcoming on a proposed PAC.

The plans came forth, but not until 1974 and after several committees debated site plans.

The MSU Committee on Building, Lands and Planning recommended the razing of the quonset huts at Kalamazoo St. and Harrison Road, currently occupied by WKAR, and the building of the center on that location.

Concerns over traffic congestion, especially if concerts conflicted with sporting events in Munn Ice Arena or Jenison Fieldhouse, brought the eventual rejection of this site.

Because of proximity to railroad tracks and flood danger, sites in the southern portion of the campus were similarly rejected.

So the center was planted in an area across from Owen Hall on Bogue St. Though moved slightly when plans were redrawn in the spring of 1978, the center has been planned for that location since 1974.

But the problem of finding a suitable location was a cinch in comparison to the problem of locating the needed money.

For many years the University has listed the center on its list of building priorities in its funding requests sent to the Michigan Legislature.

In 1968, a new auditorium was 19th on the list of University building priorities and administrators planned at that time to ask the Legislature for $3 million in 1970 and an additional $3.6 million the following year to build the facility.

But legislators weren't buying the PAC then and in 1978 they still weren't ready to fund the center.

So in April 1977, Wharton launched a fund drive to garner the funds for the theater portion of the center from private sources with the anticipation that the Legislature would fund the academic portion to the tune of $6 million.

Wharton, in announcing MSU's first-ever fund drive, predicted one year would be required to raise the money. Wharton apparently overestimated both the problems associated with the fund-raising effort and the willingness of the Legislature to allocate funds for the academic wing.

Current MSU President Edgar L. Harden, who had been co-chairperson of the mid-Michigan phase of the fund-raising program, inherited the effort when Wharton departed the University for a new job as chancellor of the State University of New York in January 1978.

Almost exactly a year after the launching of the fund drive by Wharton the center went through yet another metamorphosis. With contributions slowing, construction costs rising and facing a financially stubborn state Legislature, the plans were altered.

In the hopes of spurring renewed donor interest in the PAC the academic wing, which was to be funded by state monies, was dropped in the stated hopes that ground breaking could occur early in 1979 on the theater wing.

Theater department officials expressed "disappointment" in the change of plans and several angry donors made presentations before the trustees urging a re-inclusion of the academic wing.

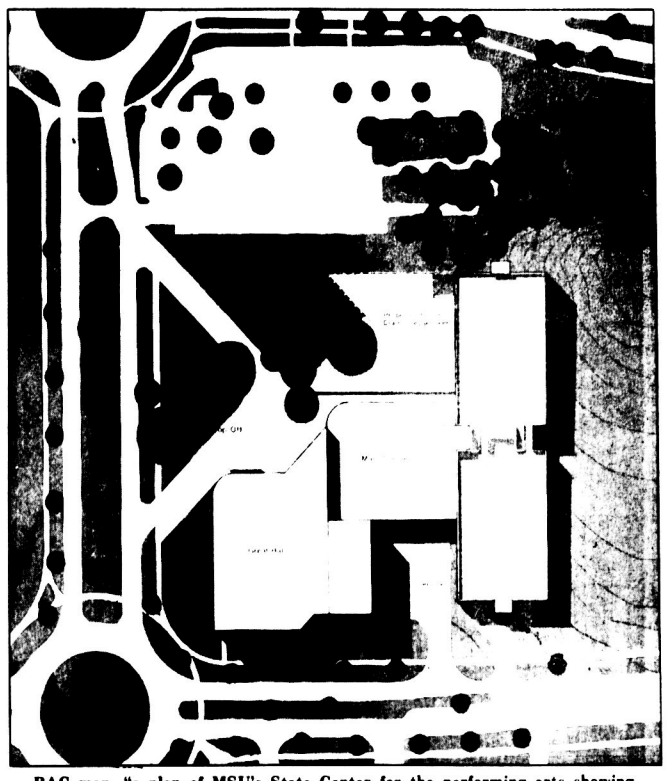
But the wave of protests quickly subsided and the revised plans were published in July 1978.

The projected cost of the facility, without the academic wing, was given at $12.5 million, with $7.6 milion raised as of August 1978.

In April 1978, Leslie Scott, vice president for development, said $10 million would be needed before ground breaking could commence. The PAC pledges and gifts totalled $7.5 million at that time.

After the new plans were announced in July, a new mid-Michigan fund campaign was started to inject new life into the program. The 20-year quest for the PAC is certainly closer than it has ever been, but it has a long way to go.

And the beat goes on.



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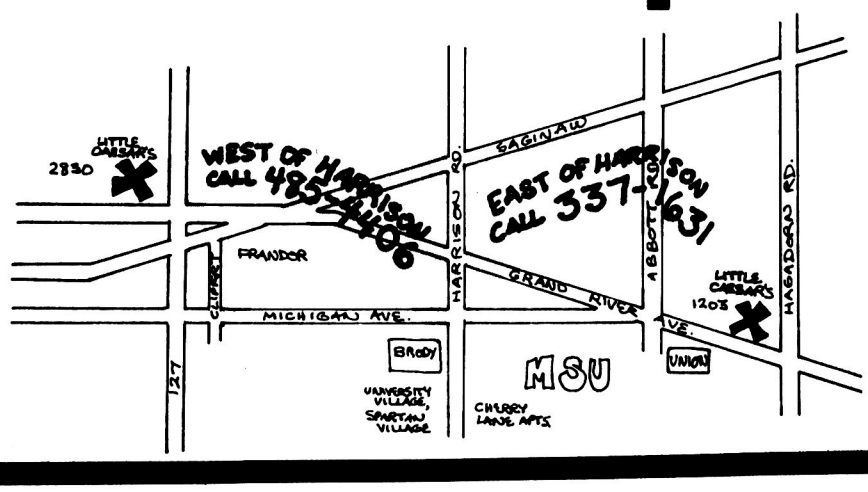

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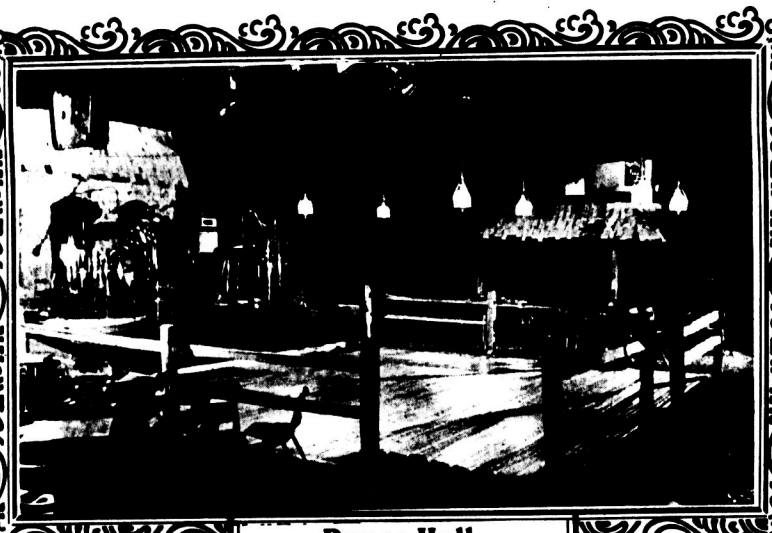

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ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION 2

Welcome Week September, 1978

For Sale

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

Lansing was a finalist in last year's "All American City" competition.

It's a good place to live, work, play and do business.

The pornography business, for example, doesn't measure profits in thousands of dollars, but tens of thousands, and the end does not seem to be in sight.

There are three theaters in Lansing that show explicit hardcore pornographic films, about five bookstores that sell sexually explicit materials and a pseudo massage parlor that offers sensual stimulation for a price.

The theaters are open long hours, about fourteen average per day, and the admission cost averages about $6.

The president of the company, American Amusement Inc., that owns two of those theaters — Cinema-X and The New Art — refused to discuss their profits or attendance figures.

A spokesperson for the Pussycat theatre refused to give information on their profits, saying the information is confidential.

Despite the inherent similarity between the films shown at each theater, The Cinema-X is the unrefuted place of pornographic films — self proclaimed as "the largest and most complete adult entertainment complex in the Midwest."

The "X" features in one of its two theaters exotic dancers performing in various stages of undress, five times daily.

They have a game room with pool tables, along with topless models who can be recruited to play pool and various other games. Also available are shoeshines that can be bought and performed by either topless or nude models.

"When I started managing the Cinema-X it was making $150 a day," said Gail Palmer, 23, former manager of the theater and producer of the X-rated film "Hot Summer in the City."

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An evening at the 'ultimate'—Cinema X

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

"The policy of this theatre is definitely adult entertainment. If adult entertainment offends you in any way, please do not submit yourself to it."

— From the back of an admission ticket to the Cinema X

The brassy loudspeaker crackled and announced her as "Red Fox," the live entertainment for the six o'clock show. Her act was divided into four parts: the first was her exotic dance.

There were nine men in the audience, no women, as she made her way onto the stage and down the runway; her skimpy red top pulled tight across her chest. White hot pants were hiked up to her waist and revealed the subtle paunch of her baby fat.

The men in the crowd were mostly middle-aged, some dressed in business suits, some in jeans.

Red's appearance was greeted by applause, and, by some of her more familiar patrons sitting directly at the end of the runway, which afforded the best view, by ready anticipation.

As the music pounded loudly — she undulated, down — up, back and forth, her body moving like a snake rising up out of its lair.

After the song concluded, she left the stage to return seconds later to the strains of "The Stripper," the theme song of places where women undress for money.

She again repeated her dance, removing the red top and white hot pants to reveal the expected g-string.

As she returned to the stage for yet a third time she was totally nude and dragging with her a green blanket that she draped over the apron of the runway.

The faces of the men in the crowd, especially those who sat only inches from her, shined with delight as they watched her do stunts that left nothing to the imagination. She twisted, turned and convulsed and made a special effort to do each of these from first the front of the stage, and then both sides, affording the entire audience an equal glimpse.

She left and returned once more with a jar of oil. She sat on the end of the runway, legs spread, and applied it to her body. After a few minutes, she approached the man closest to her, put his hand first in the oil, and then guided it over her bare stomach. She did this to each of the four men sitting close to the stage and offered it to a fifth, a man of about sixty sitting one row back, who declined to participate.

The men applauded as she left the stage for the last time and the loudspeaker again roared that the live shows are performed at 12 noon, 3 p.m., 6 p.m., 9 p.m. and 12 midnight and urged satisfied customers to bring their friends.

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The Cinema X is a large brown building on the south part of Lansing. It is surrounded on all sides by parking lot, and was filled with cars ranging from Volkswagons to Cadillacs.

There are two theatres, the Blue and Red and the admission charge for each theatre is $6. They also offer a student rate. But the crucial difference is that one has a live show that features erotic dancers, that night consisting soley of Red Fox.

The films are of dubious quality, the sound and the video are both amateurish. The Cinema X holds about 200 people, but when I entered at 5:30 p.m. there were only four men present. That figure was to swell to nine by the time Red Fox made her appearance.

Most of the audience was middle aged men, all sitting quietly watching the films in their own sections of darkness.

The film was graphic and chronicled, the trials and tribulations of a nubile daughter whom the devil has chosen to possess in an extremely vulnerable place, thus turning her into a nymphomaniac. The woman who plays her mother looks no older than her daughter and was also subject to the

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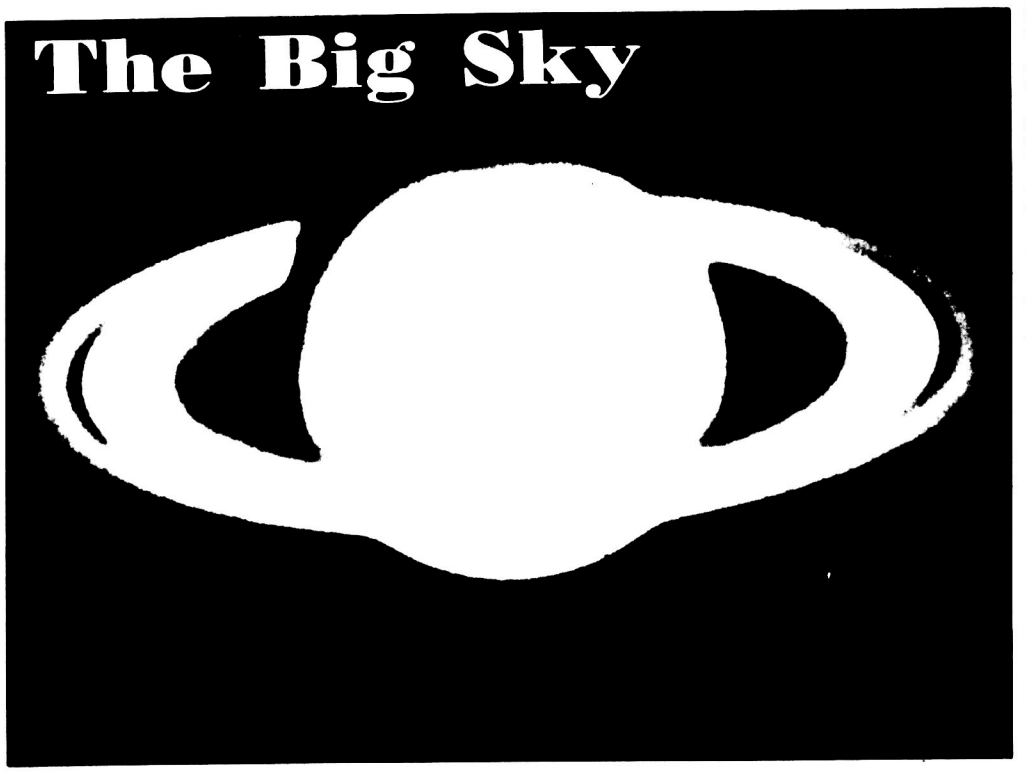


Have fun and broaden your horizons at Abrams and the MSU observatory

By JOHN NIELSON
State News Staff Writer

As with so many other fields, popular culture has managed to forge ever-expanding inroads into the realms of science, astronomy and physics. For the average American, films like Star Wars and Close Encounters of the Third Kind have provided an entree into fields previously reserved for scientists, scholars and the proverbial deep thinkers. But the crystallizing public sense of the Big Sky is blurred by an all-to-terrestrial myopia that overlooks one fundamental truism: truth is indeed stranger than fiction.

Talking computers (Star Wars) and big-brained aliens (Close Encounters) make for startling special effects and good public consumption, but pale to triteness alongside the astonishing realities scientists seem to uncover daily in their methodical, ill-publicized quest for knowledge.

Ponder, for example, the discovery that some sub-atomic particles travel backwards in time (indeed, time does not even exist on a microcosmic level). Contemplate the fact that three-dimensional space is curved and closes on itself into a fourth dimension; that the entire universe is expanding but eventually will almost surely contract into an inconceivably-dense unit about the size of Mars — only to violently explode and expand again, perhaps with an entirely different array of physical laws and processes.

And think on this: even in our own backyard — the solar system — there is much we don't know. In the wake of the dramatic Viking Mars-shots, scientists are still debating whether life has gained a toehold on that enigmatic reddish ball — although we do know that many eons ago rushing water slashed huge rivers and lakes into its barren crust.

And newly-won knowledge can be relatively insignificant, but still eye-opening. For example, we now know that tiny Pluto has a mate in its lonely voyage at the edge of the solar system. Scientists recently confirmed that the outermost planet has a moon of its own. And Saturn, we have discovered, is not the only ringed planet. Uranus is also encircled by a heavenly halo.

The intermingling of physics and astronomy is one of the most fascinating trends to develop in decades. There is much that the layperson has neither the time or the resources to keep up with. But for those star buffs and stalkers of **genuine** metaphysics — **not** the saucy pseudo-scientific gloop ladled from the publishing kitchens of those who cook up illusory Bermuda Triangles and non-existent ancient astronauts — in short, for those who **want** to learn, MSU has something to offer. They're called Abrams Planetarium and the MSU Observatory, and they're for star-gazing.

The MSU Observatory is located on Forest Road in the farmland south of campus. Its facilities are used to train students and conduct research, and two nights per month it opens its doors to the public for an open house and some telescope viewing.

The observatory houses a computer-operated 24-inch reflecting telescope, which aims itself and analyzes data automatically. The telescope is used to measure the light from distant stars, which can then be spectrum-analyzed to determine its size, temperature, and chemical makeup. Cameras attached to the telescope are used to photograph stellar phenomena for permanent records.

MSU's other link with the heavens is Abrams Planetarium, located on Shaw Lane between the Chemistry Building and Shaw Hall. Abrams is more than merely an educational facility. In addition to its Spitz planetarium projector, Abrams also has sophisticated optical equipment for light shows and an incredible audio system. Almost every weekend the planetarium holds a public show of some sort, and these are usually fascinating, often spectacular, and always highly informative.

These shows take many forms. One of the more recent ones for example, was called "The Last Question." It dealt with the question of what might happen when entropy runs its course and the universe finally runs down. It was a striking multi-media presentation — well-written and thought-provoking, too.

A long-time favorite at the planetarium was the annual A.R.C. show. These were small-scale concerts in which the Genesis/Pink Floyd-ish rock band Full Moon Consort was pitted against a barrage of lights, slides, lasers and effects in a truly breathtaking performance.

In addition, with the use of the dome ceiling and some extra equipment, the audience would suddenly find itself listening to a rock concert in the midst of a howling rainstorm (complete with thunder, lightning and rain).

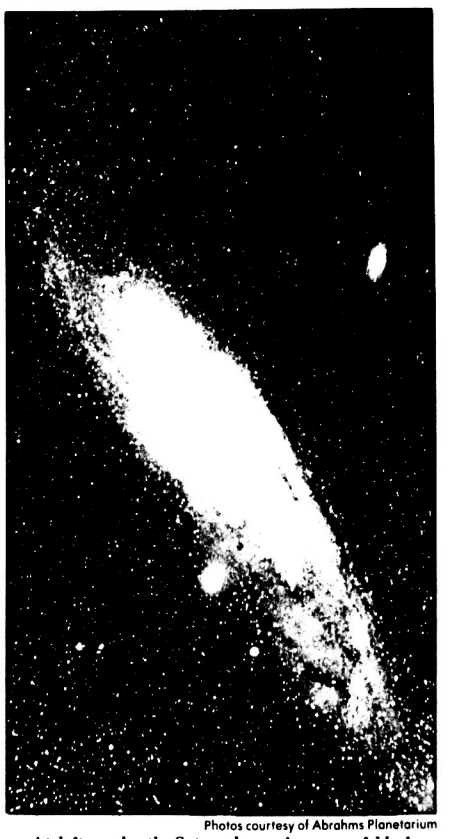
Difficulties in procuring a band forced the cancellation of this year's A.R.C. (or Annual Rock Concert), but a new feature will be taking its place. Every weekend between Oct. 27 and Nov. 19 there will be a show using all of the same effects as the A.R.C. with recorded music by a popular rock group in quadrophonic sound. The featured group will change every weekend, and while the groups have not yet been selected, Pink Floyd and Emerson, Lake, and Palmer have been mentioned as possibilities.

From Sept. 8 through Oct. 15 the presentation will be "The Loneliness Factor". This is a partly serious/partly humorous presentation dealing with the search for life elsewhere in the universe.

Then, on the weekend of Oct. 20 through 22, Abrams will feature "Autumn [illegible] a live presentation on the autumn sk[illegible]igan. A special presentation on Mich[illegible]ght skies will be followed by an outdoor te[illegible]scope session, weather permitting.

Fall term will end with the annual showing of "The Christmas Star," which deals with the legendary Star of Bethlehem.

Abrams often features an outdoor sky seminar after the late showing of their regularly scheduled program. Also, beginning in January the planetarium will once again feature current album and light-show specials after the scheduled performances on the first weekend of every month.



Photos courtesy of Abrahms Planetarium

At left, a ghostly Saturn hangs in a sea of black. Above is Andromeda galaxy, at 200 million light years away the Milky Way's nearest galactic neighbor. There are billions of galaxies scattered throughout our universe, which scientists estimate to be 10 billion years old.

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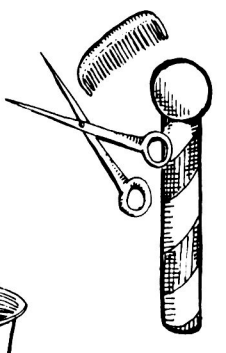

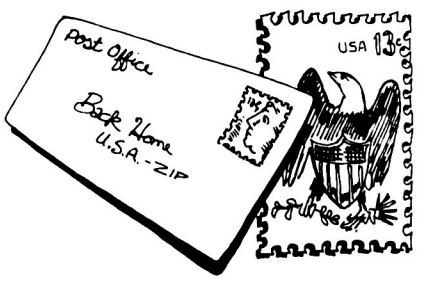

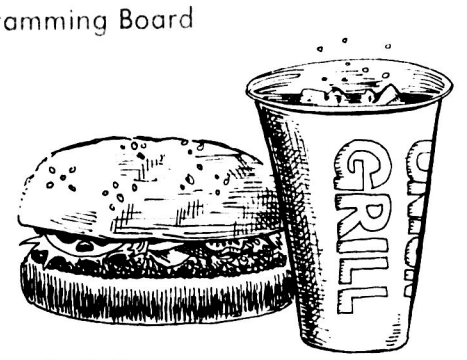

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- Business Offices
- Private Dining Rooms
- Meeting Rooms
- Union Activities Board

FIRST FLOOR —

- Alumni office
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- Grill
- Lost and Found
- Union Store
- Programing Board
- The Gallery
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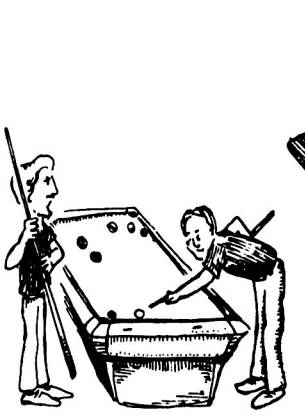
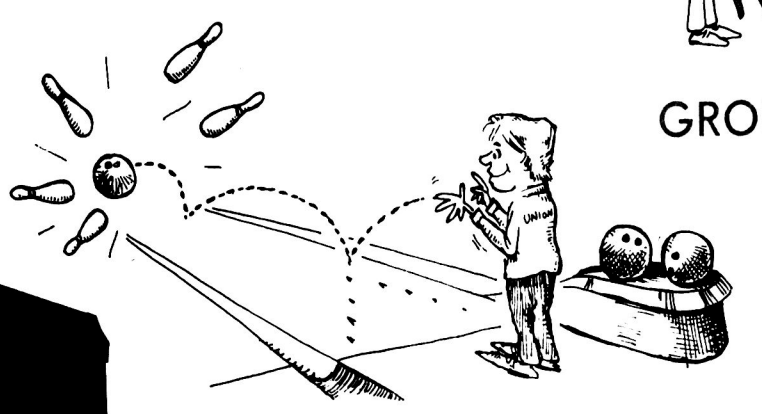
- Telephones
- Student Organization Offices





GROUND FLOOR —

- Barbershop
- Billiard Room
- Bowling Lanes
- Game Room
- Cafeteria

IT ALL BELONGS TO YOU!

'If adult entertainment offends you in any way, please do not submit...to it'

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outbreaks of nymphomania.

The next place explored was the book store with its novelty and lingerie sections. However one can browse for no more than fifteen minutes, according to a posted sign.

All of the the magazines are wrapped in celophane, but the covers are replete with male and female gentilia in full use. They also sell life-like reproductions of male and female sexual organs, suitable for use. There are very detailed reproductions of the female vaginal area, replete with life-like hair, and the male penis, any size you like.

A complete line of female lingerie, that leave little to the imagination is featured including the ever popular edible panties.

During that afternoon, most people who entered left with something, usually magazines, priced from roughly $3 on up.

The Cinema X game-room is perhaps its largest claim to fame. The room contains over a dozen pinball machines and electronic games along with three pool tables. With it's conservative carpeting and paneling it resembles a den, except for the topless models wondering in and out.

The films are of dubious quality, the sound and the video are both amateurish. The Cinema X holds about 200 people, but when I entered at 5:30 p.m. there were only four men present. That figure was to swell to nine by the time Red Fox made her appearance.

It costs $3 for a shoeshine given by a topless model, and $10 from a completely nude model. She will lead you into a small room, seat you in an elevated chair while she goes to work on your shoes.

That night there were two models at work, one was Red Fox, the exotic dancer, and the other was a young woman with short black hair combed back in early David Bowie style and very pale white skin. Her breasts hung loose from her thin frame, and she seemed very out of place amidst the carpet and paneling clad only in black silk panties.

She was recruited for a game of pool. She said that night was her first on the job and that she was a student at Lansing Community College who aspired to becoming a lawyer. She also said she was very bad at pool.

She handled the cue with the palm that indicated she may have been a bit more versed than she let on, but the entire experience was curiously asexual. Prompted both by her lack of involvement with her opponent and the lack of conversation.

"I like working here because it's relaxed," she said as we played the game, surrounded by staring men, who seemed content to just sit and watch.

Next the corridor led to the video booths where one can sit and watch in your own room such films as "A Little Humiliation," "Get It On," "Two Couples," and "Come Together," to name only a few of the nine selections.

There are over a dozen of these individual booths, each with a door covered with carpeting in plush hallways. You open the door to reveal a small room about six feet by six feet. On one wall is a video screen on which the movies are shown, on the other a little bench where you can sit and watch. A bare light bulb on the ceiling illuminated the room and made it possible to see the drops of substance on the ceiling.

As soon as a quarter was inserted into the machine the light immediately went out and the screen came alive with the image of a man and a woman on a beach. The woman exhibits an interest in having the man help her apply her suntan lotion, while glancing longingly over his body, and he complies. Just as the situation seems to be coming to a head, the screen goes blank.

Looking up at the sign over the screen that says a maximum of nine quarters can be inserted to attain the maximum viewing pleasure, the ploy seemed obvious.

Putting in another quarter, the film continued. Another, and another . . .

All alone in a small room with just a bench, a television screen and all the vicarious sexual pleasure one can elicit.

The rooms were busy all night — a constant stream of men going in and out.

As the evening progressed, the amount of men wondering the halls increased. They were like zombies, each going their own way in their own world of fantasy, illusion or depression.

Occasionally, one would get up the courage to go up to one of the models, ask them for a game of pool or shoeshine. They would smile as the girl reacted in the affirmative, as they always did, and be led off to a room.

The Cinema X is open 16½ hours a day, Monday through Saturday and 14½ hours on Sunday. According to its advertisements it offers the ultimate in adult entertainment.

Living, working, playing, and doing business in Lansing: the skin trade is all up for sale

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"When I left it was making $32,000 a month," she explained.

How did she do it? Palmer said by putting live shows on stage, getting a higher class of movies (Palmer's latest film ran there last spring), adding dancing women and men and instituting amateur and ladies' nights.

The New Art makes about $6,000 per month, the same source said. That theater holds only 80 people.

"We didn't get huge crowds," a former employee said of the New Art. "But there is a definite market for these films or they wouldn't exist. The average audience included people in their mid-40s with quite a few senior citizens. Also students, because we gave a student discount."

For the bookstores, the money also seems to be plentiful. The prices of the magazines range from $2.50 to $15, and each is individually wrapped in celophane to prevent undo browsing. The covers seem to offer sufficient depictions of male and female genitalia to satisfy any ardent observer who does not wish to make the full investment.

The Velvet Fingers is perhaps the most frequented pseudo-massage parlour in Lansing. Not a real massage parlour because it is not licensed to give massages; it instead gives the light finger tip "velvet touch." It involves a woman gliding her fingers slowly over the body of the nude and usually male client.

This form of entertainment seems to be the latest facet in a business that manufactures its success from a combination of porn, prostitutes, strippers and strangers.

A brush with prostitution at the Velvet Fingers 'touch' parlor

Editor's Note: The research for the following story was conducted prior to a change in ownership at Velvet Fingers. The new owner says that steps are being taken to enforce the law with regard to prostitution. The owner said the parlor is patrolled by detectives and that doors have been partly sawed off to make the cubicles less secretive. Any worker found to be engaging in prostitution will be fired, he declared.

By JOE SCALES
State News Staff Writer

The Velvet Fingers on Michigan Avenue in Lansing is not a massage parlor. It is a sexual shopping center.

Its libidinous produce ranges from variety of pornographic magazines and paperbacks to exotic paraphernalia and inflatable sex dolls with "working parts."

For the more adventurous, and $22 every half hour, the shopper can rent a "masseuse" who will accompany him to a small cubicle at the back of the store.

Since the establishment is not legally licensed to give massages, the customer pays for a "Velvet Touch," which is supposedly given with the finger tips only.

Alone in the cubicle, away from the prying eyes of the front office, the customer and his chosen lady are free to barter for any other extras the shopper may be willing to pay for. I went to the parlor recently and found this to be very much the case.

My curiosity in the establishment ended in one of those small back rooms, laying naked on a table, while a topless black woman, about eight months pregnant, gesticulated with improvised sign language how much it would cost me to engage in various sex acts with her.

My experience began when I opened the heavy door to the parlor shortly after 11 p.m. one Thursday night.

Entering the Velvet Fingers, the first thing one confronts is a fluorescent wall of pink, bare flesh. Nude bodies, in strange contortions and combinations, fill the covers of hundreds of pornographic magazines that wallpaper the large front lobby from floor to ceiling.

Like a grocery store, the lobby is divided into a number of sections. Each section contains a variety of sexual food to interest the appetites of every persuasion.

Pinkness is everywhere. Plastic and rubber genitalia of every size, color and shape adorn the walls, surrounding racks of books and magazines.

I approached a long-haired young man who stood at the end of the room behind a glass display case. It contained an assortment of graphically illustrated movie reels, lotions and items labled "marital aides."

The man took my $20, plus $2 for a "membership fee," and gave me a blue sheet of paper to sign before leading me up to the deck where I could choose my own "masseuse."

The paper stated in precise legal language that the parlor was not licensed to give massages. I signed a false name after the man assured me that he got signatures from a lot of Smiths, Jones, and Browns.

"Why just last week," he winked, "we had Richard Nixon in here."

The four women were young and quite pretty. I was led by the woman I picked to a hallway and directed into a small room. She instructed me to take a shower and left, saying she would be back in a few minutes. Before leaving she set a small timer.

The room resembled a run-down doctor's examination office. Scratchy music croaked from two bare speakers hanging from the ceiling and the starchy smell of newly changed sheets and disinfectant filled the air.

At one side of the room was a thing that looked like a waist-high operating table. Alongside it, spanning its length, was a huge mirror. A number of greasy hand prints were smeared across its surface. Also in the room was a shower stall and a few pieces of cheap furniture.

When the woman returned I could plainly see what she had hidden very well with her long gown while sitting down. She was obviously pregnant.

We exchanged first names while she matter-of-factly pulled the gown top from her shoulders, letting it hang down over her protruding stomach.

There was a large splotchy tatoo over her left breast and her long red wig was on slightly crooked.

The "Velvet Touch" massage consisted of her running her fingertips in a 4-inch circle on the same area of my back over and over. She was certainly no professional masseuse.

Often she appeared bored, staring at the ceiling or picking at her fingernails. Through a smattering of small talk I learned that she was due to give birth in a couple of months and that she had worked there before, then left for a time and eventually came back.

"Why did you come back?" I asked.

"Oh, my problems wouldn't let me stay away."

After a while I asked her how much the parlor got of the money she made. She said they got the money for the massage, implying that the massage wasn't all there was.

"What else is there?" I asked.

"You sure you ain't the police?" she said.

We both laughed at the suggestion, then suddenly she began making signs with her hands, indicating sex acts, pointing at parts of her body and holding up fingers to show numbers.

I guessed at the different numbers she was trying to make, as she, frustrated, waved her hands as if erasing an imaginary blackboard and did them over.

The scene was so amusing I could not help laughing.

She gave me a scolding look and said, "Look, you better decide 'cause you ain't got much time left."

I tried to explain that I didn't have the money and that I wasn't interested in what she had to offer.

She pushed on. She dropped her prices down three times before I finally got it across. The lowest was $10, but through all the confusion I wasn't sure what the $10 was for.

We small talked some more before the bell on the timer went off.

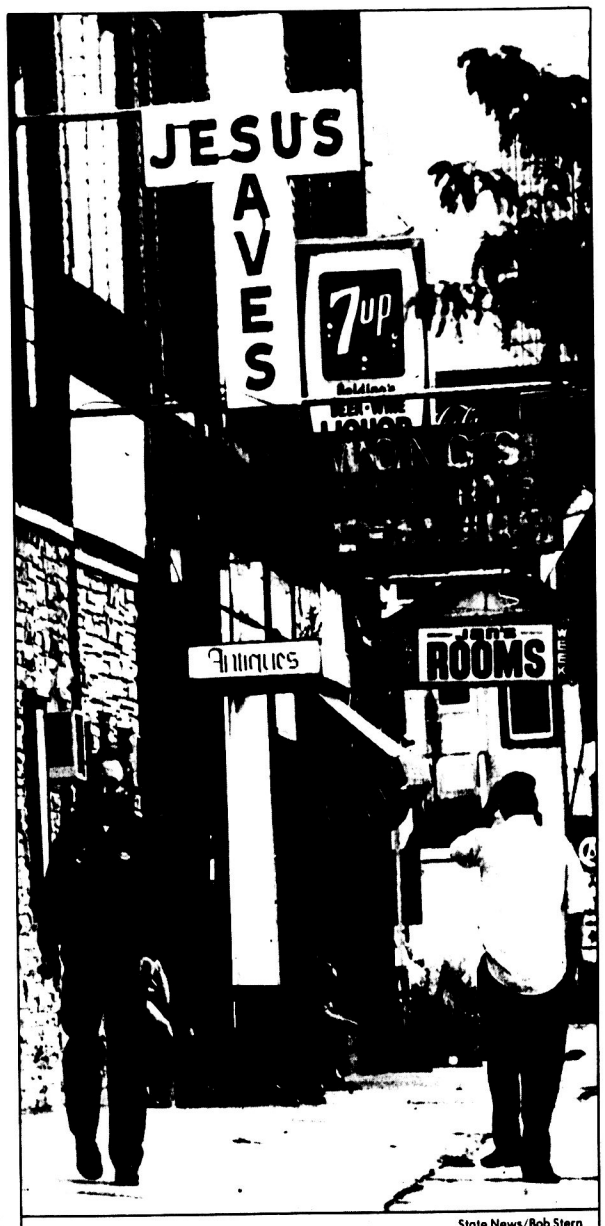
"Well you can get dressed now," she said abruptly.

I tried to ask her more questions, but her cold reply was "I don't get paid to answer 50 questions."

I said goodbye and walked out the door, back into the lobby.

As I opened the door the young desk attendant called after me, "Take it easy."

I raised my hand and waved. It was dark and quiet outside.



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"Down on Michigan Avenue" — a phrase that for many carries with it overtones of the X-rated side of life. Seamy and disreputable to some, the world of pornography and prostitution is quite normal and desirable to others.

Caring for your records

By BILL HOLDSHIP
State News Staff Writer

SNAP! CRACKLE! POP! Sounds like a cereal commercial, doesn't it? But lately these sounds seem to be just as frequent in album collections as they are in breakfast bowls. As any music lover knows, there is nothing more depressing than shelling out several hundred dollars for a stereo, only to have it ruined by a five dollar piece of vinyl.

Part of the problem is that many people lack knowledge of how to clean, maintain, and protect their records. Of course, it should be general knowledge by now to never touch records with fingertips and to never stack albums. However, the biggest menace to record vinyl is static electricity, a strong magnet which presses dirt and dust into record grooves, creating surface noises and stylus damage.

Many products on the market minimize static and aid against dust collection. The perennial favorite still seems to be the Watts "Preener," but the very best products are manufactured by Discwasher, Inc. Most of these aids are intended for use with their general purpose "D-3 Fluid," the only agent guaranteed to remove fingerprints. The other Discwashers products include:

•Discwasher: the Discwasher retails at approximately $15, and consists of a plush brush on walnut backing. The device is used with several drops of fluid and rotated on the album, first washing and then drying the surface.

•SC-1: the SC-1 cleans delicate styli without damage, also using the D-3 fluid. It is important to remember to always clean a stylus with a back to front motion, and to never touch it with fingers. Any variation will cause inevitable damage.

•Zerostat: the Zerostat retails at $29.95, and is the ultimate antistatic instrument. A gun-like device, it neutralizes positive and negative ions on any surface. It works as a sort of vacuum-like hose.

•D'Stat II: the D'Stat is a soft, felt-like turntable mat which reduces electrostatic charges on the turntable.

•Pro-Disc: Discwasher's newest product, Pro-Disc is a system that treats records with a dry, micro-film lubricant, similar to Sound Guard. Pro-Disc lowers playback distortion and vastly extends record life.

•Disctraker: the Disctraker is a revolutionary cartridge instrument which cushions the cartridge (and stylus) for records warps, thereby cutting back drastically on playback rumble.

Many audiophiles believe the most important factor in record maintenance is to make sure that the cartridge is tracking properly. It is essential to become familiar with your turntable and learn to set it properly. Otherwise, both records and stylus will be ruined in the long-run. There are numerous "test albums" available at hi-fi stores to gauge cartridge and tracking precision.

However, even with the advancements in maintenance materials, more and more people are complaining about the poor quality of new records. It's not uncommon today to purchase a record that sounds like it has been through a major holocaust. This degeneration can be attributed to good old American mass market and mass production techniques. After all, record companies are essentially interested in profits. therefore, records are being processed and pressed too rapidly.

When a record is pressed rapidly at elevated temperatures, this causes excessive buildup of metal crystals on the vinyl surface. The metal deposit must be grinded off and this creates "mold grain," producing the annoying rumble-like sound on new albums. If a disc is pressed in 40 seconds rather than the standard one minute, there is bound to be more noise. In addition, warpage is more frequent due to removing discs from the presses when they're still too warm for removal.

With the shortage of petrochemicals, manufacturers have also taken to recycling old vinyl which means the new Sex Pistols disc may have once been **Jolson's Greatest Hits**. Many new albums are up to fifty percent recycled. In addition, gritty "filler" material is often used in pressing. It's inevitable that some particles will remain on the new record's surface.

There may be some hope for the disillusioned in the SAE 5000 "Impulse Noise Reduction Unit." The device is an accesory which removes pops and crackles from records due to scratches, dirt, static and other imperfections without affecting the studio quality of the record. The SAE 5000, however, is not a filter, and does nothing for playback rumble, static, etc. The device may be attached to any tape monitor or receiver.

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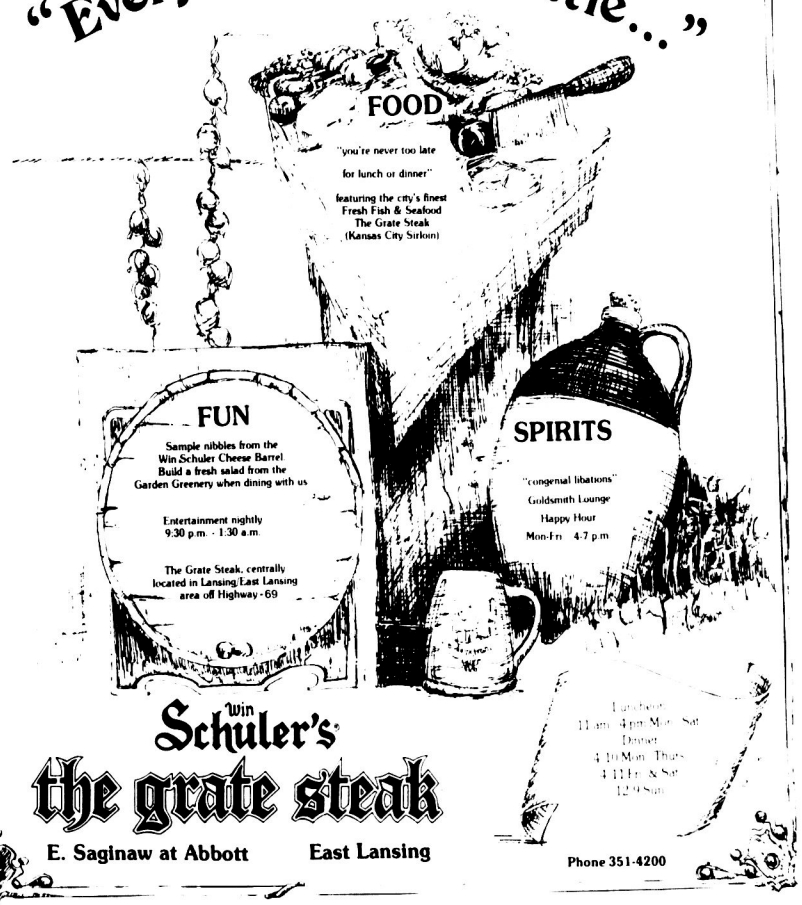

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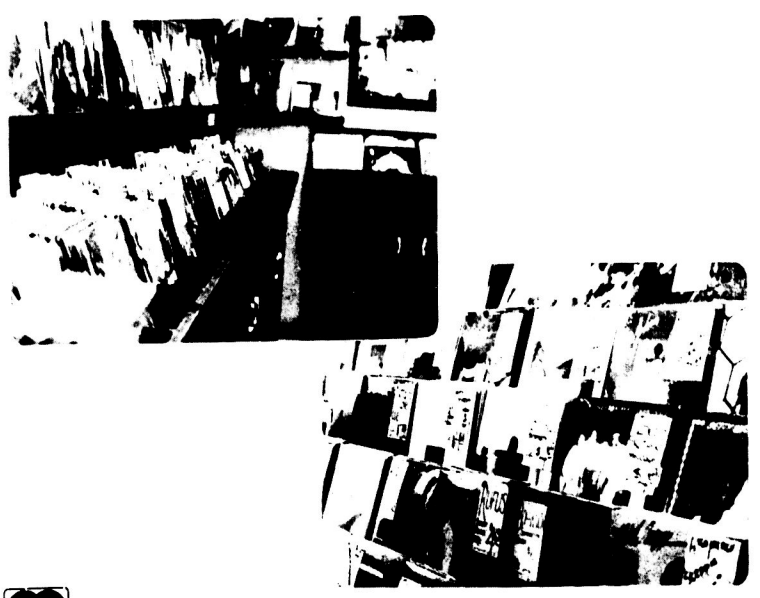

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Whirling, twirling: the fluid art of dancing is yours— comes to the front with 'U' degree

By PAULA DYKE
State News Staff Writer

It is beautiful in its many forms. It is taught, learned and observed with delight at this University. It is seen but rarely heard.

It is dance, that fluid human art form, and MSU has plenty of it to offer.

Classes in ballet, modern, and jazz dance are offered through the department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels.

HPR 211 provides instruction in folk, social and square dancing. And now, for the first time ever, beginning this fall, MSU students can choose to major in dance.

Previously, students interested in dance could only minor in this highly technical field.

"It is a broad-based program with equal emphasis on all kinds of dance — we're not pushing just one variety," dance instructor Barbara Smith said.

Required classes for majors include ballet, modern and jazz, along with basic classes in music, theater, choreography and dance history

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For the skilled dancer, the MSU Repertory Dance Company performs various concerts throughout the school year. Tryouts are held each fall. Ballet and modern dance is emphasized.

For the not-so-skilled dancer, MSU's dance program sponsors Orchesis, a modern dance club. Representatives form the Repertory Dance Company teach Orchesis members ballet, modern or jazz two nights a week for $10 a term.

MSU dancers may also perform in the Children's Lecture-Demonstration Dance Ensemble, which travels to area elementary schools giving demonstrations and dance lessons to children.

Other on-campus dance organizations include the MSU Promenaders, a square dance club, and the Society for Creative Anachronism, which offers medieval and renaissance dance.

Happendance, a small modern dance company composed mainly of MSU dance program veterans, is also active on campus performing in campus theater productions.

Off-campus dance opportunities include classes in ballet and modern dance at the Modern Dance Workshop, headquartered at 693 N. Hagadorn Road. Lansing Community College offers classes in ballet, modern, tap, folk and social dancing, while various local private dance studios hold classes in everything from ballroom to disco.

In addition, several professional dance troupes stay in residence in East Lansing each year giving performances for MSU's Lecture-Concert Series and conducting seminars for local dance students.

This year's line-up will include the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo and the Paul Taylor Dancers.

"Our dance audiences are growing tremendously and I'm very pleased," Ken Beachler, Lecture-Concert Series Director said.

"We try to reach out to the kind of companies that will bring in new audiences and stimulate even more interest in dance," Beachler said.

Beachler said that during the last six or seven years, MSU has sponsored about 15 dance residencies.

Although the residencies are funded in part through grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts, Beachler said many of the programs have left him "in the red".

"This office could save money having companies here just to perform," Beachler said.

"But residencies help build up audiences by directly exposing the dancers themselves to the professionals.

"You can see a definite influence these companies have made on local dance organizations," Beachler said.

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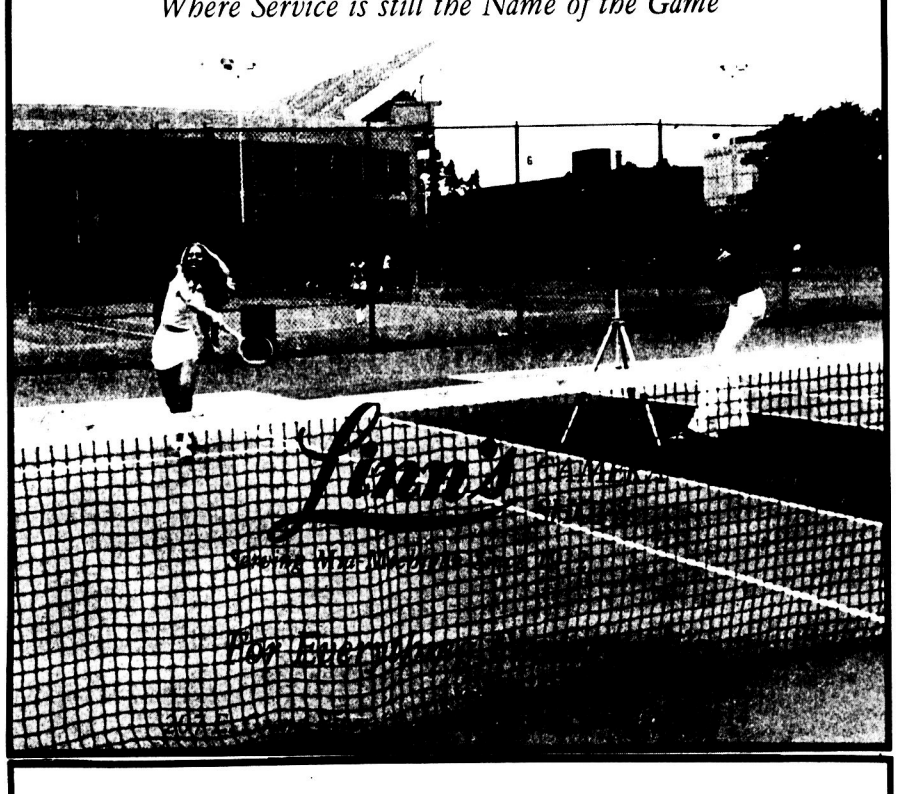

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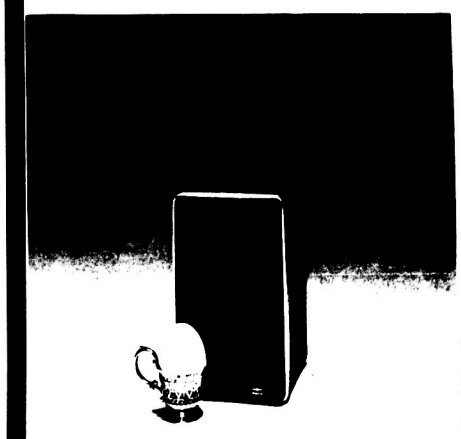
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It's true—*I* was a rock concert security guard

By KIM SHANAHAN
State News Staff Writer

We met in an empty parking lot on the north side of town. There were about 40 of us — all male, mostly black and nearly everyone a well-muscled specimen. We all introduced ourselves with stiff power handshakes and tight-lipped grimaces. Names were quickly forgotten.

We were the soldiers in an efficiently-run army of concert security guards. We milled around the parking lot waiting for something to happen but not knowing what to expect. The general of the outfit finally drove up in a sleek sports car and set everyone to buzzing. His appearance fit his role perfectly. He gave a first impression of a big sleeply-eyed black — complete with a well-fed belly and nappy casual denim. The loyal respect he demanded and received without reservation suggested there was something more to Karlos then first met the eye.

Us white boys clumped together self-consciously and whispered things that we had heard about Karlos.

"I hear he carries a .38 in a shoulder holster and a .22 in his pocket."

"He does security for concerts all over the midwest, even did the world tour for the Commodores last year."

"Where do you suppose he ever found the Major?"

The Major was just that, an ex-Marine major who had trained paratroopers. He was a fifth-degree blackbelt and a teacher of nine different forms of martial arts. His presence was unassuming — actually kind of scrawny looking — but the word was that you don't mess with the Major.

We pulled into the rear of Flint's Atwood stadium two hours ahead of concert time. The concert was to be a hard-rocking show — Alvin Lee, Brownsville Station and Salem Witchcraft — for a hard-rocking city. A potentially volatile situation.

The Major broke away from Karlos and the concert promoter and briskly marched over to the milling group of soldiers with a clipboard held importantly in his hand.

"Listen up," he barked to us. We circled around him with anticipation of being given an order to follow.

"As I read off your name, line up against the fence in single file. We are going to ask you all a few questions."

We fell in as quickly as possible and naturally assumed the position of parade rest — hands clasped behind our backs with feet spread wide for solid bases.

"Have you ever worked as a security man before, Shanahan?" he asked without taking his eyes from the clipboard that was filled with names with the word "yes" after each of them.

"No."

He looked away from the clipboard down to my sandled feet, followed up my skinny legs, appraised my weak torso and flat chest and finally looked into my eyes for what seemed like a lifetime.

"Hmphh," he grunted, and moved on to the next body.

I didn't know what "hmphh" meant. More insecurities rushed through me. Were they going to send me home? Was I too collegiate looking? Should I have worn my combat boots instead of flip-flops? I tried to appear tough and confident. The smug, superior look on my face was getting stale and harder to maintain.

My post was at the left entrance along with Keith, a bear of a black man with a chest like an oil drum. His imposing bulk and dark face made me nervous but relieved — he was on my side.

The people on the other side of the iron-spiked bars were all punks. Teenagers too young to drive but old enough to smoke joints, drink beer and fondle their heavily-mascaraed girlfriends while a tight bunch of Flint's finest cops huddled together not 15 feet away.

The punks' voices were raucously sarcastic. They didn't ask questions; they demanded answers. I was surprised at first but then remembered how I had always felt about the chumps who wore T-shirts with SECURITY emblazoned across the back.

"How many heads you gotta bust to make your quota?"

"Six an hour," I tried to jest.

"Shove it up your a--," was the reply without a trace of humor.

What was I doing here as a security person in a strange city I'd heard so many bad things about, doing a job I had always despised others for doing, when I could be up north sun-bathing on Lake Charlevoix? Well for one thing — actually the only thing — I was going to get $40 for a day's work. What kind of work I had no idea of when I agreed to the offer, but 40 bucks is 40 bucks.

The Major got his money's worth out of me and Keith. Keith took tickets and prevented people from swarming in. I stood behind his bulk and searched coolers, bags, blankets and purses for bottles. We didn't care about alcohol or anything else, just as long as it wasn't in bottles. By the day's end we had a 55-gallon drum filled with bottles of beer and pop. It was enough to make a thirsty man cry.

Another policy we had to enforce was that anyone who left the stadium had to pay to get back in. That ridiculous rule caused more hassles than anything else. To complicate matters, one reactionary cop decided he was going to have some cars towed away. The PA system announced the edict, causing a run on the gates. Since we were told we couldn't let anyone out without making them pay to get back in, we had around 200 angry people trying to get out. We refused to accommodate them since we hadn't been given instructions. People started getting nasty.

"What the f--- is this s---?" a beer-breathed motorcycle dude with a Nazi swastika tatooed on one beefy arm, and "born to kill" on the other, demanded in my face.

"I'm sorry," I tried to explain with conviction and sympathy, "but we haven't been given orders on how to let you out without making you pay again. You'll just have to wait patiently until my boss comes and tells us what to do."

"F... yer boss. If them pigs tow away my ride, I'm gonna come back and take it outta yer a--."

I looked away from the crowd of hate-filled faces and sighed. I thought concerts were supposed to be fun — laid-back people drifting around on reefer smoke thinking everything's cool. Was it because I was in Flint; because of the groups playing, or because I was totally straight at a rock 'n roll concert for the first time ever — whatever the reason, the job was getting depressing.

Later in the evening it got cooler and people wanted to go to their cars for blankets and long pants. We wouldn't let them out. One persistent punk of about 17 decided he wanted to take his cooler to his car. We told him at least a half-a-dozen times what the situation was. He finally ignored us in a moment of independence and strode out to his car while throwing a defiant, "You ain't gonna keep me out" over his shoulder. Hah! we thought.

He came back before long, showed us his ticket stub and tried to push by Keith and I. This street-wise kid had decided he wasn't going to take any more of our rules.

"I paid my $7.50 and I'm coming in," he said menacingly.

"No you're not" we insisted.

He refused to move and stayed pressed against Keith's big chest, his lower lip stuck out defiantly and his nostrils quivering with rage. He **had** paid his $7.50 once already and he **only** wanted to run his cooler to his car so he wouldn't have to carry it around all day. But rules were rules and he was not going to come by Keith and I.

He finally started shoving me. I suppose because I was the collegiate looking white boy with glasses, but I welcomed the opportunity.

I knocked his hands away with my forearms and held his wrist while I glared at him with all the firmness I could muster.

"Get your f..... hand off me."

So I did, but he shoved me again. I knocked his hands away a second time and he took a swing at me. Since I was straight and he wasn't, I ducked his wild swing. I then broke away from Keith, ducked my head and rammed into his chest. He went flying back but managed to grab me around the neck. I freed myself and straightened up just as he came for me. By this time Keith was beside me and we both managed to get him out of the line and back out the gates.

It was the first and only time during the day that anything came to violence. A crowd of onlookers had gathered and roundly booed and yelled obscenities at us for picking on the guy. What can you do?

Just after dusk they quit selling tickets so the Major came to reassign me. We jogged around his perimeter, stopping at each post so the Major could fire orders to the sentries. I didn't know where the Major was taking me and I didn't ask.

We finally came around to the back of the stage and went through the gate in the fence that was being guarded by yet another yellow-shirted security person. He led me up to a mobile home that served as Alvin Lee's dressing room, and told me to guard the trailer.

Finally — after two long encores — the show was over. The band came through the gate toward my post led by the Major who beamed a flashlight in front of the musicians' feet. I didn't really know any of the people in the band and really wouldn't have known who Alvin Lee was if I met him on the street. They all looked exhausted — almost dejected — and I realized they would not appreciate a hip, jovial, "What's happening?" coming from me, so I remained somber and guard-like.

I figured out who Lee was before he got to me and met his eyes. I gave him a superior smirk — I couldn't help it — and he met my eyes with a look of appreciation and resignation. He put his hand on my shoulder and used it to climb the three steps. The look on his face kind of got to me, so I reached up to pat him on the back and say something nice.

I missed his back and patted his torso. No words came out of my mouth. **Alvin Lee, a rock 'n roll star, was getting fat.**

I drove back to East Lansing in the dark. Someone had knocked out the headlights of my car.

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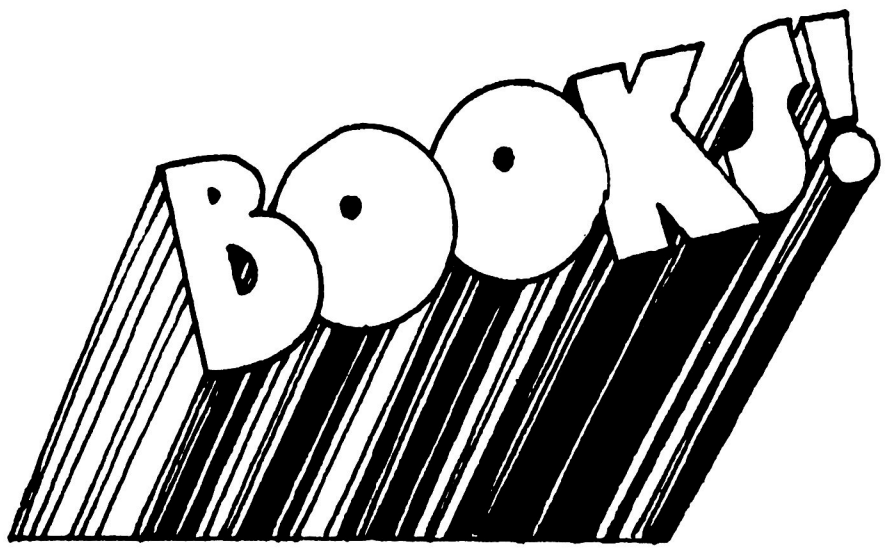

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OK, the bars...quaff some *(slurp)* beer, down a few *(gulp)* pitchers—*unnnhhh*...

By DAVE DiMARTINO
State News Reviewer

He's been in East Lansing — at MSU — for too long now.

He knows everything about everything that matters to him about the town, and more. He's looked for fun, for excitement, and hasn't been able to find it. Anywhere.

He wants one last chance. Somewhere, he knows, there lurks in East Lansing a new thrill, a new experience he's never had before.

Reason — and experience — tell him it must be waiting for him at the bar. So out the door he goes.

He walks into the Peanut Barrel, looking with distaste at the garish decor and avoiding the peanuts that lie on the floor. He's glad he came early; the Peanut Barrel's main attraction, he's been told, consists of a mixture of trivia and blanded-out rock or jazz music. He hates both, though with little passion.

He orders a beer in the bar part of the restaurant and looks around. Big deal, he thinks. The beer goes down quickly, and he finds himself quickly ordering another while he watches the bar's cable TV. People are shooting pool, laughing and having fun, and he's just watching reruns of **The Jeffersons.** He walks to the men's room, peanut shells crunching under his feet, and waves hello to a tableful of people he vaguely remembers from a class two years ago.

He returns to his seat, depressed, and orders one more beer for the road. He gulps it down and quickly heads for the exit door.

Next stop: Moon's.

He's always liked this place, though he's never quite figured the reason. He goes into the dark, smaller part of the restaurant and orders cottage fries and a beer.

Moon's is dark around him. Sitting scattered throughout the restaurant are several couples, all of them engrossed in table talk and all the vagaries of relationships that have always left him cold. He downs his beer and notices a table occupied by four overweight women, all laughing. Behind them are three men, bearded and younger. Everyone's at their own table, everyone's having fun and oblivious to the world.

He looks down at his glass and orders another Olympia.

He's just oblivious.

Five minutes later, he's out the door and on his way across the street to America's Cup. Something about the place's concept has always rubbed him the wrong way but, what the hell, he's had five beers and the night is still young. He walks in, expecting the worst but not caring.

The first thing that hits him is the bar's antiseptic look. That's OK, he thinks to himself, but the sailing pictures up on the wall are REALLY too much. He sits down at one of the small tables near the entrance and waits for a waitress.

Soon one comes. She smiles at him, he ignores her pleasant look and orders another beer. He's preoccupied; sitting across from him is one of the most beautiful blondes he's ever seen, playing some kind of table game with a fraternity boy. She's drinking some fancy kind of mixed drink; he's got what looks like a banana daquiri in his right hand and a More cigarette in his left. Alone at his table, watching, he cringes. Sipping his beer, he looks at the couple and spends a few unpleasant minutes thinking about his future.

As he gets up to leave, the blonde stares up at him from her backgammon board and quietly whispers something to her companion. The fraternity boy twists around, craning his neck, and gives him a cold glare and a smirk before returning to his game.

Walking out, he notices a chill in the air that wasn't there earlier.

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The Alle-Ey is next. He doesn't expect much when he walks in, and he doesn't get it.

To shake off America's Cup, he orders a pitcher of beer and just stands by the bar. For some reason this beer is awfully easy to drink, he thinks. He notices a few people he's seen on the streets dancing almost mindlessly on the dance floor.

In some masochistic way he realizes that he actually LIKES the place tonight, though he's not quite sure why. Maybe it's the contrast, he thinks, pouring the last of the beer into his glass. Maybe it's the contrast.

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On his way to Lizard's, he notices he's having some difficulty walking. Big deal, he thinks again. The night is still young. He walks into Lizard's.

Sitting down, he sees three friends sitting at a table by the bathroom door. Their attention seems focused on the fourth of their party, a girl at least three or four years younger than them. Avoiding their gazes, she taps her feet to the band — who're playing some sickly permutation of Commander Cody and the New Riders — and seems, at least to his trained eye, to be on the verge of leaving.

A waitress breaks his train of thought, asking him if he'd like a beer. He orders another pitcher and watches the band.

Same ol' stuff, he thinks. Same ol' garbage. Country-rock this week, blues-rock next week, and jazz-rock the next. Real counter-cultural stuff.

He pours his first glass of beer, thinking that East Lansing really doesn't have the kind of bar that he'd like. A place that would drop all pretenses, serve liquor and just have a tasteful li'l jukebox. Maybe they'd play some jazz one night, some blues the next, some REAL rock the next and some reggae or new wave the next. He's not particular, he thinks. Just anything, ANYTHING, but this.

As he finishes the pitcher he remembers his friends. He glances over and sees they're gone; instead, the girl is with two new guys, a little older, one white and one black. Again, she stares straight ahead at the band.

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He walks into Beggar's Banquet at 12:30. It's crowded, as usual and, a night's worth of beer in his belly, he starts singing "St. James Infirmary" to himself.

Beggar's always does wonders for his self-image. If he walks in shaky, he leaves renewed because he knows — HE KNOWS — life ain't really like this in bohemia. He a slob, a natural born slob who likes junk of any kind. He likes beer, he likes TV, he likes junk and he likes the warm feeling he gets in his gut when he walks out of Beggar's some 45 minutes later with a pitcher-and-a-half of beer in him and an argument with a familiar Beggar's-jerk behind him. He feels warm, and he's got one more stop.

He walks into Dooley's dead drunk. The beer's done its job, in more ways than one, and even the muscle-bound bouncer glaring at him shows as much concern for his world as he shows for the bouncer's. You're jus' doin' you're job, he thinks to himself, reassuringly putting the bouncer in he same perspective he's put everyone else in tonight.

He sees three extremely skinny girls sitting close to the dancefloor, watching the late-night action and sipping some kind of blue-colored drink.

He asks a waitress; she says it's a Blue Angel; he says he wants one, too; she smiles to herself and asks him if he's sure; he says "Hell Yeah!"; the waitress walks away and a strobe light flashes over the dance floor.

The Blue Angel comes. He's spent the last of his money on the drink, and he realizes that the night's expected thrill better come soon or he'll be walking home, alone, again.

Sipping slowly at the Blue Angel, he sees that the Dooley's crowd is slowly thinning out. It's after 1:15, and people have made their sleeping arrangements for the night. It's for sure: he's alone.

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Stumbling from Dooley's exit door, he hobbles homeward. Occasionally he glances behind him for police cars — he's been stopped before, more sober than he was now, and it wasn't fun — but even the police, he thinks, have better things to do than be concerned with him and his problems.

Let's see, he thinks. What did I do tonight? Nothing. Who did I meet tonight? No one. Did I have any fun tonight? No. Is there any point to all this — to the aimless cruising from bar to bar, to the barren, shallow relationships I've lived through in this town, to the entire concept of getting a college degree? Is there?

Suddenly, a tall, green man jumps out from behind the oak tree in front of him.

"No, earthling wimp, there IS no point!" he announces, pulling a small metallic cylider from what appears to be a pocket and aiming it at the drunken onlooker's head.

Minutes later, police find the corpse, stinking of beer and wearing an unmistakable expression of terror on its face.

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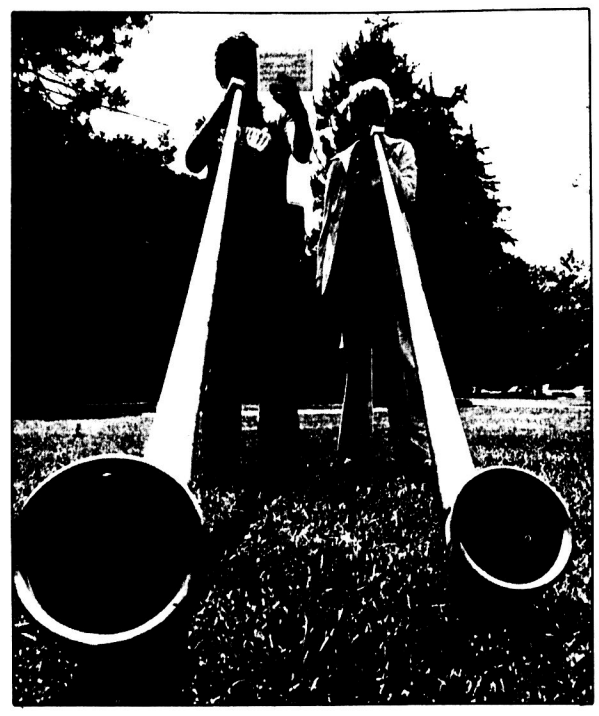

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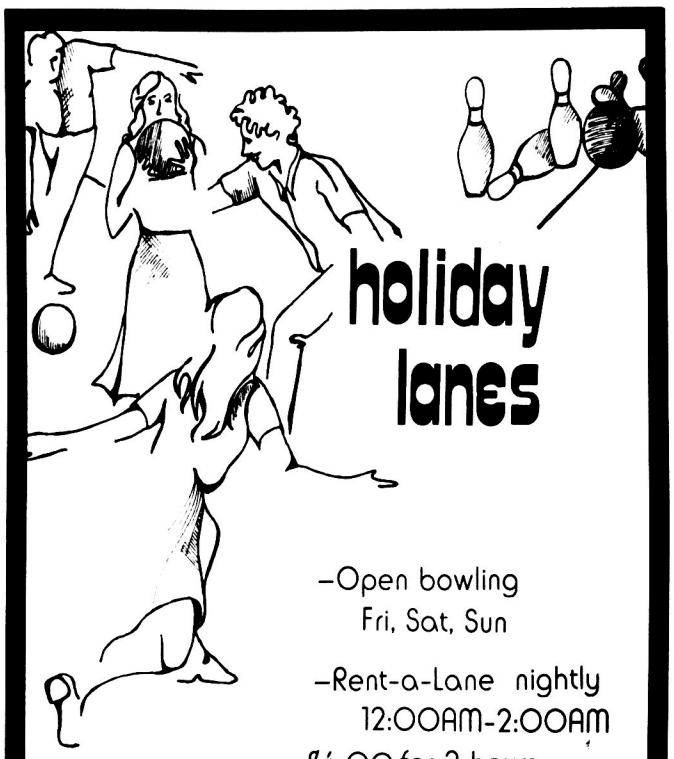

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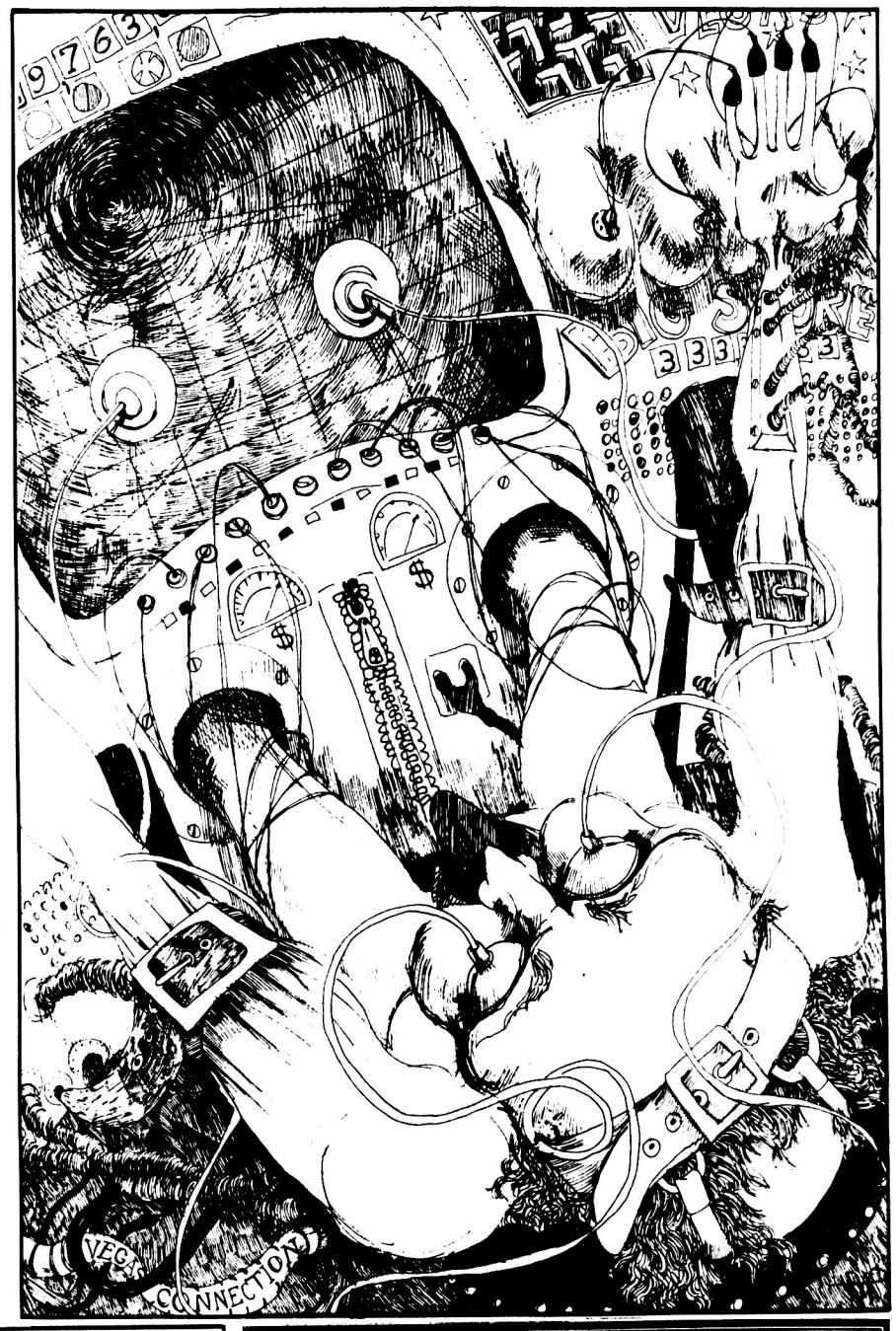

By BILL HOLDSHIP
State News Staff Writer

NEAT! NEAT! NEAT!

Being a firm believer in the evils of science-gone-too-far, I originally planned to condemn the newfangled computer games found in pinball arcades. After all, pinball arcades are for kids, and it seemed to me that modern technology is turning today's kids into closet test-tube cases. Whatever happened to the good, old-fashioned, all-American games they had when I was a kid? All I could anticipate today were more of the same Elton John or Disco pinball tables mingled with IBM and HAL clones.

I was wrong. Twenty minutes at Pinball Petes, and I was a hooked guy! Of course, I skipped all the older models that everyone is familiar with by now — the submarine torpedo and army tank games, all of which have educational value in teaching kids the excitement of World War II. And then there was a cowboy computer game where two players can become John Wayne or Matt Dillon and have a good, old-fashioned, all-American Western showdown. By God, the games I grew up with as a kid are still here! Only difference is that one doesn't have to lie down to play dead anymore.

And then my eyes fell upon those proponents of the great American Dream — the computer CAR games! I dropped my first quarter into the "Night Rider," got behind the wheel, and suddenly I was James Dean, speeding down the highway at 120 miles per hour. I almost believed it, but then the ride ended much too abruptly, so I went in search of something even neater.

I found it with another car game called "Death Race." Now, one can never be too sure about the rules for computer games. They often get complicated, and it's usually more fun to watch them and not worry about the rules. So, anyway, I think the object of this game was to drive your car through the graveyard at high speed, trying to avoid hitting the little cross gravemarkers. What you were supposed to try to hit, though, were the "gremlins," who looked just like regular people.

Not only was "Death Race" right out of **Night of the Living Dead**, but it was also a revenge fantasy come true. I mean those little "gremlins" can become anyone you want them to be. "There's my high school gym teacher" — gun the accelerator — RRRRRR!! BOOM! "There's Colonel Tom Parker and Robert Stigwood" — RRRRRR! BOOM! "There's Sister Gertrude Ann and that cop that busted me" — RRRRRR!! BOOM! It was well worth the quarter I spent for the frustration I exhumed.

And, finally, there were the **Star Wars** spinoffs. These were the ones I tried to avoid, as I was sure they would represent those dreadful technological excesses. At first, my worst fears seemed true with the "Space Wars" game. With its 20-odd buttons, one almost needed a Ph.D in Computer Programming to run the game.

In the long run, though, "Space Wars" ended up being like the computer tank games, the only difference being that two players maneuvered starships instead of tanks. It was still a dud. The players control their ships with four different buttons — LEFT, RIGHT, FORWARD and HYPERSPACE. HYPERSPACE is the button to push when your ship is in a dangerous situation where there's no way out. When the button is pushed, the ship disappears and is safe. COP-OUT!! What kind of escapist fantasy is that to teach kids?

I was so disillusioned that I almost skipped playing "Starship One." Fortunately for me, I gave it a try. "Starship One" was dynamite. Unlike "Space Wars," it is intended for one player. Once again, the player is captain of a starship fighting other ships. Dozens of ships appear on the screen, one after the other, and the player's job is to explode them. If the player doesn't destroy the ships within the allotted time, the ships crash into the screen, resembling something that can only be described as fireworks. In addition, the player is provided with five proton torpedos. The torpedos are intended for times of crisis, and they will destroy everything on the screen.

I became a pro on "Starship One" in no time at all. After each game, the screen would light up and read: "You have saved the Federation. To be Captain of Spaceship Atari, deposit a quarter." However, I soon became less intrigued with saving the federation, and more fascinated with the crash explosions on the screen. During my last game, I completely gave up trying to shoot the ships. Instead, I pressed my face as close to the screen as possible, and watched the dozens of crashes. The end result must have resembled what Owsley LSD was probably like in the '60s.

After the game ended, I had lost. The screen lit up and read: "You have lost everything. To be Captain of Spaceship Atari, deposit a quarter." An existential computer game! Alright!

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Above, left: women march in a 1920 homecoming parade. Left: East Lansing's first road patrol officer, Wendy Holforty, is sworn in. Above: Feminist Party founder Florynce Kennedy speaking at Fairchild Theater last February. Photo at top left is reprinted courtesy of information services.

ERA: past 'vaginal politics,' into the heart of the system

By DAVID MISIALOWSKI
State News Staff Writer

Without question!

It was going to pass, probably within two years. Robert Griffin, a conservative senator from Michigan, co-sponsored it. Richard Nixon declared his support for it, in an election year no less. The Senate passed it by the lopsided margin of 84-8, and 32 minutes later the state legislature of Hawaii ratified it. A gaggle of right-wing senators, Barry Goldwater and Sam Ervin foremost among them, fought a rearguard action against it, but their protests were lost in the intensifying din of support that cut sweepingly across ideological lines.

The state will ratify it "with dispatch," predicted liberal Indiana Sen. Birch Bayh, and in the spring of 1972 there seemed little reason to doubt his prognostication.

"It" was — is — without question a terse, straightforward, urgently-needed alteration to the U.S. Constitution. The Equal Rights Amendment states as follows: "Equality under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or any state, on account of sex."

But today, six years after its passage by the U.S. Senate, the ERA is without question, in deep, deep trouble. For an amendment to become part of the Constitution, two-thirds of the states — 38 in all — must ratify it. To date 35 states have endorsed ERA. Four of those states — Kentucky, Tennessee, Idaho and Nebraska — have since rescinded their approvals, but the legality of this is still very much in question.

Unless three more states ratify ERA by the congressionally-imposed deadline of March 22, 1979, the amendment will die — assassinated, some would contend, by the same social backlash which has imperiled the right of women to obtain safe abortions and the same reactionary mentality which demands an end to so-called "giveaway" programs for struggling minorities.

A creation of its time, ERA seems destined to become a victim of changing times.

Or will it? Presently a move is afoot to extend the deadline for ratification. Proponents of ERA are seeking an extension until 1986, but may have to settle for much less — if anything at all. In July the House Judiciary Committee voted, 19-15, to give ERA advocates three years, three months and eight days more to sell their case to the public. The full House and Senate must still approve this action, and the issue promises to be submerged in a quagmire of debates, brickbats and filibusters for months to come.

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It's almost better to be dead than "unclean" — that's the message drilled into women for so many years by those who hawk so-called "feminine hygeine products." But evidence shows that sprays, douches, suppositories and the rest, far from being beneficial, may actually be harmful. Page 3.

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Rape, it has been said, is like being murdered — except that you don't die. And one school of thought holds that the best way to deal with rapists is to emasculate them. Page 4.

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Women are learning — or relearning — the ancient martial art of karate as a means of self-defense. Page 8.

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The cumpulsory pregnancy crowd is winning its battle to minimize abortions in America. Page 10.

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The case of Francine Hughes has highlighted a subject for too long covered up or ignored. Now the state is taking steps to help victims of spouse abuse. Page 11.

MSU reaping the whirlwind of Title IX

By ANNE MARIE BIONDO
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State News Staff Writers

"No person in the United States, shall on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal assistance . . ."

This statement of affirmative action, known nationwide as Title IX of the 1972 Federal Education Amendments, applies to any school or agency receiving federal aid — which includes MSU.

Title IX was implemented as one of the few regulations regarding affirmative action and was in part an answer to the growing realization that women were indeed being denied equal opportunity.

But, the idea of sexual equality sometimes seems to make administrators nervous. It appears that complying with Title IX is too much trouble, implies too much paper work and changes the status quo a little too drastically.

This aversion to equal opportunity does not just apply to specific institutions, but seems to be the national trend. Universities and bureaucratic agencies have only slowly moved toward compliance with Title IX, even though it has been a federal regulation for six years.

Of course, it is understandable that "these things take time," but it appears as if it might take forever, even though the compliance deadline was July 21.

Affirmative action should, and does, connote a positive image, but in the minds of many administrators, including those at MSU, it seems to create discomfort — even fear.

During the last academic school year, administrators became overly-defensive each time a move was suggested to better the University's affirmative action policies for women.

The terms affirmative action and Title IX seemed to make this group of people who administer every aspect of University policy flinch. Could this mean they feel threatened by the very concepts that are intended to make the college community more balanced in terms of sex and race?

Or could this overly defensive attitude come from the administrative contention that the Department of Health, Education and Welfare — the bureaucratic office which administers Title IX — has not yet made it clear what compliance really means?

For whatever reason, the women's basketball team charges that MSU has failed to comply with the regulations.

In April, the team filed a Title IX complaint against the University charging sex discrimination in intercollegiate athletics. Every area of such women's sports as basketball, volleyball and softball — from the size of a team's budget to the amount of locker room space — lags far behind the Title IX goals set for 1978 by HEW.

Under Title IX, MSU and 3,000 other federally-funded colleges across the country are obligated to create "equal opportunity" for women students interested in participating in the athletic programs.

Because some MSU administrators can not agree on the definition of equal opportunity the process of conferring this equality has been delayed.

One thing is certain, equal opportunity does not mean equal funding for women's sports. The federal government has never demanded this.

Yet, because the HEW regulations are so sketchy, some would contend that only the non-revenue men's sports should be evaluated with regard to comparable women's sports.

And since men's basketball, football and hockey are money-making sports, their budgets must remain higher than those for women's athletics.

But should those revenue sports be excluded from the Title IX regulations entirely?

While some top administrators say yes, others concerned with bringing MSU into compliance with Title IX say no.

"If revenue sports were included," said Men's Athletic Director Joseph Kearney, "it would just break the bank — a heck of a lot of sports would disappear."

Yet, Women's Athletic Director Nell Jackson claims HEW always intended revenue sports to be included in Title IX regulations.

She said she has been trying to tell the athletic department such sports are not exempt from Title IX's scope.

"But I've been like a little voice in the wilderness," she said.

Before the sex discrimination complaint was filed HEW required that each college conduct a survey to see if enough interest in women's sports prevails among the student body. Last fall, then-Title IX Coordinator Mary Pollock told her superiors at an MSU Board of Trustees meeting that the University should have surveyed its students two years before.

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Title IX, a rather mundane-sounding bureaucratic code-word, carries with it profound implications. It prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in federally-funded educational institutions, and represents the first time such a directive has been codified into law. Whether MSU is adequately living up to its obligations under Title IX remains an open question.

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Womanself: books by, for, about women (men invited too)

By PAULA DYKE
State News Staff Writer

A goldmine of literature by, for and about women is awaiting discovery on the second level of the University Mall, 220 M.A.C. Ave.

The purpose of the store is embodied in its name: the Womanself Bookstore.

"In part, the store serves an educational purpose for those who have just begun to think about their identities as women," Lorrie King, a salesperson at Womanself, said.

"Our other function is to provide continuing education for women who have been involved in the feminist movement or special women's studies," said King, a 22-year-old MSU junior majoring in history.

"We keep them in contact with the movement by keeping the most up-to-date women's literature coming in," she added.

The books span a broad range of categories.

Classifications include biography, fiction, poetry, health and sexuality, women's history, non-sexist children's literature, lesbian literature, black women and a section on male sex roles.

"Women are excluded in too many aspects of life in this culture," King said.

"It's helpful to have materials written by and for women gathered together in one central place."

King said there are only two bookstores exclusively for women's literature in Michigan. The other one, named Womanspace, is located in Ann Arbor.

"The people in the Ann Arbor store prefer to keep their clientele all women," King said.

"We want to reach everyone," she stressed, adding that men could learn a lot of valuable things from some of the books.

"While we avoid carrying any literature that denigrates women, we try to appeal to people of all different backgrounds, interests and political beliefs," she said.

Some professors involved in the Women's Studies Program at MSU order books from Womanself as texts, King said.

Womanself started out three years ago in the Old World Village Mall near Okemos (now Rollerworld skating arena). The store began as a partnership, but is now managed by just one woman, Cindy Kruska of East Lansing.

Last year the book store moved to the University Mall and became incorporated when other local people invested in it.

Kruska holds a master's degree in judicial adminstration from the University of Denver Law School. She once called Womanself a "dream come true" for her.

In addition to books, the store sells jewelry, artwork and leather goods made by local women. Feminist posters and T-shirts are also available.

One wall of the store features a bulletin board smothered with announcements concerning workshops, political rallies, community services and resource centers for women.

"We try to serve as a local clearing house for any information women need," King said.

She said employees of the bookstore often refer customers to local organizations for pregnancy testing, legal aid and counseling.

"We are running a very egalitarian type of business here," she said. "All the employees get to contribute their own input."

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So-called "feminine hygiene" products, some of which are pictured above, have been thrust on the American woman for years with an almost missionary zeal. Women are no longer taking it lying down.

Unclean? A touchy subject

Feminine products: the big selling con

By KAT BROWN
State News Staff Writer

"It lets you feel more confident and desirable . . . So start using Feminique daily and feel like a softer, more exciting woman."

"Bidette makes possible the all-day daintiness every woman desires . . . with Bidette in your purse, you need never be in doubt."

Massengill — "for internal cleanliness."

Drugstore counters are stocked with them. Feminine, seductive women hawk them on television. Radio advertisements promote them. Glossy magazines give them big play. It is a multimillion-dollar industry, designed to sell a product many believe is not only useless but even harmful. Many others strongly disagree.

They are called "feminine hygiene" products — and, for better or for worse, they do sell.

The buying public and doctors themselves are divided on the worth of these products.

"I use it (Summer's Eve douche) to make me feel really clean," a 20-year-old MSU student said. "My doctor recommended it."

But another MSU student, also 20 years old, disagrees. "I don't think they are really necessary," she said, adding that her doctor is opposed to them.

What is the real story behind these products — douches, sprays, towelettes, suppositories — that are advertised as making women more "clean," more "feminine," more "womanly?" What is their history? And what do the experts say about them?

Feminists assail so-called "feminine hygiene" products as part and parcel of a society that puts women in a different — and lesser — light than men. They point to history, asserting that the need for such products has long been instilled in women.

"The woman who has a proper regard for daintiness, cleanliness and general health should use the douche EVERY night — not merely at infrequent times . . . It is time that the veil of prudery be drawn aside and the white light of truth be spread in dark places that breed disease and worse."

— Mu-Col douche advertisement

Mu-Col and similar products from the 1930s promoted the "antiseptic vagina," and drove home the point that it was almost better to be dead than "unclean." Some women took this to heart — and paid for it. The June 29, 1935, edition of the Journal of the American Medical Association tells of a women who attempted to force an abortion by injecting Lysol into her uterus. She died two days later. The Journal also attributed several poisonings to Lysol, which was frequently used as a douche and/or contraceptive.

The hard sell tactic of the '30s gave way to more subtle techniques in the '60s with the introduction of feminine deodorant sprays.

In a column printed in Esquire in 1973 entitled "Dealing with the, uh, Problem," Nora Ephron traced the early development of the market, beginning with Alberto-Culver Co.

The company pulled off a multimillion-dollar coup when it introduced FDS (Feminine Deodorant Spray) to America's women. The president of Alberto-Culver, Leonard Lavin, became acquainted with the first such product while traveling through Europe in 1965.

Bidex, a Swiss-made spray, had been on the European market since the early 1960s. Though the American rights to Bidex were purchased by Warner-Lambert — which eventually marketed Pristeen — Lavin saw to it that his chemists made the concept a reality. And, within a year after discovering Bidex, FDS was on the market convincing females that "A woman, if she's completely honest about it, realizes her most serious problem isn't under her arms."

While FDS was the only vaginal spray on the market for about one year, and industry brains were more than skeptical about the product's potential success, creating the sprays and creating the need for them were virtually synonymous. As Ephron pointed out in her column, "The American woman had been convinced to spray her mouth, her underarms, and her feet; the feminine hygiene spray, at this point, was probably inevitable."

However, manufacturers of the sprays disagreed.

"Our whole approach was, women have a vaginal-odor problem. They do, you know. And panty hose contribute to it," Ephron quoted a Warner-Lambert representative as claiming. "Women's liberation says that advertising is creating a need that isn't there. But I would go back and ask them, do women have a vaginal odor problem? I keep going back to the problem. The problem is there."

Lavin went even further by contending the sprays were medically beneficial. "I had no idea it would be so controversial. As we developed the product and the research proved to us that there was a need for this product — both from the clinical and consumer viewpoint — we were convinced of what we had."

One research test utilized by Alberto-Culver to prove the need and effectiveness of FDS was sniffing. On a scale of zero to eight, housewives were tested under clinical conditions for odor by judges who — with the aid of nosepieces — sniffed the external vaginal area. The housewives, prohibited from having intercourse, then washed with soap and water and were rated periodically throughout the day. The process was repeated the following day. The next two days the women followed the same procedure with one change: after bathing the housewives sprayed with FDS.

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A glossary of sexist phrases

Following is a list compiled by Janet K. Leland, an assistant instructor in the MSU's college of education, of words and phrases that are considered sexist and demeaning to women. The list appears in Leland's book, **Rape Research and Analysis; the Lansing Area,** *copyright 1977.*

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Dumb broad
Dumb blonde
A girl in every port
Don't worry your pretty little head
Helpless female
Woman driver
A woman is like a bus, there's always another one coming
You can have fun with a son, but you've got to be a father to a girl
She's ugly but she sure can cook
Spinster
A woman's work is never done
Wine, women, and song
Pretty maids all in a row
Keep her barefoot, pregnant and in the kitchen
A woman's place is in the home
Telephone, telegram, tell a woman
Daddy's little girl
No matter how hard you try, you can never understand a woman
Take my wife, please
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Boy, is she stacked
Good girl, nice girl
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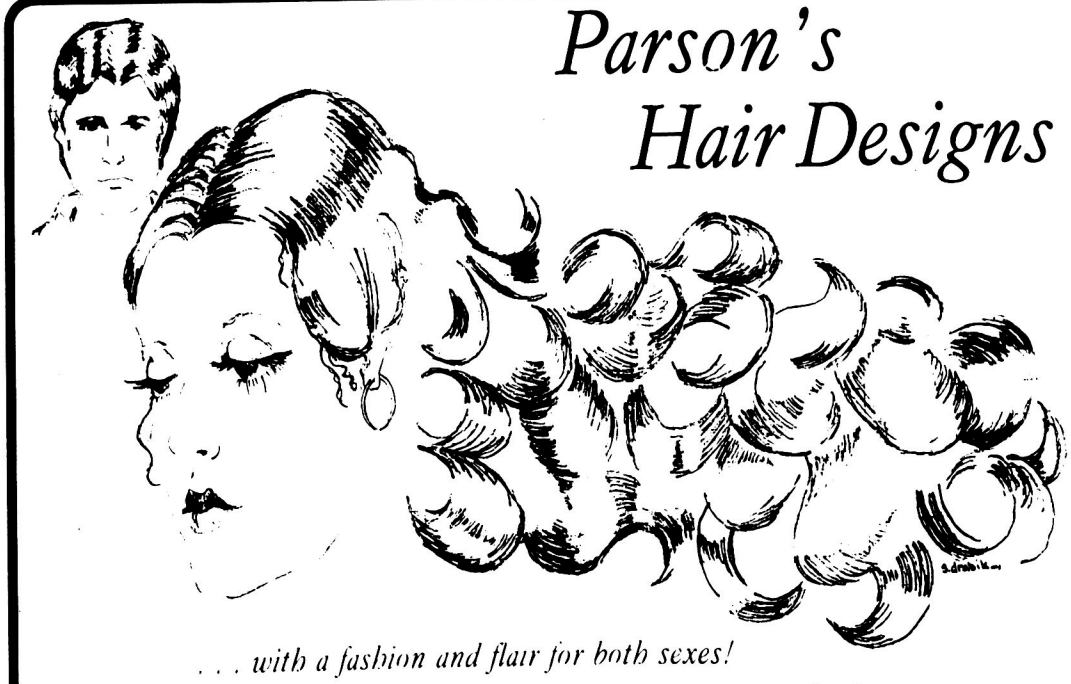

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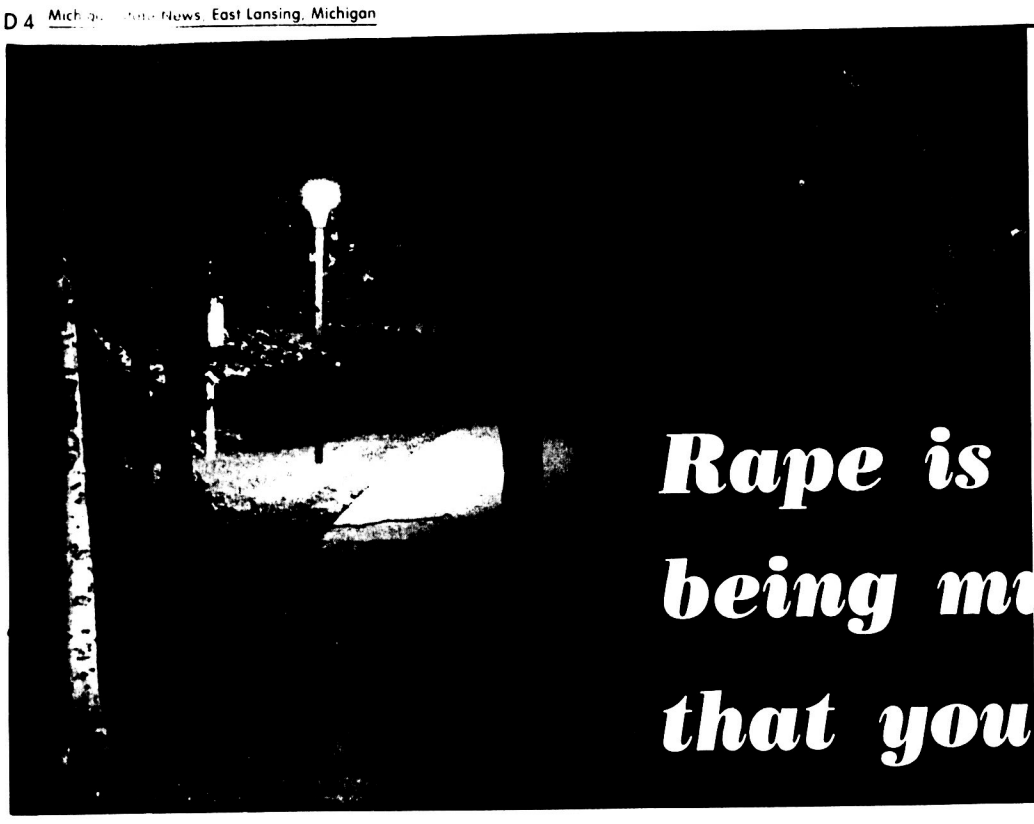

MSU has over 40,000 students, more than half female. For them rape stands as a constant reminder of the legal inequality of the sexes. Both the laws and the due process that victims must go through discriminate against them, literally and figuratively.

Rape is very much like being murdered—except that you just don't die...

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

Rape. The problems that can be caused, the emotional trauma and the physical pain are for some insufferable. For others it culminates in a lasting impression that never abandons the victim, producing psychological scars that are present forever.

MSU has over 40,000 students, more than half female. For them rape stands as a constant reminder of the legal inequality of the sexes. Both the laws and the due process that victims must go through discriminate against them, both literally and figuratively. For a woman on this campus, rape is a possibility hard to ignore — to push back into a remote corner of reality and not deal with.

National statistics show that only about one-tenth of all rapes are reported. But for a woman who lives in Holden Hall who would like to take a walk alone to the river, national statistics mean precious little when surrounded by the reality of the dark night.

What malfunction of nature; what monstous absurdity makes it necessary that she should even have to consider rape as a possibility — that a woman should have to think consciously about it in order to prevent it? A psychologist who has studied the motivations and mind of the rapist could try to answer that question, but it would mean equally little to the woman as she starts her walk.

Rape is a crime of violence. Accepting the serious sexual nature, rape is a violent crime like murder, and happens in most cases due to a violent motive, not a sexual one. When murder fails to be a problem that plagues society, perhaps so will rape. But in the meantime, there are things that can be done. Laws can be changed, and have been, to aid the victim. But the process is ongoing, unfortunately very much like the act itself.

The fact that Michigan's rape laws have been changed and improved is a prime example of the fact that something can be done.

Up until their revision in 1974, the laws dated back to 1857. Those provisions were considerably improved when the code was revised to make it easier to prosecute suspected rapists. It also took steps forward to remove the burden of proof from the victim, in hopes of both cutting down the importance of the victim's past sexual experiences and to encourage more reports.

The latter is a significant step forward. However, when taken in context with the FBI national statistics — that a rape occurs every two minutes, and that only one rape in 10 is reported — one can see there is still a long way to go.

The revised laws define four states of sexual assault.

The first degree involves assault with penetration. To avoid any misunderstanding, the law defines penetration as any of the following: sexual or anal intercourse, cunnilingus, fellatio or the intrusion of any other object, however slight, of any part of the person's body or of any object into the genital or anal openings of another person's body.

The first degree is reserved for the most violent assaults, i.e., if the assailant is armed, and calls for a maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

Second degree sexual assault is when forceable sexual conduct is committed during the act of another felony.

The offense is punishable as a felony and calls for not more than 15 years in prison.

Sexual assault in the third degree involves sexual penetration when force or coercion is involved. Third degree sexual assault is a felony, also punishable up to fifteen years in prison.

Criminal sexual assault in the fourth degree is defined a sexual contact with another person. It is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment of not more than two years, by a fine of not more than $500 or both.

The revision of the law occurred simultaneously with the growth of the number of rape counseling centers in East Lansing.

Prior to the law change in 1974, the number of rape centers in the entire state was minimal.

Aubrey Marron, a rape counselor at the DEC (Drug Education Center), described the three centers in East Lansing where a woman can go or call to receive rape counseling.

She said the DEC has about a dozen trained rape counselors.

If a call comes in to the DEC concerning rape, the person who takes the call decides whether or not they feel adequately trained to deal with it. If they don't think they are, they call in another rape counselor.

On the average DEC has received one rape call a day for the past two months, Marron said.

The center also has a short term counseling service, in which a victim can work with a counselor and meet twice a week for a couple months.

"What we don't have in East Lansing and have a need for is a solid 24-hour rape program," she said.

The DEC, located at 498 Park Lane in East Lansing, may be reached at 351-4000.

The Listening Ear also trains people in rape counseling. Any of the volunteers who are working at the Listening Ear can go through training to deal with rape if they choose, and become a counselor.

"The problem with the Ear is that they don't fail people. If you want to become a counselor, you do, and some people just can't handle it," Marron said.

The rape service at the Ear's open about eight hours a day. It is located at 547 E. Grand River Ave. The telephone number is 337-1717.

The Open Door Crisis Center also has a rape counseling service, called SHE (Sisterhood for Human Equality).

According to a volunteer at Open Door there are about eight rape counselors on call who volunteers will contact if a rape victim calls in and they aren't trained to deal with the situation.

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'I now sense that I am an OK person even though I was raped'

Denise, a victim, talks about her experience and her feelings now

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

Denise is an MSU student in Justin Morrill College. Four years ago she was raped in the dormitory in which she lived.

"He was in a class of mine. One night there was a party for some of the professors that were leaving, at an apartment off campus. People were drunk and high, he was there and I was there too, we didn't come together," Denise said.

She described the party and the people there, the man — the rapist — asked her to walk him home because he was drunk.

"He was really drunk. He said he wanted to leave and asked if I would walk him back to the dormitory. He said he'd never been this far off campus before and didn't think he could make it alone. We got to the dormitory, I lived there too, and he asked if I'd help him to his room. He was really staggering now, and when we got to his room he asked if I'd roll him a joint to help him get to sleep.

"As soon as I finished it he kinda leaped on me and started tearing off my clothes — he raped me."

She said she didn't go to the police to report the rape because there was such a limited awareness of the problem at that time.

"I was afraid to even talk to anybody, much less to some policeman who doesn't give a ···· except to make sure his forms are filled out," she continued.

She described the rape as something asexual — a violent attack. She said the rapist used a sharp object to cut her while he was raping her.

"It was like this person who I hadn't thought was a violent person was being really violent and outrageous, and it really scared me."

The incident occurred about two weeks before the end of spring term. Denise said she didn't want to move back to the dormitory during the next year.

"I told my parents that I didn't want to move back into the dormitory. But I didn't want to explain about the rape — I moved back in for the next year."

After leaving the room following the rape and going back to her own, Denise said her roommate made her realize what had just happened.

"I got back to my room about 6 a.m. after he went to sleep and she was waiting up. I explained what had happened and described it very much in terms of events, and after that she said, 'He raped you.'

"I got upset by the word and got scared and didn't want to talk about it anymore.

"Later she told me that he had also tried to rape her once in the study lounge, but that she hadn't told me that before because she knew he was a friend of mine and didn't think I would

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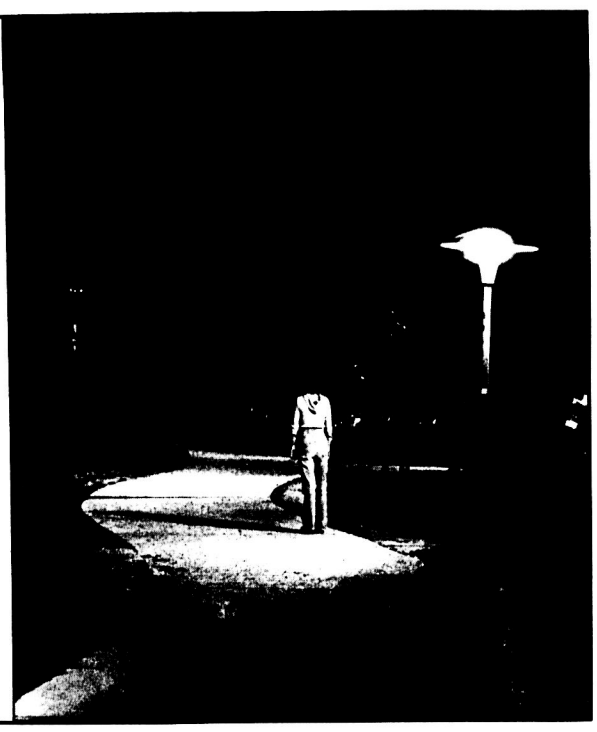

KAT BROWN

There *is* a way to deal with the rapist — and it *should* be done

Anger is not a strong enough word. It cannot adequately describe the tormented feelings that must be endured following the violation of one's body and, even worse, of one's mind. Repugnance, loathing, hatred. There are not words in the English language to express the devastating effects of rape and the emotions a victim is unable to release upon the rapist.

A rape victim once said, "When you get raped, it's almost as bad as murder but only you don't die." Rather, the body recovers and the mind persists in its inability to forget. It turns the anger and hatred towards a friend, a lover, a husband — or all men. Many times it prevents a loving relationship, including sex, by turning the body against such feelings — feelings and emotions that were once normal become unacceptable for the complex mind.

I have known too many victims to be rational about rape. I have seen too often the failure of the laws and courts to believe such a system can work, can actually deliver justice.

The FBI reported in 1977 that during the first six months of that year the number of serious crimes reported in the nation dropped by 7 percent. However, the number of rapes reported increased by 8 percent. The figures are devastating and permeate the entire country, with the number of rapes reported increasing every day.

But most revealing here is the word **reported**. The FBI estimates that rape occurs every two minutes in the United States. Of this number, only one out of 10 are reported. Many women do not report rape because of the "shame" or "guilt" they feel, while others believe filing a complaint will lead nowhere. About half of all reported rapes are committed by someone the victim knew. Often, the victim believes her attacker will not be convicted because of this.

Despite the figures, there have been advances made in dealing with rape. Laws are changing, the public is becoming more aware of the situation, more counseling centers are being established and some states offer compensation for victims.

The case of Archie Simonson is heartening and one of the biggest advances made since the revision of rape laws throughout the country. Simonson is a former judge from Madison, Wis., who was ousted from office last January in a recall vote following his ruling in a rape case. Simonson found a 15-year-old boy delinquent and placed him on probation for the rape of a 16-year-old girl, stating that the boy reacted "normally" to provocative clothing worn by women in a sexually permissive society.

This case is encouraging, for it may set a precedent. There are other cases not so encouraging.

Attempt to understand the reasoning of the Morristown, N.Y., judge who gave a 20-year-old admitted rapist a suspended sentence and probation because the justice concluded the woman "may have contributed to the climate" that lead to the rape and because he was convinced the defendant was not a "typical rapist."

And can one justify the actions of a California Court of Appeals which overturned the conviction of a man who allegedly raped a woman hitchhiking on a freeway near Los Angeles after her car broke down? One justice reasoned that "women hitchhiking should anticipate sexual advances from men who pick them up" and that such a woman "advertises that she has less concern for the consequences than the average female."

The July 24 issues of New Times tells of a law student who, in 1966, was accused of raping a woman at gunpoint. The woman dropped the charges on the advice of her lawyer after receiving a $3,000 settlement, half of which went to the lawyer. Prior to the settlement, facts obtained during the police inquiry seemed to point towards the man's guilt. The woman took a lie detector test and passed. The man failed it completely three times. A police lieutenant said that according to the crime lab expert "the report on the polygraph test showed this to be one of the most clear cut cases of rape he had ever processed."

That law student is Vincent "Buddy" Cianci Jr., now the mayor of Providence, Rhode Island.

The above examples are indicative of society's failure to deal with and prevent rape, let alone successfully prosecute rapists. In addition, the advances which have been made, the emergence of more counseling centers and monetary compensation are not enough. These things will not erase the psychological scars a victim endures the rest of her life.

In 1977 the U.S. Supreme Court, following the vein of societal inequality, placed a value on the crime of rape. In a 7-2 decision, the court ruled the death penalty for the rape of an adult unconstitutional, stating that it was cruel and unusual punishment. How then can we justify the death penalty, in comparison, to be still on the books in some states for crimes such as the rape of a child, treason or airplane hijacking — crimes in which no one dies?

What can be done? How does someone protect themself from rape? Even after special precautions have been taken, how can one be protected from someone like the Berkeley rapist, a man who for the past five years has raped 62 women (with estimates as high as 180) when police are still without any prime suspects?

And how does one deal effectively with society's perpetual misconceptions about rape? In November 1976 over 200 members of the National Organization of Women protested a display of men's kneesocks in a Cleveland Mays Co. department store. For what reason? Written on the kneesocks was the slogan, "Help stamp out rape, say yes." Had the slogan been, "Help stamp out murder, kill yourself," the meaning would have been much different. Murder is universally seen as a vicious crime, and people would treat it as bad humor, but it would still be humor. But rape is not thought of in the same vein, and could never be humorous to those who understand its implications.

Women must take the offensive. We cannot wait for the criminal justice system to progress in slow motion. Women should learn self-defense and be able to use it proficiently. If a woman is attacked she should be able not only to defend herself, but to become the aggressor. Many people advocate submission when being raped in order to prevent further injury. But the attacker does not want sex — the rapist is more interested in demonstrating his power and dominance over women. **Rape is a violent crime, not a sexual one. Therefore, women should respond with violence, not sex.**

The flaw in this proposal is that society has not prepared women for defense. Most women could not respond with violence either emotionally or physically. And being capable of self-defense does not guarantee physical superiority over one or more attackers.

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The big con: 'feminine hygiene' products

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The study concluded that feminine odor was reduced more effectively with FDS than soap and water. Six hours after using either the spray or just soap and water, the test showed FDS was 74 to 78 percent more successful and that after 24 hours it was 38 to 40 percent more effective than soap and water.

Early market-research studies of women's views reinforced the manufacturers' beliefs. One woman said: "I think the new deodorant sprays are sensational. Not that I have a problem down *there*, but sometimes I think I might." And another confided: "I prefer sprays to the foams or powders . . . The sprays eliminate having to touch yourself."

With viewpoints like the above reinforcing the manufacturers' products, the advertising blitz was on.

Widespread acceptance of the sprays, however, was not soon forthcoming. Drugstore owners did not want to stock it, women's magazines were reluctant to run the advertisements and television had a ban on ads for women's products.

The consumers helped to overcome these obstacles and Alberto-Culver — about one year and $4 million later — made a name for itself by fathering the feminine deodorant spray in the United States. The other manufacturers just naturally followed.

By 1970 the market had reached about $32 million. FDS spent about $3.5 million to promote its share — about $14 million. The jump in sales was largely due to the National Association of Broadcasters' release of the television advertising ban on feminine deodorant sprays. This move prompted the president of Westinghouse Broadcasting Co. to resign from the association's television code.

The manufacturers also naturally conceived several similar products including disposable douches, deodorant suppositories and, most recently, deodorant towelettes.

"As the party goes on people leave Ann alone. And she doesn't know why. Ann is never at a loss for conversation. It's something else that makes people slowly move away. Something that Norforms could stop right away. What are Norforms? Norforms are the second deodorant — a safe internal deodorant."

— Norforms suppository advertisement

Disposable douches alone make up over $20 million of the feminine hygiene market. When Block Drug's Inner Rinse was first promoting in 1975 in Reader's Digest, an ad was placed including a $1.40 refund and coupon offer. Inner Rinse spending totaled $200,000 for the first half of the year, with most of it allocated to television. Massengill, the largest manufacturer of douche products, spent $1.5 million on advertising for all of 1975.

About the same time disposal douches were becoming a prominent item, deodorant suppositories and towelettes were introduced. Advertisers were aided in the promotion of these products because the liberal tone of the times allowed for freer use of language — and more suggestive advertising — on television. In addition, because the NAB Television Code Review Board in October 1975 banned advertisements of these products during children's hours (between 4 p.m. and 10 p.m. on weeknights and before 10 p.m. on weekends), advertisers were able to take even more liberties.

"Recommended for the relief and prevention of jock itch (tinea cruris) and relief of excessive perspiration, itching, chafing, rash, and irritation in the groin area. Cruex helps reduce odor, too."

— Cruex label

Men were not exempt from the blitz, either.

The phrase "jock itch" and other explicit descriptions were, in the mid-60s, banned from television and radio. Slowly the situation changed. Like FDS for women, Cruex was the first product designed and advertised to alleviate men's "problems." The early pitch for Cruex, which was introduced in 1966, was subtle. "The itch that hit below the belt" was a useful euphemism, and men were told that "If you are too old to have diaper rash, it must be something else."

Gradually the ads became more direct. In 1973 magazines began using the phrase "jock itch" in their ads, and in September 1975 the NAB gave clearance for use of the term on radio. Advertisers had been mining the lode of television all along. Mexsana medicated powder spent a half million dollars in magazine and spot television

ads in 1974. That same year Cruex had invested over $1 million in commercials.

The push was on to convince men that discomfort lurks in their unmentionable areas, and other companies joined on the bandwagon.

In 1970 the market for sprays alone totaled about $32 million. That same year the estimated market for douches was $25 million. Manufacturers predicted that in 1971 sales of sprays would exceed $53 million, but the figure held at $40 million. Current statistics are not available for public record. "We do not release those figures" was an emphatic refrain issued by spokespersons for several firms manufacturing various feminine products.

Advertising Age, a weekly magazine considered a source authority for the ins and outs of sales and advertising, reported that in 1975 the total market for feminine products — including menstrual aids — was $450 million. Though no breakdown was given, evidence strongly suggests that a substantial portion of the sum was provided by the sale of menstrual aids.

In fact, analysts had been predicting a decline in the sale of feminine sprays since the early '70s. A 1975 survey by marketing consultants C.H. Kline & Co. concluded that feminine hygiene deodorant sales would decline due to increasing pressure from government regulations, consumer advocate groups and a potential ban on aerosals.

By 1973, men's crotch sprays made up an estimated 5 percent of the total feminine hygiene spray market. However, the difference between men's and women's products is clear: tinea cruris (jock itch) is a genuine affliction, but there is no medical term for vaginal odor.

All these things combined to foster doubts in the minds of consumers, doctors and, ultimately, the government about the usefulness of so-called feminine hygiene products.

Complaints began to mount with the Food and Drug Administration of burns, irritation, infection, rashes and open sores owing to the use of vaginal sprays. A two year FDA study of the problem was inconclusive, but prompted a consumer group in Rochester, N.Y., to persuade several area stores to remove the sprays from their shelves.

Judy Braiman, president of the consumer group, said: "We put no pressure on them; we just presented the facts."

But what are the facts? Following its study, the FDA

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Rape: still alive, but with scars for a lifetime

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They are mostly on call at night, the volunteer said, because those people who have been trained in empathy and crisis intervention can handle most of the calls during the day.

The Open Door Crisis Center is located at 1320 S. Washington Ave. in Lansing, and the phone number is 484-5467.

None of these centers will report a rape to the police when a victim calls because of the confidentiality involved in the contact, Marron said. However, some counselors recommend that an individual victim report the assault.

"More than half of the people who are raped know the person, so they are sure they could never get a conviction if they reported it," Marron said.

Marron also gave advice for those victims who might want to report a rape.

Marron said the East Lansing Police Department has proven much more effective and sympathetic in dealing with rape victims, especially those police officers who work in the office.

The ELPD is more understanding of victims reactions then the DPS, she said.

To prevent the crime of rape Marron suggested that continued public outcry about the problem could help, along with police bike patrols to survey parts of campus that are not visible from a car.

Denise, a rape victim, talks about her feelings

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believe her."

She said she felt a stigma because of the "guilt" she felt concerning the rape. She said she also felt dirty after the rape.

"Now I have a sense that I am an OK person even though I was raped — I can talk about it now."

She said the continued presence of the rapist in the dormitory kept her from talking about it.

"He didn't move until about six months later and I was very afraid until he left."

She didn't tell anyone else about the rape until a year later when she had her first relationship with a man since the attack, and finally felt that she should tell him.

"He just freaked, he didn't know what to do and said stupid things. He didn't understand at all.

"He used it as a way to explain anything about me that he didn't understand," she said.

Denise also told of another man, one who she knew in the dormitory that sensed her protectiveness of herself.

"One guy I met in the dorm and got to know said to me, 'You know, I think you're really a neat person and I like you a lot, but there is this air about you that says don't get too close. I feel like I would like to get close but there is this thing there and I don't know how to handle it. So I'm not going to get too close, but if you want to get close you tell me.'"

Denise said it took her a couple of years to overcome her guilt feelings and get angry about the rape.

"When I was raped I didn't think of it as rape, my definition was something I saw on the news once in a while and the woman was probably a prostitute.

"I couldn't make that definition fit my experience for a long time."

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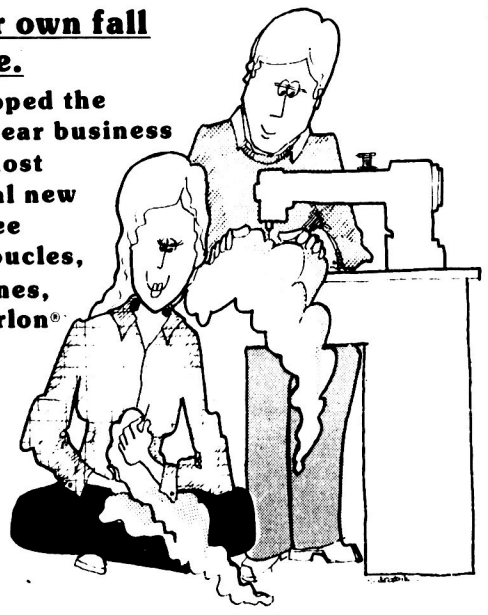

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ERA not the ogre its opponents claim

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For millions, ERA represents a departure from what Feminist Party founder Florynce Kennedy calls "vaginal politics." Traditionally, women's issues have centered around topics directly tied to women's sexuality — rape, for example, or battered women. Kennedy believes focusing on these concerns is insufficient, that women must go after the "testicles" of society.

In short, women must strike at the heart of the male-dominated power system by enshrining, in law, the concept that they are equal to men. ERA rests on the thesis that women can work society's levers of power as well as any man can, while divorcing this assumption from purely sexual concerns. And ERA says this can be done — without question.

Others are not so sure. Some are downright hostile.

Phyllis Schlafly, chairperson of a national organization called STOP ERA, castigates the proposed amendment on the grounds that it will promote "fornication, marijuana, and abortion."

Says Schlafly: "ERA doesn't do anything at all for women — it's a big fraud."

Rubbish, counters prominent feminist author Betty Friedan.

"Phyllis Schlafly is a liar," she said. "Here is a woman who has made a fortune going around the country telling women they don't need rights.

"She was a member of the John Birch Society and on the payroll of Sen. Joe McCarthy long before she discovered she was a woman."

Besides Schlafly and the Birchers, Friedan believes that "right-wing, neo-fascist forces" are behind the anti-ERA drive, and maintains that women are "the focus for a new hate movement."

"There is an enormous amount of money being spent to spread lies, she said, "about homosexuality, about bathrooms. We've been put needlessly on the defensive. We need not waste much more time arguing about bathrooms.

"You try to rationalize all these things to people who are not rational."

That's the kind of emotions the ERA debate has stirred. Michigan ratified ERA in 1972, and in 1974 a futile attempt was made by anti-amendment foes to overturn the approval. When a state House committee voted to scuttle the recission drive, 20 enraged women stormed around the committee members.

"We'll get rid of the gun control proposal and then I'll blow every one of your heads off," snarled one particularly irked lady.

Here at MSU, emotions are no less intense — for some. There seems to be a general consensus that most members of the University community support ERA, but only a handful are willing to give their all to see that it becomes law.

Small, but potentially significant, steps have been taken. In March the ASMSU Student Board, after lengthy debate, passed a resolution calling on board members to boycott states which have not ratified the amendment and urging "all University departments and segments to hold conferences, conventions and vacations in ratified states."

In April the MSU Board of Trustees passed a similar resolution affecting its members and voted to endorse an extension of the ratification deadline, but rejected a move to inaugurate a University-wide boycott of unratified states.

Aubrey Marron, who belongs to a registered student organization at MSU called Students for ERA, said in July that maybe a "dozen people" were loosely affiliated with her group, but predicted that interest will rise this fall.

"We're finding more and more interest, she said, "because people are responding to it (ERA's precarious position) as a crisis situation."

On July 9 a handful of MSU students joined a throng of nearly 100,000 demonstrators who converged on the Capitol in Washington to demand that Congress extend ERA's deadline for ratification. They marched clad in white and carrying banners reminiscent of the suffragists of the last century.

It was the largest single civil-liberties demonstration in Washington in a decade, and Students for ERA spend much of its time and resources lobbying lawmakers believed to be undecided on the issue of extension.

Whether this kind of direct pressure will prove productive in the long run is an open question. Even among ardent ERA supporters, there is a gnawing feeling that their cause has been obstructed by the stridency of their communication.

"Phyllis Schlafly has struck a responsive chord," asserts Dorothy Arata, MSU assistant provost for undergraduate education. Arata, who supports both ERA and extending the ratification deadline, faults the feminist movement for failing "to capture grass-roots support."

"ERA leaders need to listen to Schlafly's focus on the fear syndrome, rather than make people guilty (over not supporting ERA)," she believes.

Arata cites the belief held by many women, especially those who are middle-aged, that ERA will actually strip them of certain legal protections as an example of the "fear syndrome."

And the fear — on a more refined level, call it skeptical belief — that ERA will prove detrimental to women is real. Chitra Smith, assistant director of MSU's Honors College, dismisses ERA as a "symbolic" ploy, more geared to "consciousness raising" than to confronting the real problem of ensuring equal rights for both men and women.

Phyllis Schlafly's allegation that the amendment will promote "abortion, fornication and marijuana" is just not sustained by any logical reading of the facts. ERA is merely designed to give women a choice—constitutionally, for the first time.

"The legislation currently on the books in the form of federal law in principle protects women already from every conceivable denial of rights," she insists. "The problem is with implementation, not with lack of constitutional rights."

Walter Adams, professor of economics and past president of MSU, is scornful of this way of thinking. He blames ERA's problems on "the tremendous influence of special interest groups," which, he contends, wish to "continue the pattern of discrimination and oppression against women."

Adams diagnoses ERA's ills as symptomatic of a larger, more pervasive problem all across America.

"The country is afflicted by a general malaise," he said, "a feeling that things are going to pot because no one's at the helm.

"Given that outlook, that brings out the very worst in people — they become mean-spirited, egotistical and selfish. They don't give a damn about anything that does not seem to affect them directly."

Mary Pollock disagrees. Pollock, former head of MSU's Women's Programs who was fired in late March by her superior, Robert Perrin, ascribes ERA's difficulties to "legislators who are 20 years behind the people."

Pollock worked "fairly intensively" in 1974 with others in Illinois to persuade, without success, that state's legislature to ratify ERA. To date, Illinois is the only northern industrial state which has failed to endorse the amendment.

She said ERA was a victim of "vote tradeoffs" in Illinois.

"Ths Democratic party (in Illinois) itself has a feeling that this is a low-priority issue. It's really demeaning."

For millions of women — and men — it is demeaning. The drive to push ERA over the top does indeed represent a fundamental departure from Florynce Kennedy's "vaginal politics." The other sexually-oriented issues are important, true. But enshrining into law the fundamental principle that women are equal and must be treated as human beings — persons to be judged on their talent, drive, initiative and moral character — is very basic to the women's movement.

Those who contend that ERA will eradicate actual or perceived differences between the sexes miss the point. ERA will not — indeed, **cannot** — encourage modes of behavior. That is not its function, or its scope.

The consensus among legal scholars is that ERA will have some effects — though certainly not the deleterious ones forecast by its opponents. If a draft is reinstituted, women will be subject to it; but, like their male counterparts, will receive exemption under special circumstances. Mothers who must take care of young children will, for example, almost certainly be exempt. And, as in the case of men, those women who physically do not qualify for the rigors of military life will not be drafted.

Legalized descrimination against women is still pervasive throughout the nation. In the state of Georgia alone, legislators there predict that if ERA is ratified, they will have to rewrite 130 state laws that would seem to violate the amendment.

The spectre of unisex toilets is a spurious one, since their establishment would violate the constitutional right to privacy enjoyed by both men and women. And ERA would have no effect on the legal status of homosexuals, since the amendment speaks of gender, not sexual preference, as a basis on which discrimination cannot be practiced.

What ERA will do is allow those who **want** the opportunity to break free of the straitjacket of legally and traditionally-imposed sex roles to do so. Schlafly's allegation that the amendment will promote "abortion, fornication and marijuana" is just not sustained by any logical reading of the facts. ERA is merely designed to give women a choice — constitutionally, for the first time.

All of which raises what may be the most nagging problem of all — should the deadline for ERA's ratification be extended? Even among the amendment's supporters, there is a queasy feeling that a deadline extension would be the equivalent of "changing the rules in the middle of the game," so to speak. There is an uncomfortable belief that ERA has had a fair hearing, and if after seven years two-thirds of the states are not prepared to accept it, it should pass into history.

Another school of thought holds that extending the deadline would set potentially damaging precedents, since never before has Congress done this kind of thing. Others — Phyllis Schlafly among them — even insist that for Congress to do so would actually be illegal.

This latter contention is probably false. Article V of the U.S. Constitution explicitly states: "The Congress, whenever two-thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose amendments to this Constitution, or on the application of the Legislatures of two-thirds of the several States shall call a convention for proposing amendments, which, in either case, shall be valid to all intents and purposes, as part of this Constitution, when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths thereof, as the one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by the Congress."

Article V, in short, makes no mention of setting "time limits" on the ratification process, and in no way circumscribes the power of Congress to set or extend ratification deadlines.

In recent decades, it has been customary for Congress to impose a ratification deadline of seven years on proposed constitutional amendments. Ironically, ERA's seven-year deadline was forged as part of a compromise to make passage of the amendment easier.

At the time Martha Griffiths, House sponsor of ERA, wrote into the congressional record: "I am well aware of the fact that there is a group of women who are so nervous about this amendment that they feel there should be unlimited time during which it could be ratified. Personally, I have no fears that this amendment will be ratified in my judgment as quickly as the 18-year-old vote."

Regrettably, it has not worked out that way. But history demonstrates that only a relative handful of amendments — ERA among them — have been subjected to congressionally-imposed time limits for ratification. What is more ironic is that recent polls shows that the public, in every sector of the nation, including the presumably conservative South, support ERA — a finding which tends to make plausible Pollock's conclusion that legislators are misreading the mood and will of the people.

In the words of Arata, those who oppose extending the deadline on the basis of what the Constitution says are promoting "red-herring" arguments.

So: what next for the Equal Rights Amendment?

It is too early to say. As the March 22, 1979, deadline draws near, the debate promises to become even more frenetic, even more irrational. If the deadline is not extended and March 22 passes with ERA still unratified, the women's equality movement will have been dealt a devastating psychological blow from which it may not easily recover.

In the minds of many men and women, ERA's failure will catalyze a new wave of conservatism, and a renewed public consensus that women should adopt and be content with their traditional societal roles. The patronizing slogan "you've come a long way, baby," may be reworked to say "baby, you've come far enough."

But, as of now, those who support ERA have developed a slogan of their own. Emblazoned on T-shirts, it declares, "You haven't come a long way, and you ain't no baby — vote ERA."

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Title IX: case unsolved

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Yet, the survey has never been conducted.

As a result of the women's basketball team's complaint, which was filed with Pollock's office, the Title IX coordinator compiled an in-depth questionnaire to evaluate the entire athletic department.

Pollock's attempt to review the department was blocked when her superior, Robert Perrin, vice president for University and federal relations, refused to OK the evaluation.

Pollock said Perrin thought the evaluation was unnecessary because he felt there were no problems concerning the equalization of men and women's sports.

Pollock also contends that administrators do not want to admit MSU has a problem because by acknowledging doubt in the University's affirmative action policies they will be confessing to the crime of denying equal opportunity.

In addition to sports, HEW required that every department of the University conduct a self-evaluation to measure its commitment to equalizing higher education.

The objective of the self evaluation, Perrin said, was "to look at ourself through (Title IX) regulations."

As a result of the evaluation, which was completed in 1976, Perrin said no major changes were deemed necessary.

"We were simply operating in a non-discriminatory manner," he explained. "I'd be pretty confident that if HEW came now (to review MSU's compliance to Title IX) we'd fare pretty well."

Pollock agreed — at the time. "The self evaluation in 1976 turned up no problems," she said. Yet, the fact that everything looked so perfect made her a little suspicious. So Pollock said she went to each department herself and took a closer look.

"I was turning up stuff right and left. There was information that was ignored in the self-evaluation," she said, explaining that problems like the unequal classification of women and men employees still exist.

Pollock feels that "the attitudes of administrators is that if we cooperate and analyze ourselves, we are admitting guilt. And we are not guilty — we are perfect."

Pollock looks at the situation from a different angle.

"The social change policy says that institutional sexism and racism are so prevalent there is nothing to prove. It is there, so change it," she said.

However, there is some justification to the contention that HEW has not been making itself clear. The women's basketball team's sex discrimination complaint, though filed in April, was still being processed during the summer.

If HEW is such a slow-moving bureaucracy, perhaps administrators have a legitimate complaint when they say they are confused as to what to do with regard to adherence to Title IX.

Yet, Pollock said when she tried to work with administrators to make them aware of the technicalities of affirmative action, she was stopped. "I was seen with great suspicion," she said.

If she was indeed viewed with suspicion, the next administrative move is also suspect. On June 13, Pollock, whose major title was that of women's programs director, was fired after she refused Perrin's request that she resign at the end of the month.

Perrin's rationale for the firing included: "The personnel action taken with respect to Ms. Mary Pollock reflected the judgment of her supervisors that her conduct of the Office of Women's Programs was not producing the kind of effective dialogue and response from the campus community that lasting progress requires."

Perrin released his reasons for the firing only after press reports questioned the dismissal and University women's organizations pushed for an explanation and demanded Pollock's reinstatement as women's director.

Perrin obviously felt Pollock was not doing her job. She and other representatives from various campus women's groups disagree. Many would even contend she was doing her job too well — and by doing so was threatening the University's position as a provider of equal opportunity.

Pollock has since sought numerous avenues of redress — all to little or no avail.

She filed requests to be given access to the grievance procedure available to her as an administrative - professional employee, including the president. She also requested the MSU Board of Trustees to examine her case. Each request was turned down.

Her next recourse was to file sex discrimination suits against the University with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights and the Chicago office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Both suits are awaiting the assignment of an investigator and could take years to finalize. Until that time Pollock's case is a closed one as far as administrators are concerned.

Nine days after the firing, state Rep. George Cushingberry Jr., D-Detroit, told University administrators MSU was not living up to its supposed commitment to employ more women and minorities.

Cushingberry, chairperson of the joint House-Senate Committee on Affirmative Action, said the Legislature was "sick and tired" of hearing MSU cannot afford to hire more minorities and women.

Keith Groty, assistant vice president of personnel and employee relations, and Ralph Bonner, assistant vice president and director of human relations, defended the University's practice by giving examples of the vast number of women in the lower non-academic levels of employment — a majority of whom are clerical workers.

Members of the committee remained unsatisfied and asked Bonner to illustrate the procedure used when hiring an administrative-professional employee.

Cushingberry also requested a detailed report showing the total number of dollars MSU spends in building contracts and the percentage spent on contracting minority companies.

The reports were to be returned to the committee within 10 days.

Though MSU's reports were not as complete as some other Michigan colleges', administrators did return the reports to Cushingberry by the 10-day deadline. The committee is now examining the reports and will probably finish sometime in the fall.

Strangely enough, Pollock was later hired by Cushingberry on a part-time basis to work with his affirmative action committee.

Yet, why do administrators continue to refuse compliance with regulations aimed at giving women equal footing at MSU? What are they afraid of?

The best description of the situation is probably that administrators do not want to admit their University — MSU, Big Ten School and home of many scholars — would intentionally conduct discrimatory practices or, even more importantly, wrong practices of any kind.

A conclusion of this sort comes only after examining the frustrating struggle experienced by those who sought to implement affirmative action and Title IX regualtions and make the Office of Women's Programs successful.

The Office of Women's Programs came into existence in 1972 under the Department of Human Relations. Its objective was to address the interests of all women on campus, including students, faculty and non-academic employees.

Lacking consistent leadership, the office never developed into the social change agent it was intended to be.

The first director, Mary Rothman, stayed with the office for under two years before being "promoted" to another University position.

The next director, Christine Wilson, was not appointed until four months later. And again after two years of service, Wilson asked to be transferred amidst rumors that she tired of the continual strain accompanying her job.

The Department of Human Relations, which houses the Office of Women's Programs, seems to have been plagued by personnel problems for at least the last two years.

Three months before Wilson was transferred in 1976 her immediate superior, Joseph McMillan, then-director of the Department of Human Relations, resigned because he, too felt the futility of the affirmative action policy.

"MSU is moving towards cutting back rather than moving forward on affirmative action. (It) was on everybody's lips but as far as doing something about it nothing happened," McMillan said when he resigned.

With Wilson's promotion not only was the women's programs office suddenly without a director, but the human relations department, which oversees affirmative action for all minorities, had been without one for months.

Women's programs was again in limbo — this time for eight months — until Mary Pollock was selected to be the new director after a search which started immediately after Wilson's promotion.

Pollock remained director for less than a year.

Currently Perrin, who is serving as "acting director" of the women's programs office, has not yet started a formal search to find a replacement.

"I'm reluctant to proceed with a full-scale search because I don't know if the structure of the office will remain the same," Perrin explained. "The only way to honestly approach it is to wait."

Though Perrin speaks of a restructure, he does not have anything definite in mind.

"I'm really not prepared to lay anything out," he added. "But the function (of the office) needs to continue to exist."

Perrin said he does not intend to change the program's initial objective and insists that women's interests will continue to be addressed through the office, which today still operates with no director.

So what is the status of affirmative action and Title IX at MSU? Right now it is somewhere between limbo and purgatory.

Lacking a director of women's programs and Title IX coordinator, with the women's basketball team's complaint stuck somewhere in the bureaucracy of HEW, women are suddenly left without guidance to understand the complicated laws and rulings that only someone familiar with the specifications can unscramble.

Affirmative action has made some progress, evidenced by the fact that MSU is being questioned and women are grouping together to fight for Title IX compliance.

Unfortunately, the attention the University's equal opportunity policies have received in the last year could very well wane because of this sudden lack of leadership.

It is now time for the University community to quickly examine its position with regard to affirmative action and work diligently toward achieving it as a final goal. A new director of women's programs must be hired as soon as possible so MSU women do not lose what little progress they have made.

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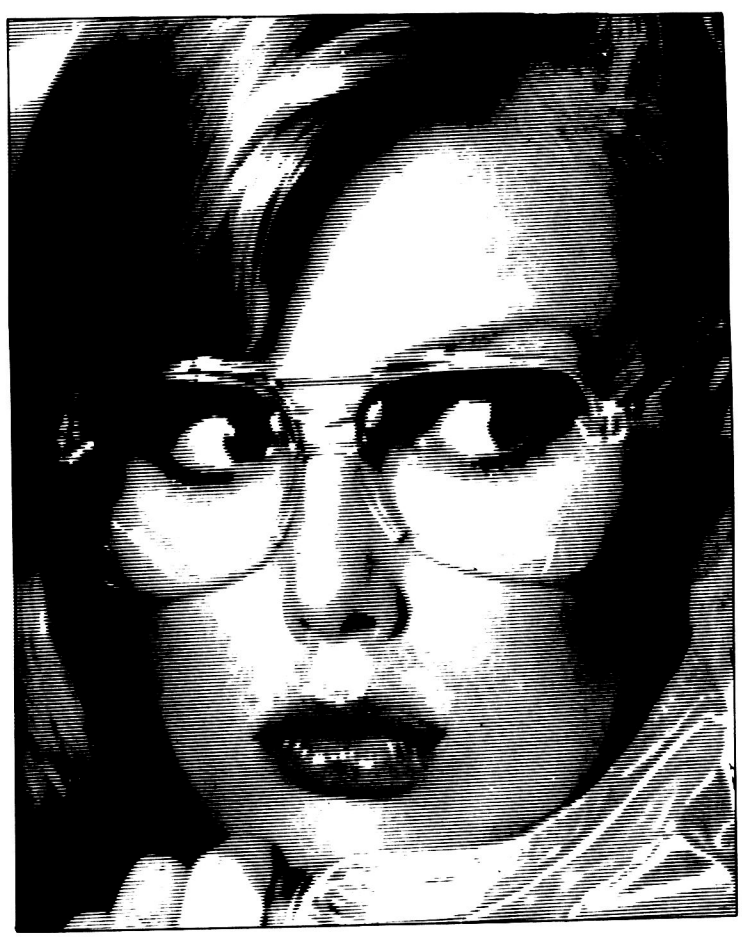

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A member of the Feminist Self-Defense and Karate Association displays her skills. Joan Nelson, who has a black belt in karate, is head of the association.

Feminist karate trains women to defend themselves against the threat of attack

By MICHAEL MEGERIAN
State News Staff Writer

The room echoes to the bellow of the instructor's commands.

The word, meaning "attention" in Korean, is bellowed to begin the session. Fifteen students, loosely dressed in white cloaks, begin exercising to the rhythm of the instructor's count.

Panting gets louder and faces get redder as body joints crack to backbends. Facial expressions become more intense; they radiate pain.

The instructor explains it is all part of loosening up.

It is a rigorous workout for the unfit but only a preliminary for students partaking in MSU's feminist karate class.

The 10-week session, sponsored by MSU's Feminist Self-Defense and Karate Association, trains women to protect themselves against assault.

Instruction is given for the basics, sparring and defensive moves of the art, said Joan Nelson, senior instructor of the self-defense session, but relies mostly on non-contact forms of karate.

"The emphasis is control," she said. "The class is drawn more toward traditional values of karate as opposed to contact karate."

Each student grabs a partner following their exercises. Nelson observes each pair while shouting: Ready, go!

One partner follows through with her move, then the other. Nelson repeats the command until all seven pairs have sparred, barely missing each other's face, neck and ribcage.

"I'm sorry," someone quietly whispers after accidentally striking her partner. "That's OK," her opponent answers.

Beginning karate classes are offered twice a year, Nelson said, adding that 10-week self-defense sessions are also available every Saturday in the Union Building during the school year.

Nelson said the association also provides workshops in self-defense for local rape counseling centers, including rape education, information on assault and various street defenses.

A pamphlet put together by the Kitty Genovese Memorial Anti-Rape Collective entitled, "Disarm the Rapist," is also distributed during workshops.

"Self-defense is one of the responses women are making to the increased number of assaults against them," Nelson said. "We try to teach techniques and develop judgment, in effect, to determine the best move a woman can make for survival. In weaponless assaults, a woman can escape 50 percent of the time by screaming or refusing."

Nelson said refusal is an option that is not too often discussed.

"Advice has been exclusively preventative in the past," she said, "meaning what you do to avoid assaults which may be legitimate but not that helpful in protecting women."

"Many people maintain a woman's body is not cut out for the strenuousity of marshall arts," said Eileen Van Tassell, a student in the karate class. "But it's not true."

Van Tassel said learning self-defense hinges a lot on a woman's attitude.

"A woman has to get over her fear of striking somebody," she said. "It's a common problem."

Nelson, who is a former member of the Kitty Genovese collective, formed the karate association with a number of karate enthusiasts. She established the club as a student organization in 1976.

A final answer to the rapist so that justice can be served

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Women should report rape and file charges against the rapist if he can be identified. But that is not enough. If it were, I would not feel it necessary that women attempt to deal with rapists themselves.

So: how should women deal with rapists?

The Pakistani government has an effective method of dealing with rapists. In addition to jail terms, punishment includes physical mutilation and thousands of Pakistanis gather to watch public floggings of rapists. **That** is justice.

In India three men convicted of raping an unmarried woman were sentenced to death. One man, who was single, had his head cut off. The other men, who were both married, were stoned to death — the idea being that the married men committed a worse crime. **That** is justice.

The roommate of a 28-year-old Queens, N.Y., woman last year shot a man with his own gun after she was forced to watch her friend being raped. **That** is justice.

The much-publicized case of Inez Garcia, which was made into a television production, is another example. Garcia killed one of two men she claimed had raped her. **That** is justice.

And now an example of sweet justice. A close friend of mine, who is a rape counselor for the city of Detroit, told me of a man who visited the counseling center after he was raped while in prison. The important point: the man was serving a 15-year term for rape, and such a harsh penalty is rarely meted out for rape.

But the ultimate justice would be this: Women should file charges, but also band together, seek out a person whom they know committed rape, and emasculate him. This will ensure that the rapist will bear the burden of his monstrous crime for the rest of his life, and also, quite frankly, provide some measure of vengeance-oriented relief for the permanently-scarred victim.

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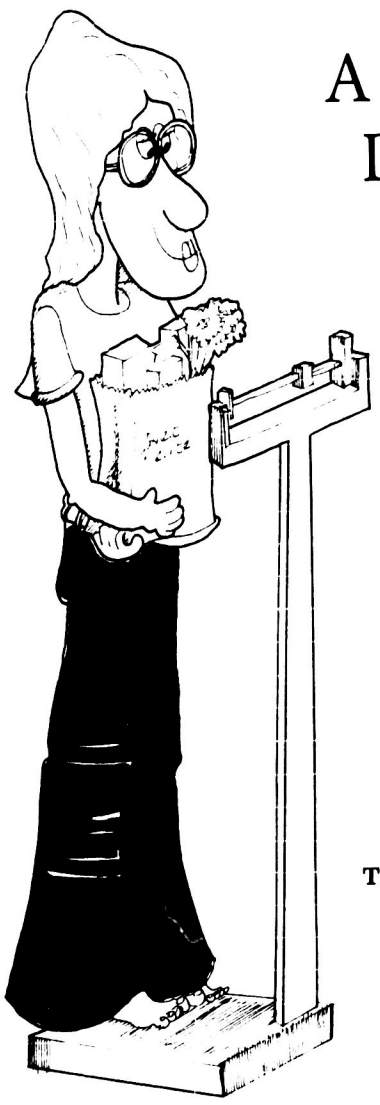

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Women's studies program plans to offer degrees

By SABRINA PORTER
State News Staff Writer

After nine years of volunteer struggle and ad hoc faculty meetings, the MSU Women's Studies Program is ready to take a big step up.

This fall the Women's Studies group will begin the administrative work necessary to propose a Women's Studies major, said Barrie Thorne, summer coordinator of the program.

Currently the program offers a thematic concentration, which makes special note on the transcript of a student who takes at least 20 credits of designated Women's Studies courses.

With some budget money and support from the administration, Thorne said, the MSU project has a chance to become the best and most comprehensive Women's Studies program offered in the country.

"Our program happens to have a high percentage of tenured faculty and our offerings in philosophy and biology are unique in the country," she said.

Thorne pointed out that of the few women in academia, a good number are in non-tenured positions.

Sufficient student and faculty interest in a Women's Studies major now exists, she said, to start the proposal for an academic major through the approved channels.

Such a move is a far cry from the rather obscure beginnings Women's Studies had at MSU in 1969, when four professors in the American Thought and Language department designed the "Women in America" track.

Between 1969 and 1973, Women's Studies courses offered on a one-time basis or without permanent numbers generated enough interest for administrative approval of a committee to develop a thematic concentration.

Students in the Women's Studies thematic concentration take a minimum of 20 credits in Women's Studies, which is then noted on their transcripts. None of the courses are required for any major.

The thematic was established in fall 1975 whereupon all formal recognition of the Women's Studies committee ended. Course development, coordination, faculty communication, publicity, extracurricular programming and advising were relegated to volunteers.

As of spring term 1978, 28 courses with significant focus on women were taught regularly in 17 departments and 31 additional courses have been taught on a one-time basis since 1969.

Enrollment in thematic courses jumped from 2,242 in the 1975 76 academic year to 3,023 in 1977 78, according to a review prepared by the Women's Studies group and submitted to Provost Clarence L. Winder in June.

The report also proposed that the Women's Studies group be provided more and better advising channels, course coordination and authority to certify thematic completion as well as opportunities for a major, a dual major, a cognate and a minor.

Thorne said they do not expect a large number of major candidates immediately and are encouraging dual majors in such areas as business, counseling, education, sports and journalism.

A winter term 1978 survey of thematic graduates revealed positive student reaction to the program, said Jude Baker, former student staffer.

"Their Women's Studies training helped them personally grow, to question what is being presented to them and helped them in their jobs," Baker explained. "It helped women maintain their integrity in male-dominated fields, like the Army and packaging, so they didn't get squelched."

Baker added that men, mostly in sociology and psychology, responded that the thematic helped give them a better perspective in the helping professions and improved their ability to relate to clients.

Male enrollment in Women's Studies courses generally averages about 10 percent, she said, but Thorne's course on the "Sociology of Sex Roles" has drawn up to 30 percent.

Thorne also wants to expand the resources available to graduate students "to meet their needs better than we have in the past."

"But after we spent considerable time reviewing our program, we are very impressed with ourselves," she said.

Thorne listed the seminar series, or colloquia, as the program's most exciting project. Since 1974, the Women's Studies group has sponsored and co-sponsored lectures, presentations and cultural events pertinent to women.

Audiences range from small, specialized groups to as many as two or three hundred, she said.

Main attractions have included Everywoman's Weekend, a talk by feminist philosopher-theologian Mary Daly, the film "Union Maids" with a talk by union activist Stella Nowicki and a talk on battered wives by author Del Martin.

Health, counseling for women—take your pick

The MSU-East Lansing area offers women a number of choices for gynecological health care and counseling.

Olin Health Center on campus has a gynecological clinic located on the third floor of the health center. Pap smears cost $10 and birth control and pregnancy tests are also available.

The clinic also provides pregnancy and abortion referral along with counseling.

(Editor's note: The quality of Olin's health care for women has been frequently questioned. For a related story see the Second Section.)

Womencare, 3401 E. Saginaw Street, provides pregnancy termination, birth control devices and counseling, free pregnancy and venereal disease testing.

The staff includes a full-time gynecologist, registered nurse and counselor-administrative person along with part-time registered nurses and counselors.

The clinic has two operating rooms, a recoverey room, counseling areas and a laboratory.

Office visits are $20 the first time and $15 for additional visits. Pap smears cost $5.

Pregnancy termination costs $150 prior to the 12th week and $200 between the 12th and 14th weeks.

Womencare is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday mornings. Visits are by appointment which can be made by calling 337-7350.

The Community Health Services Clinic, 701 N. Logan St. in Lansing, offers birth control devices, pre-natal care and child health care.

The cost of services at the clinic is a sliding scale based on the ability to pay. The standard office charge is $10.

Health Services also offers a free Venereal Disease Screening Clinic which can be reached at 482-1405.

DEC (Drug Education Center), 398 Park Lane, is primarily a crisis center for emotional or drug-related problems. It also has a clinic which offers pregnancy tests and birth control counseling and devices at no charge. The 24-hour center can be called at 351-4000.

The Jean Granger March of Dimes Pre-Natal Clinic provides free pre-natal care for "those who could not otherwise afford the care of a doctor."

The clinic, 403 W. Greenlawn, offers free medical exams and lab analysis. The staff of gynecologists and registered nurses is available Thursday from 1 to 5 p.m. The clinic can be reached by calling 371-5360.

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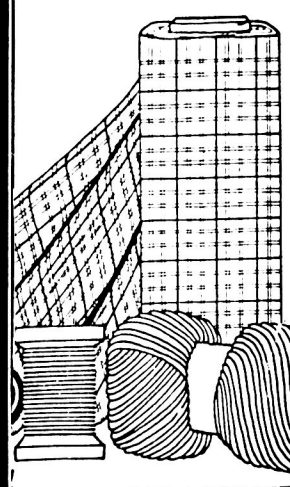

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Abortion: murder...or a basic choice?

By KIM GAZELLA
State News Staff Writer

Abortion is electrifying the country now as a hotly-debated issue, with opponents and proponents taking sides and fiercely defending their views.

Opponents of abortion call themselves pro-life groups and proponents call themselves pro-choice. The pro-choicers in some cases now call pro-life people advocates of "compulsion pregnancy."

Opponents stress the rights of the unborn child; proponents stress the rights of the pregnant woman. Both sides lead active campaigns for their sides of the issue, and both sides lobby intensely for legislative action.

Last summer the National Organization of Women held an abortion rally on the steps of the Michigan Capitol to fight a proposed cut-off of funds for Medicaid abortions.

And more recently, reports of physical attacks on abortion clinics around the country by pro-life groups reflect the intense furor aroused by the issue.

The biggest single issue lobbying arm of abortion supporters is the National Abortion Rights Action League, which is based in Washington, D.C., and began in 1969.

"We view abortion as an alternative to pregnancy," said Kay Harrold, of NARAL. "The woman is the only one who is capable and competent to make the decision, because only she knows if she can have a child now."

Pro-choice groups are concerned not only with a woman's right to choose abortion as a pregnancy alternative, but also that abortion remain legal, safe and accessible.

The 1973 decision by the High Court made abortion legal anywhere in the United States but gave the states regulatory privileges after the third month of pregnancy.

Last year in another decision, the Supreme Court ruled that even through every woman has a legal right to abortion, the government is not obliged to pay for it.

Since then, Congress has eliminated Federal Medicaid funding for most abortions for the poor and only 16 states continue to fund them on their own.

The Michigan Legislature voted to cut off federal funds for abortions in the 1978-79 state welfare budget, a move that Gov. William G. Milliken vetoed Aug. 3.

To reject the Legislature's decision, Milliken had to veto the entire $520.8 million budget allocated for all Medicaid services.

The Legislature must now rewrite the Medicaid budget to continue funding for welfare health services. If it fails to do so, there'll be no money for abortions or any other welfare health programs in Michigan.

Besides Medicaid, many insurance companies now pay for abortions if the policy includes maternal benefits, according to the Health Insurance Institute.

In Michigan, all abortion agencies must be licensed by the Michigan Department of Health.

It is regulation of this type which has made abortion:

•frequent — in 1976, doctors performed 1.2 million abortions, or one for every 2.8 live births;

•safe — it has all but ended backroom abortion mills, and abortions are four times safer than live births (3.2 deaths of the mother per 100,000 abortions as compared to 12.8 deaths of the mother per 100,000 live births in 1976;

•and relatively inexpensive — the average cost of a first-trimester abortion in a clinic is $165.

Abortions are performed by several methods, and are quite safe depending on the stage of the pregnancy. If performed within the first 12 weeks by vacuum aspiration, there are five chances in 1,000 that complications will set in, but the chances increase greatly with each succeeding week of pregnancy.

Photo by Laura Lyn Fistler

In June, 1977, members of the National Organization of Women marched around a symbolic corpse at the steps of the state Capitol to protest a U.S. Supreme Court decision which allowed the states to cut off Medicaid funds for abortion.

Vacuum aspiration, or suction abortion, is performed between six and 12 weeks — that is, during the first trimester. A local anesthetic is injected into the cervix.

The doctor dilates the cervical canal until it is opened enough for a plastic tubing about one-third of an inch wide to be inserted into the uterus.

The doctor then turns on the suction pump, and the vacuum pressure breaks up the fetal tissue and sucks it through the tube in about 20 to 40 seconds.

The doctor then completes the procedure by lightly scraping the uterus to ensure that all tissue has been removed.

The vacuum aspiration method is the simplest and safest method of abortion since it can be performed in an office or clinic, with a very small chance of complication, in a matter of a few minutes and with very little blood loss. The whole process takes about 10 minutes and costs between $120 and $200.

Dilation and curettage (D and C) is often used between the twelfth and sixteenth weeks of pregnancy. D and Cs are done with general anesthetic, and almost, but not always, in a hospital.

As in the vacuum aspiration abortion, the doctor dilates the cervical canal, then scrapes the inside of the uterus with a spoon-shaped curette. This procedure is more expensive because the patient is usually required to spend the night in the hospital and cost from $285 up.

The most commonly used second-trimester abortion method is the hypertonic saline abortion. Salines are performed between the sixteenth and twenty-third week of pregnancy.

The saline abortion is an induction procedure which starts a miscarriage. A saline (salt water) preparation is injected with a long needle into the water sac after a small amount of water is removed from the sac.

Usually within eight to 16 hours labor will begin. Women often require an additional D and C after a saline abortion to remove the placenta.

The risks of complication are greater than in abortions used in earlier pregnancies, and a two-to three-day stay in the hospital is required so the cost is higher, from $350 up.

Dilation and evacuation (D and E) is an increasingly popular abortion method for second-trimester patients. It has been called less traumatic than the birth process of the saline infusion by women's groups.

D and Es are a combination of medical procedures. First the cervical canal is dilated, as with early abortions. Then, using larger tubing to account for the increased size of the fetus, the contents of the uterus are sucked out and forceps used if necessary.

Afterwards, the uterine wall is scraped to make sure all the tissue has been removed. The cost is from $350 up, and a D and E performed between the thirteenth and twentieth weeks of pregnancy has a risk factor 2.6 times lower than the saline procedure.

NARAL members insist that they are pro-choice, not pro-abortion advocates. The league lobbies against any bills that would restrict access to abortion because they want procedures like those listed to remain legal and safe.

Harrold stressed not only choice but women's rights as a part of NARAL's views.

"We don't need the interference of states and courts," she said. "A state can't say to women that they must continue their pregnancies. It sounds like a brood mare situation. What will they be regulating next in our lives?"

In East Lansing, Mary Cox of the Women's Counseling Center said they are very pro-choice.

"We try to prevent pregnancy in the first place with birth control," said Cox, "but in the case of an unwanted pregnancy, the woman should have a choice. She shouldn't be forced to have a child if she doesn't want to."

She said that it is important for the woman to decide what is right for her, whether it be keeping the baby, giving the baby up for adoption or terminating the pregnancy.

While legislation to cut off federal and state funds for abortions might be what pro-choice groups like NARAL lobby against, abortion opponents support it.

Abortion opponents call themselves pro-life or pro-family groups, and the Roman Catholic Church is the strongest force in the anti-abortion crusade.

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Spouses: seeking shelter from the storm

By KIM CRAWFORD
State News Staff Writer

Less than a year after the emotion-charged trial of Francine Hughes drew national attention to the plight of battered wives, Michigan has passed laws giving police and courts a stronger hand in combating domestic violence.

Hughes was found not guilty by reason of temporary insanity in the March 1977 killing of her ex-husband after the jury heard testimony of how she had endured 13 years of abuse from him.

Until recently, virtually no statistics about battered spouses were kept by law enforcement organizations.

The law now requires local law enforcement departments to report information about domestic assaults to state police to make up for the past lack of information about the extent of wifebeating.

Moreover, Michigan law now allows police to arrest without warrants when they have reason to believe an assault has been committed by a spouse, an ex-spouse or a person of the opposite sex sharing the same household.

Police can also make warrantless arrests in cases where a person violates a court order to stay away from a spouse.

Before these laws were passed a police officer had to actually see a spouse strike his or her mate before the police could make an arrest. If a wife wanted her husband arrested, she had to file a formal complaint with the police or prosecutor.

But the law often did not provide much protection because police, judges and prosecutors saw domestic violence as a "family" problem. Police might refuse to press charges against an offending husband, hoping that both parties would have "cooled off."

The officials pointed to the high percentage of women who dropped charges against their husbands after they had been jailed a day or two. Police said women did not want their husbands and boyfriends jailed, but many contend the charges were dropped out of fear of retaliation.

Police have been traditionally reluctant to become involved in domestic disturbances which can be potentially dangerous situations. Because a woman's role in society often forces them into becoming economically dependent on men, police might warn abusing husbands "not to beat her so bad that she needs hospitalization or create a disturbance."

The Francine Hughes case brought to light the situation of a woman trapped for 13 years in recurring violence against her without any recourse, even after she had divorced her husband. She was advised that her only escape would be to leave Michigan with her family — leaving her home, property, job and friends.

On March 9, 1977, Ingham County sheriff's deputies were called to the Hughes home where her ex-husband James had been beating her.

Deputies testified he had been drinking, calling her obscene names and made several threats to kill her. He had also destroyed her textbooks for college classes she was taking at the time.

After the deputies left, almost powerless under the law at that time to do anything, Hughes resumed beating his ex-wife and forced her to have sex with him. About five hours after the police had been called to the Hughes home, Francine Hughes poured gasoline around the bed where her ex-husband slept, set it aflame and drove herself to the Ingham County jail.

James Hughes died of carbon monoxide poisoning due to smoke inhalation and Francine Hughes was charged with first degree murder.

Though many feminists hoped her trial would establish a new definition of self-defense in relation to wife abuse cases, Hughes was found not guilty on the basis of temporary insanity.

Legal and social indifference toward domestic violence seems to be waning, but the crime of domestic assault is usually committed in private and hard to detect.

Because of the private nature of domestic violence there are few statistics available. Many people assume that wife beating is a crime of the poor and disadvantaged, but studies suggest that it may be more of a middle-class phenomenon.

Marcia Macomber, assistant coordinator of the Ingham County prosecutor's Domestic Abuse Program, said more and more women are requesting counseling each month.

"More women are discovering 'hey, I am not alone, I can do something about it,'" Macomber said.

Macomber said over 300 women have called the program office since last January.

The program offers victims of domestic violence alternatives to prosecuting their spouses such as crisis counseling and referrals to community agencies. It also supports groups such as Sisters for Human Equality which provides counseling and support for women seeking legal help.

Macomber said the Domestic Abuse Program will also see women through the court process if they wish to prosecute.

"Thirty percent of the women coming to are program file formal complaints," said Macomber, who explained that formal complaints are either warrants against the offending mates or letters of warning.

Macomber said only about 22 percent who file complaints against their spouses drop the charges. Police have usually put the figure much higher, often around 90 percent.

Macomber said the reason for the program's higher rate of women prosecuting is "we take time with the people who come in" to carefully decide the proper course of action.

Though no shelter for domestic violence as of yet exists in the Lansing area, the Council Against Domestic Assault, a citizen's group of about 200 members, has plans under way to build a shelter.

Under a new state law, the council will be able to apply for funds from the state to help put together a shelter.

The law, passed last summer, sets up a Domestic Violence Treatment and Prevention Board within the Department of Social Sevices to channel money to help communities set up shelters for battered spouses and their families.

Under the law, which will go into effect in October, the state may provide up to 40 percent of the cost of the shelter, but this amount cannot exceed more than $55,000.

Dr. Imogen Bowers, assistant director of the MSU Counseling Center, said domestic violence does happen on campus, but to what degree is unknown.

"Domestic violence cuts across age and social class lines," she said. "The problem is unreported to the extent that more is known about the occurrence of rape than of domestic violence. The number of people on campus seeking help (for spouse abuse) is relatively small," she said.

But wouldn't a relationship between unmarried couples allow a woman to quickly break off with a man who abuses her?

"Economic dependence and the existence of children may increase the probability of a married woman not to seek help to get away from an abusing husband," Bowers said. "But the same psychological dynamics that may prevent the wife from leaving her husband may keep an unmarried man and woman together in a situation where domestic violence will occur.

"The beaten person may get rewards from such a relationship," Bowers explained.

"After an assault there is a pattern of scenes where the abusing boyfriend will beg forgiveness and promise never to strike her again," she said. "He will be very loving and caring. This is a psychological reward of the first order."

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Francine Hughes with her attorney, Aryon Greydanus. Hughes was acquitted by reason of insanity in the burning death of her husband, who had regularly abused her for 13 years.

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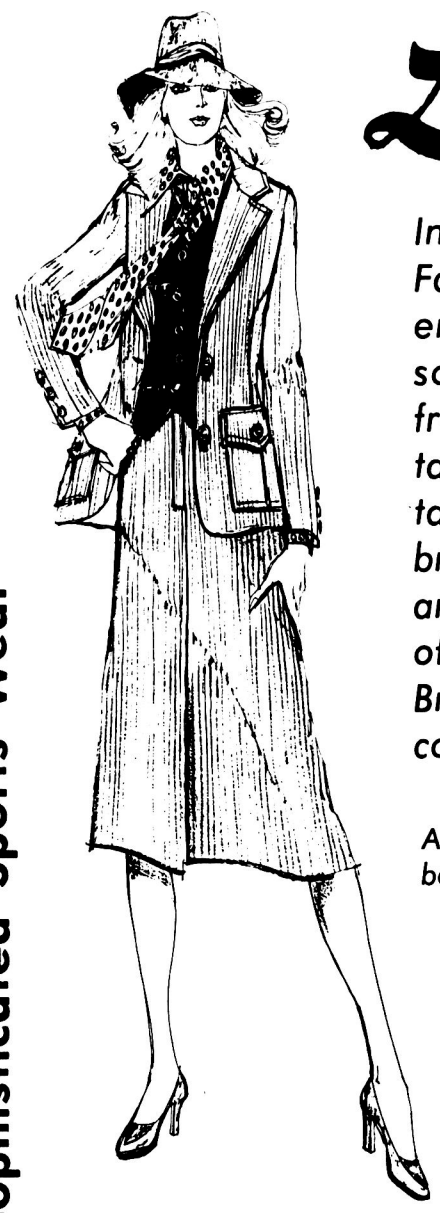

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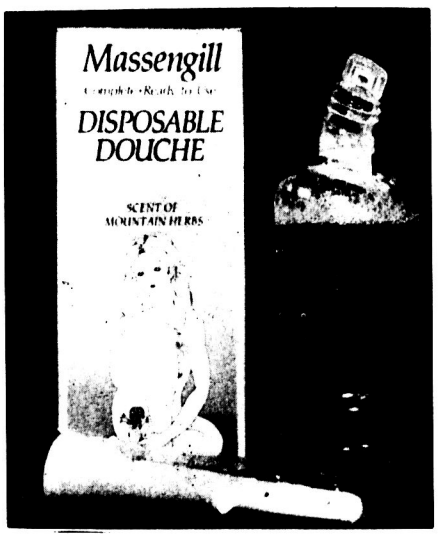

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He said the church's view is that human life begins at the moment of conception, and said that medical evidence supports the view that the fetus is a human being.

"Innocent people ought to be protected by law," he said, referring to a fetus as being an innocent person.

Pro-choice groups use the argument of rights to apply to the woman, not the fetus, in supporting abortion.

"Historically, laws do not recognize the unborn fetus as a citizen," said Harrold of NARAL. "It is contradictory to talk about rights."

The Roman Catholic Church has long been opposed to abortion and has opposed it publicly and politically since 1975.

The Michigan Catholic Conference is a lobbying agency which relates the beliefs and opinions of the church to the Legislature. It lobbies against abortion legislation but also is an advocate for the poor and elderly, or groups who have no representatives.

With more than 1 million women having abortions each year, most people agree they are here to stay, especially now that they are legal.

The groups and lobbyists will probably continue to fight intensely for both sides of the issue, on moral as well as legal grounds.

The final decision, however, will rest with the individual. Women have been demanding abortions for centuries, whether the means were legal and safe or not, and no evidence points to a decline in the demand or desire for abortions.

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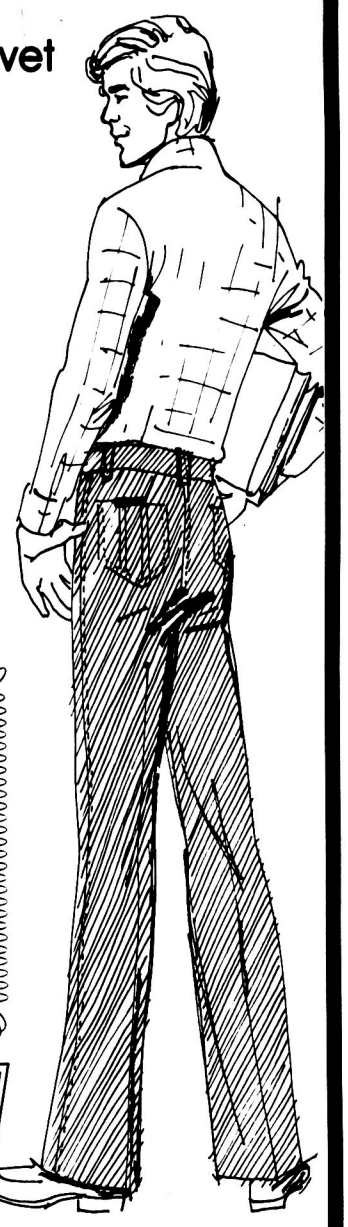

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MSU Shock

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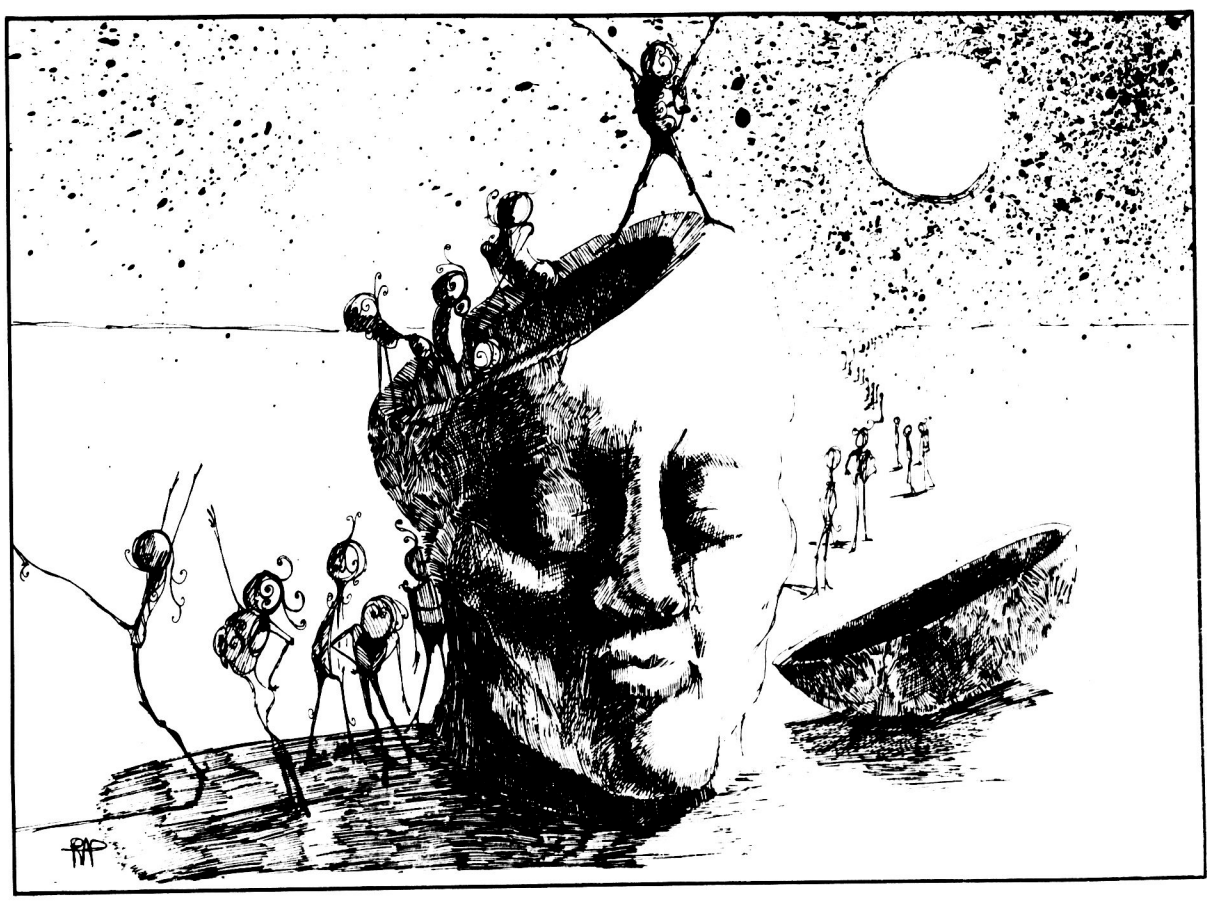

By SABRINA PORTER
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Twenty-two well-dressed, relatively quiet future freshmen women lolled around the South Wonders Hall lounge. They listened intently as a Resident Assistant answered their shy but steady stream of questions during a July orientation meeting.

"Where is the cheapest place to buy books?"

"Are the sororities and fraternities big on campus?"

"Can I paint my room?"

"What do you do for night life?"

But largest among these myriad concerns loomed the threatening challenge of academics — the shock of entering an educational institution in which standards are perceived to be excessively demanding.

"I don't know how hard it's going to be," one woman ventured. "They say high school is 'Mickey-Mouse' compared to college, and just because I did well there doesn't mean I'll do well here."

"I don't have any idea what classes to pick, or if I'll be able to work out a schedule of when to study and when to have fun," volunteered another.

Their RA, Cynthia Robinson, said the group was "really concerned" about classes.

"They all think, 'If I don't have a day-to-day plan from now until my graduation, I'm going to waste all my time and money,' " she laughed.

"But they remind me of myself three years ago," recalled the senior in Metropolitan and Urban Studies. "They're lost and confused. Will it be hard making friends? Where am I going?"

But by Christmas break, most will be well on their way toward answers to their academic questions.

Those concerns will begin to be replaced with decision conflicts about lifestyles and priorities that won't be solved in a term.

American Thought and Language and Natural Science requirements headed the freshmen's list of stumbling blocks to their survival.

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"Is there a Nat Sci course that is easier than the rest I've heard about?" one skeptical woman asked.

Raymond Hollensen, assistant chairperson of the Natural Science Department, said he understands that response because most freshmen tend to exhibit far more concern than is necessary.

"If students have been ingrained since the sixth grade with a general feeling of the impossibility of science, it's no wonder they're petrified," he said. "They think they are going to get more of what they already can't do."

Because only students outside a science major are required to take Natural Science courses, Hollensen explained that the department operates on the premise that these freshmen don't have an extensive scientific background.

Most students aren't used to talking about science in a way that encourages them to evaluate what scientific information is legitimate and to recognize that science doesn't have all the answers, he observed.

"Students are not taught in this pattern before they come here," he said, "and their fear is pretty evident. But they have to give us half a chance.

"The course is not designed to knock people down," Hollensen pointed out. "It's not going to be horrendous. If you have the basic logic pattern, you can use it elsewhere. The thought process is a common thing and not unique to science. We all do it."

American Thought and Language labors under the universal loathing reserved for the particular purgatory known as English composition.

But the department has compiled a "writing syllabus" for fall term that can be used as a study guide, according to Henry Silverman, department chairperson.

"We hope it will help students overcome some of their concern about what they think ATL is out to do to them," Silverman said.

The syllabus spells out the areas of composition which tend to be central problems no matter which track the student is in. The major problem he recognizes in all freshmen is their inability to think in logical and coherent patterns to communicate effectively.

"It's not that they aren't intelligent or don't have the writing skills," he observed. "It's just that they haven't had any kind of practice."

Silverman believes the nature of college writing lies in a thinking-developing-organizing process that students don't get in high school.

"It is particularly noticable the first term — they just don't know where to begin."

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But beginning a new life in a new place presents more of a challenge than developing a knack for writing lead paragraphs. For

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Studies show that on most campuses, including MSU, the abuse of alcohol far outstrips the abuse of other drugs which are commonly believed to be more of a problem. For the incoming freshman, with his newly-won freedom, the lure of this most dangerous of drugs can be particularly seductive.

Drinking—and abusing—alcohol

By DANIEL HILBERT
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A letter came that afternoon from John's parents. I guess there was something wrong back home, but he didn't say. I could tell he was keeping something bottled up inside of him, but I didn't know what. I guess I really didn't care. It was a Wednesday afternoon and the whole floor was going to the bar. John was usually the leader. He would herd all of us into his car and drive to the Gables. Today was no different. It seemed the letter didn't bother him, so I didn't say anything. I didn't say anything about his drinking beers all afternoon either, but I guess I was just used to it. One thing about John, he's got a hell of a capacity. He drinks all day and night. I've never seen him sick once. I left the bar early, about eleven, and John stayed with a couple of guys. Studying didn't seem to bother him, and he always managed to pass everything, so what did he have to worry about? He was a lucky guy in a lot of ways and I envied him.

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Jane was pretty and she knew it. At least that's the conclusion me and most of the girls on the floor came to. The way she flaunted all the men who would come up to visit her. Parade them down the hall in front of everyone. It didn't bother me that much. Being her roommate I was pretty used to it. That's why it's so strange now, so hard to understand. All she does is stay in the room — hardly ever goes out at all. It doesn't really bother me, she keeps on her half of the room but the bottles are a problem. They get picked up whenever I have time. It's not a big deal — to her it must be nothing, all she does is sit curled up in the corner of her bed drinking. She studies sometimes, she's pretty smart. She used to study more, but who does these days. She's went through periods like this before and made it out okay, so I'm not really worried. Besides, without all her men running around, it doesn't make it quite so bad on the rest of us, we don't go out very much so . . .

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Beer, wine, whiskey, gin, vodka, rum, scotch, bourbon and brandy.

Names all too familiar to some of us and irreplacable to many to us. People drink alcohol. It's a fact of life. They drink to unwind, to get courage, to get up and to get down.

There are as many reasons to drink as there are drinkers, and each is damn important to the person who created it.

On this campus tens of thousands of people drink. Some a lot and some very little. Studies show that the major drug abuse problem on campus is not grass, speed or pills, but alcohol. Some have problems drinking and others have never approached the problem stage. The line between the two is very thin, and is straddled many more times than it is eliminated.

In an atmosphere such as this, with intense academic and peer group pressure

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Tripling: just call it a three-headed beast probing for loopholes

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Tripling. A word that has a very personal meaning to most students on this campus. It has come to mean frustration and anxiety or euphoria, depending on the circumstances. It has broken up friendships and started others. Any situation in which three people are crammed into a room barely large enough to hold two is undoubtedly going to be an experience in co-existance.

To administrators and students alike, tripling has become a beast — a three headed beast at that. One head grows out of economic considerations, another out of practical ones, and a third out of sheer tradition.

If you haven't bumped into the term by the beginning of your freshmen odds are your never will — that's just the nature of the beast. And a ruling this summer by Attorney General Frank Kelley which may make tripling illegal only complicates the matter.

The practice of tripling became a problem that had to be faced by the University in 1973, when the excess demand for on campus housing prompted the University to deliberately overassign about a dozen rooms.

Results were not horrendous. All of the triples formed in the fall of 1973 were broken down by the end of the term, but that was only the beginning and the problem got progressively worse.

In fall term of 1974 there were almost 500 triples. The University employed many measures to alleviate the problem winter term of that year. Students were moved to married housing, housing contracts were loosened and some were denied entry to on-campus housing. So again the number of triples was reduced, this time to 10 by winter term.

But that was not the end of the problem, or the practice.

In fall term of 1975 the University hit a peak with 1,021 rooms overassigned, a figure that plummeted to about 250 by spring.

Since then the practice has decreased, with a few hundred triples in fall term of each of the succeeding years. The break-up rate of those triples has also gotten better, with those numbers reduced to double figures by spring.

But that by no means eliminates the problem, especially for those students directly involved.

The dormitory rooms in question vary in size depending on a particular residence hall, and the particular wing or floor of that

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The Greek system that nearly collapsed under the weight of its own inertia in the early 70s is back, stronger than ever. Page. 3.

Housing — on-campus, off-campus, or some variation on that basic theme — is yours for the asking. But the living situation in this area often defies pat categorizations. Page 4.

Everyone likes to grub, but tastes differ. Page 6.

For college-age persons, depression, with the potential it carries for suicide, is a disturbing reality. At MSU, concerned individuals are fighting this trend. Page 11.

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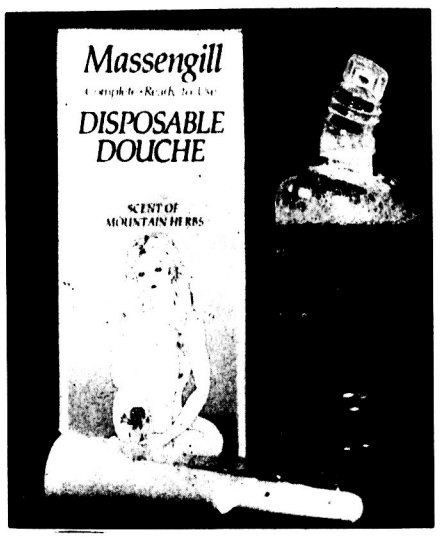

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He said the church's view is that human life begins at the moment of conception, and said that medical evidence supports the view that the fetus is a human being.

"Innocent people ought to be protected by law," he said, referring to a fetus as being an innocent person.

Pro-choice groups use the argument of rights to apply to the woman, not the fetus, in supporting abortion.

"Historically, laws do not recognize the unborn fetus as a citizen," said Harrold of NARAL. "It is contradictory to talk about rights."

The Roman Catholic Church has long been opposed to abortion and has opposed it publicly and politically since 1975.

The Michigan Catholic Conference is a lobbying agency which relates the beliefs and opinions of the church to the Legislature. It lobbies against abortion legislation but also is an advocate for the poor and elderly, or groups who have no representatives.

With more than 1 million women having abortions each year, most people agree they are here to stay, especially now that they are legal.

The groups and lobbyists will probably continue to fight intensely for both sides of the issue, on moral as well as legal grounds.

The final decision, however, will rest with the individual. Women have been demanding abortions for centuries, whether the means were legal and safe or not, and no evidence points to a decline in the demand or desire for abortions.

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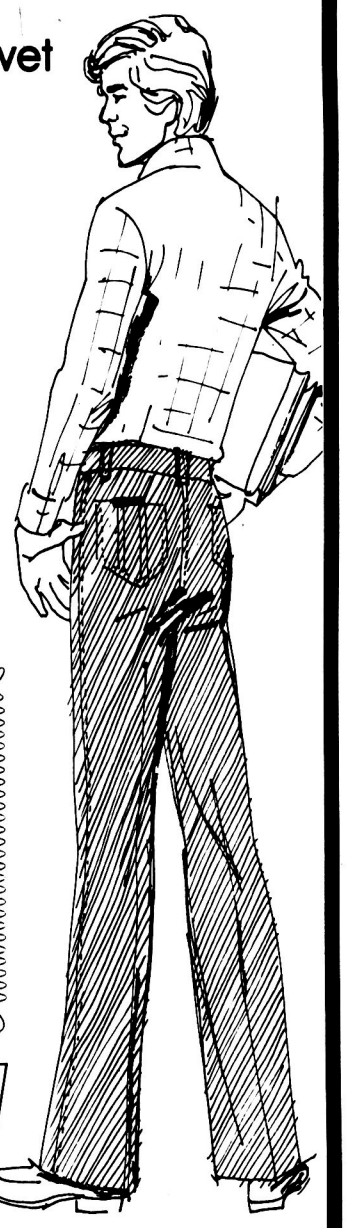

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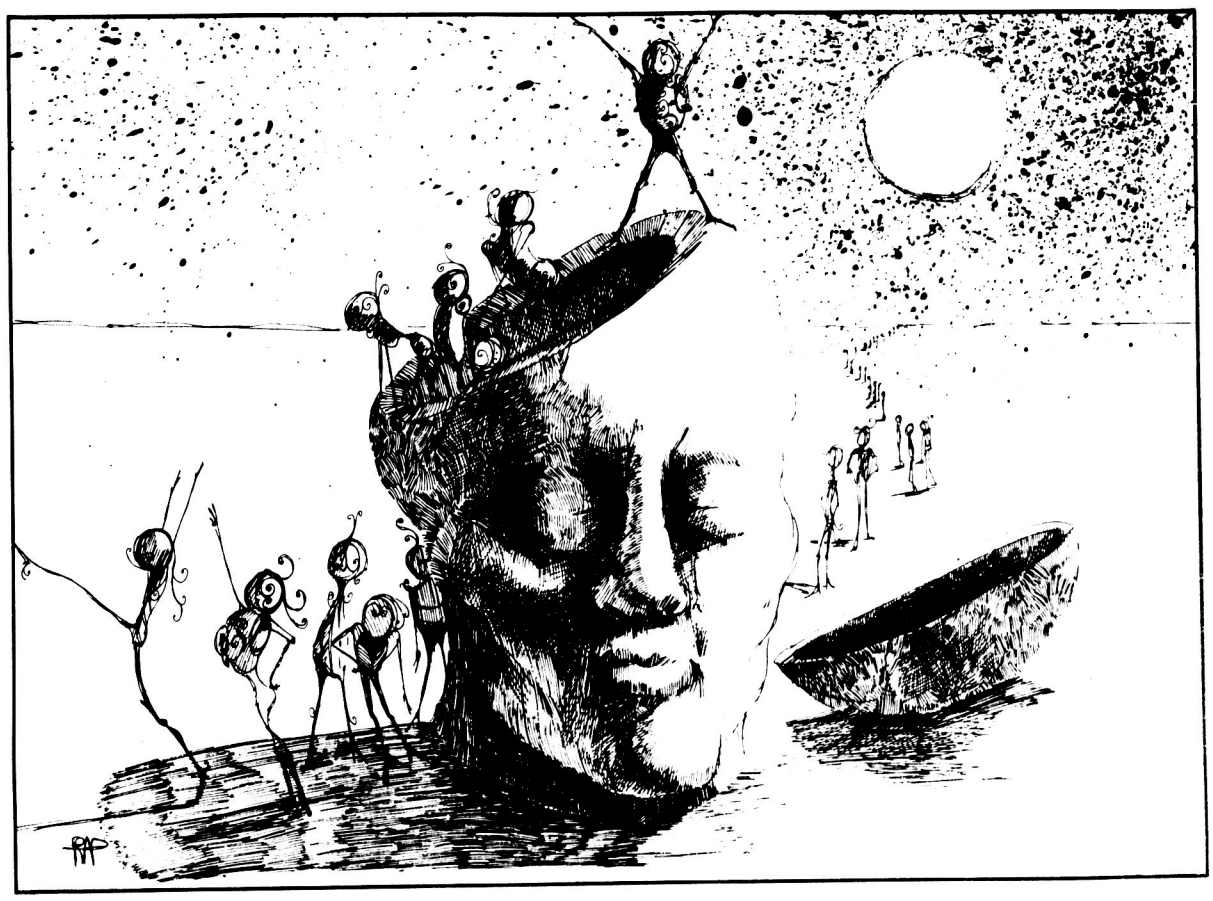
MSU Shock

For many — perhaps a majority — attending a megaversity the size of Michigan State for the first time is a wrenching experience, fraught with staggering difficulties but also unprecedented possibilities. Quite literally, the phenomenon can be described as MSU Shock — the problems and challenges of integrating one's self into an environment vastly different from home life. For many the transition will be an easy one, for others who can adapt to the shock, and even for those who can't, their eyes and minds will be unlocked to a myriad of choices and decisions and lifestyles never before experienced. Whether in the field of academics or living, planning a career or just meeting new people, MSU can be an emotional proving ground of unparalleled proportions. As prominent psychoanalyst R.D. Laing observed, "If our experience is destroyed, our behavior will be destructive. If our experience is destroyed, we have lost our own selves."



By SABRINA PORTER
State News Staff Writer

Twenty-two well-dressed, relatively quiet future freshmen women lolled around the South Wonders Hall lounge. They listened intently as a Resident Assistant answered their shy but steady stream of questions during a July orientation meeting.

"Where is the cheapest place to buy books?"

"Are the sororities and fraternities big on campus?"

"Can I paint my room?"

"What do you do for night life?"

But largest among these myriad concerns loomed the threatening challenge of academics — the shock of entering an educational institution in which standards are perceived to be excessively demanding.

"I don't know how hard it's going to be," one woman ventured. "They say high school is 'Mickey-Mouse' compared to college, and just because I did well there doesn't mean I'll do well here."

"I don't have any idea what classes to pick, or if I'll be able to work out a schedule of when to study and when to have fun," volunteered another.

Their RA, Cynthia Robinson, said the group was "really concerned" about classes.

"They all think, 'If I don't have a day-to-day plan from now until my graduation, I'm going to waste all my time and money,' " she laughed.

"But they remind me of myself three years ago," recalled the senior in Metropolitan and Urban Studies. "They're lost and confused. Will it be hard making friends? Where am I going?"

But by Christmas break, most will be well on their way toward answers to their academic questions.

Those concerns will begin to be replaced with decision conflicts about lifestyles and priorities that won't be solved in a term.

American Thought and Language and Natural Science requirements headed the freshmen's list of stumbling blocks to their survival.

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"Is there a Nat Sci course that is easier than the rest I've heard about?" one skeptical woman asked.

Raymond Hollensen, assistant chairperson of the Natural Science Department, said he understands that response because most freshmen tend to exhibit far more concern than is necessary.

"If students have been ingrained since the sixth grade with a general feeling of the impossibility of science, it's no wonder they're petrified," he said. "They think they are going to get more of what they already can't do."

Because only students outside a science major are required to take Natural Science courses, Hollensen explained that the department operates on the premise that these freshmen don't have an extensive scientific background.

Most students aren't used to talking about science in a way that encourages them to evaluate what scientific information is legitimate and to recognize that science doesn't have all the answers, he observed.

"Students are not taught in this pattern before they come here," he said, "and their fear is pretty evident. But they have to give us half a chance.

"The course is not designed to knock people down," Hollensen pointed out. "It's not going to be horrendous. If you have the basic logic pattern, you can use it elsewhere. The thought process is a common thing and not unique to science. We all do it."

American Thought and Language labors under the universal loathing reserved for the particular purgatory known as English composition.

But the department has compiled a "writing syllabus" for fall term that can be used as a study guide, according to Henry Silverman, department chairperson.

"We hope it will help students overcome some of their concern about what they think ATL is out to do to them," Silverman said.

The syllabus spells out the areas of composition which tend to be central problems no matter which track the student is in. The major problem he recognizes in all freshmen is their inability to think in logical and coherent patterns to communicate effectively.

"It's not that they aren't intelligent or don't have the writing skills," he observed. "It's just that they haven't had any kind of practice."

Silverman believes the nature of college writing lies in a thinking-developing-organizing process that students don't get in high school.

"It is particularly noticable the first term — they just don't know where to begin."

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But beginning a new life in a new place presents more of a challenge than developing a knack for writing lead paragraphs. For

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Studies show that on most campuses, including MSU, the abuse of alcohol far outstrips the abuse of other drugs which are commonly believed to be more of a problem. For the incoming freshman, with his newly-won freedom, the lure of this most dangerous of drugs can be particularly seductive.

Drinking—and abusing—alcohol

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

A letter came that afternoon from John's parents. I guess there was something wrong back home, but he didn't say. I could tell he was keeping something bottled up inside of him, but I didn't know what. I guess I really didn't care. It was a Wednesday afternoon and the whole floor was going to the bar. John was usually the leader. He would herd all of us into his car and drive to the Gables. Today was no different. It seemed the letter didn't bother him, so I didn't say anything. I didn't say anything about his drinking beers all afternoon either, but I guess I was just used to it. One thing about John, he's got a hell of a capacity. He drinks all day and night. I've never seen him sick once. I left the bar early, about eleven, and John stayed with a couple of guys. Studying didn't seem to bother him, and he always managed to pass everything, so what did he have to worry about? He was a lucky guy in a lot of ways and I envied him.

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Jane was pretty and she knew it. At least that's the conclusion me and most of the girls on the floor came to. The way she flaunted all the men who would come up to visit her. Parade them down the hall in front of everyone. It didn't bother me that much. Being her roommate I was pretty used to it. That's why it's so strange now, so hard to understand. All she does is stay in the room — hardly ever goes out at all. It doesn't really bother me, she keeps on her half of the room but the bottles are a problem. They get picked up whenever I have time. It's not a big deal — to her it must be nothing, all she does is sit curled up in the corner of her bed drinking. She studies sometimes, she's pretty smart. She used to study more, but who does these days. She's went through periods like this before and made it out okay, so I'm not really worried. Besides, without all her men running around, it doesn't make it quite so bad on the rest of us, we don't go out very much so . . .

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Beer, wine, whiskey, gin, vodka, rum, scotch, bourbon and brandy.

Names all too familiar to some of us and irreplacable to many to us. People drink alcohol. It's a fact of life. They drink to unwind, to get courage, to get up and to get down.

There are as many reasons to drink as there are drinkers, and each is damn important to the person who created it.

On this campus tens of thousands of people drink. Some a lot and some very little. Studies show that the major drug abuse problem on campus is not grass, speed or pills, but alcohol. Some have problems drinking and others have never approached the problem stage. The line between the two is very thin, and is straddled many more times than it is eliminated.

In an atmosphere such as this, with intense academic and peer group pressure

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Tripling: just call it a three-headed beast probing for loopholes

By DANIEL J. HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

Tripling. A word that has a very personal meaning to most students on this campus. It has come to mean frustration and anxiety or euphoria, depending on the circumstances. It has broken up friendships and started others. Any situation in which three people are crammed into a room barely large enough to hold two is undoubtedly going to be an experience in co-existance.

To administrators and students alike, tripling has become a beast — a three-headed beast at that. One head grows out of economic considerations, another out of practical ones, and a third out of sheer tradition.

If you haven't bumped into the term by the beginning of your freshmen odds are your never will — that's just the nature of the beast. And a ruling this summer by Attorney General Frank Kelley which may make tripling illegal only complicates the matter.

The practice of tripling became a problem that had to be faced by the University in 1973, when the excess demand for on-campus housing prompted the University to deliberately overassign about a dozen rooms.

Results were not horrendous. All of the triples formed in the fall of 1973 were broken down by the end of the term, but that was only the beginning and the problem got progressively worse.

In fall term of 1974 there were almost 500 triples. The University employed many measures to alleviate the problem winter term of that year. Students were moved to married housing, housing contracts were loosened and some were denied entry to on-campus housing. So again the number of triples was reduced, this time to 10 by winter term.

But that was not the end of the problem, or the practice.

In fall term of 1975 the University hit a peak with 1,021 rooms overassigned, a figure that plummeted to about 250 by spring.

Since then the practice has decreased, with a few hundred triples in fall term of each of the succeeding years. The break-up rate of those triples has also gotten better, with those numbers reduced to double figures by spring.

But that by no means eliminates the problem, especially for those students directly involved.

The dormitory rooms in question vary in size depending on a particular residence hall, and the particular wing or floor of that

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The Greek system that nearly collapsed under the weight of its own inertia in the early 70s is back, stronger than ever. Page. 3.

Housing — on-campus, off-campus, or some variation on that basic theme — is yours for the asking. But the living situation in this area often defies pat categorizations. Page 4.

Everyone likes to grub, but tastes differ. Page 6.

For college-age persons, depression, with the potential it carries for suicide, is a disturbing reality. At MSU, concerned individuals are fighting this trend. Page 11.

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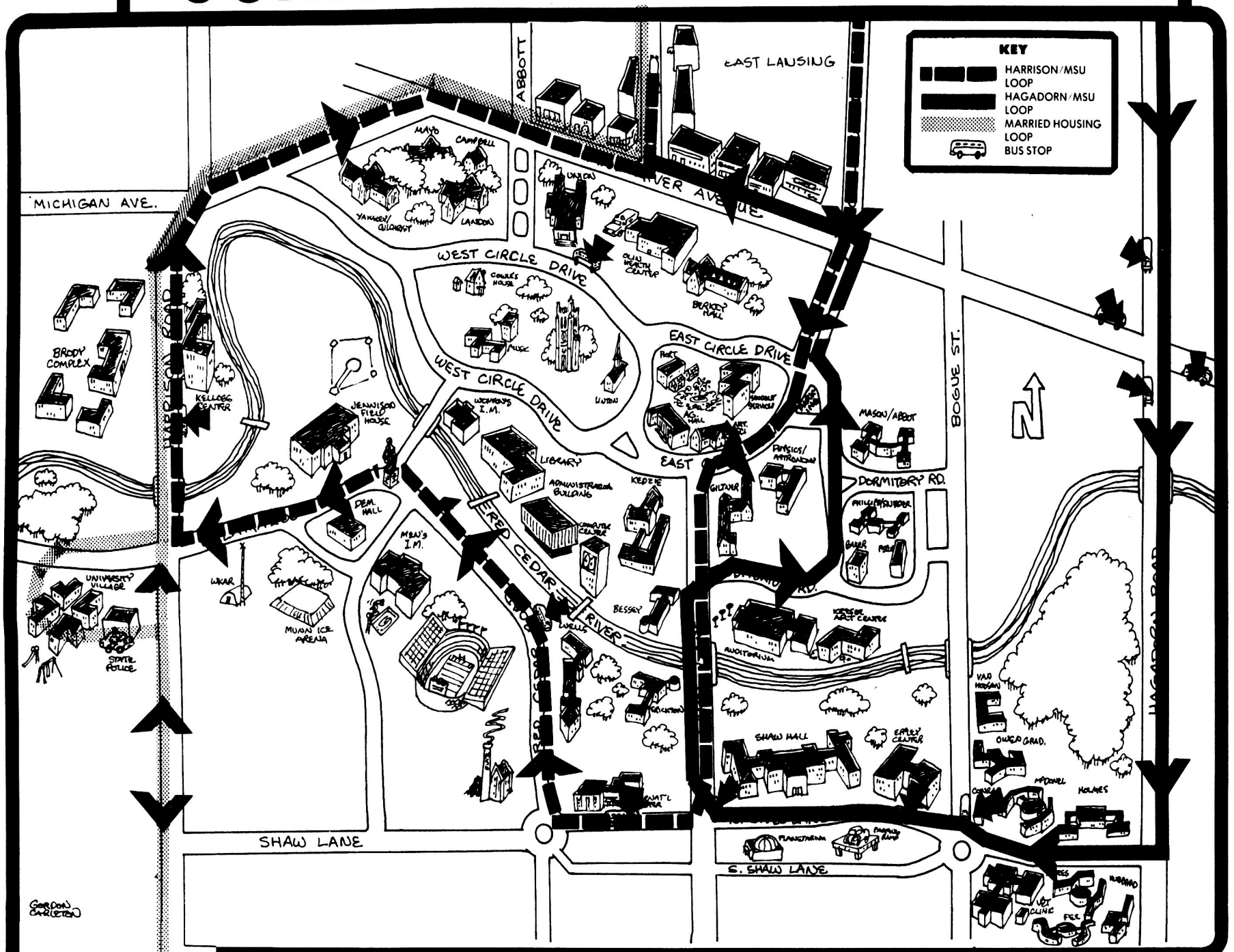

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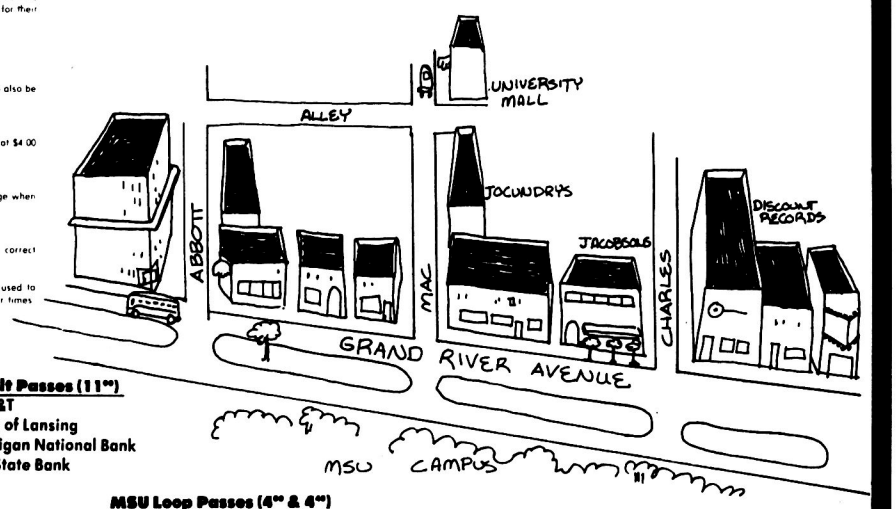

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Greeks sell a product, and students buy

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Greeks sponsored a dance last year to collect funds on behalf of Muscular Dystrophy research.

By MICHAEL MEGERIAN
State News Staff Writer

MSU's fraternity system had its largest enrollment in nine years in 1977, boasting a total membership of 1,245 members.

That's twice as many members as there were in 1973, when the University's 21 houses accommodated only about 575 people.

Greek enrollment is skyrocketing and the reason is no mystery. Scarce and expensive living space, aversion to residence halls and that need for social cohesion often snags many an MSU student, raising the curiosity of those who want to "know what it's like to live in a frat."

"It's a viable alternative to living," said Ian McPherson, president of the Interfraternity Council. "A lot of people are coming out to see for themselves."

McPherson said one reason for rising enrollment in fraternities is the system's eminence on the college scene.

"Like any product, it has to sell itself," he said. But we have more members recruiting on campus. We're a lot more visible than before."

MSU is apparently a buyer's market for Greek membership. Members who recruited students in the system's "rush" gathered 262 pledges in 1977, enough new members to fill five houses.

The Greek System is basking in a wave of increasing student participation. Unlike student government, which constantly pleads students to get involved, fraternities and sororities have had no problem filling their 48 houses.

Barbara White, an executive officer in the Panhellenic council, which represents sororities, said enrollment in women's houses has also increased.

"When I joined there were four people living in my house," she said. "Now we have about 40 members."

White said she thinks enrollment has increased in sororities because of the lifestyle offered.

"It's a group situation," she said.

Adversaries of the Greek system may often contend that group is synonymous with conformity, a claim not unfounded. In the promotion or "selling" of each fraternity or sorority, recruiting members often fall victim to this criticism through their promises of guaranteed social brotherhood and togetherness.

However, most sales pitches were futile during the late 60's when student interest gave way to social matters and Greek tradition and rituals were tossed aside. War protests took priority over chugging contests. The entire Greek system was reevaluated as a closely-knit clique rather than a body of individuals, unresponsive to important issues and not abreast with the times.

Fraternities weren't keeping up with the times," McPherson said. "Now we are more attuned."

But the irony manifests itself in that group situations and conformity, the factors that were frowned upon and accounted for the system's declining popularity in the 60's, may be mostly responsible for reviving the system in the late 70's. McPherson said he believes the system's resuscitation centers around the individual's search for identity.

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"Students are looking for something to identify with," he said. "At a large university, a fraternity is a smaller organization to be associated with."

As for the 60's, McPherson cited other reasons for declining enrollment.

"The University expanded its housing accommodation during the 60's," he said. "It wasn't like people were looking for a place to live."

David Westol, fraternities advisor, said when he pledged in 1971, fraternities were breaking up.

"Every one was going their own way," he said. "It was abandon ship."

Westol said the Greek system, which diminished to 34 houses by 1970, lost a lot of self-esteem in those turbulent years.

"Members were reluctant to admit they belonged to a fraternity," he said. "They were thought of as products of the establishment."

Gretchen Stamm, sororities advisor, said the rules and regulations of sororities did not correspond to the permissiveness of the 70's.

"Sororities were getting away from all that," she said.

Stamm said rising enrollment in MSU's 16 sororities could also be attributed to what she termed a regression in college lifestyles from the isolated individual to the active member of some campus organization.

"People are joiners," she said. "They like to belong to organizations."

If Stamm's assessment is accurate, the Greek system may provide some sort of gratification for those now awaiting the opportunity to pledge. The system before them is one whose low profile is resurging and continues on the upswing.

The dorm: Zoo? Peyton Place? What?

By LINDA M. OLIVERIO
State News Staff Writer

One of the biggest fears incoming students have about attending a university is the ever-present thought of dormitory dwelling. Questions like, Will I get along with my roommate?, Will I be able to eat the food?, and can I study in the same room I live in? are apt to give freshmen ulcers.

For some students dorm living is great, for others not so great. Whether a student likes the dormitory system or not depends on many things — the location, food, people, noise level and the student's own tolerance can make or break dorm life.

Excuses for disliking the situation and reasons for enjoying dorm life vary.

"I was getting the itch to move out. It's more hassle living in an apartment but I'm glad I left the dorm. When I go back to a dorm I say 'My God, I lived in there?"

Barb, a sophomore, lived in Wilson Hall her freshman year and "just hated it." She said she got no privacy because "people were running in and out all the time."

But, she conceded, it was convenient because she was right on campus.

"The dorm reminded me of a camp. It wasn't a home, just a place to live. I live in a house now and it seems like home," Barb said.

Another good point was "you get to meet people by just standing there," said Buddy, a sophomore who lived in Case Hall.

"But people are inconsiderate. They're too individualistic. And tripling is chaos," he said.

Andy, another sophomore who lived in Case Hall, said "I don't like the fact that it's one big Peyton Place. Everyone knows everybody else's business. Only the socialization process is good. Other than that, it's a zoo."

On the positive side, Missy, a second year student who stayed in McDonel Hall last year, said she liked being able to meet people and not having to do her own cooking. McDonel was in a good location for her needs, she said.

Sonja, a junior who also lived in McDonel, said in a co-ed dormitory "a person learns to relate to other people a lot better. It straightens out doubts about the opposite sex."

Missy added, "On co-ed floors girls don't form cliques. Everyone is very close."

After living in and liking Wilson Hall for three years, Joe, a senior, decided it was time to move out.

"I was getting the itch to move out. It's more hassle living in an apartment but I'm glad I left the dorm. When I go back to a dorm I say 'My God, I lived in there? I get claustrophobia.'" he said.

He added he wouldn't want to have lived in an all-male dorm "just for the company and seeing pretty faces."

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"In fact, I believe the only reason we have any vacancies at all is because we have an imperfect market that doesn't know where those vacancies are."

— Brad Pryce, group manager of the planning housing and community development department

'Them' v. 'us': College town's cold war

By MICHAEL TANIMURA
State News Staff Writer

Grand River Avenue. M-43.

As it travels across Michigan from Detroit in the east to Grand Rapids, in the west it performs an interesting feat — it divides East Lansing into what many people feel to be its two natural facets.

To the north, East Lansing proper.

To the south, the University.

To the north, them.

To the south, us.

If you live north of the strip and haven't been enrolled at MSU for a year or two, it's us and them.

While this parochialism may have its negative aspects, it does serve one very important function — it provides for people on both sides of Grand River a seductive rationale for the city's difficulties. For once, it's always them, not us, that are causing the problems, ruining the neighborhoods, trying to make East Lansing into something it's not.

Take housing for example.

In this town, the vacancy rate is now less than 1 percent. This means that over 99 percent of all the available rental units in East Lansing are occupied. The U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare says that the minimum vacancy rate that still allows renters a reasonable bargaining position when in the market for housing is 5 percent.

Although housing affects everyone in the community, this low vacancy rate and subsequent sellers' market is most felt by those folks who have a tendency to be transient, to move about from place to place — students.

And that's one commodity that is certainly in abundance here — 44,211 of us last fall, with about the same number expected this year.

Many of us — usually about 41 or 42 percent — have the opportunity to experience group living first-hand here at MSU in one of its residence halls — commonly called dorms, or any number of other colorful terms in the student vernacular.

About 2,500 students settle each year in University Apartments. Although the cost is reasonable, many others do not prefer the living conditions or the initiation rites.

But that leaves the rest of us — not to make it sound as if we don't want to or would prefer it any other way — to find housing off-campus, over there.

Since proximity to MSU is one of the prime considerations (at least at first) in our quest, we head across Grand River, 23,000 of us. Descending upon them.

And many of them — the residents, the permanents, the lifers, the "real people," but not the landlords — do still consider it the equivalent of an invasion.

Seriously.

To some it's like locusts, like blacks in Cicero, Illinois, in the early '60s, like why are you turning this sleepy little college-burb into an urban area, complete with squalor?

Like it's lucky there is only room for 10 or 11,000 of you in East Lansing anyway. (Remember the less than 1 percent vacancy rate). Like it should be the University's responsibility to house you; they invited you here.

Some of them — merchants, landlords — gain direct benefits (profits) and still their welcome is proferred only begrudgingly. One reason may be that along with whatever else we represent to the community, we also represent a potentially strong political power.

Of the 52,045 residents in 1976 (the most recent year the city has population figures for), almost 60 percent — 30,827 — were MSU students living either on or off-campus in East Lansing's jurisdiction.

Some East Lansing residents fear this situation; others accept it and work with it.

One of these acceptors is Brad Pryce, group manager of the planning, housing and community development department. Pryce's department has much to do with the type of decisions destined to shape the course of city housing.

When city planners developed the comprehensive plan for the development of East Lansing back in the late '60s (the plan was projected to 1980), they were very smitten with the idea of the duplicity of the city's population.

Permanent residents and students.

Them and us. (Actually to them, us and them).

"What happened back then is they tried to plan around the students," Pryce said. "This proved to be a fatal mistake.

"The distinction made amongst the city's population was not very effective politically."

The Comprehensive Plan 1980 shows signs of a community refusing to come to grips with the idea that it was going through a transition — from college suburb to an urban area of 50,000. The plan was built around the premise that the aesthetic qualities of East Lansing would and should not change.

The new comprehensive plan, which is being developed by East Lansing now, will not be directed to any preconceived notion, Pryce said.

"In fact, one of our main hopes is that the plan will come to grips with exactly what is the responsibility of the city with respect to housing," he said.

"It must also be flexible. We definitely hope the plan will not come up with one solution and stick with it through hell or high water. There are a lot of things you just can't predict for in planning."

Pryce said he personally feels that the them-and-us syndrome (not his phrase) is not very prevalent now. He points to Coolidge Road, where on one side of the street there is the Pebble Creek development project, and on the other, $100,000-plus homes being built.

"We have a very liberal community here, even in its 'permanent' population. I believe it is understood that you don't have to have property values or living conditions reduced by income level of an area's residents," he said.

Pryce said that there is definitely a need for better bargaining position between tenants and landlord, but that a 5 percent vacancy rate is rarely met anywhere, and would be very unrealistic here because of the type of situation that exists and because of the extremely low vacancy rate.

"In fact, I believe the only

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A landlord-tenant workshop will be held in the Valley Court Park Community Center Sept. 27.

The workshop will utilize a question and answer format and feature Brad Pryce, group manager of the East Lansing Planning, Housing and Community Development Department; Charles Ipcar, director of the Tenants Resource Center; a representative of Mid Michigan Rental Properties Association (a landlord organization); and a housing attorney from the Greater Lansing Legal Aid.

"We want to provide an opportunity for both landlords and tenants to become better aware not only of what their rights and responsibilities are, but also what the function of the city is in respect to housing," said Terry Redford, a member of the East Lansing Human Relations Commission, which is sponsoring the workshop.

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East Lansing's vacancy rate is acknowledged to be less than 1 percent at present. The U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare says that a minimum 5 percent vacancy rate is necessary to give renters a fair bargaining position in seeking housing.

One proposal that has been advanced to offset the seller's market in housing is rent control. Rent control proposals appeared on the city's ballot in both 1975 and 1976 — going down to defeat both times, but by a narrower margin the second time.

Although all available evidence points to a vacancy rate which is lower now than it was in either election year, no rent control proposal will appear on the November ballot.

"Nobody is doing anything about it these days. Maybe there is just less interest," said Charles Ipcar, director of the Tenant's Resource Center and one of the proponents of the rent control proposals. "They just don't put up the effort to fight any more."

The words of the campaign coordinator for the 1976 rent control campaign seem to be ringing true.

"I don't think we'll try putting rent control on the ballot again," Michael Yale said after the election. "Most of our people don't have the energy to do it again."

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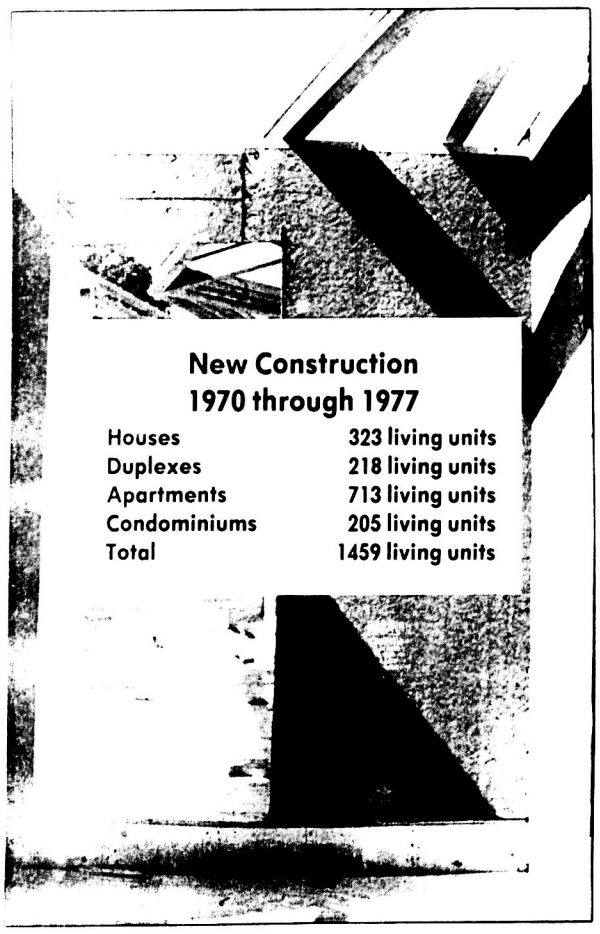


Blethen, Feintuch rent moguls

By JAMES L. SMITH
State News Staff Writer

An MSU student boom over the last two decades drove many families to the outlying areas of East Lansing and students into the formerly middle-class neighborhoods surrounding the University.

In the area bounded by Grand River Avenue, Harrison Road, Michigan Avenue, Burcham Drive and Hagadorn Road a steady influx of students altered the complexion of the population.

With few exceptions, the area within walking distance of MSU has become a "student ghetto" complete with non-resident landlords and deteriorating physical conditions.

An East Lansing city official estimated that the city contains 1,300 licensed rental houses and a quick scan of the pin map at the city's housing office readily shows the greatest concentration of rentals in the area of the "student ghetto."

While there are many absentee landlords for the houses in the student ghetto, two names are especially prominent in the city files.

Stephen R. Blethen, a realtor, and David Feintuch, a Lansing attorney, are the two biggest East Lansing student-rental moguls as far as single-family residences are concerned.

Homes owned by Feintuch are listed under the names of Betty J. Taylor, Lansing Management Co., and David Feintuch, but all are listed to Feintuch's home address at 420 Northlawn St., East Lansing.

Blethen's homes are owned under the names of Stephen R. and Marilyn Blethen, as well as Stephen Blethen. Blethen and his wife also operate Ste-Mar Realty at 927 E. Grand River Avenue. Their home address is listed at 1514 N. Harrison Road.

Blethen, according to city assessment and rental-licensing records, owns 24 residences in East Lansing, 14 in the student ghetto.

Feintuch's houses total 18, all in the predominantly student residence area.

According to the official records at city hall, both men are continually acquiring new homes and in one case, 511-513 Albert Avenue, Feintuch purchased a home from Blethen.

Assessed value of Feintuch's properties, which is computed at half of market value, is $309,676, according to city tax assessment records.

The same records show Blethen's holdings at $903,618 at current (July) market values.

Except for homes at 512 Dorothy Lane, 121 Beal Street and 526 Evergreen Avenue, Feintuch's purchases are located in an area east of Abbott Road bordering the East Lansing business district. Park Lane seems destined to become "Feintuch row."

Five homes, 420, 426, 430, 436 and 523 Park Lane are listed as being owned by Feintuch.

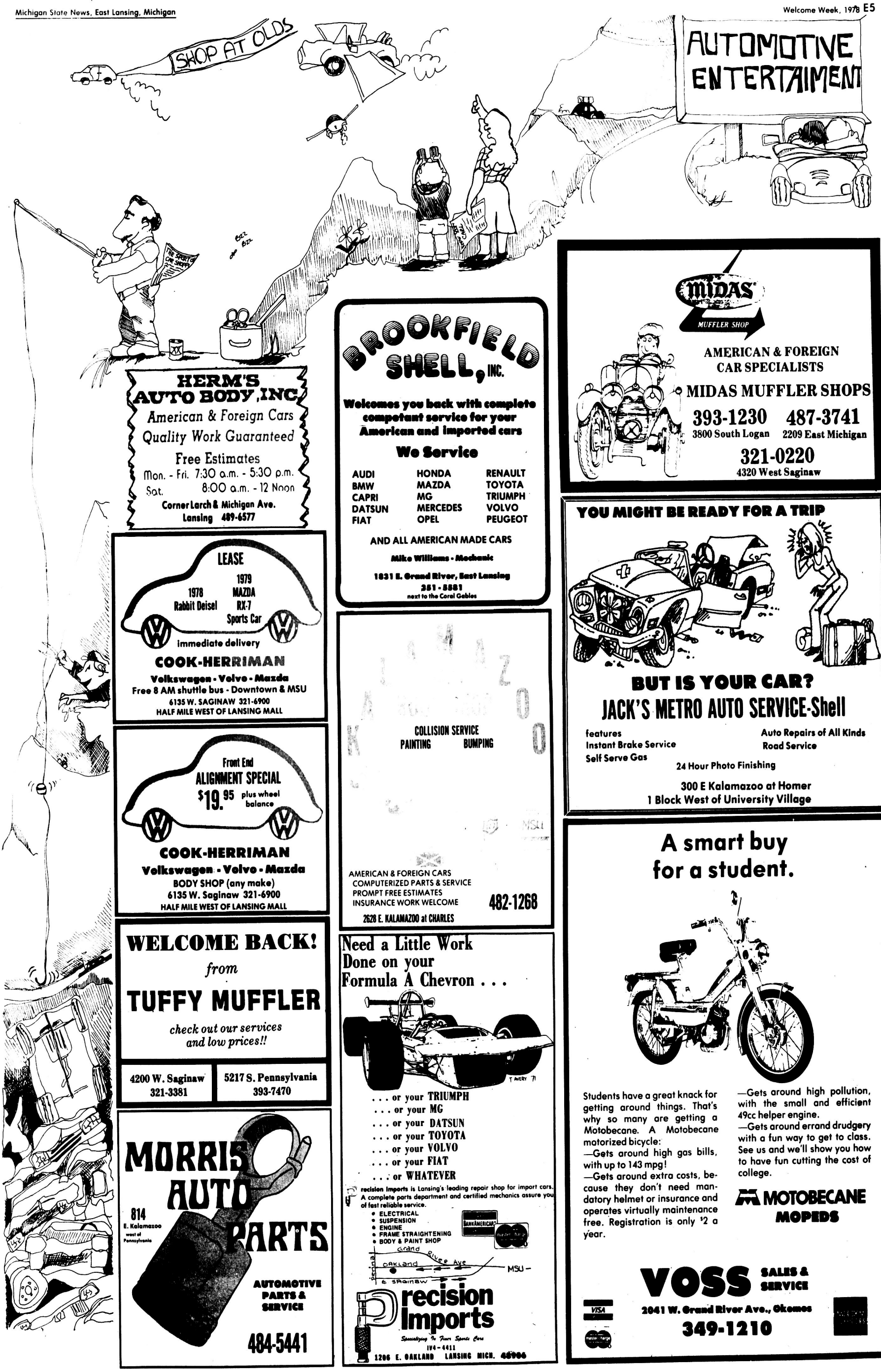
The remainder of the houses owned by Feintuch are located at 505, 511-13 Albert Ave., 532 Ann St., 415 and 439 Grove St., 118, 136 and 138 Linden St., and 332 436 MAC.

Blethen's homes in the student ghetto area are somewhat more spread out than Feintuch's.

415 Albert Ave., 415 and 425 Ann St., 117 Center St., 436-436½ Charles St., 334,340 and 344 Evergreen Ave., 528 Linden St., 435 and 437 MAC Ave. and 220 Oakhill Ave. are listed in city files as belonging to Blethen.

Blethen also owns several homes on Ferndale, Greencrest Avenue, Haslett Road and Mt. Vernon Avenue in East Lansing. He is listed as the owner of the property at 1526 E. Grand River Avenue also.

MSU students renting from the two men number close to 150.



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Natural foods can be a remedy to junk living...

By MARCIA BRADFORD

If you thought that you had to be a natural food freak or a conscientious vegetarian to shop in a food cooperative or dine in a natural foods restaurant, chances are you thought wrong.

Many natural foods stores, including those in the East Lansing area, provide foods for all types of tastes. They serve the person who is looking for variety as well as the person who likes natural foods.

"We have two goals," said Rene Davis of the East Lansing Food Cooperative. "Those are to provide high quality foods at a low price and at the same time to provide the foods that people want to eat."

Because it is member owned and operated, the food cooperative is different from conventional grocery stores. The East Lansing Food Co-operative receives its food supplies from a warehouse in Ann Arbor and from organic farms in the area.

To belong to the co-op, members must pay $1.

Davis said while the co-op prefers to sell whole, natural, organic foods, they do stock items found in other grocery stores.

"We don't go in for expensive health foods," said Davis. "We try to stock practical, regular health foods."

The only restaurant that serves only natural food, the Small Planet, receives its food supplies from many different sources from all over the country.

"Everyone is different," said Brian Bartley, owner of the Small Planet restaurant and grocery store. "People have different anatomies and different work habits. We try to vary our menu so that we have something to offer to anybody from any dietary background."

Bartley said there are different types of vegetarians — those who eat just vegetables and those who also eat dairy products and eggs.

Some people, Bartley said, can get all the protein they need from the proper combination of fruits, nuts and vegetables. He added that to do this a person had to be careful and have a good knowledge about the types of food that provide the most protein.

"For example, a person can get enough protein from eating both filberts and brazil nuts," Bartley said. "But if he eats just one of the two he won't get enough protein."

He said he did not suggest becoming a strict vegetarian if a person does not have the time to be careful and eat good meals.

Both Davis and Bartley said they did not feel natural foods were more expensive than any other foods, when the nutritional value was considered.

"The reason that some of the foods cost more is because they contain all natural ingredients and do not have oils and sugar added," said Bartley. "Of course you pay more for something like pure peanut butter, but you get more food value."

Davis said the reason some of the foods at the East Lansing Co-op cost more was because of the mark-up system.

"In a regular grocery store the natural foods are marked up a great deal, while regular foods (those that contain preservatives) can have a low mark-up," she said.

She said the foods at the food co-op were all marked up the same amount. This often results in making the regular foods cost more and the natural foods costing less than in a regular grocery store.

Davis pointed out that in the food co-op spices are very cheap, but for some reason they have a very high mark-up in other grocery stores.

In a natural foods store the costs of packaging and advertising are very reduced, Bartley explained.

If foods contain more preservatives there is less chance of spoilage. Both Davis and Bartley report that spoilage has not been a problem with the food they sell.

. . . while for some, junk food is a way of life

By MARCIA BRADFORD

For the person who is always on the go, for the person who gets those late night cravings, for the person who doesn't have the time or ambition to cook or for the person who simply loves junk food, East Lansing has much to offer.

From burgers to burritos, from fries to fish, from hot sauce to hot fudge, temptations abound in the area's fast food restaurants.

Everyone falls for the tempting aromas of convenience foods now and then, especially late at night when the tension increases or the senses are distorted.

But what of those who receive their total food supply from these assembly line eating places? What of the burger and fry fanatic or the taco fiend? Is this type of food detrimental to their health?

Not necessarily, said Sharon Kennedy, foods and nutrition specialist at the MSU nutrition information center.

"The main purpose of food is to provide the calories that your body needs to keep it going," she said. "These types of restaurants provide those calories and do it quite cheaply."

Certainly, no one can argue about the calories. In a report done by the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation sponsored by McDonalds, it was found that a meal consisting of a quarter pounder, french fries and a chocolate shake contained 990 calories.

The meal also provides a great deal of the adult minimum daily requirements, however. It contains 80 percent of the protein, 60 percent of the calcium and 30 percent of the iron needed in an average day.

The area where McDonalds and many other fast food restaurants fall short in is the fruit and vegetable group, Kennedy said. They provide very little of vitamins A and C which are in fruits and vegetables.

This does not necessarily mean that a person is eating worse when he or she eats at a fast food restaurant, she said. Many people living off campus prepare foods that are less nutritious and just as expensive, Kennedy explained. Such culinary delights as TV dinners and packaged macaroni and cheese are included in this less than nutritious group.

The manager at the Taco Bell restaurant on East Grand River Avenue said there have been no nationwide studies done on the nutritional value of their Mexican food but said their food does provide the customer with the basic four food groups — meats, fruits and vegetables, grain, and dairy products.

She said even though not all of the main items contained meat, those that did not contained beans — another source of protein. She also pointed out that Taco Bell serves a certain amount of vegetables with their foods.

Spokespersons for other restaurants such as Wendy's, Burger King and Burger Chef said depending on what was ordered on the sandwich, the four food groups were often included in a basic meal.

Burger Chef pointed out that they now have a salad bar to fill the requirement of the fruit and vegetable group and Arby's Roast Beef restaurants now include a salad with their platter dinners.

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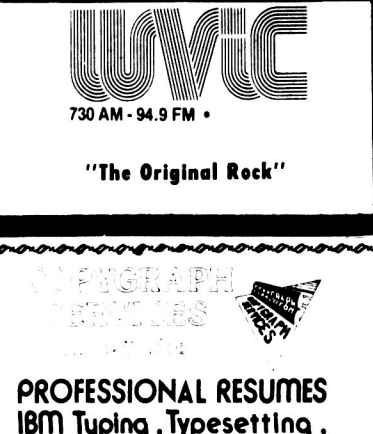
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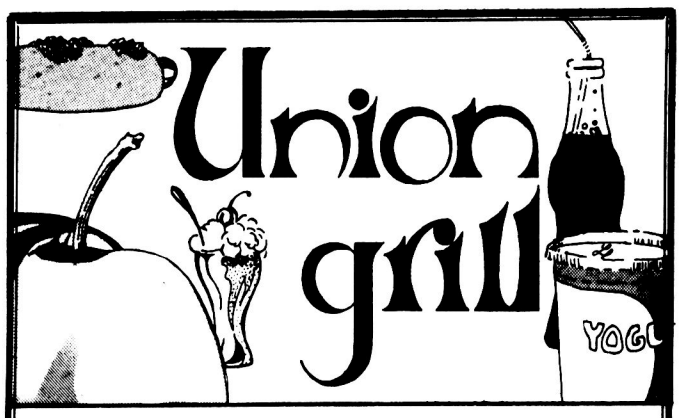
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By DEBBIE WOLFE
State News Staff Writer

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"I'll drop by with a sample. Later."

Ahhhh, the sweet smell of burning leaves and stems once again permeated the night air in East Lansing's student ghetto. Electric guitar and synthesizer melodies serenaded a four block area with various hoops of excitement interjected in the appropriate areas when a particularly good catch was made during a frisbee game.

The middle of the street was crowded. Glasses of wine were everywhere. Small talk — the order of the evening.

A cat sauntered by, apparently under the influence of at least one substance. It zig-zagged down the sidewalk, crossed in front of a couple laying in the grass and jumped on the hood of a rusty Mustang parked illegally in front of a hydrant. The metal was still warm.

The tape ran out and one of the frisbee players jogged off to a duplex to change the tunes.

Inside the house blacklights flashed with the aid of a Christmas tree plug and some frayed wires, which had to be periodically jiggled to restore the effect.

The plankboards on the back porch bowed under two kegs and a continuous line of thirsty patrons. Spike nails were gleaming in the moonlight as they stretched between the sideboards and the railing posts. Idle onlookers leaning in the corners seemed destined for a sudden change of location.

Footsteps on the second floor sent streams of plaster powder into unprotected drinks and onto uncaring, half zoned-out sofa sitters. An MSU penant decorated one wall.

Ants attacked a Dorito chip that had been left near a milk crate which served as a record cabinet.

A Motorola tube TV set, decorated with deep dust, hissed in one corner of the living room. Faint scenes of an "I Love Lucy" 20th re-run occasionally made it through the snow.

Two smokers lay blissfully in another corner with their bong close by. Earlier, someone had crept up and put two goldfish in the water but not too many people noticed.

Half burned matches laced the scorched carpet, which was soaked from spilled beer and wine. Mold fumes filled the air.

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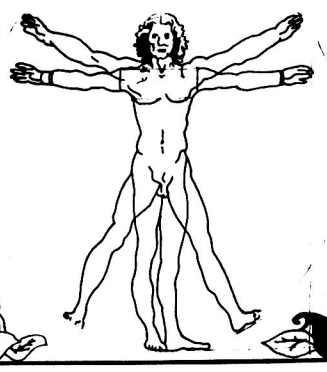

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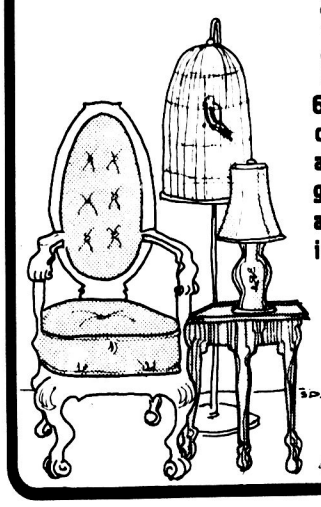

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TRC legendary in its fight for tenants

Landlord Evan Harrison claimed TRC "taught a good course on how to attack your landlord" and that it supported public housing, which would destroy the landlords.

By ANNA N. BECHTEL

Horror stories peopled by landlords, leases and maintenance agreements are legends in this town of tenants.

Also legend is the Tenants Resource Center, begun in 1973 and still growing.

The TRC staff consists of about 30 volunteers and a handful of paid workers. Together they comprise a diverse group — senior citizens work alongside University students — united in their interest in being a housing resource to both tenants and landlords.

"We don't want a robot approach," said Cheryl Holzaepfel, publication coordinator and counselor at the center.

Each volunteer offers a different facet to people, all speaking from their own viewpoint, she said.

All staff members are on the board of directors along with Charles Ipcar, director and secretary treasurer; Paul Frederickson, president and counselor; and Ken Birch and Zolton Ferency, resource attorneys. The board makes all major policy decisions.

The group actively recruits volunteers from University classes and neighborhood organizations which request presentations from the center.

Past clients who have resolved problems under the center's guidance often get involved and join the staff. Other people who have never had direct contact with TRC appear at the training sessions, which are held about once a term.

The office is located in the Unitarian Universalist Church at 855 Grove St. A large, often busy room, it is furnished with desks, file cabinets, and book racks which hold the "Handy Booklets" the center publishes.

The booklets explain such things as the rights and responsibilities of both tenants and landlords, how to get your security deposit back, how to get repairs made, how to fight eviction and how to take someone to court.

The booklets do not offer legal advice, but merely list the options a tenant has in regard to the law.

Two hot-line phones, 337-9795, which are both usually operating, are handled during business hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. About 90 percent of the questions are taken care of over these phones.

Relatively few clients actually come to the office with their initial questions.

When a call comes in, the tenant's name, landlord's name, demographic information and type of problem are logged on computer coding sheets.

People often call for information on a certain landlord or property. The TRC keeps the computer sheets filled out by other tenants in its files and provides information such as a history of maintenance problems or trouble with security deposits.

These files are not secret, but no names will be given out due to the confidentiality requirements the TRC has set.

The information in the files will be given to anyone, including the landlord, if requested. The counselors do not make judgments about the landlords and stress that the information is simply what other people say. They do not have the personnel to verify the complaints.

Counselors will refer people, if necessary, to health departments, building departments or Legal Aid, since they cannot represent people in court.

Tenant's Resource Center gets its funding from many sources. It has a contract with East Lansing to provide housing counseling services. The city pays the rent for their office and the salary for the director. During the last fiscal year, which ended June 30, East Lansing provided the center with $7,200.

Ingham County also provides some funding, including money from the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. The CETA money was granted to employ a publications coordinator to rewrite the booklets and create some new pamphlets. Holzaepfel held the position until the end of August.

County funds totaled $8,024 for the last fiscal year.

MSU's work study program also provides the center with $720 per year for payment to a part-time staff assistant.

The Center earned $2,215 this last year through the sale of its booklets — which are 50 cents each — donations, and an occasional payment for a presentation given. A group is charged for the presentations only if it has the funds to pay. Holzaepfel could not recall the last time they had received such a payment.

Although 46 percent of the TRC's complaints come from Lansing residents, it receives no funding from that city.

Total funds received by the center for the last year were $18,159. The budget was described as adequate to provide the services currently offered, enough to do anything else.

Many center projects are in ther works. Another CETA position has been applied for and a proposal has been made to East Lansing for an extra person in the community to do follow-up work, which is impossibly expensive at this time.

There is talk of moving downtown to the solar energy house which was recently approved by the city council. The move would mean the city would no longer have to pay their rent. They would also be sharing the building with another social-action type of agency.

Last year, at an East Lansing City Council meeting to discuss funding for their center, area landlord Evan Harrison stood and proclaimed opposition to funding the group. Harrison claimed TRC "taught a good course on how to attack your landlord" and that it supported public housing, which would destroy the landlords.

Criticism of this type is occasionally leveled against the center, which does help many more tenants than landlords.

But TRC is still thriving, and its staff is constantly planning improved ways to help the community in housing.

The 'us v. them' problem

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reason we have any vacancies at all is because we have an imperfect market that doesn't know where those vacancies are, " he said.

Although 1,459 living units were constructed in East Lansing since 1970, the vacancy rate has not risen. Yet most living units, no matter how expensive and "non-student," usually end up providing more housing for students, either directly or by freeing up other units since new housing is generally for people moving up within the city rather than for new residents.

What is needed to budge the vacancy rate is many more units.

One incentive program the city is utilizing is a tax abatement program, which is currently being used by Pebble Creek and a 100-unit project on Hagadorn Road development, property taxes that would have amounted to $200,000 yearly have been reduced to $14,000.

In correctly planning for the housing requirements of East Lansing's residents, it is important to make a realistic assessment of what the University is planning, Pryce said. MSU housing policy decisions have a direct effect upon the housing situation in East Lansing. A good working relationship between MSU and East Lansing (ed.'s note: them and us) is therefore essential, Pryce said.

And in that regard, there has been a marked improvement since Pryce has come to town.

Working on the us side of the street to help provide housing for students and break down the barrier caused by Grand River is Wally Piper, director of the off-campus housing office.

Piper and his staff not only work as liaison with Pryce's group, but also provide the city with demographic data on the student population which is valuable in planning.

They also work with individual students concerned with finding a place to live right now, and work to make that imperfect market Pryce mentioned match up people with housing.

"The whole premise upon which this office operates is 'Make education for students as easy as possible,' " Piper declared. "If we can help a student get the kind of accommodation that is best suited for him or her, then we have done our job, because that student is goint to be better at being a student; that student is going to have less difficulty in getting an education.

"We assist students in eliminating problems in their environment. That's what we're all about."

Yeah.

Grand River Avenue is still there.

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And from the looks of things, East Lansing's and MSU's populations will remain stable or increase.

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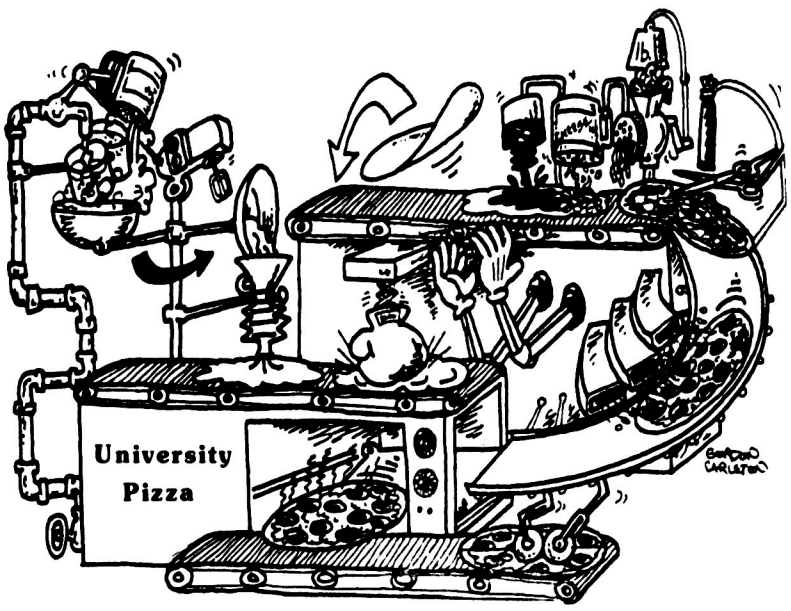

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Jogging for fun and health

By ANNA N. BECHTEL

People are on their feet and on the move, jogging their way to some personal goal.

Some do it to lose weight, some to build their bodies, and some jog to benefit another sport, like bicycle racing, tennis and — believe it or not — weightlifting.

Once you decide to jog, there are decisions to make about the things you need. Shoes, shorts, tops and sweats are the basic accoutrements.

"You should pay attention to your shoes especially," says Shelley, a campus jogger, "I'm not too well-equipped."

Jim, 25, has special shoes — Nike waffle trainers.

"They were $29 but you get such good balance. You can't use them for anything else, though, because you'll rip up the treads," he said. Adidas alone sells 15 different running shoes, ranging from $19.95 to $42.

"Jogging is the hottest area and very expensive," Tom Fowler, assistant manager for the Athlete's Shop in East Lansing, said. "We get a lot of beginners and we try to start them out with our cheaper shoes, moving them up the line as they progress."

Most shoe stores now have at least one jogging shoe available, and Athlete's Shop, Sportsmeister Shops Inc. and Frank Shorter Sports have several.

Shorts and tops can be found everywhere, from Meijer Thrifty Acres to Frank Shorter Sports. Shorts can cost $3 to $11 per pair for nylon running silks. Special running shirts go from $8.50 to $25.

Sweatsuits come in handy when it gets chilly. The bookstores sell the traditional baggies or you can get nylon suits from the sports shops. You have to decide what you need and how much you want to spend.

Next come the extras, such as Quench gum, a "saliva stimulating sport gum." It contains no sweeteners and does a good job of stimulating saliva. None of the joggers interviewed had ever tried it.

Different people jog at different times, the most popular being early morning or evening. No matter when you go out, chances are good you will find someone else.

Fit jogging into your regular schedule. If you're a morning person, then go when you feel best. If you're an evening person, don't try to jog at 6 a.m.

The outdoor track on campus has become a popular place for joggers. So popular, in fact, that special rules have been made. Joggers must use lanes 7, 8, or 9 to avoid wear on the inner tracks.

Shelley runs either on the track or just across campus. Many joggers use their neighborhood sidewalks and streets.

Joggers speak often of the benefits they reap. Jim has been funning for five or six years and said it helps get him in shape for lacrosse and is part of a total fitness program.

"Running makes you more conscious of your body. It's not so much to build up a skill," he said.

An anonymous jogger said, "There's something spiritual about it — to stop and smell the roses, you know."

Both agree that they developed more patience and deal with stress better in their daily lives.

They painted a beautiful picture and it looked easy, so out I went, at 7 a.m. I was amazed that the sun was up and even more amazed that I was.

It seemed chilly, so I pulled out the baggy green sweats that hadn't seen daylight in months. They had shrunk in the wash. I slipped on an oversize T-shirt, footies and an old pair of tennis shoes. I was tired already.

My own neighborhood seemed a likely place for a trial run, so out I went. Starting very slowly, I thought, "Hey, this is great, feeling good already."

By the time I got to the corner, I knew that there was a good reason I'd never been into jogging. The first time is a killer, even if you're in shape.

Making sure that no one had seen me, I walked back to the house.

The next morning, there I was, out on the front steps, ready to roll. It went pretty well and I at least got all the way around the block, even though I started out slow and got slower.

I felt better about the whole thing after that and, though I'm not a convert, I can see what draws people.

What a challenge — "Can I do better today than I did yesterday?" That is a personal goal for many joggers. Try jogging.

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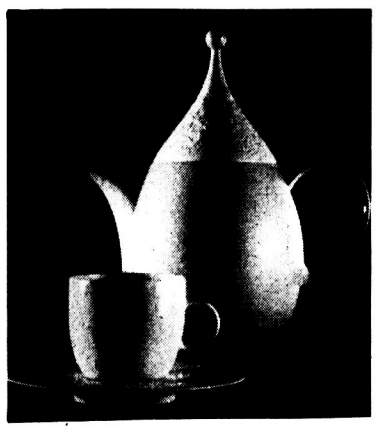

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MSU a proving ground for the future

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many, MSU Shock means trying to find their niche in a Byzantine array of potential lifestyles.

"This is the first time most freshmen have ever lived away from home, and realizing that 'I'll probably never really live at home again' brings doubt and anxiety," said Imogen Bowers, assistant professor in the MSU Counseling Center.

The education system creates common problems for everyone, she said, in addition to the "very difficult developmental tasks" everyone faces between the ages of 17 and 25.

College is a time and place of changing values, and it takes doubt, debate and experimentation before someone can really claim a set of values as his or her own, she said.

It takes time and mistakes to set up one's own structures and priorities, she noted, and freshmen (as well as off-campus upperclassmen and graduating seniors) must assume new responsibilities that they could let someone else take care of before.

MSU's size makes it the perfect proving ground. You can move in one social circle or ten. You can make the Brody Men's IM-Silver Dollar Saloon circuit or wear a rut into the linoleum between the grad stacks.

Patronize Marty's and Moon's or Mr. B's Wearhouse and Mac's Bar.

Try a carrot at Small Planet, or try your hand and your patience keeping yourself healthy in your own off-campus kitchen.

The choice is yours — but that is the bittersweet catch. The inherent freedom in age and circumstance is a tremendous responsibility in college which Bowers interprets as a time for making mistakes and shaping priorities.

Defining oneself as a sexual adult can be "exciting and frightening and worrisome," she said, as relationships take on more significance and break-ups become more traumatic.

"We hear lots of snide remarks about first loves, but they are very special," she said. "It hurts like hell when they don't turn out to be the answer to a prayer."

Relationships need not be romantic to cause sparks.

"Sometimes the support — or lack of it — from a friendly roommate makes the difference between survival and failure the first year," Bowers noted.

Third-term freshman Linda's experiences substantiate the claim.

She loved living in Landon Hall and had no problems making the personal adjustment to college, she said, yet she "damn near left because my roommate was such a hassle."

Linda had requested a non-smoking roommate but ended up with a smoker who read her mail, rifled through her things and depended on her mother's complaining phone call to keep Linda in line.

"She was the youngest and the only girl in her family," Linda recalled, "and she couldn't adjust to not having her own room and her own way."

They lived together all fall term before a switch was made with the help of the RA and the housing advisor. Linda had no further complaints with freshman life.

RA Cynthia Robinson said the newcomers "don't take to the idea of being tripled.

"I tell them to try to be kind and remember that it is just a temporary situation," she said.

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Exposure to differing social, political and religious attitudes can cause troubling times in the process of forming a new self-identity, Bowers said.

The total sense of freedom many feel for the first time in a college environment may also force decisions on issues never before encountered, she pointed out.

"You can cover your tracks a bit at home," Bowers said, "but mistakes are something you have to take care of on your own here."

The Drug Education Center (DEC) offers substance abuse information and crisis intervention to help community residents head off potential mistakes.

"We try to show people they can make the system work for them instead of against them, and help them realize they do have control and power over their situations," said Cathryn Hatle, DEC director.

New situations can be very stressful, she acknowledged, especially if one is unfamiliar with the place, the people, and the expectations others have.

Of the 7,464 "crisis" contacts DEC had last year: "personal problems" accounted for 2,500; relationship problems for 902; and sexual problems for 338. Nine hundred eight callers were lonely or depressed, and 161 mentioned suicide. Chronic drug problems motivated 163 callers, and 73 had overdosed.

"Many people have a hard time with the size and diversity of the University, and get depressed," Hatle said, "and we listen and offer alternatives to help reduce their feelings of loneliness and helplessness."

Bowers said that about 40 percent of counseling center inquiries deal with career questions, and about 60 percent with personal or social concerns.

"People used to think that the counseling center was used mostly by freshmen, but there are a large number of graduate students consulting here and a fair number of seniors who aren't sure if they can make it," she noted.

The center offers personal and group counseling, as well as aptitude tests and interest and personality inventories administered through their Testing Office in 207 Student Services Building.

The Career Resources Center in Room 6 houses information on occupations and college programs available nationwide, and the Self-Management Laboratory in 207 Student Services offers self-help programs in such areas as assertion, sexuallty, anxiety and study skills.

In this vast, amorphous, shocking mass known as Michigan State, help does exist for those facing the adjustments to college and life in 1978.

And with 6,700 to 7,000 new freshmen and 2,600 to 2,900 transfer students new on campus this fall, you are not alone in the struggle.

"One thing would be comforting, if they could believe it," said Bowers. "They feel like they are the only ones that are lost or lonely.

"Probably half the people they see are just as lonely and one-third are just as lost, but newcomers see them as really having it all together."

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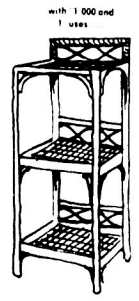

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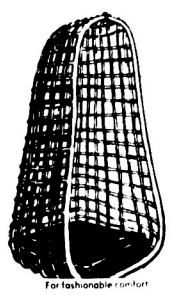

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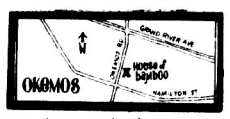

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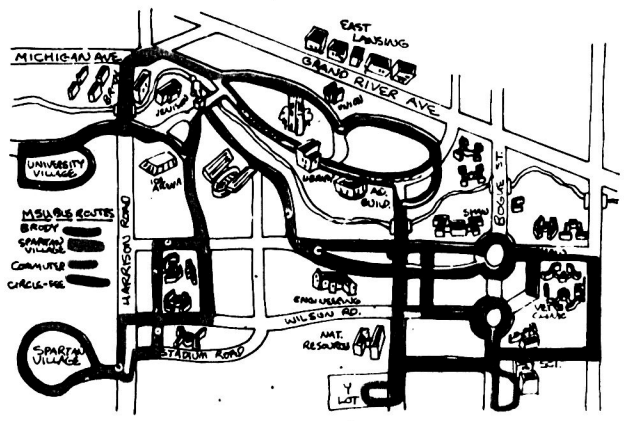

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"When I talked to someone who was trying to get through to me, I would feel so distanced that everything seemed futile. I guess I lost faith in people's ability to communicate, for the time being." — J.G., who has overcome suicidal tendencies.

Beyond the glorified abstractions, suicide is an option of pain

"We have the philosophy that suicide is an option. We don't try to talk a person out of it. We're going to say suicide's one option, and we're going to find some other options and check out the advantages and disadvantages of each."
— Randy Magen, Listening Ear volunteer

By RENALDO MIGALDI
State News Staff Writer

In humankind's history of ideas, suicide has been reviled as a cowardly cop-out, denounced as a mortal sin, and praised as the most courageous, existential choice a human being can make.

But outside these glorified abstractions, suicide is an act of desperation, spurred by desperate urge, born in psychic pain.

There is a stigma attached to suicide. Often, people are reluctant to admit they've been thinking about suicide. They're afraid of being labeled "sick" or "neurotic."

According to Bill Oberlin, education coordinator of the Drug Education Center (DEC), people who call the DEC's 24-hour crisis intervention telephone line (351-4000) and who are thinking about suicide often do not come out and say so directly. Instead, Oberlin said they often give oblique clues, like asking what the fatal dose of a drug might be.

"Thinking about suicide," he continued, "is normal — what's not normal is to be preoccupied with it or do something about it."

Oberlin said the DEC gets "at least 120, up to 200 or 300" calls a year in which suicide is the primary issue of concern for the caller. He said that along with elderly people and people with terminal diseases, college-age people demographically constitute a high-suicide-risk group. "Many of them haven't bought into life yet; they haven't made that many commitments yet," he said. "So they've got a lot more time to think about things."

Oberlin said that suicidal people are usually those who have been depressed for "some period of time," and that leading causes for suicidal feelings among college students are "feelings of alienation, and existential pain and uncertainty." He also said that suicide calls in East Lansing become more frequent just before final exams at MSU.

"Generally, it happens when you think yourself into a rut," he said. "You're putting yourself in a position where you can't win, where every option seems painful. Everything seems grey."

He said that many people who make suicidal gestures are not really trying to actually kill themselves, but are rather trying to manipulate situations. "Often in this there is a strong component of anger," he explained. "People may want to inflict guilt feelings upon those whom they hold responsible for their depression, or they may feel that making a suicidal gesture is the only thing which will make people pay attention to them.

The Listening Ear (337-1717) is another local crisis intervention center which deals with suicide calls. According to volunteer Randy Magen, the Ear receives about 300 calls a year in which suicide is the main issue. "We deal with the feelings involved," Magen said, "and try to clarify them before any other work can take place. We try to make sure the person is in touch with reality.

"We have the philosophy that suicide is an option. We don't try to talk a person out of it. We're going to say suicide's one option, and we're going to find some other options and check out the advantages and disadvantages of each," Magen said.

Dr. Alton Kirk, a suicidologist at the MSU Counseling Center, said that one way the Counseling Center tries to prevent suicides on campus is to work with Resident Assistants to make them "sensitive to these things." Referring to the telltale signs of a suicidal person, Kirk said "no matter how indirect a sign might be, we try to have them not discount it."

Kirk said this would extend even to such oblique clues as a student who says, "I'm going to fail the course, but that's OK because the prof won't have to worry about me next term."

Suicides and suicide attempts in dormitories often create uneasiness in dorm residents, Kirk noted. "When there's a suicide attempt in a dorm, it tends to mushroom. We try to intervene in situations like that, to put a lid on it."

Although suicide is the second leading cause nationwide of deaths among college-age students, Kirk said MSU has a low suicide rate for a university of its size, and attributes this to the work done at the Counseling Center.

MSU Department of Public Safety records show there has been one suicide on the MSU campus this year, and two last year. Thirteen people attempted suicide this year, the records show, compared to six last year. DPS Capt. Ferman Badgley said the rate fluctuates from year to year and that "It's hard to predict."

"If a person really wants to commit suicide, they'll do it," he said. "The one person who did it this year was a male Ph.D. candidate . . . he took some sort of cyanide tablet. He knew what he was doing."

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J.G. is a happy sort these days. He smiles freely, and has a number of good friends. But two years ago, he was suicidal. "I still don't understand completely what was going on," he admits. "But I know I brought a lot of my own misery upon myself. I had friends who were willing to help me, but I was just too cynical."

J.G. speaks of his attempts to understand his depression and to put a lid on it: "I called a couple of centers on an almost regular basis, and I saw a couple of therapists at the Counseling Center. But I had such a hard time being convinced that I had power and responsibility for my own feelings. When I talked to someone who was trying to get through to me, I would feel so distanced that everything seemed futile. I guess I lost faith in people's ability to communicate, for the time being."

J.G. says that finding the right therapist got him on the road to a happier frame of mind: "Maybe it was just the right time, but it seems that my therapist was able to sort of hook right into my nuances, and confront me with the stuff I was pulling on myself. I started getting better when I was seeing her. I still have my depressed moods, but I know what to do to get through them in one piece. I feel a lot more powerful."

Shhhh! Cohabitation (shacking up) and the code of secrecy

By MIKE KLOCKE
State News Staff Writer

Cohabitation and secrecy. There's no written law that says the two must necessarily go together.

Yet, for most people at MSU who do live with their mate out of wedlock, the two are intertwined. And, in most cases, it's parents who the "secret" is kept from.

Cohabitation is usually defined as living together with a member of the opposite sex for the express purpose of being mates out of wedlock. Cohabitation is differentiated from simply having housemates of the opposite sex.

To some people cohabitation is perfectly acceptable. To others it is living in sin. But, almost as a rule, to parents it is taboo. Hence the secrecy.

Amy, an MSU senior, moved in with her boyfriend John after dating for several months. The couple's situation was somewhat unique in that Amy didn't tell her parents and John did tell his. John had been married before, though, so that may have made a difference.

"I had mentioned the fact to my mom that I would want to live with the person I marry before actually getting married," Amy said,"and the flak I got was incredible. Then, when I did move in with him, I decided not to tell my parents because it would have been World War III.

"I've always been really honest with my parents and it really bugged me that there was something important in my life that I couldn't tell them."

Jason, another MSU senior, lived with his girlfriend Sally for a short time before moving out. He said it was a mutual decision that the relationship would be stronger if they did not live together.

"We were very worried that our parents would find out, but, even more important than that, we just realized that we weren't ready to live with one another," Jason said. "Even the short time that I did live with Sally made me realize that I want to wait until we are married."

Sally agreed saying, "At times I felt I was doing something morally wrong . . . I was ashamed."

For Amy and John, living together didn't turn out to be the right thing to do. After about six months, the pair broke up, despite the fact that they had often discussed marriage.

"We thought we knew each other very well when we actually started living together," Amy, who had not dated many other people before John, said. "The end result was that we were miserable with each other.

"I was a little resentful and bitter toward him. But I think I could have treated him better, too."

Amy said she didn't know if the romance would have stayed if the pair had never moved in together. She said she got a lot out of the relationship, and she still wants to live with the person she marries before wedlock.

"Something that really was love is now not," Amy said.

Although many other couples who have lived together have met a similar fate, John and Amy's experience does not mean that all cohabitation spells doom for a relationship.

Many couples at MSU have lived together and their relationships have been strengthened because of it.

The reasons given for "shacking up" are diversified: economics, love, to see if marriage will work, and more. Whether there is as much personal commitment in this type of a living situation as there is in marriage is debatable. The point remains: couples do cohabitate.

Just how prevelant is cohabitation at MSU? No statistics are kept and, most likely, no one will ever know how many couples do "live in sin."

You see, there's this thing called secrecy . . .

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Fast foods can be way of life

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The main thing lacking in a fast food meal is variety, Kennedy said. Most of the restaurants only offer about 10 items and many people continually choose the same thing.

Yet, fast food can work the other way, Bev Phillips, a graduate assistant at the nutrition information center, pointed out. These types of foods can supplement the diet and add variety.

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Peer pressure, new freedoms prompt student abuse of alcohol

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combined with the fact that thousands of students are away from home for the first time, it's natural to explore the promise and pain of booze.

From the first time you look in the mirror at your blood shot eyes and say "This is It?" to the nights of trying to vomit into the wastebasket from the top bunk, there just isn't anyone there to tell you to stop. That basically is the problem of the two students described above. They have problems drinking.

Their cases cannot be called typical, for that would be too great a generalization. But according to campus observers each has a combination of those traits that would contribute to creating a problem. It doesn't mean that anyone with any of the qualities described above has a problem, but it means that they, like the rest of us, could have. And the only possible remedy is attention to diagnose the potential for a problem.

"If you asked them, most students would say that they knew someone who had a drinking problem. The problem is to get them concerned enough to confront these people, and force them to cope with their drinking," explained Jack K. a residence hall advisor who is himself a recovered alcoholic.

Paul Oliaro, director of the Alcohol Education Project in Residence Halls, acknowledges that alcohol is a problem on this campus.

"The general assumption is that 90 percent of the students on this campus drink," Oliaro said. "Most of them successfully without any problems. But, if we go by the national figures, one out of 10 will develop or have already developed a drinking problem."

This fall, however, the alcohol situation in residence halls will be different than it has been in the past.

A special Residence Halls Association alcohol policy review committee has recommended that "Keggers" — prior collection parties on dormitory floors — be banned because they might violate state law.

The committee has recommended bring your own parties only be held in residence halls, which means each participant if of legal age (18 or older) would bring only his or her own alcoholic beverage.

Eldon Nonnamaker, vice president for student affairs and services has not yet approved the policy, but says he probably will soon.

The committee, Oliaro explained, was influenced by State News articles published in February examining MSU's alcohol policy.

Oliaro said the changes are being made in the policy to eliminate "any of the potential conflicts" with state law.

The new policy will put the responsibility for adhering to laws and drinking sensibly on the individual person attending the party along with those who act as sponsors.

"The staff will deal with behavioral problems like fights or arguments, but the legal and personal responsibility will be on the organizers and participants," he said.

Parties still have to be registered with a resident advisor in the specific dormitory, and the state laws have to be explained.

Whether or not the new policy will have any effect on problem drinkers is hard to say. It will take time to test the effect of the policy both on returning students and new freshmen. Especially the freshmen, for those are the students who are being exposed to an open alcohol environment for the first time, and all the potential problems that go along with it.

Jack K. said the characteristics of a problem drinker are varied, but he described some of the common denominators.

"If the person is having problems drinking, there are outward signs such as always having an excuse for drinking, or just their appearance," he said.

He added that people drink because of an internal conflict brought about by any number of things, among the most important is peer-group pressure.

"It's not the student who gets juiced after a big exam that has the problem," he continued. "It's the one who goes to the bar the night before the test and just blows the exam off."

Jack K. noted that a number of females with drinking problems have come to equal the number of males, creating a unique and tremendous problems.

"Girls are different drinkers than men. They drink in spurts of three or four months, then stop. They also are more apt to be solitary drinkers, sitting alone in their room. They cover it up but the problem is there."

According to Henry M. another reformed alcoholic who is also a residence hall advisor, a large number of the students drink unsuccessfully only on occasion. They have no real drinking problem so it's unmeasurable, just as the damage they do to their lives is unmeasurable.

"The worst thing about alcohol is that it destroys potential," Henry said.

A very large part of that problem, Henry M. explained, is educating the students to understand that the college environment, however artificial or temporary it may seem, is the real world.

"Whatever you learn here, whatever habits you pick up, you aren't going to suddenly leave them behind when you finish school. They go with you," Henry said.

The alcohol project that Oliaro is heading is one possible solution to the problem. Separate alcohol education committees have also started in many dormitories. They both work toward the goal of teaching students how to drink without incurring problems.

People come to college and are forced to make independent decisions about their drinking," explained Oliaro. "This requires a skill that they have never learned."

The biggest problem is with underclassman, Oliaro believes. There are 7,000 new freshmen every year who for the most part are newly independent and must learn to cope with this.

According to Jack, the key to solving the problem is interaction between people.

"I know I could never live with myself if I'm not honest with someone, and just try and tell myself I don't care," Henry said. "If I wait too long, there can be an accident from the drinking — a death or a serious injury. Then I'd say to myself, 'I shoulda told him.' If I'm wrong I'll apologize, but I'll never keep quiet."

A survey: student attitudes on drinking

The simple definition of deviation is that which differs noticeably from the norm. In terms of alcohol consumption, deviation is drunkeness, problem drinking or in the most severe cases — alcoholism.

But what is the norm? At what point does society decide someone is a problem drinker?

The questions are difficult, but to establish workable answers the State News asked a sample of on-campus students to define what normal drinking was to them:

- "A few drink, three to four, on weekened nights."
- "We're drinking a six-pack each night on the weekend."
- "Normal drinking would be consuming approximately ten beers a week."
- "Two or three beers a day and maybe more on the weekend."
- "Not drinking would be consuming approximately ten beers a week."
- "Two or three beers a day and maybe more on the weekend."
- "Not drinking so much that you pass out."
- "At parties and weekends, and maybe once in a while at dinner."
- "Once a week on a Friday night."

The main barrier for people with drinking problems is the recognition that a problem exists. For instance, a catch-all remedy has developed which seems to define drinking without having a problem as social drinking. What is it? How is it defined, or can it be? Again the State News sampled on-campus students with these results:

- "Social drinking is drinking at a party just to be social, and not drinking a lot."
- "It's a security blanket and it gives people something to do with their hands, and mentally . . . I like to do it."
- "Well, being a Christian, I'm not that well versed on the subject. All I know is when people get together for fun, what they call fun is drinking."
- "Social drinking is when you feel pressured to drink."
- Drinking in public."

Perhaps there is no wrong or right answer. Perhaps there is none at all. The main problem is that social drinking for many people becomes the excuse — the reason they give for drinking and saying they have no problem. What is needed is help, from colleagues roommates, lovers and friends. Insight is the key, insight into yourself.

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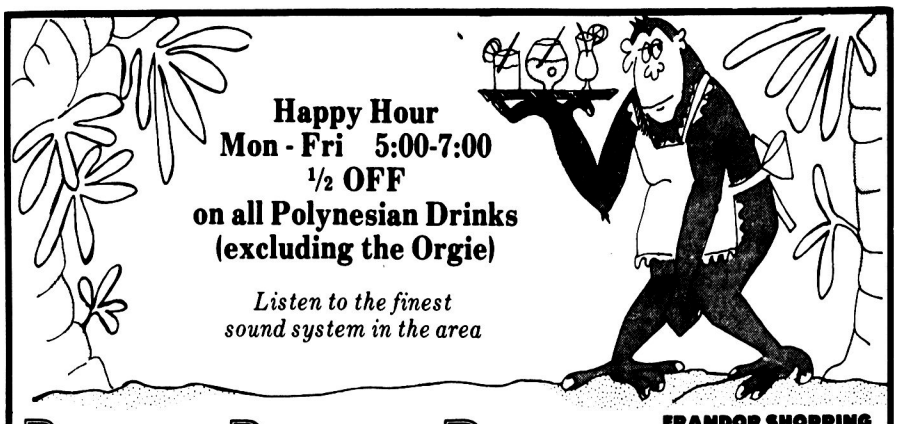

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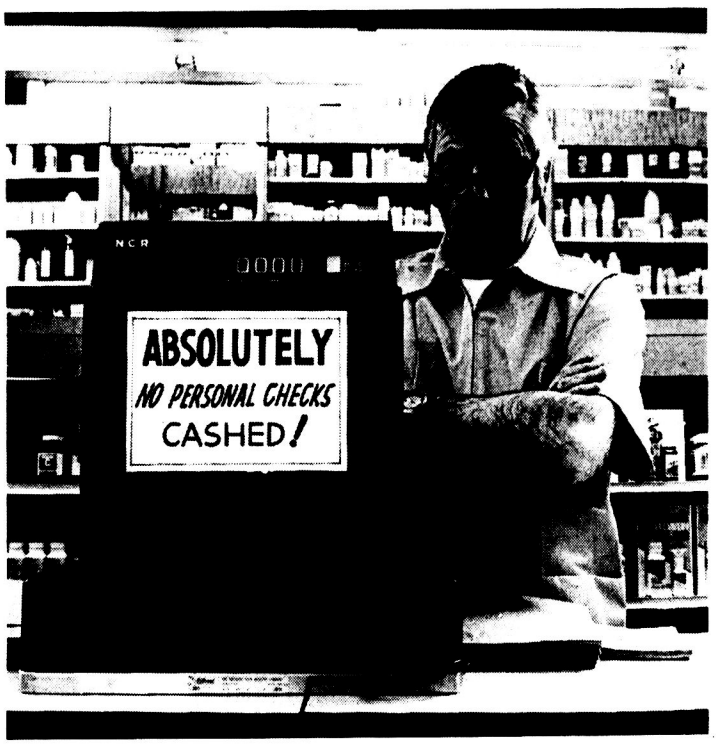

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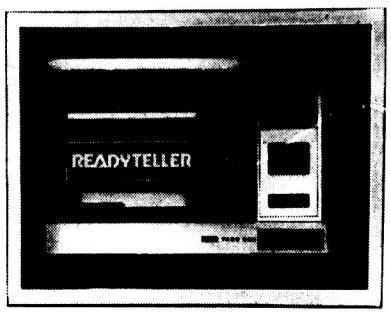

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Tripling to go on despite legal questions

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The University's problem in dealing with tripling was complicated last July when the attorney general finally issued a ruling, requested over a year and a half ago, stating that universities must adhere to the Michigan Housing Code.

Provisions in that code outlining specific amounts of air space required to house more that one person would make tripling illegal in most dormitory rooms.

The code was written in 1917 and Kelley's ruling represents the first attempt to apply it to universities, a fact that has played an integral part in University's response.

The University is reacting just as it would be expected to by flatly stating that it considers the ruling incorrect — that the code does not apply to MSU.

Kelley's ruling contains enough loopholes to motive the court battles that could be raging even now between MSU and the state.

Suffice it to say that the University and the state have enough legal talent to wrap the question up in the courts for years.

But even if MSU is found to be in violation of the law, practical and economic factors weigh heavily against an end to tripling in the near future.

President Edgar L. Harden last July issued a statement in response to Kelley's opinion that total and immediate elimination of tripling could mean more than 1,000 students would be denied entry to the University this term.

The essence of the University's position seems to be that triples must be in a way that, according to administrators, "represents absolutely no health hazard," or eliminated at the cost of curtailing admissions.

However, administrators also predict that if admissions are cut to stop tripling, the loss of revenue from erstwhile students will have to be made up through increases in dormitory room and board rates. So there is a troublesome trade-off in all of this.

Pleas from students that the University build another residence hall, or loosen housing contracts so freshmen can be allowed to live off-campus, seem to go unheard by administrators.

But the practicality and feasability of building more dorms is in question.

Because of the attrition rate of students, rooms are overassigned in fall so that by winter, when may students have left the University, the dormitories will still be filled to capacity with no wasted space. Unfortunately the number of triples created are not all being broken down.

But the construction of another dormitory would cure the problem only temporarily, leading to an overabundance of vacancies by winter and spring terms.

Of course, if you are simply sitting at the end of your bunk surrounded by two roommates, trying to figure out who gets the small drawer and no desk, the reasons to keep tripling may not seem so obvious.

Financial complications are considerable because of the mortgage payments required for the residence halls and the consequences of not having them filled to capacity year round.

Despite all this, perhaps enough impetus has been provided in the last few months to force the University to think along the lines of eliminating what it admits is a problem.

But bureaucracies by definition do not move quickly toward decision or resolution of problems, especially when the solutions seem to be eluding them.

So, like the throngs of people who crammed Casablanca in the 1940 to try and escape war-torn Europe, all we can do is wait, and wait, and wait . . .

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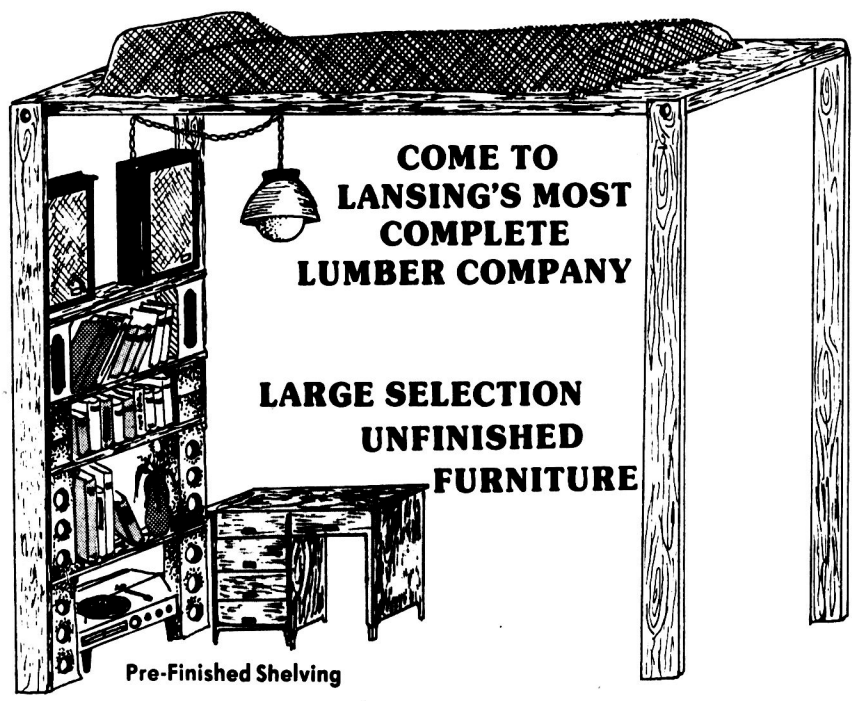

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1978: Which way is the wind blowing?

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Campus groups can be a weathervane of mood

By CAROLE LEIGH HUTTON
State News Staff Writer

Bob Dylan, songs-laureate of the protest-wracked 1960s, once wrote a song with a famous line, "You don't need a weatherman," he prophesied, "to know which way the wind is blowing."

Later Dylan would sing "The Times, they are a changin' " — an observation which seemed almost superfluous amidst growing campus unrest and social turbulence.

Ten years ago, it seemed like the world was falling apart. A bewildered college freshman might pay a visit to the dean — only to find his office taken over by people with strangely long hair and shabby, rebellious dress.

In the 1950s the campus chess club would have made big noise. Ten years later the Students for a Democratic Society, festooned with radical literature and instilled with the conviction that society's institutions must be violently razed, were attracting national attention.

But what about today on college campuses — specifically, here at MSU — which way is the wind blowing? How are things changing? What is the mood?

The need, even obsession, for measuring, monitoring and mediating the mood of college students is indisputably a by-product of the activism of the 1960s, when campus tensions ran high and gory demonstration tales brought fear to parents and politicians alike.

Now that the vocal protests have subsided, now that the marches and sit-ins have become rare, campus watchers hypothesize that students are apathetic, uncaring and disinterested in activism.

There are times and situations when this observation is almost accurate. Generally, though, it is a gross oversimplification that, upon closer examination, rings false.

The campus mood, if there is any such discernible entity, is marked of variation. The interests have changed but the objectives remain the same: pursuit — of ideals, beliefs, projects, goals.

The only real difference between the students of Then and those of Now is the channels, the methods used to go after those interests.

"From a long-range point of view it makes more sense to have a strategy of organized pressure groups that are going to have continuous life," says former MSU student activist and current City Councilmember Larry Owen. "That is the way to build up influence."

And influence seems to be making a difference.

The high visibility is gone, but the effort — probably even on the same scale as before — still exists. Organization, group pressure and a highly system-oriented approach are the tools of today's student activists. Popular election, lobbying and mass education are their vehicles.

But individualization is the key to understanding this quiet, effective student role in the larger scheme of society. And the absence of a war is largely responsible for the decision, made by many students, to pursue the goals most important to them through organizations — however small — that best fit their ideals.

For some students this means getting a degree. These are the students who belong to scores of career-oriented honor and academic societies under the guiding hands of college deans and faculty. The Agricultural Education and Resource Education Club, the Poultry Science Association and Women in Engineering are but a few.

Then there are those interested in having fun — those who organize to pursue a common interest and enjoy themselves. Their aims are less altruistic, true, but these students are every bit as motivated to join groups with similar aspirations as were the marchers and demonstrators of a decade ago. The Divine Meditation Society, Moosuski and the Squash Club are, again, examples.

The list of registered student organizations at MSU goes on and on — up to 450 in fact. But even this total represents an 11 percent decrease from last year's record 500. Yet numbers are not important here. There exists an almost infinite number of possible affiliations in the East Lansing area alone — none of which make a difference if students fail to use them effectively.

The use of these groups, organizations and affiliations is what campus observers, at superficial glance, cannot see. Students must be apathetic, they conclude. The Mood must have changed. It hasn't. The organizations tell part of the story.

Public Interest Research Group In Michigan, Fund For Animals, Great Lakes Greenpeace, Students for a Livable Community, Student Housing Corporation, Friends of the Drug Education Center . . . these are the community action groups. These are the students who diligently pursue their goals through the pressures of organized group activity. And these are the students who feel justifiable resentment at being called apathetic or somehow less motivated than their 1960s counterparts.

"We are a student organization working for social change," said MSU/PIRGIM Chairperson Mike Gold. "They (the '60s students) were motivated by the war and rejecting society as a whole. But revolution

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State News Lyn Hawes

All quiet on the campus front

Ten years ago, college campuses all across the country, including MSU, were rocked with protests — often violent ones — in opposition to the Vietnam War. Colleges themselves were under assault, as the new wave "counterculture" asserted that institutions of higher learning were nothing more than accomplices in society's promotion of crass materialism and lock-step thinking. But circumstances have changed radically in the last decade, and today an atmosphere of tranquility — some would say destructive apathy — pervades the university scene. Today, stretching out under a tree to read a good book is more of a pastime than the sign waving and chanting of a time gone by. But despite this superficial impression of late '70s lethargy, there churns beneath the surface quite a bit of organized activity, some of it radical in bent.

Student politics

Just call it 'a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma'

By DAVID MISIALOWSKI
State News Staff Writer

In the late 1930's, Winston Churchill diagnosed the Soviet Union as a "riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma."

For the average MSU student — indeed, even for many astute campus observors — Churchill might well have been talking about this University's obtuse and intimidating maze of student government.

And while only the most cynical would compare campus politics with the inert totalitarianism of Russia, the mystery is there — enough to tax the patience and boggle the senses of just about anyone.

But change, if it comes at all, will be the result of brainstorming and infighting among a handful of committed activists, while the great majority of students look on with apathy — even disdain.

Why? Because student government is so top-heavy and bureaucratic that very few care to take the time to study it and learn about the alphabet soup of councils and judiciaries that stratify all levels of campus politics. To get some idea of the complexity of it all, take a look at the story on page eight.

At its uppermost levels, student government at MSU falls into three categories:

•The Associated Students of Michigan State University is the body of undergraduate representatives. It consists of representatives from each MSU college as well as from the major governing groups (dormitories, fraternities, cooperatives and University housing.) The 17 representatives on the student board each have a vote. The president does not. ASMSU administers an annual budget of about $12,000, collected in taxes from students at registration.

•Student Council, comprised of student representatives elected from each of the colleges to Academic Council, the chief academic legislating body at MSU. Student Council represents students on academic matters.

•The Council of Graduate Students (COGS), which consists of a congress of representatives elected from the different colleges based on the number of students in each college. COGS officers are elected by the representatives from within its membership. COGS represents the interests of graduate students and administers an annual budget exceeding $20,000.

All of which is the ideal. But the reality is much more complex. Student Council, for example, is the one vehicle through which students can work directly to change University academic policy. But the council rarely even functions, because only very infrequently does it attract the quorum necessary to make and work on policy recommendations.

This lack of participation by students is a disturbing trend.

"It threatens the very principle of student government," believes James B. McKee, professor of sociology. McKee was chairperson of a special committee empanelled by then-President Walter Adams in fall 1969. The purpose of the committee was to investigate ways to bring students into the University's decision-making process. The result of their deliberations: Student Council.

But Student Council is foundering badly.

"There was quite a pressure at that time for something like Student Council," McKee recalls. "The interests of the late 1960s are gone, but there was also a belief that student participation would have a great deal more interest than it has had."

McKee traces the problem to the inefficiency and inertia of academic governance as a whole, of which Student Council is but one facet. Academic governance also includes hundreds of faculty and administrators.

The ASMSU Student Board is also beset by problems, many of them involving personality clashes and colliding egos among self-professed "student leaders." The foibles of the board attracted much attention last year. Dan Jones, new board president, says it was a "conservatively-based" board. The record backs up this observation.

The board, with Kent Barry taking the lead, sought last year to abolish Gay

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"It (my election) is a positive indicator for the gay rights movement around the country." -Dan Jones

'My election a positive indicator for gay movement' — Dan Jones

By DAVID MISIALOWSKI
State News Staff Writer

"DJ"

That's what his campaign posters said, in large striking letters, during his run for the ASMSU Student Board presidency. But whether it was the catchy initials that did it, or the person himself, or merely the randomness of an almost non-existent vote — the fact is that Dan Jones won.

Because he is the first avowed homosexual ever to become head of MSU student government, and because he is outspoken and fairly well-known around campus, Jones has been very much in the news since taking office — not only locally, but on a national level as well. The Detroit Free Press featured him in a story, and Jones has granted television interviews.

Jones has been around. He first became involved with Gay Council as a freshman, and in his sophomore year he became the council's educational programming director, and a staff resource person for residence hall programs. As a junior he became head of Gay Council, and was then elected president of the board.

It would be presumptuous to say that Jones was elected by the gay community, or that gays and liberal activists marshalled forces to put him over the top. No statistics are available to back this up.

In fact, the new board president won office with a mere 3,500 votes — about 10 percent of the undergraduate student body at MSU. Still, he outstripped his nearest competitor by about 600 votes, and nearly doubled the winning total of last year's president, Kent Barry.

And what has been the reaction of most students to all this? So far, a collective apathetic shrug. This may say something about a new enlightenment among students in accepting gays, or it may

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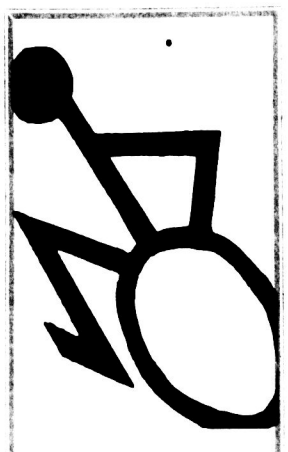

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For years they were derided as "crippled," "disabled," and "handicapped." Today consciousness has been raised, and they call themselves handicappers. See page 5.

The militant cries of "Black power" are but echoes, and some say that blacks and their organizations have gone apathetic — tempered perhaps with a bit of enlightened self-interest. See page 3.

With an election year gearing up, the Elephant and the Donkey — as well as other political animals — will be a-gruntin' and a-snortin' at each other, not only statewide but here on campus as well. Read about MSU's political groups on page 4.

What are campus organizations, after all, but a collection of boogwabazh? Page 7.

Ever feel like a rat in a maze? You may be trying to find a way out after reading about all the major governing groups on page 8.

Gays are making progress despite Anita. See page 10.

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Death race?

'Save our planet' theme of ecogroups

By DANIEL HILBERT
State News Staff Writer

Eight years ago Americans learned their lives were inextricably linked to the environment they were ignorantly destroying when people across the country celebrated "Earth Day."

Millions participated in teach-ins at universities across the nation which were concerned with the possibility of civilization being suffocated by the problems of pollution and a booming birth rate.

"We're hoping to survive April 22, Earth Day, and we're praying for April 23," explained Gary Soucie, executive director of "Friends of the Earth," eight years ago.

His concern epitomized the crisis atmosphere that permeated the country when that day was recognized.

Ex-Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall addressed a group of 1,200 students at MSU about the ecological problem.

When heckled about his $1,000 fee for addressing the group, Udall promised to donate it to an environmental organization, and the crowds cheered.

That was eight years ago, and since that time many organizations have sprung up to help rescue our ailing environment and try and pull it out of its death race.

Organizations such as the Sierra Club, Greenpeace and PIRGIM are fighting to save our wilderness, our animals and other aspects of our environment.

Norman Cousins, editor and founder of Saturday Review, told an MSU audience last spring that a solution to the energy crisis will require nothing less than a new industrial revolution and the remaking of American society.

About 200 people attended the conference at which Cousins spoke. The conference dealt with the humanistic aspects of the energy crisis.

Also last spring, the country set aside a day to celebrate another environmental cause — "Sun Day" was observed May 3 throughout the United States and in at least 18 foreign countries.

This country seems to have evolved, in an eight-year span, from a preoccupation with a rapidly failing planet to possible salvation by the sun and the solar power it radiates.

Included in the list of organizers of Sun Day are the Sierra Club, Friends of the Earth and other groups from across the country concerned about our environment and energy problems.

Jim Grossfeld, state coordinator for National Sun Day, said the people who organized Sun Day had more long-range goals in mind than those who conceived Earth Day.

"Sun Day happened at the beginning of the dialogue on alternative energy sources," Grossfeld said. "Whereas Earth Day was in the middle of the dialogue about environmental problems."

The Sun Day festivities had more of a carnival-like atmosphere than Earth Day's, which caused a lot of people to participate who otherwise might not have.

"Sun Day" was a success, more so in Michigan than other states, explained Grossfeld.

There were exhibits, workshops, films and lectures happening both on this campus and in Lansing.

The campus is consistently the site of conferences and energy seminars to study declining energy sources and the ones that must replace them.

MSU has a Center for Environmental Quality headed by Herman Koenig, who was very active in the Sun Day festivities, which is constantly evaluating and trying to come up with some answers.

The groups have lobbied constantly for more attention to be paid to the environment and the energy that allows us to exist within it. MSU is important because of its status as an educational institution that carries on important research which is intrinsically linked to the earth's well-being.

State News Robert Kozloff

Students examine solar collecting unit during Sun Day festivities last April.

As an institution concerned not only with the scientific approach to energy research, but also the humanistic idea of keeping the earth intact for future generations, MSU could well play an integral role in the future of life on this planet.

MSU is currently involved with constructing an undergraduate program in energy studies that is almost ready for implementation.

The question asked by Stewart Udall in 1970 about our environmental problems can still be asked today with the same meaning and implication: "The question is really whether we are going to charge on down to the end of the road or turn around and take a stance?"

Unfortunately, the final answer still has not been provided.

PIRGIM works for consumer interests

By DEBBIE WOLFE
State News Staff Writer

Ralph Nader may never have set foot in the basement of the Student Services Building, but a collection of MSU students and professional staff who work there diligently follow his model of consumer advocacy.

The Public Interest Research Group in Michigan was established in the mid 1960s during the height of Nader's inquisitive attacks on Detroit's automotive industry.

Nationwide, these groups offered a way for college students to become politically involved in the consumer movement.

In Michigan, PIRGIM has student offices at five universities and colleges, including MSU. There is also a central office in Lansing which functions as the main organizer of the state investigative operation.

PIRGIM workers research and prepare reports on such topics as solar energy, public utilities, nuclear power and tenant rights. PIRGIM uses the information it gathers to inform the public and lobby government officials on policy matters.

"The Lansing Board of Water and Light has been thinking about buying part of the Midland Nuclear Power Plant," said Rick Gamber, PIRGIM's campus project coordinator.

PIRGIM opposes the idea because it's highly uneconomical, he said.

"Our research, so far, shows that nuclear power plants in general are not safe and it would therefore be a bad investment. We're checking with other community groups to see how they feel about the issue," Gamber said.

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But PIRGIM does more than just distribute information to public officials. The group also compiles information for direct consumer usage such as the **Lansing Area Doctors Directory**, which was published in 1976.

The directory lists over 200 area doctors, including a description of their education and services.

Other guides for consumers produced by PIRGIM include information on area banks and where to sell used textbooks.

Lobbying is another function performed by PIRGIM workers.

"Based on the information that was available during the May 3 Sun Day, we'd like to see a package of solar energy bills introduced in the state Legislature," Gamber said. California currently has a system in which a public bank, funded by the utility companies and state, provides low-interest loans to people who want to install solar heating systems in their homes.

PIRGIM will start lobbying for solar legislation in the fall and it should be introduced in the next legislative session, Gamber said.

PIRGIM also has a list of speakers which are available to talk on various subjects to any group that wishes to learn more about consumer issues.

"We often let students use our library and other resources for term papers," Gamber said. "Our staff is very informed and can usually help people out quite a bit. If we don't have what someone needs, we know where to find it."

PIRGIM at MSU received $28,000 in 1977 from student contributions. Students may give $1 each as a check-off donation at registration every term.

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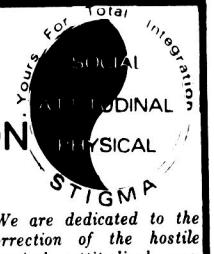

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'Black power' fades, groups in turmoil

Activism of the late 1960s wanes-can it rise again?

By REGINALD THOMAS
State News Staff Writer

There are no more chants of "Black Power." No more protests for better treatment and greater black representation in the University community. No longer are the buildings lined with posters and signs announcing meetings to unite the black student population.

It has all come and gone. The angry outspoken attitude of black students has changed. The prevailing attitude suggests that the conditions surrounding black political organizations will worsen before they get better.

The political organizations have been replaced by professional and social groups. The Office of Black Affairs is no longer the political umbrella for all the old organizations. Now it is merely the last life blood of a feeble, dying body: the era of black protest and consciousness is gone.

Black students at MSU are not as politically and culturally oriented as in the past, said Office of Black Affairs co-director Rosalind Gunter. Gunter believes black students are more concerned with partying than with cultural and educational events.

"OBA is trying to bring issues of importance back to the black community." Gunter asserted, "We will become more politically oriented in the future."

Because OBA has been criticized for being "too" political in the past, Gunter maintains the office has become lax in its views. But OBA will not allow this to thwart its efforts to bring more political involvement and consciousness to the MSU community.

She said OBA will make sure the anniversaries and birthdays of prominent blacks will not pass without some type of recognition. She added that the office will be bringing more speakers to campus, and they will create an advisory committee to relate the needs of black students to the office's co-directors.

But regardless of how much change and effort is instituted in the office, without the help and support of the black community OBA will inevitably be blamed for the lackadaisical attitude of black students.

"They (students) blame OBA for what is going on," said Carl Taylor, director of Minority Aides program. "OBA is only what black students make it."

Taylor said that in 1969 students were politically involved with OBA. He said OBA was the umbrella of all black organizations on campus, but now it is the main organization for black political input.

Taylor added that although OBA is the main organization, it is "handicapped" because black student participation is lacking. He said OBA has been ineffective during the last four years because students allow two or three people to run the office until they work themselves to a frenzy.

He said black student awareness began to rise between 1968 and 1972, and that in 1969 most students were involved because of peer group pressure.

"In '69 it was not about being apolitical," Taylor said. "You were in it even if you didn't work in the field. Consciousness was a watchdog."

But in 1969 there were less than 15 black organizations registered on campus. By 1978 there were well over 35. This rise in the number of organizations suggests an escalation of black consciousness. But this is deceiving: it instead indicates a switch in organization registration.

In 1969, of the less than 15 black organizations only a few were dormitory black caucuses. But today, black caucuses comprise the majority of black student organizations, said Assistant Director of Student Affair Lana Dart.

Said Dart: "Until recently living unit black caucuses were not included in figures for registered student organizations. Black fraternities were just recently included in the listings also."

Although black fraternities were not registered, their presence was felt on campus.

The black Greek society was very involved with the Office of Black Affairs, in 1969, said Taylor. He said during the rise of black consciousness there was a decline in the number of blacks pledging black fraternities. Taylor said black Greek organizations were the only oriented groups consistently involved in the black community.

Today, pledging of black fraternities is on the rise again, Taylor said. And black Greeks are still involved with community programs.

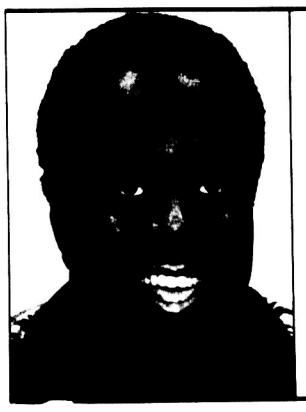
Black Greeks have worked at local Boys Clubs, YMCAs and have conducted seminars on hypertension. They have shown numerous educational films on black women and a film on the late activist Paul Robeson.

Through clothing drives, involvement in the Teach A Brother program, donations to the Heart Fund, the American Cancer Foundation and Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation, black Greeks have displayed their community orientation.

But in spite of such action, black Greeks have been criticized for being ardent believers in the partying spirit at MSU.

Whether "partying" hinders the effectiveness of black Greeks is debatable. What is important is that black Greeks have remained the link between Lansing's black community and MSU's black community.

The attitude of blacks toward working within the community has taken a radical change from earlier times. From 1969 to 1972 blacks were actively involved in helping other blacks adjust to MSU. "Now many blacks rejoice in seeing others flunk tests," said Taylor.



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—Carl Taylor, Director of Minority Aides program

Taylor recalls that blacks partied less in the late '60s and early '70s. He said the recent wave of partying seems to be a backlash against that period.

"We can't seem to hit a medium. Maybe we went to the extreme in '68 '69. And now in the late '70s we have become too apathetic," he said.

When or whether MSU blacks will strike a balance is questionable. The mood of black students has changed radically. This change suggests a need for a re-evaluation of principles by black students, and a strong commitment by black student leaders to continue working within the community.

If students do not change their attitudes and black student leaders lose their will and enthusiasm to work, then future generations of black students will suffer.

Organizations should make plans for the future that would perpetuate their existence. Communication between black organizations must improve. Organizations must seek and recruit newly-enrolled black students. They must prepare black freshmen and transfer students for the often complicated adjustment to MSU.

The social conditions prevalent today indicate a change in attitudes of black students. If blacks fail to shrug off apathy, and continue to leave organizations in the hands of a few, then none will benefit.

"We've got to question people on campus because we are the leaders of tomorrow," said Taylor. "We have progressed and regressed at the same time."

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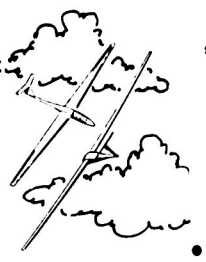
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Student involvement in state and national politics, scaled down to a campus level, has long been a staple of University life. This year promises to be no exception, with MSU boosting its own favorite son, criminal justice professor Zolton Ferency, for Governor. Interested in the smorgasbord of offerings? Well, take your pick. . .

The donkey, the elephant, the soapbox

By JAMES L. SMITH
State News Staff Writer

Politics and fall, especially in an election year, just seem to go together.

MSU has always attracted students and faculty with wide-ranging political philosophies and interests. This divergence of viewpoints is evidenced in the array of political groups registered with the Office of Student Affairs. So if you want to clamor atop a political soapbox and make yourself heard, here's your chance.

At the time this story was written, before the August primaries, MSU was sporting its own candidate for governor, Zolton Ferency, associate professor of criminal justice.

Students for Ferency, a registered campus organization, was formed to support MSU's favorite son.

Ferency is making his third bid for the governor's office having run unsuccessfully against incumbent Republican George Romney in 1966 and losing the democratic primary in 1970.

He was also a nominee for a 1976 Michigan Supreme Court position.

Students for Ferency is headed by Charlene Crickon, an MSU graduate student, who said the organization was founded to gather support for Ferency in the primary election.

Crickon said Ferency's campaign would center around social and economic justice, employment, environment, education, women's rights, minority rights, crime, public banking and taxes.

The organization consisted of 100 active volunteers, Crickon said.

Several political parties are also registered and operate on MSU"s campus.

Students of the democratic persuasion can obtain candidate and party information through the Democratic party of Ingham County by calling 394-2880.

Republican students have similar access to both on-campus and off-campus activities.

The Ingham County Republican Party headquarters, 485-4450, will steer interested persons to one of several local Republican groups.

The Capital Area Young Republicans have monthly meetings with speakers and various social events.

From left to right on the political spectrum the registered campus political parties include the Human Rights Party; the Socialist Labor Party; the United States Labor Party; Young Democrats, MSU; the East Complex Republican Club and Republicans, MSU.

Involvement in MSU political activity has provided a springboard to some for off-campus political office.

Many students, who were involved in ASMSU and other student government activities, have been elected and appointed to local councils and commissions.

Mark Grebner and Jess Sobel, both MSU students, serve on the Ingham County Commission. Alan Fox won a seat on the East Lansing City Council in November 1977, Lawrence Kestenbaum serves as an East Lansing Planning Commissioner and Aubrey Marron was appointed to the Ingham County Women's Commission.

Several other students serve on lesser county and city boards and commissions.

But a personal involvement in politics is not the most prevelant campus activity.

In addition to Ferency's organization, groups and committees supporting individual candidates and causes promise to sprout up like spring weeds in the face of the approaching election.

The list of campus political organizations is seemingly endless:

- •American Support Committee for the Middle East
- •Committee for Jobs, Peace and Equality
- •Committee Opposed to Quotas
- •Democratic Socialist Caucus
- •International Committee Against Racism
- •Human Rights Organizing Committee
- •Students for Democratic Action
- •Student Involvement
- •Students for Students

Students interested in joining, obtaining information about or starting their own organization should contact the Office of the Dean of Students, 101 Student Services, or call 353-3860.

Center offers info on women

The Women's Resource Center, sponsored by the Vice President for Student Affairs, offers information for and about women.

The Center offers academic information, information about services and activities at the University and in the community, and a library collection.

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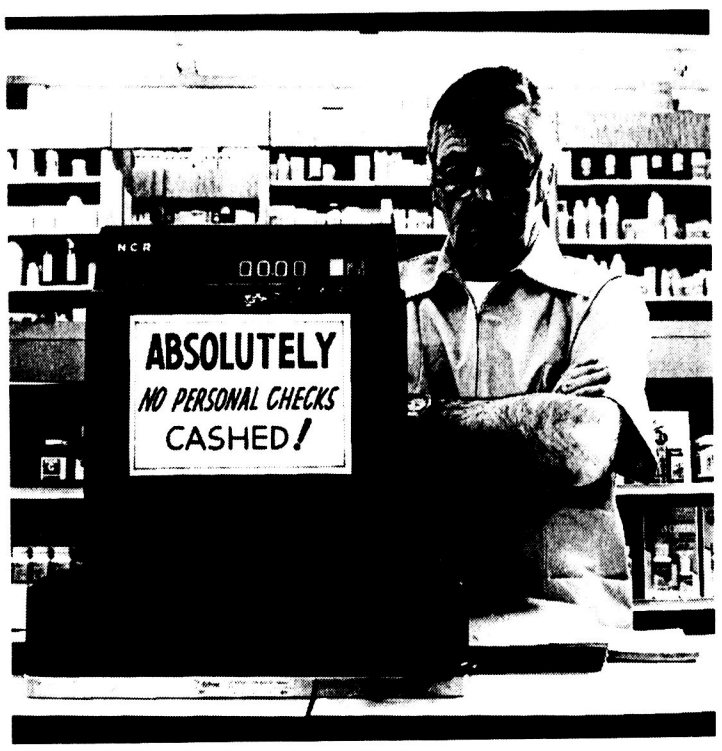

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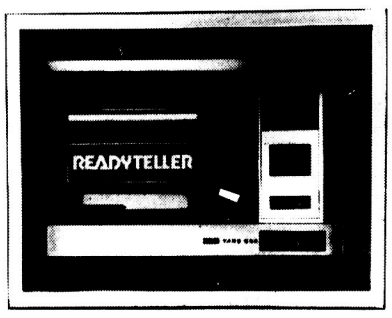

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State News Ira Strickstein

The symbol at right, taken from "Images, Words & Identity," a series of articles researched and published by Eric A. Gentile and Judy K. Taylor, represents the handicapper — who, according to the article, "determines the degree to and manner in which one's own definable physical or mental characteristic(s) might direct life's activities." On the left, a handicapper is served by a CATA bus installed with a ramp for easy access.

Handicappers fell barriers and uplift awareness

Handicappers, like other, more prominent minority groups, are asserting their rights. The process has been a slow, often painful one, for their object is not only to obtain their legal due, but to dispel many of the myths surrounding them — specifically the belief that handicappers are unable to be fully functioning members of society.

By ANNE MARIE BIONDO
State News Staff Writer

Once they were ignorantly called "crippled, blind, deaf and dumb." Then a wave of humanistic sympathy changed those simple-minded labels to only slightly less yet negative concepts: disabled and handicapped persons. Finally, in the decade of affirmative action and consciousness raising more appropriate terms have been adopted.

At MSU handicapper students not only had to fight the ill-informed to receive the recognition they have been denied, but also have had to push forward through administrative barriers to be granted equal opportunity to higher education.

Through the establishment of the Office of Programs for Handicappers in 1971, and Students for Total Integration through Greater Mobility and Accessibility, some concerned figures at MSU have worked endlessly to accommodate the special needs of handicapper students.

"STIGMA's input to OPH has been very helpful in providing feedback on services and accommodations, said OPH director Judy Taylor.

"It would be impossible for OPH to guess the needs of handicapper students," she added. "STIGMA helps."

When Taylor was named the first coordinator of OPH in 1971 she was determined to develop a series of services designed to make attending college away from home easier for handicapper students.

She applied to the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare for a grant to hire a staff and begin removing physical barriers on campus, including the establishment of accessible housing, transportation and counseling.

Taylor said her first application for a grant was rejected, but in 1973 she received about $35,000 from HEW.

"Structurally, as well as providing services, the office has gone through a gradual evolution," she explained.

Today, a cheerful cluster of neatly arranged offices sitting on the fourth floor of the library make up the OPH. Five special programs have been created. Alternative Information Resources and Systems headed by Michael Ellis was designed to make the printed word accessible to students with visual characteristics.. Through a grant from the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services for the Blind, Ellis' program has been supplemented with braille machines, audio equipment and additional staff members.

Eric Gentile, coordinator of Environmental Design, works closely with the University architect's office to redesign inaccessible structures on campus eliminating physical barriers to wheelchair users.

To coordinate services for students with hearing characteristics, Linda Suys has been appointed to head the newly created program.

Suys, the daughter of parents with hearing characteristics, has used sign language all of her life and hopes to develop the use of sign language as a useful alternative for students with aural disabilities.

To help make on campus living easier for wheelchair users, John Bankson has been appointed as coordinator of Personal Assistants. He has recruited about 20 students to assist handicapper students in their living arrangements.

To qualify as assistants, the students went through six weeks of paid training and examinations. Depending on the amount of assistance required, the assistant may choose to live with the handicapper student.

One of the ways wheelchair users are accommodated on campus is through the coordination of transportation by Jim Armstrong. The University provides vans to transport the students to and from classes. Armstrong schedules the vans' travel according to the students classes each term.

A concentrated effort which made the growth of OPH possible was through a $322,000 grant from HEW and the University. Upon receiving this sum in 1974 "Project Access" took off. In a little more than a year's time, the campus underwent drastic "brick and mortar" changes. Dorm rooms were "enhanced" making them not only accessible but usable, Taylor explained. Cherry Lane Apartments were opened up for handicapper students. Toilet rooms were restructured in Owen and Case Halls, as well as restrooms in many class room buildings. The ramps at Kellogg Center and Morrill Hall were constructed. And the grade level entrances into the Natural Science Bldg., South Kedzie and Bessie Halls are some results of "Project Access."

"At least 75 percent of all the accessibility on campus today was done in Project Access," Gentile said.

As a result of "Project Access" and the efforts of Taylor and OPH, MSU has been regarded as a leading institution in meeting handicapper needs. However, a federal law has fallen upon the heads of some administrators mandating that a certain amount of accessibility be completed in a certain amount of time.

Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 was issued to all federally-funded institutions requiring that all educational programs be made available to handicapper students by 1980.

In trying desperately to meet the federal requirements, the administration has been accused of losing sight of handicapper students' needs and priorities. The University has adopted a plan to make the campus accessible which completely ignores housing and transportation needs — two of the top priorites of students. Instead of addressing the areas outlined by OPH and students, the University has chosen to make the least expensive changes first.

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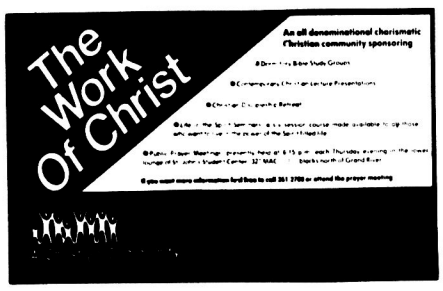

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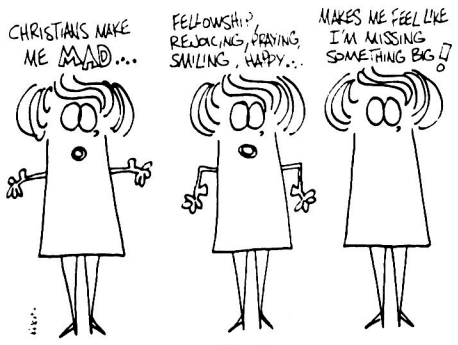

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Groups teach English, help find jobs

Looking for work? Joining 'careerist' group might help

By PAUL COX
State News Staff Writer

Finding a job sometimes takes more these days than just education.

It may mean joining one of the nearly 100 career-oriented groups at MSU.

Lana Dart, assistant director of student activities, said these groups — which are not strictly labeled "careerist" — register as MSU groups or clubs and are entitled to use University facilities and accounts, as well as materials from the Instructional Media Center. The groups may also seek funds from ASMSU or the Student Media Appropriation Board (SMAB).

"Within the 100 there is a great many types of groups, ranging from national professional groups with tight criteria for entrance to a small group of interested students," Dart said.

Dart also said there was a decline in the number of career-oriented groups in the late 1960s, but added the number has grown 15 to 20 percent every year since. In recent years, however, the number of groups has remained the same, she added.

The MSU Marketing Association is one of the largest groups on campus, with about 175 members. This group works with the American Marketing Association.

"It gives the student contact with real-world marketing," said Rick Micciche, president of the group.

The marketing club hosts presentations from national firms, prints a resume book and enters national marketing competition. Spring term, the group won second place in the Chevrolet-Nova National Marketing contest, Micciche said.

The Minority Pre-Med Association is, by contrast, a less formal career-oriented group. It includes about 30 members. President Carol Crouch said the organization's aim is to place minority students into medical schools.

The group brings in speakers from medical schools, holds interview training sessions and makes academic advisers available to students.

Engineering students can apply to Chi Epsilon, an honorary national Greek organization.

"We are not primarily a career-oriented group but it sure helps when you look for a job," said last year's president, Mark Besmer.

". . .there is a great many types of groups, ranging from national professional groups with tight criteria for entrance to a small group of interested students."

To be eligible, a student must academically be in the top third of his or her class, have completed certain engineering courses and attained a minimum grade point average. Chi Epsilon then selects its future members from the applicants.

In addition to hosting special speakers, the group sends MSU representatives to the bi-annual national gathering.

Foreign students can brush up on English, 'interact'

By PAUL COX
State News Staff Writer

Getting through the intensive two-term program of MSU's English Language Center is tough on foreign students, but International Interactions helps.

The English program prepares non-English speaking students to enter normal degree programs here at MSU.

"They have to learn the language to use it, not just to pass a test to get a grade. They will need to be able to sit in the classroom with MSU students and be able to compete," said Lloyd DeYoung, student advisor in the ELC.

DeYoung feels that about half of this learning process occurs outside the classroom and this is where International Interactions helps. The organization, one of 45 under MSU's Volunteer Programs, extends to foreign students a helping hand.

The group provides not an academic tutor but more of a friend, someone to talk to. This friend gives the student practice with the English language in conversation and also helps them learn about and become accustomed to American culture.

"There are tutor services but this is more for friendship. It also helps MSU students realize there is a world out there," said Chris Dolen, assistant director of Volunteer Programs.

A volunteer is expected to spend three to five hours a week with his or her student. The only qualification stated for the job is sensitivity to interpersonal and cultural differences among people. There is no foreign language requirement.

About 125 people were matched with foreign students last year, Dolen said.

DeYoung said the success rate has been "extremely high" among the approximately 150 normally enrolled in the ELC. The ELC program is one of only 18 in the country, DeYoung said. The only other organization of this kind in the state is at the University of Michigan.

Students take English classes five hours a day, five days a week, and usually can complete the program in two terms. After these 500 hours in five basic English areas the students should be ready to enter normal degree programs.

To show progress and eventually pass the program the student must take a demanding English Language Proficiency test which monitors overall ability in the subject, rather than an achievement test which measures what was taught in the class.

The ELC program is open to both those students who have been accepted academically at MSU and those who hope to be accepted following completion of the ELC program. Eighty percent of the ELC students are male and the average age is 28. Many are sent by the governments of developing countries to gain valuable American degrees, DeYoung said.

"We teach them acceptable English but you have to practice outside of class. The outside culture is very important," DeYoung said.

Interested foreign students can sign up for the program in room 1 International Center. MSU students interested in being volunteers can apply in 26 Student Services Building.

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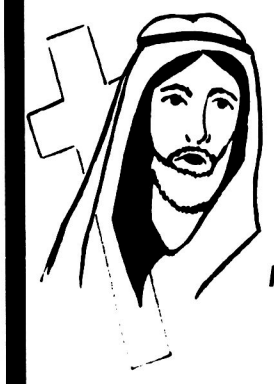

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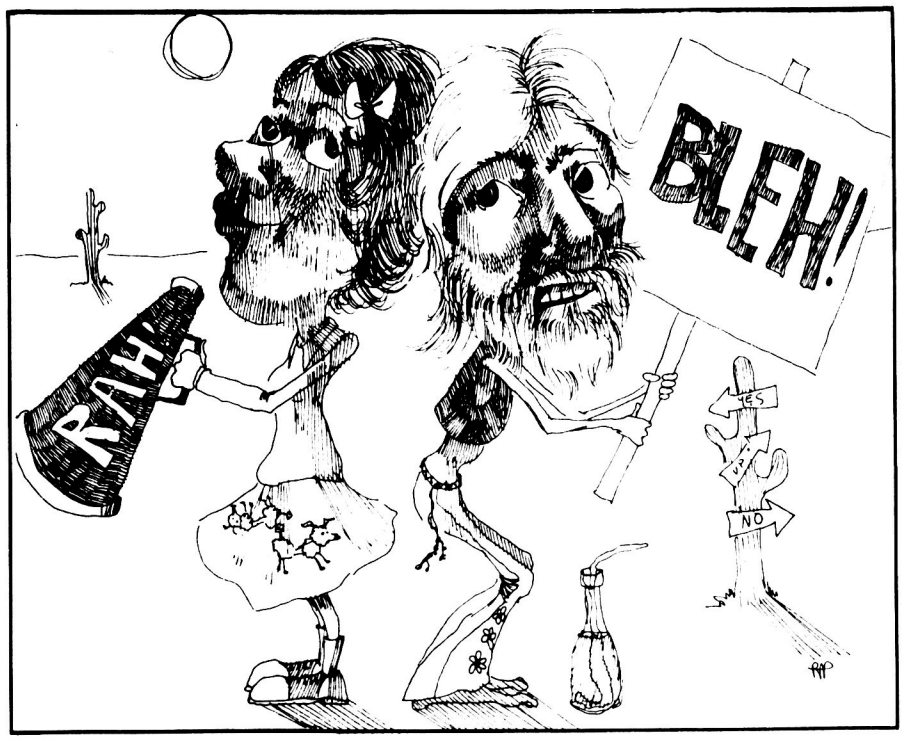

Boogwabazh

What better name for all those student groups?

By MICHAEL TANIMURA
State News Staff Writer

BOOGWABAZH N, ADJ: An eclectic collection of miscellany.

This word best sums up the offering of student organizations here at MSU. There is a veritable plethora of choices for any student who would like to pursue some sort of interest with other people — whether academic, social, political, cultural, or religious.

(Intergalactic Corporation for Public Nonsense)

Last year, 476 groups were registered with the office of student affairs. Their expressed purposes were as diverse as the list of names. And, although some organizations do boast a membership in the hundreds, most of them fall somewhere between 10 and 20, with some having an active membership of only two, explained Lana Dart, assistant director of student activities and the person responsible for registering student organizations.

"While our policy doesn't stipulate membership requirements, in practice, an organization of one probably would not be registered," she said.

(Student for the Arts MSU)

This laissez-faire attitude toward student groups by the administration which has allowed a tremendous divergence of organizations beyond the traditional academic, religious and honorary societies has not always been present.

It was not until 1966 that a policy of registration was initiated. Before that time, it was a policy of approval.

The All-University Student Government reviewed all applications by prospective student organizations. Before groups could even be granted a provisional one-year charter, they had to meet the following requirements:

- Have a faculty or University-approved adviser.
- Submit a constitution, which had to include the name, purpose and structure of the organization;
- Could not conflict with or duplicate functions performed by any other chartered organization (this was determined by the AUSG);
- State the number of active members and submit all their names to the University;
- Have an active undergraduate membership (graduate students and non-students could not be voting members) equal to or greater than one-tenth of one percent of the undergraduate student population.

Thus, 20 years ago, there were only 159 registered organizations — almost exclusively academic or honorary societies. The one political organization registered in 1958 was the Young Republicans Club.

(Socialist Labor Party)

Sentiment began growing in the 1960s that this policy was too restrictive. As MSU's enrollment grew, the membership requirement grew fairly unrealistic. Students also objected to submitting membership lists.

"But the one thing that brought the situation to a head was the required approval of any given group," Dart said. "people began to feel that this was an infringement on the students' right to assemble and belong to any organization that they wished. This was the beginning of the time when we administrators began to take a hard look at **in loco parentis** policy."

The 1966 policy change from approval to registration was in recognition that the University had become more diverse and that a system was needed that would ensure that the students had the opportunity to express their interest, backgrounds and concerns, she said.

(Frisbee Club MSU)

"At the time we came to the conclusion that the registration process shouldn't be so long that it drains of some of the enthusiasm of the students," Dart said.

The major difference from the current student organization policy, passed in 1968, and the 1966 registration policy is that organization advisers are no longer required.

So now the only work required in registering a student group is filling out one card with the name of the group, a statement on its purpose, the names, titles and addresses of any offices, the organization's mailing address, and the signing of a statement verifying that no discrimination exists in the organization and that only MSU students are officers or voting members of the group.

Whereas 20 years ago it took a minimum of a full year to achieve student organization status, it now takes about five minutes.

MSU students and administrators seem fairly pleased with the current status of student organizations, since the opportunity does now exist for students to engage in almost any type of group activity under the auspices of the University, so long as the activity does not conflict with federal, state, local or MSU ordinances.

"Under the registration system, we are able to say that the list of students organizations pretty much reflects the concerns, interests and issues that are going on in the campus, city and nation," Dart said.

(Kitty Genovses Memorial Anti-Rape Collective)

In the late 1960s and early 1970s there were many groups critical of political and social situations, Dart said. Although groups like this still exist at MSU, they are not as prevalent now as they were back then, she said. During that same period, there was a growing lack of concern for grades and other aspects of "establishment" values. Now, with many students thinking mainly of getting good jobs when they get out of school, there is an increased interest in honorary and professional organizations, Dart said.

(American Institute of Chemical Engineers)

"There has been a real growth in religious organizations," she said. "Although we have always had religious groups here at MSU, they have expanded greatly past traditional religions."

(Sun Yat-Sen Study Club and Lansing correspondence)

Groups that are registered student organizations receive certain privileges at MSU. Although groups do not automatically receive money from the University, they can request funding from ASMSU, apply for an MSU account, use MSU facilities, services and equipment, conduct fundraising events on campus, and put up posters.

So the situation at MSU is one of plenty, as far as student organizations are concerned. And if a group does not exist that fits a student's needs, one can always be started.

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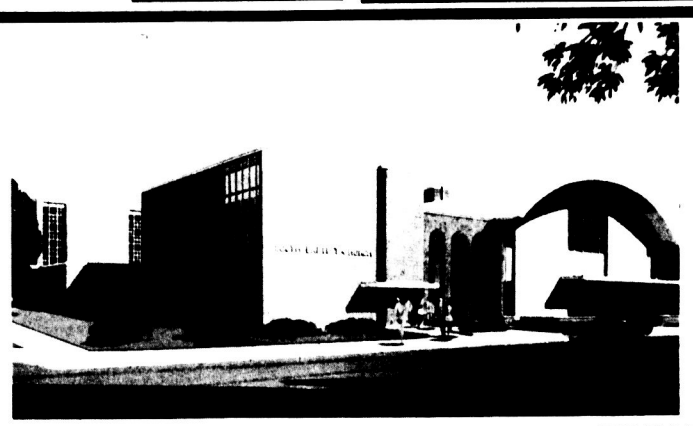

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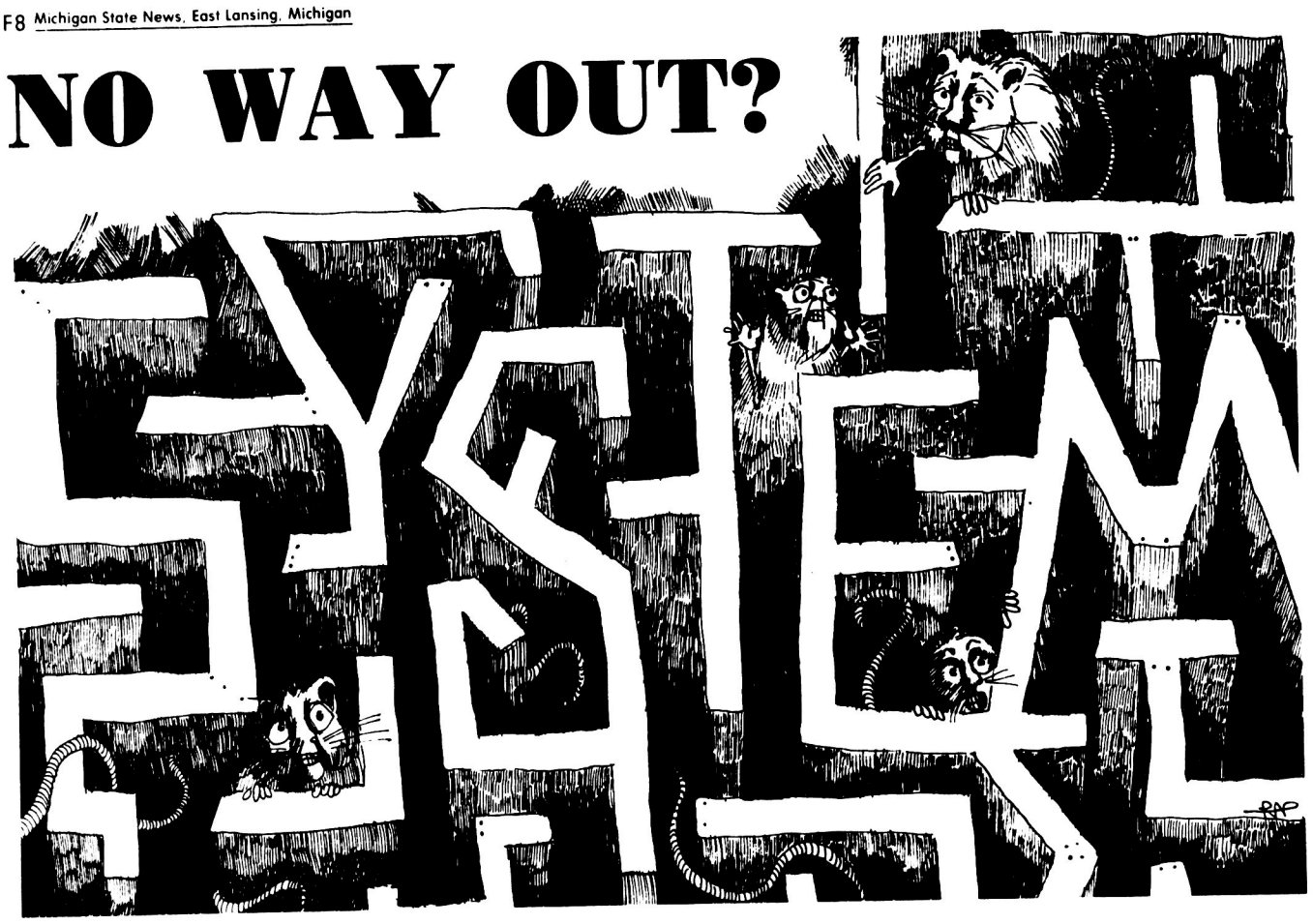

Student political maze can trap you like a rat

By MICHELLE CHAMBERS
State News Staff Writer

ASMSU

The Associated Students of Michigan State University — known by most as ASMSU — is, in part, the undergraduate body of representatives elected from each MSU college. In addition the seven presidents of governing groups — the organizations which unite and speaks for dormitories, fraternities, sororities, cooperatives and University housing — are voting members on the ASMSU Student Board.

Dan Jones, the first self-professed gay student leader at MSU, is the current president of the ASMSU Student Board.

The governing groups on campus include:

•Residence Halls Association — RHA — which is the spokesperson for all dormitory governments.

One representative from each dormitory government is elected by that body to serve on RHA. The president of RHA is elected from within the group of representatives.

The current RHA president is Tim VanAntwerp.

•Inter-Fraternity Council — IFC — which speaks for all white-predominated fraternities with chapters at MSU.

The current IFC president is Ian McPherson.

•National Panhellenic Council — NPC — which represents all black fraternities on campus.

The current NPC president is Michael Pruitt.

•Panhellenic Council — PHC — which serves as spokesperson for sororities with chapters at MSU.

The current PHC president is Barbara White.

•InterCooperative Council — ICC — which serves as representative for all off-campus cooperative houses. Included in this group are living units based on religious affiliation.

The current president of ICC is Joyce Boyd.

•University Apartments Residents Council — UARC — which speaks for all residents of University apartments including married housing.

The current UARC president is Larry Mosca.

•Off Campus Council — OCC — which represents all off-campus students.

At present, there is no OCC, though the undergraduate student body voted to establish an off-campus council during last winter term registration.

Six representatives from minority councils — gays, blacks, Chicanos, North Americans Indians, handicappers, women — also sit on the board as non-voting members.

ASMSU allocates the money collected from each undergraduate at registration each term — $2.50 per student per term — to the many registered student organizations at MSU.

The student board also acts as the undergraduate representative for advising University policy.

Two other branches of ASMSU — Programming Board and Student Media Appropriations Board — are also responsible to the undergraduate student body.

Programming Board organizes and facilitates entertainment in such areas as University-wide concerts, presentations from noted speakers, programs on travel, theater and any other special project of interest to MSU students.

SMAB serves as a source of funds for alternative student publications to the State News. The organization provides the funding for smaller, more specialized media.

In addition to the student board, Programming Board and SMAB, ASMSU also has a judicial branch.

RHAJ

Each dormitory has the option of having its own judiciary, but the body which watches over the residence hall regulations is the Residence Hall Association Judiciary — RHAJ.

RHAJ justices are chosen from RHA representatives to serve for one year terms.

AUSJ

If an appeal is deemed necessary after RHAJ makes a decision a defendant can take the case to the next higher judiciary — the All-University Student Judiciary or AUSJ.

Usually, AUSJ is also the first step for campus-wide matters as opposed to violating dormitory regulations.

AUSJ is the second-most powerful judiciary at MSU and consists of 11 student judges recommended by previous AUSJ members and appointed by the ASMSU Student Board for one-year terms.

An adviser from the staff of the vice president of student affairs also serves on the primarily student judiciary.

SFJ

If an appeal is desired after AUSJ makes a decision, the defendant would take the matter before the most powerful campus judiciary — Student-Faculty Judiciary or SFJ.

Not only does SFJ handle all appeals from lesser judiciaries it also hears all cases involving violations of student regulations.

If the defendant is not satisfied with the decision of SFJ, the next and final step is to take the matter to the office of Eldon Nonnamaker, vice president for student affairs.

COGS

Graduate students have a separate governmental body called the Council of Graduate Students — COGS.

A representative from each of the 76 graduate departments is elected, selected or appointed to serve on COGS.

COGS doles out funds collected from each graduate student during every registration — $1.50 per student per term — to graduate organizations or departments.

The graduate student organization also provides such services to its constituents as use of the office copy machine for a small fee and day care scholarships for students with children.

COGS serves as the reporting center for all graduate representatives on the many University-wide committees.

The current president of COGS is Chuck Goeke. The COGS president is elected from the representatives of the council.

Student Council

Academic Council, the only government body on campus that deals solely with academic and administrative policy, is made up of Appointed Council — the deans of each MSU college — Faculty Council and Student Council.

Representatives for Student Council are elected, selected or appointed from each college as well as six graduate students, elected from COGS, also serve on the council.

If a college has more than 2,000 students enrolled, two undergraduate representatives are elected, selected or appointed.

Like the other two bodies, Student Council considers academic proposals such as curriculum, program and policy changes and decides whether the proposals have merit.

If the suggestion, brought forth to the council by any MSU student, is deemed a good one by Student Council representatives, it will be moved forth through the bureaucratic levels to be either implemented or killed.

Committees

Another form of student representation to Academic Council is representation on the University committees. These eight committees deal with academic policy, curriculum, faculty tenure, faculty affairs, student affairs, academic governance, academic environment and graduate affairs.

The open positions for Student Council and the individual advisory boards are announced spring term, as well as the student openings on the University standing committees.

Parents anonymous 'reaches out' to distressed

"Parents Anonymous emphasizes crisis intervention — we help one another stop the chain reaction before abuse occurs," says Parents Anonymous (P.A.) literature.

The Lansing chapter of P.A. has existed for five years.

"When you try and organize another P.A. group, you always have the same problem — communication, getting in touch with the parents," said Bill Brooks, P.A. sponsor and former investigator for probate and juvenile court.

A parent who is in a tension situation, when he just wants to release pressure, can call the Listening Ear at 337-1717 and be given a number for a P.A. sponsor.

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The group now consists of eight people, Brooks explained. It is run by a chairperson elected among the parents.

The sponsor is there for his professional judgment and in case of a crisis situation. He also contributes to the group.

New groups are being organized to handle the additional number of people that want to get involvement, Brooks said, and also to allow P.A. to separate the severe from the more mild abusers.

"There is a whole variety of child abuse, from emotional to severe, and verbal to sexual . . . little abusers are sometimes intimidated by being in a group with those people, then we might lose them," he stated.

When a new group is organized, a screening process will be started with the new members, to determine which group would best suit each member.

Sponsors in the Lansing chapter are professionals who can sit in on the groups and provide constructive input, but getting those sponsors and keeping them is the problem, Brooks said.

Some people will become sponsors and just stay a short time, which presents problems for the group to try and interact with a new person when they leave.

"Right now," Brooks said, "our biggest problem is publicity. No one can even get the number to contact us."

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Dan Jones, the new president of the ASMSU Student Board, is surrounded by contradictions. He replaced a conservative, Kent Barry, and professes to be a liberal. But thus far he has hardly been outspoken on the issues. Moreover, Jones denies that his being gay has any connection with his office. But at the same time he asserts that if the student board moves to impeach him, as some say will happen, it will draw the wrath of the national Gay Council unless it is done on "really good grounds." Past presidents have failed to make ASMSU work. Whether Jones can is still an open question.

Jones reign to be a short one?

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say that most students know little about Jones and ASMSU, and care less.

Or it may say nothing at all.

"It's a positive indicator for the gay rights movement around the country," Jones said of his election. "When different referenda are getting voted down (supporting gay rights) people could say, well, Michigan State students elected someone to be their president, and they knew he was gay."

The statement has a hollow ring to it. Jones' paltry vote, coupled with the fact that he ran against a field of mediocre no-names, makes it difficult to draw any meaningful conclusions from his victory. It is perhaps noteworthy that Jones, a liberal, was elected on the heels of Barry, a conservative, whose administration received much adverse publicity.

It is the kind of publicity Jones hopes to avoid. His goals are modest right now, his rhetoric muted. How does he want his administration to be remembered?

"I guess I would hope that students could look back and recognize a few things that ASMSU accomplished that directly affected their lives, a few changes on campus that made things better for them. And a lot of special interest groups that could say, hey, ASMSU worked."

But it may not be all that easy. Among those involved in campus government, both on and off the student board, there are rumblings of discontent. Former student board president Michael Lenz, a mentor of Jones, has expressed disillusionment Lenz and several associations have drawn up a proposal for a new ASMSU constitution that would abolish the position of student board president. Jones naturally opposes it. Also, there has been talk that the board will move to impeach the fledgling president. This can be done with a two-thirds vote of the board.

"It's a reassuring pat on the back for gay people that are in the closet that things aren't all that bad.

Jones doesn't think this will happen because "I don't intend to do anything that would give them grounds for it, and furthermore I hope they realize that if they ever move to impeach without really good grounds for it, it would become a national thing. I know that the national Gay Council would be outraged."

Last fall, when the Student Board, with Kent Barry's backing, attempted to remove Gay Council as a part of the board, Dan Jones was instrumental in saving it. Now he is board president after a campaign that seemed to have started almost as a lark. Jones has been away all summer, and now has two academic terms left to make his mark on student government.

One thing seems clear: because he is gay, and because he tends to attract publicity, Jones will likely overshadow the rest of the board, which votes on policy matters and disburses money for student services. A cult of personality, be it the result of the media or the new president himself, has already developed around him.

Jones himself seems serene about the whole matter — almost bored. "My being gay has no connection with my being president," he says flatly — despite his earlier assertion that an impeachment drive would draw the ire of gays on a national level.

But he admits it does have impact in other ways.

"In a general sense everyone's forced to stop and consider it. It brings their thoughts out of the closet. It's a reassuring pat on the back for gay people that are in the closet."

Complexity haunts student politics

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Council. The drive backfired in the face of an outpouring of public support. The board also sought, again unsuccessfully, to do away with office space for the People's Choice, a newsmagazine run by blacks. The board voted to pay its members, a measure still in limbo.

Later in the year, Barry and several associates spent student tax dollars traveling back and forth between Washington D.C. three different times to lobby for a bill designed to give tax breaks to the parents of college students. Barry stoutly defended the trips on the grounds that he was acting in the best interests of students by lobbying for something that could be useful to them. Others sharply disagreed, asserting that the bill would benefit primarily the upper and middle class and that, in any event, it was wrong for Barry to spend student tax monies on "junkets."

All these controversies underscore one significant point: The student board is, at least in the view of the public, a form for politicking and dissension, and far removed from its intended function — that of providing services to students.

Moreover, the ideological and administrative composition of the board changes from year to year, making long-range planning and execution of policy next to impossible.

The ideological ups and downs read like blips on an oscilloscope. There have been five board presidents before Jones, each elected by less than 20 percent of the students eligible to vote. Past presidents have ranged from conservative (Barry in 1977 and Brian Raymond in 1975) to liberal (Michael Lenz in 1976 to radical (Tim Cain in 1973).

The rumblings of discontent are breeding demands for change. Presently an effort is underway, spearheaded by former ASMSU Student Board president Michael Lenz, to rewrite ASMSU's constitution. The new constitution, which must be ratified by at least 3,500 students, would do away with the position of board president in favor of a chairperson elected by the representatives. The chairperson would appoint, with the approval of a simple majority of the board, a full-time, paid executive to carry out many of the functions currently assigned to the president.

In addition, the constitution would structure the board to eliminate the possibility that a student could be represented twice or even three times by voting board members. As it stands now, a student could be represented by three different voting interests — Greeks, Residence Hall Association and, say, the College of Business.

For the new constitution to be put into effect, students must first read and vote on it. Jones is scornful of this concept, maintaining that "students may feel a change is needed, but I don't think they would have studied a 14-page constitution and read that unreadable language and decided its the best thing for ASMSU."

Louis F. Hekhuis, associate dean of students and himself a former student government president at MSU, agrees.

"I'm concerned about the way Mike (Lenz) presented the thing," Hekhuis says. It's one thing for Lenz and a few friends to get together and write a constitution. Perhaps what is really needed is a blue-ribbon committee to study the matter."

But, if past is prologue, the establishment of a "blue-ribbon committee — or any kind of panel — to investigate ways to restructure ASMSU will only create more confusion and solidfy ASMSU's image of a bureacratic muddle. For the foreseeable future, the board promises to slog along much the same way as it has for years.

The Council of Graduate Students — COGS — is beset with many of the same problems that have undermined the effectiveness of Student Council. COGS, which represents not only graduate students and candidates for doctoral degrees, but medical students as well, was established as a student organization in 1968, but not recognized as such by the MSU Board of Trustees until spring of 1971.

COGS is supposed to represent over 7,000 students from the 76 graduate departments. And indeed, COGS leaders like to boast that only once last year did the organization fail to make quorom at one of its bi-weekly meetings. But these figures are deceptive. According to the COGS constitution, 20 out of 76 representatives

"Without priorities, you go out and off into 90 different directions." —Eldon Nonnamaker, vice president for University affairs.

— 30 percent — constitutes a quorum. Last year an average of 23 representative showed up at each COGS meeting. Later in the year COGS failed even to attract that miniscule number.

Unlike the student board, COGS is essentially a non political service oriented body. Its constitution specifically states. "The Council of Graduate Students is not a political organization and shall not endorse political issues which do not directly concern the welfare of graduate students at Michigan State University."

Thus, COGS is a branch of student government that services its constituents solely through services — a sharp contrast to the situation with ASMSU. Ironically, it may well be that COGS smaller constituency and lack of ASMSU style publicity is what keeps interest and participation so low.

So there you have it — three branches of student government, each with its own unique set of problems. In years gone by, many have suggested that the three branches should work more closely with one another — perhaps even consolidate into one massive organization.

Hekhuis rejects this notion, but agrees that leaders of ASMSU, Student Council and COGS "need to start a continuing dialogue to coordinate their efforts." Moreover, both Hekhuis and Eldon Nonnamaker, vice president of university affairs, concur that student government as a whole needs to rethink its priorities and mission.

"Without priorities, you go out and off in to 90 different directions," says Nonnamaker. "But as for developing priorities, I don't know that they've done that at all."

"It's a difficult and ardous task for any governmental body," Hekuis says, "but it's especially difficult for student government."

Ultimately, the credibility of student government rests with the students themselves. ASMSU, Student Council and COGS are, after all, nothing more than what students make of them. Some would allege that students today are too apathetic, too disinterested, too concerned with their personal lives to take any active role in making student government work.

Others hold the view that student government is a victim of its own success.

"I'm not sure apathetic is the right word," says James McKee. "Students today are too young to have a sense of the true University. They can't imagine the restrictions on rights a few years ago."

A decade ago students were often treated like children and were deprived of many of the rights they take for granted today. A student voice in University policy-making — which Student Council, if it were correctly utilized, would provide — was unheard of.

Student government helped overturn many of the University's high-handed policies. Its very existence is a testimony to the power, whether dormant or not, that students hold.

"I think its also true that issues come along," concludes McKee. "There are still unresolved issues around women and handicappers.

"I'm not ready to write off all student interest."

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From Anitia Bryant to Gay Blue Jeans Day to the attempt to kill Gay Council — and culminating with the election of Dan Jones, a gay, as president of ASMSU Student Board — it has been a year of controversy here at MSU.

Gays fight for rights amidst stiff opposition

By JOE PIZZO and KIM SHANAHAN
State News Staff Writer

Even after a year of stiff national and campus opposition, it appears gays at MSU have not only survived, but prospered as well.

Last spring, singer-cum-savior Anita Bryant launched a successful campaign to have an ordinance guaranteeing nondiscrimination in employment and other areas on the basis of sexual preference defeated at the polls in Dade County, Florida.

Late last fall, then ASMSU Student Board President Kent Barry initiated his own campaign that supported a bill that would have effectively eliminated the services provided by Gay Council. Barry's measure would have changed the status of Gay Council from that of an organization representing a minority — funded by ASMSU — to a student organization that would be financed by the Student Media Appropriations Board, if at all.

Barry's rationale, which flew in the face of scholarly research, was that gays choose to be gay and are, therefore, not a minority like blacks, Chicanos or handicappers.

After a pitched battle that raged as much in the pages of the State News as on the floor of student board meetings, the measure was defeated following an outpouring of support for Gay Council by gays, non-gays, faculty and concerned members of the University community.

There were positive activities for gays, including MSU's participation in "Gay Blue Jeans Day" last October, sponsored by the National Gay Task Force, a New York-based gay rights organization, and "A Week of Celebration and Understanding," held last May.

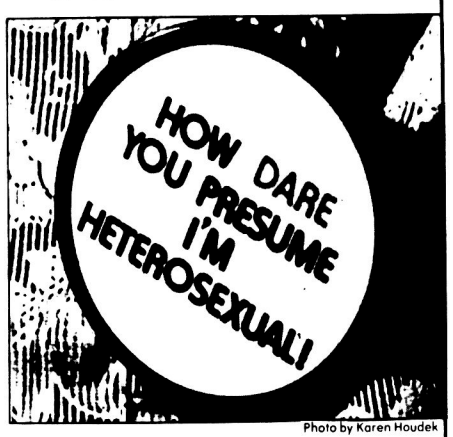
On the second Friday in October, all gays were asked to wear blue jeans as a means of enabling "closet" (secret) gays to crack the door a bit, and open gays to recognize each other more easily, according to Dan Jones, who was then director of Gay Council.

The brouhaha that ensued puzzled many who thought the concept of Jeans Day nothing more than an encouraging display of solidarity among the gay community, which is what it was planned to be. Of course, it is well known what poet Robert Burns said about "the best laid plans of mice and men."

The State News editorially urged all MSU students to wear jeans in support of human rights for gays. Again, letters columns were filled with varying opinions. Some students felt they were being told how to dress by gays, because an appearance in jeans would "mark" them as gay.

Spot campus surveys confirmed what could have been predicted by the most naive pollster — a visible decrease in the number of blue jeans on campus.

The MSU Gay Council, which has gone through several incarnations before becoming the Gay/Lesbian Council late last



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Spring term, was organized as MSU Gay Liberation in 1970 in a Snyder-Phillips dorm room.

The group's avowed purpose remained constant throughout the years — to help society reach a degree of acceptance of gays at which there would be no need for a Gay/Lesbian Council.

Until that day comes, Gay/Lesbian Council offers a variety of services, including a lending library of gay-oriented books and periodicals, referrals for counseling and residence halls problems. Some office workers are uniquely qualified to counsel by telephone or in person because they have undergone empathy training quite similar to that provided for crisis center volunteers.

Tim Durkin, the council's representative to the student board, said the publicity generated by Barry's attempt to put Gay Council "in the closet" helped the group emerge from stagnation and paved the way for reorganization.

"It took the attempt to kill the council to get interested people active in the council's activities again," he said.

Changes made in the council's structure, including a name change approved by the student board, were the culmination of two terms of planning, according to Durkin.

The council started moving away from the concept of a strong director — as was the case under Dan Jones — and towards decision-making by consensus.

The primary purpose of Gay/Lesbian Council, according to Durkin, is to provide information to gays and non-gays.

'Empathy training' stressed by crisis centers to help students

By RENALDO MIGALDI
State News Staff Writer

Moving away from home to go to college can be an exhilarating experience, especially with the freedom it offers to people who are used to having their lifestyles and activities constrained by parental authority.

But this freedom puts psychological demands on a student. And it comes at a difficult time: that limbo between adolescence and adulthood when students begin to make decisions about their lives and futures.

A problem for troubled students is finding support and empathy in times of crises. The family is not around and friends may be unavailable, or perhaps unable, to understand or help.

An alternative is to contact volunteers at one of East Lansing's two crisis intervention centers: The Listening Ear and the Drug Education Center (DEC). Both offer 24-hour emergency counseling by volunteers who are trained in empathy communication skills, in addition to a variety of other free services.

Empathy is a technique which reflects clients' emotions back to them so that they become more aware of their feelings. The goal is to work through these feelings to help the clients make clear decisions.

Quite often, volunteers may be trained in other skills, such as Transactional Analysis or other specialized types of counseling.

Claudia Gostine, spokesperson for The Listening Ear (547 E. Grand River; 337-1717) said that loneliness and depression are two of the most prevalent concerns of people who visit or call the center.

These can lead to suicide, she added, noting that 15 to 20 percent of the Ear's contacts deal with suicide. "They come in one a day, or one every other day," she said. "Sometimes people will take downers wanting to O.D., and then after doing it they'll get scared and call to get help."

She cited academic pressure and the demands of family and society as factors students often have trouble coping with.

Male-female relationship problems seem to prompt many of the calls the DEC gets concerning depression, according to Peter Reno, director of the DEC (398 Park Lane; 351-4000). The DEC was founded eight years ago as primarily a drug-concern center but has shifted its emphasis to a wider variety of social services.

"In college, it's more of a fluid lifestyle; it's OK for people to try lots of different things," Reno said. "But without the family base, they're alone and might not have the coping skills they need."

The suicide calls the DEC gets tend to be seasonal, according to Reno. They usually increase during the winter because "everyone is hibernating and people are more alone then."

ACLU dormant on campus, but leaders hope to revive it

The first Michigan campus chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union was established at MSU in 1976. But during the last school year, interested subsided and the chapter effectively died.

Students in leadership roles in the campus chapter that first year graduated, explained Gladys Beckwith, former chairperson of the Lansing ACLU chapter. As a result, though the group registered as an MSU student organization last year, no activities were undertaken.

Some students were active in the Lansing ACLU and the present Lansing ACLU chairperson, Phil Dean, feels there is enough interest to reactivate the campus chapter. There are many civil liberties issues directly pertaining to students, Dean said, citing the inequity of out-of-state tuition, police searches at rock concerts and attempts to restrict X-rated films on campus.

The MSU chapter of the ACLU is a substructure of the Lansing chapter, and Dean has assigned a subcommittee to determine why the MSU group broke up. That subcommittee will have reported its findings in July, after the printing deadline of the Organization section. Dean hopes to use the findings to get the MSU chapter back on its feet.

Beckwith denied that the national ACLU's legal defense of a proposed Nazi march in Skokie, Ill., has had an adverse effect on campus interest and participation in ACLU, but Dean thinks otherwise.

"We are certainly feeling repercussions from this," he said. "There has been from 10 to 20 percent lower membership nation-wide. It could hurt us on campus. It isn't fashionable to support Nazis."

Dean said ACLU will conduct a recruitment drive on campus in the fall. Interested persons can contact Dean at 351-1100.

Uplifting awareness

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The logic behind this approach being that HEW requires changes, so let's make the easiest and fastest changes first.

"Students are hollering about maintaining the quality of the structures," he said, explaining that STIGMA has spent a lot of time advising the University on 504 regulations.

The problems with the 504 regulations, Gentile said, is that the federal government never anticipated the needs of an institution the size of MSU when it issued requirements with deadlines.

The administration is justified in being concerned about the 1980 deadline, Gentile added. But realistically, a workable plan to make the campus fully accessible could not even be prepared by 1980, he said.

"Project Access," though started in 1974, was not meant to be completed until 1990. "Suddenly the feds and regulations require full accessibility to be done by June, 1980," Gentile said.

"The administrators are not the bad guys," he concluded, "I see the feds as the bad guys."

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Campus mood mirrored in diverse organizations

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is not a tenable position anymore. We work for change within the social structure and get results."

Among PIRGIM's pet projects both at the campus and state level are the decriminalization of marijuana, the education of East Lansing residents about the Dayton-Hudson Mall issue and numerous other social and environmental concerns. The group is recognized as a forceful lobby and voice of public interest state-wide.

Rick Doyle, chairperson of MSU's Fund for Animals, said his group finds working through the "legal system" to be most productive.

"We've found that if you get good people in certain areas you can change things just as quickly, if not more quickly, than through radicalism," Doyle said.

But these groups are only part of the new activism. Getting students into positions where they can bring about change has been a major goal of the post-war campus, and in recent years has been realized, to some extent, in the MSU community.

In what we now so knowingly refer to as the "turbulent 60s," students could not run for office. Most of them could not even vote until 1971.

Now, in 1978, there is a student on the East Lansing City Council, two on the Ingham County Board of Commissioners and a person closely indentified with students on the MSU Board of Trustees. The system, it seems, has become the way to go.

Alan Fox, the first student elected to the city council, believes the decrease in activism is overrated — a reaction to the low visibility of today's methods and accomplishments.

"I don't think people have become apathetic," Fox said. "Voter participation is still surprisingly high, and there is a number of people still interested in a lot of issues.

"There have been very few elections locally where the student vote hasn't been significant, and I think that represents great awareness on the part of the students," Fox said.

Perhaps the factor giving today's student activists the most trouble is the distorted image of their predecessors. Because of the high visibility, the bloody protests and the massive media coverage, nonparticipants thought everybody was involved. In reality, anti-war protests were, for many, simply the thing to do.

Long-time MSU student and Ingham County Commissioner Mark Grebner recalls that only the nucleus of those demonstrations consisted of activists. There were a great many followers.

"In 1972, you partied in your room on Saturday night and canvassed for McGovern Sunday night. It was the thing to do. The same applied to demostrations," he said.

Jesse Sobel, the other student on the popularly elected commission, agrees.

"It's an oversimplification to say that everyone was out marching for causes in the 60s," he said. "There was a lot of self-interest at work then too. People were being drafted. Their friends and relatives were being killed. People can afford to be a lot more pragmatic and selective about the kinds of things they get involved in now," Sobel said.

So it seems that any campus movement, in the streets or in the legislative halls, is largely affected by a core group — the committed few. In many cases here in East Lansing they are the same students. Grebner, Sobel and Fox all marched down Grand River avenue when they felt doing so was the most effective means toward an end. Now they have found another way — elective office.

If this were 1968, when Lyndon Johnson was bombing Asia and their friends were dying in a needless war, the group organizers and chairpersons of today would probably be the violent protesters of yesterday.

But it is 1978. And MSU students — those committed few — seem to have little problem making their wishes known and leaving their mark on the state capitol down the street.

It is a system-oriented approach, an organizational attitude, and it would have been scoffed at from both sides of the fence 10 years ago. But today, at least in some respects, it seems to be working.

Senior class council plans functions, serves needs

With projects ranging from Homecoming and Career Night in the fall to graduation in the spring, the 20-member Senior Class Council is serving the needs of seniors at MSU.

The council seeks to communicate with all seniors through the use of newsletters published each term. Through the input it gets from seniors, the council will implement projects and activities to benefit MSU undergraduates in their final year.

Senior Class Council starts its work during Fall term registration when a vote is conducted to determine the colors of caps and gowns the seniors want to graduate in.

Also slated for Fall term is the annual homecoming activities which includes a float contest and the selection of a Homecoming King and Queen. In addition, the council will aid the Alumni Association in welcoming back alumni with a brunch before the Homecoming football game (Oct. 21 versus Indiana).

Along with the MSU Placement Services, the council will sponsor Career Night on Oct. 25. There will be guest speakers discussing matters such as resumes, interviewing, the job market and job adjustment. In previous years, Career Night has been very beneficial in aiding seniors in job hunting.

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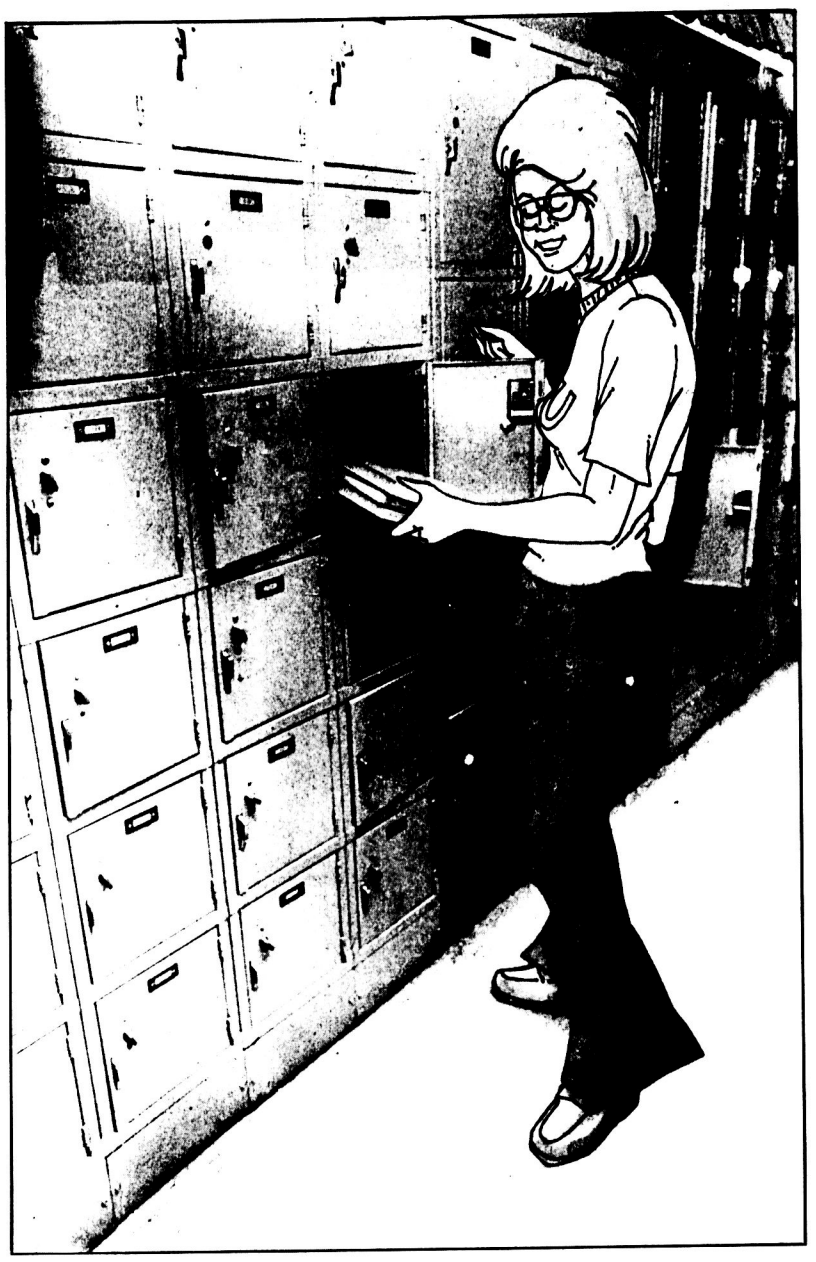

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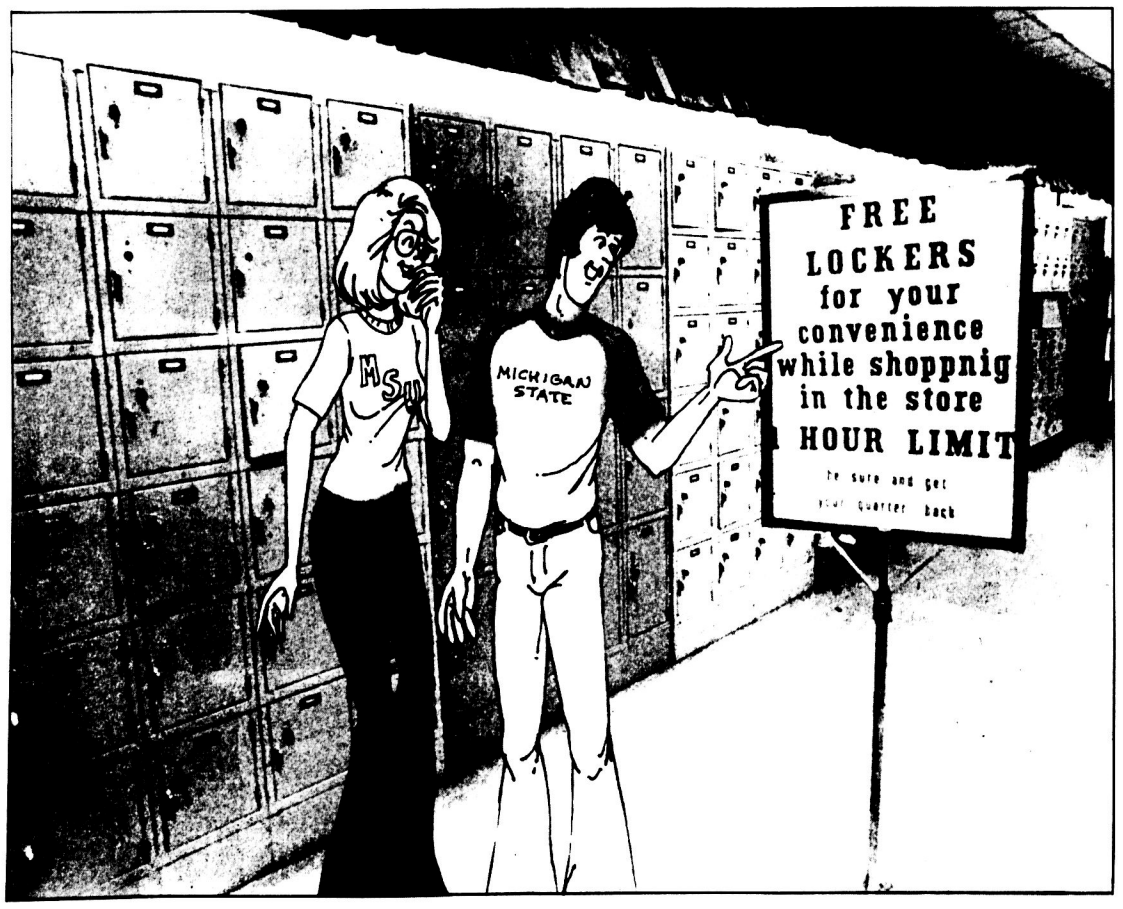

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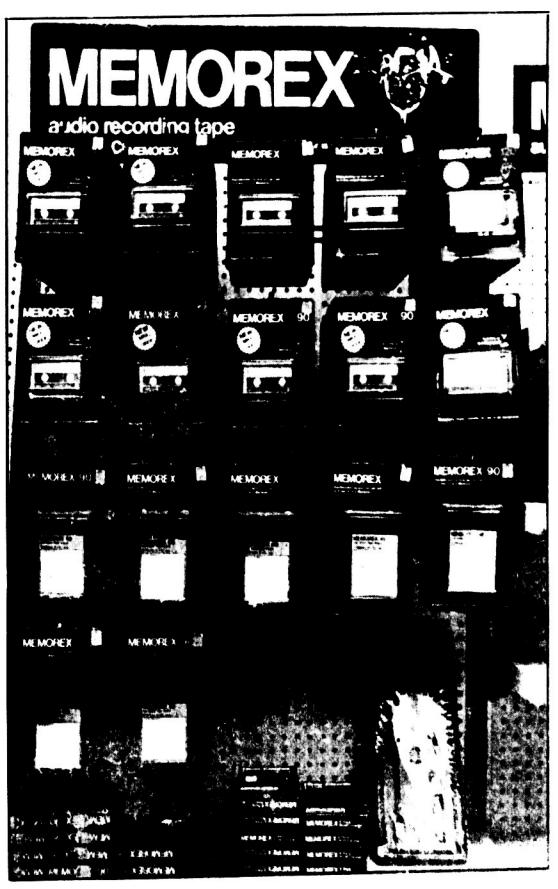

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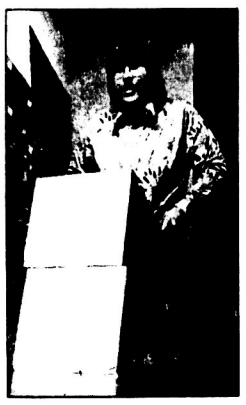

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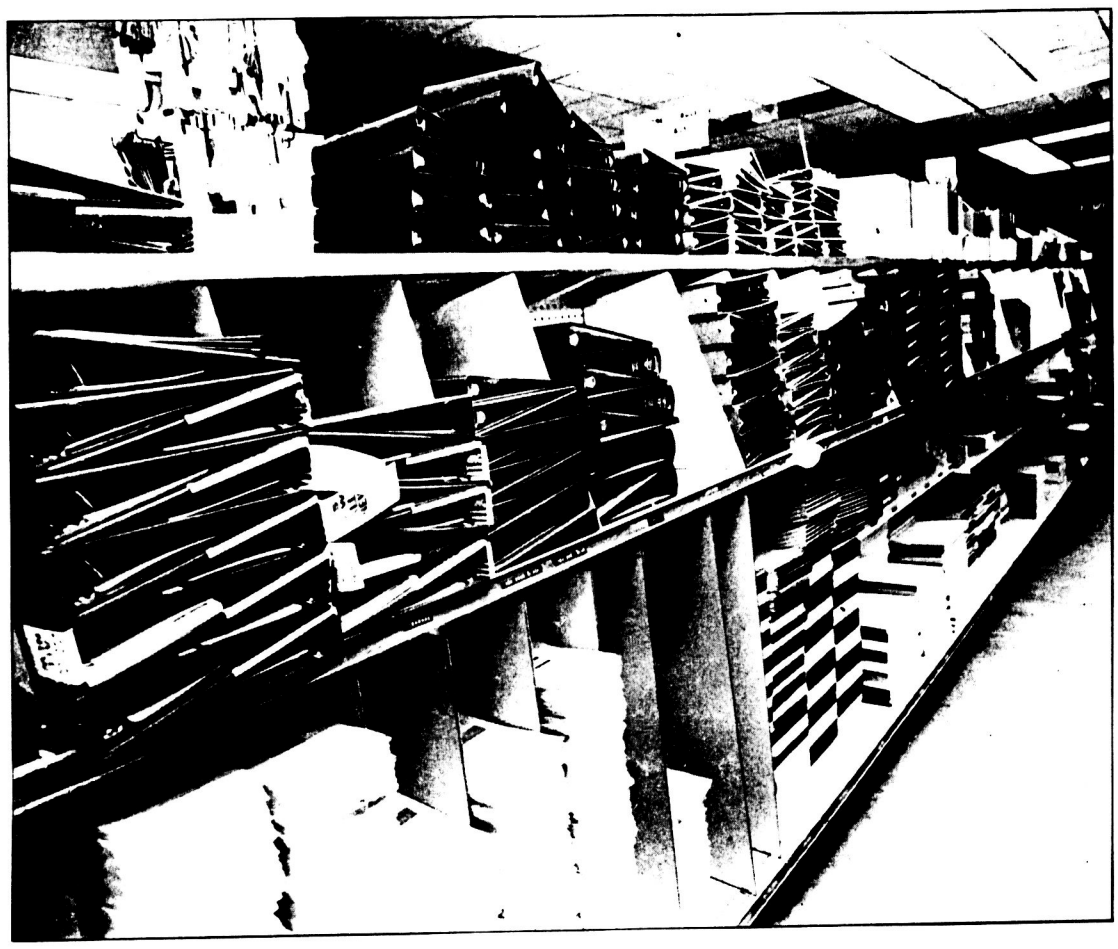

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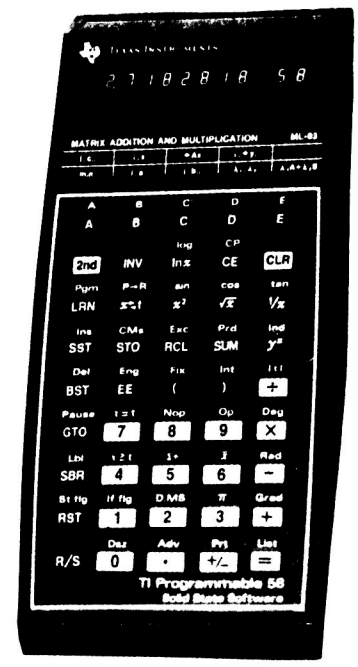

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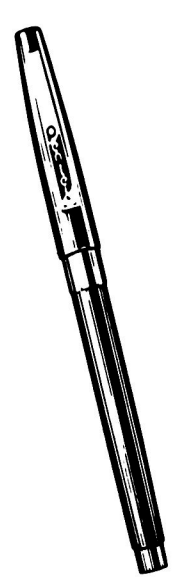

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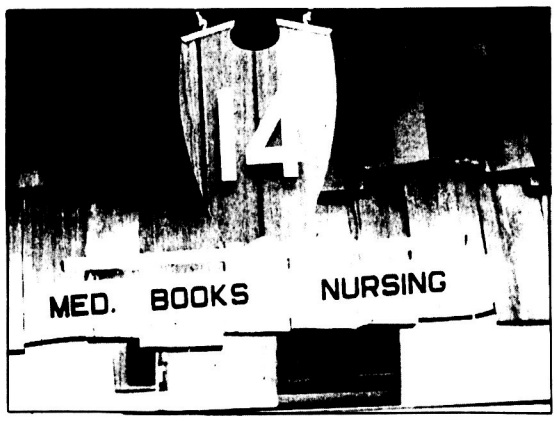

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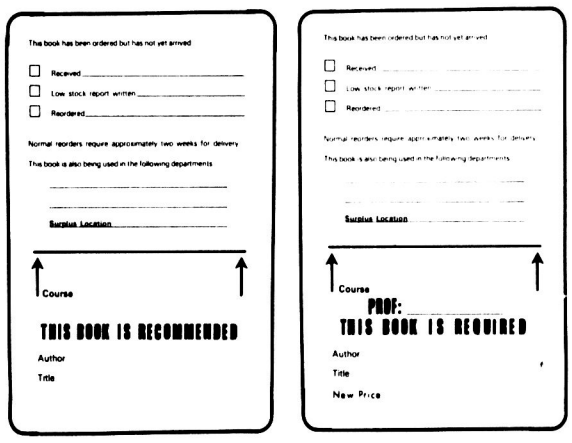

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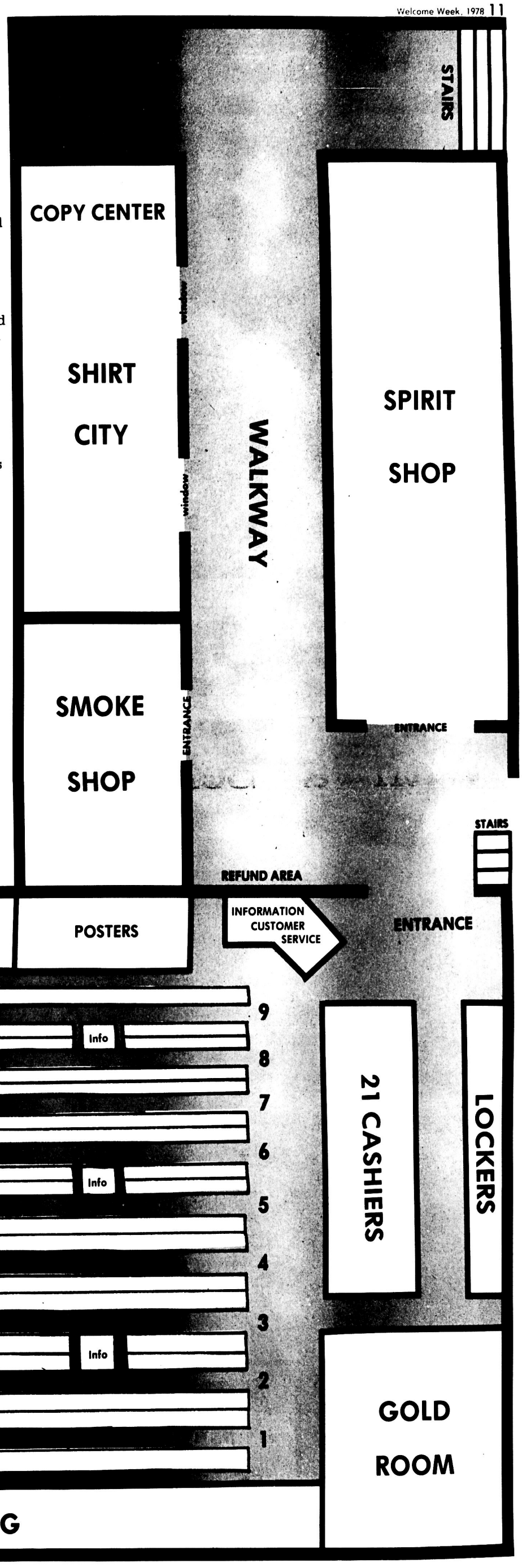

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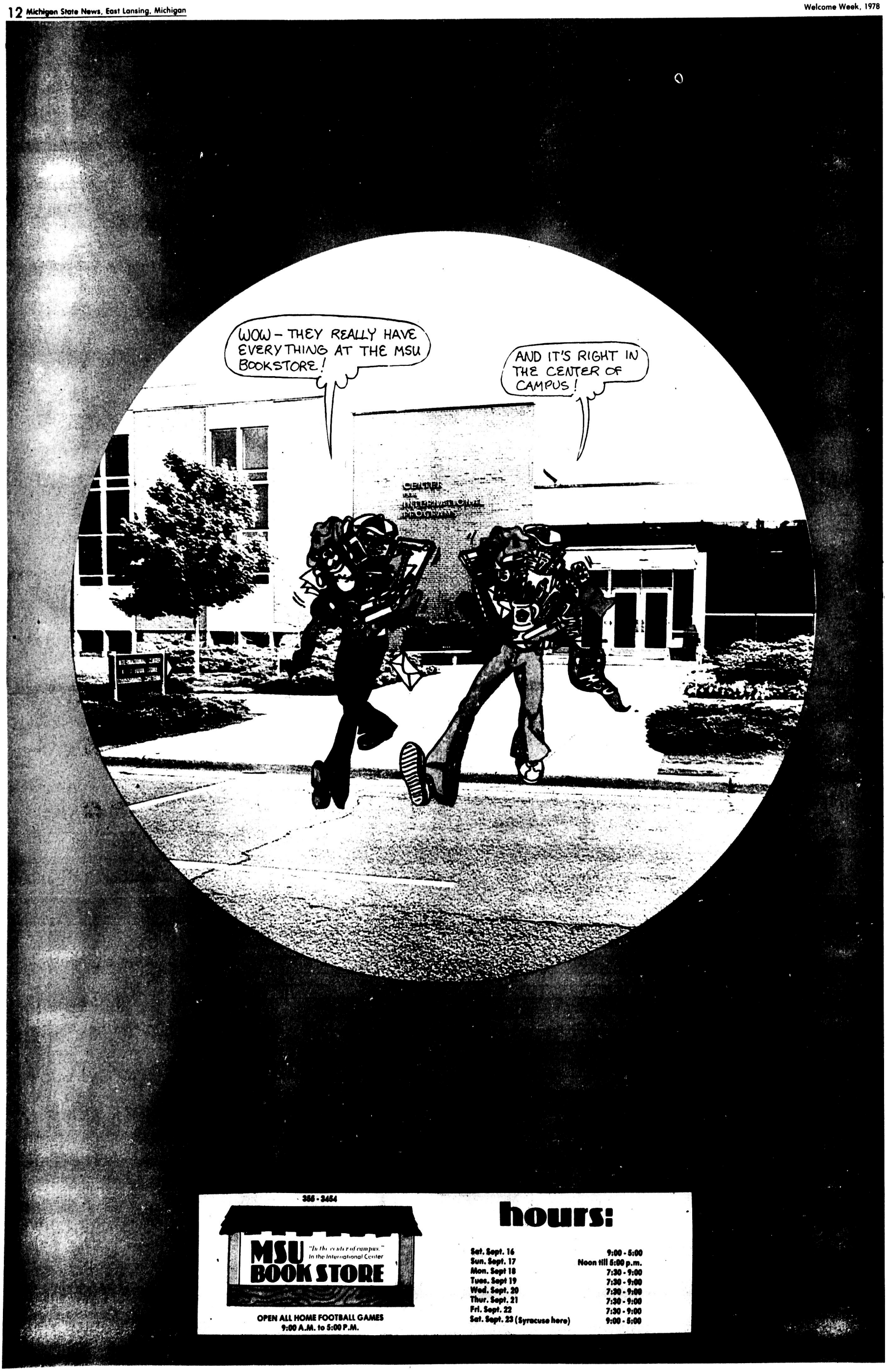

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