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FRATERNITY INITIATIONS

Hell Week has started in the various fraternity houses and for the next ten days the sight of bedraggled freshmen in various and sundry poses will not be unusual. About 200 freshmen will forego sleep for a week and subject themselves to all sorts of indignities for the sake of sharing the rights and privileges of what have you of their respective fraternities.

Instructors will be greeted by sleepy-eyed freshmen who will exhibit little or no interest in class discussions and will probably think miserable for several days. This matter appears to be one of the big drawbacks of fraternity initiations. Many freshmen get-started poorly in their winter terms work due to the energy and time wasted in the grueling trials of initiation. A lot of fraternities spend too much time in making their respective house feelish and draw out their initiations over too great a period of time, when they could give their pledges a few days of concentrated hard work that would be remembered and would not put in on their classroom work.

Of course we do not advocate any wild, wild, party ten initiations. We think that the freshmen should be made to feel the hardness of their position and that they should get their paddings, but we do think that some of this has been overdone in the past. Fraternity life and initiations occupy an important niche in college life but they should not conflict with classroom or athletic activities. We hope that the chairmen of the various initiating committees will not forget that their pledges have to keep up their studies and that they should be given a chance to hit their books.

We also would like to make a suggestion to some of the instructors. It would be an act of mercy to some poor frog going through initiation if one of his instructors would be a little bit lenient on him during the next week or ten days. A little cooperation may

be the means of saving some of these men who would undoubtedly get far behind in their studies during the week. We hope that some time, some where, a happy medium in initiations will be found so that a freshman can be shown the mysteries of a fraternity without interfering with his college life activities.

FRESHMEN

There are several hundred freshmen on this campus who think that because they have passed one term of college work they are entitled to the rights and privileges of upper classmen. Although the hostilities between freshmen and sophomores were officially closed at the barbecue last fall, the freshmen were not excused from obedience to campus traditions.

Freshmen this term have flagrantly violated every campus rule and tradition with impunity. Only a few of the first year men are wearing their hats and very few are obeying the tradition concerning campus walks. We don't know why it is that the freshmen this year are not wearing the regalia of their class. Perhaps they are ashamed of the fact that they are members of the largest class to ever enroll at Michigan State. Perhaps the hat does not accentuate their good looks. Perhaps the wearing of a hat cuts into their cute cutting up periods.

Whatever the reason, the freshmen are all wrong. If they think that because the hat-hat was buried last fall they can violate traditions with impunity this term, then they are in for a sad awakening. It is time that a lot of freshmen learned their proper places on the campus and if the sophomores are not equal to the task of subordinating the fresh, more drastic measures will be taken.

A few years ago, a large, well-organized, capably led freshmen class played havoc with the traditions and the sophomores during winter term. The upper classmen endured the insubordination for a little while but soon decided to teach the fresh a lesson. They organized one night and assaulted the freshmen, with the result that every first year man was given a nice cold bath in the wintry waters of the Red Cedar. A more drastic lunch of freshmen could not be found after that fateful night.

The upper classmen are still in command of this campus and if the freshmen dispute this fact, let them keep on violating the traditions, etc. When they crawl out of the icy water of the Red Cedar, some one of these cold nights they will begin to realize that a freshman is a freshman for three terms and not for one. It would be a lot better for the yearlings if they would come to this realization without an immersion.

Campus Forum

CRITICIZES PHYSICAL ED

You remember all the type that was used up in the News last term debating the subject of compulsory military training? Of course you do and you've heard that they are going to continue debating over the question again this term. But just what good are we getting out of it anyway? Of course it's a big asset to the News staff having all that stuff to fill space but it isn't getting anybody anywhere, considering that this idea of compulsory training is being carried through congress. Why look to the days when Michigan was merely a part of the Northwest Territory. That is, it happened then under no history is going back on me. But here's a question I have to bring up which is purely local and upon which we may have a little influence. As far as military training is concerned, I'm all for it but the idea of required physical education is the bunk in a great many respects.

In all in favor of a little recreation and athletic now and then and I firmly believe a fellow should have a certain amount of that sort of thing, but consider a moment some of the general and partial sides of the question. For a week those who have to take the stuff dash over to the gym and climb into their gym suits. This takes them until at least a quarter past the hour. At about 20 minutes past the class gets under way and the boys are either sent outside to

MAKE PROGRESS IN START OF HOTEL MANAGEMENT COURSE

Rapid progress is being made in preparations for the installation of the new hotel management course to be offered at Michigan State.

This last week-end, at the meeting of the steering committee held at the Hotel Statler in Detroit in the interests of hotel management courses, a number of Michigan State faculty members and students were present. Among those who attended the meeting were Dean John Phelan, Dean G. W. Russell, Dean E. S. Ryder, Prof. L. C. Emmons, Dean John Krueger, and Clyde Olin.

The results of this committee meeting proved favorable and the new course was thoroughly discussed by those present.

It is estimated that for a certain period of time, about 20 minutes of the hour and then they are dismissed in order to get ready for their next class. Those of them who have towels take a shower and thus they profit by a bath at least. Thus they work a perfectly good hour for 15 or 20 minutes of rather slight exercise. Of course I suppose that is the best way to get all right, but here, here is the thing that caused my mind to rebellion and stern criticism.

Last term you remember soccer was introduced on the campus for the first time as an active sport. For the first few meetings of physical ed the sophomores were required to kick a soccer ball around and this several men were sent over to the soccer squad and that was quite all right. But later, mind you, when the first cold breath of winter was felt upon the campus, we were required to sit in a stuffy lecture room and listen to lectures on the rules and regulations of soccer. That was what we were handed in the way of a little exercise. Just a case of going from one lecture to another, and the worst of it was we had to take a final exam on the stuff. I suggest that a vital change be made in such system and if we must have physical ed, let us have a short 20 minutes of setting up exercise, but restrain yourselves from giving us more lectures. That's not the kind of physical ed we want. If another sports can be found for such a condition, we after the foregoing suggestion. That those of us who have one class in the new armory and the following class in Hart or the Dairy building be given physical ed credit for kicking.

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And make her think you really love her, too;
If you can trust yourself to hear her crying,
And make allowances for its effect on you;
If you can wait and not get tired of waiting,
Then out her cooking with a smiling face,
While listening to her old epitaphizing
About a new dress trimmed in Spanish lace;
If you can dream them from your dreams depart,
If you can think and keep your thoughts within you,
If you can meet with an old-time sweetheart

keeping still the image of your wife in view;
If you can hear the earnest words and say you've spoken,
Twisted by her to make them sound absurd,
Or see your fondest hopes lie broken
And never say a mean or a cross word;
If you can make one heap of all your whinnies,
And give it all to her when you get home;
If you can hear her tales from the beginning
And set not before the end begin to moon;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve her, your master, until the end,
And never show what longings lie within you,
And seem to feel the love that you pretend;
If you can let her talk and you keep quiet,
And never lose your temper at each touch;
If you can stay out late and then deny it,
And pretty girls don't interest you much;
If you can spend every single minute
In letting her have plenty of good fun,
Then matrimony's yours, for what there's in it—
You'll be one husband in a million.

JOHNSTON GIVES FIRST OF SERIES OF SUNDAY TALKS

At the request of the men's class of the Peoples church, Professor W. W. Johnston of the English department was the initial speaker of a forthcoming series of talks Sunday noon.

Professor Johnston has charge of the program of speakers before this group in the future and he has invited many interesting and varied speakers for the occasion. Other speakers already chosen are Rev. R. M. Pratt who will speak on the relation of Egypt, Professor J. C. DeHaan who will speak on the influence of Greek thought on early Christianity and Professor I. P. Waddo who will talk on the inward spirit and outward form of Roman Catholicism.

THE COLLEGIATE LIZZIE

This is the collegiate lizzie, these with squeaking springs and loose doors; Without any top and painted so bright, rattling down the street. Moves with painful pauses, as if old and tired. Moves with shivering body, with sparse fire dragging along. Land from its rickety hinges the gases, whose exhalations, Spokes, and in rickety coughing, answers the walls from within. This is the collegiate lizzie, but where are its days of youth, As it spins gracefully along as the gas was applied by the owner. Where are the brass-trimmed head lights, the eyes that were so bright, Eyes that woke up every shadow, and died by a puff of wind? Lighted by a match of the owner of that beautiful shiny machine. Bartered and turned out still moving, this is the collegiate lizzie. Earl Warburton

THE STORM

The night was dark, and damp, and dreary;
The howling wind screamed, "Storm is nigh."
Meanwhile, the moon had gotten weary
Watching the world from her throne on high.

Then 'cross the sky the lightning shone
And by its ghastly pallid lights,
Disclosed the green of a freshman's gown
Which perched on one of State's young knights.

With roll and ronn, the thunder came
Like vengeful gods to wreck the world
And maim alike the good and vain
Who dared to breast the tempest whirl.

Now on that porch two forms are seen
Huddled and cowed in hopeless fear,
Where first the freshman pot did gleam,
Oh, Hark! What is that moan you hear?

The sighing wind in the old birch tree,
The warning moan of vengeful fate,
Which the doomed couple can not see,
The two forms stiffen and seem to wait!

With one long agonized cry,
The young man panted and dropped
His head,
Then turned away with mournful sigh,
As twelve strokes warned the young crowd.

Gladys C. Morse

PROF. COFFMAN TO ADDRESS LANSING CLUB WEDNESDAY

Professor J. C. Coffman of the psychology and philosophy department of the college will address the Lansing Club members at the Y. W. Club rooms on Wednesday afternoon. The meeting will commence at 8:00 p. m. and will be open to all members of the club.

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SOCIETY

Campus Activities Quiet Down As Society Initiations Begin

Society initiations began at various times last Saturday or Sunday through the week. Aside from these, the campus presented a quiet social program with only the Union party and the Hillsdale college basketball game of general interest.

The "Winter Wrestling" as the first winter term Union party was called, drew a large crowd. Hod Draper's State Blue Blowers played. A unique and pleasing idea for decoration was carried out in using black and white crepe paper draped from the ceiling in the ballroom, and wound around the pillars like streamers.

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AT STATE, THURSDAY ONLY

"Shanghai Bound" Romantic Melodrama of Modern China

As a timely and dramatic play, the new Paramount picture "Shanghai Bound" which reaches the State theater next Thursday.

"Shanghai Bound" is a romantic melodrama set along the Yangtze river in China and China is "in the news" daily.

For months scarcely a day has passed without some headline such as "Marines Land in Shanghai" or "War"

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VARSITY FORMAL PARTY MARCH 3

Annual Affair to Be Held in Olds Hotel Following J-Hop.

The date of the annual Varsity club formal party has been set for Saturday night, March 3 and will follow the J-Hop as has been the case for many years.

The grand ballroom of the Hotel Olds has been secured and the decorations and setting will be the same for the Varsity shindig as for the J-Hop on the preceding night.

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Wery Athletic Ada

Dear people: In the name of God, Amen, I, Athletic Ada, being of sound mind and body of heck, this is the wrong column for that stuff.

After giving first aid to the ice, the victim tries again, this time being supported by brave friends who cannot withstand the consequences of upholding a mania on skates.

Skating is an ideal sport, designed to develop grace and muscular coordination. Yeah, did you ever see a 200 pounder strap on the lockers for the first time in his life?

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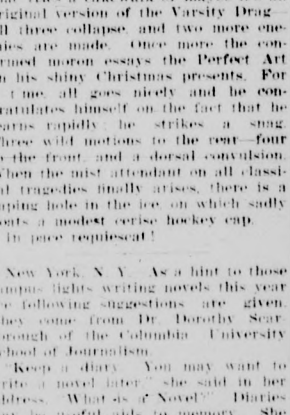
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AT THE STATE THEATRE TODAY AND WEDNESDAY



LILLIAN OSH and NORMAN HARRY in ANNIE LAURIE

Attendance at the 10th meeting of the Michigan Press Association, which closed here for Jan. 20-21, 28, is expected to run the 300 mark.

Several well known speakers will address the convention according to L. W. Feighner of Nashville who has charge of the meeting.

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Richard Dix in the Paramount Picture "Shanghai Bound"

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USE TWO TEAMS

State Takes Lead Early in Evening and Displays Speedy Combination.

Displaying but few spurts of speed the Michigan State basketball five easily defeated the Hillsdale college team in a tilt played on the Spartan floor Saturday evening by a score of 58 to 24.

An entirely new lineup was on the floor when the starting whistle was blown. VanZylen and Dickson were at the forward berths, Totten at center, Colvin and Schau at guards. This combination was quick to begin the scoring and stacked up a lead of 10 points before the visitors were able to cage their first basket.

STATE MATMEN GIVEN POLISH

Form Team About Two Men Who Scored in A. A. U. Last Year.

With the first wrestling meet scheduled for Saturday with the Lawrence college team of Wisconsin, Coach Ralph Leonard is now rounding out the Michigan State wrestling squad.

Coach Leonard has two Michigan A. A. U. wrestling champions around which to build his 1928 team. They are Captain Landsburg at 145 pounds and Ferrari in the heavyweight class.

Wrestling meets have been scheduled with three western conference opponents besides several other strong teams from outside of the state. In the state at least two colleges will send teams against the Spartans. Two teams will meet the Western State Teachers and a meet has been scheduled with Ypsilanti Normal. Also State will meet the University of Michigan with two teams.

The schedule as announced Saturday is as follows:

Jan. 14 Lawrence college of Wisconsin at East Lansing.

Jan. 20 University of Chicago at Chicago.

Jan. 21 Armour Tech at Chicago (pending).

Jan. 28 Ohio State at East Lansing (pending).

Feb. 1 Western State Teachers (two teams) at East Lansing.

Feb. 4 University of Michigan (two teams) at Ann Arbor.

Feb. 11 Ypsilanti Normal (replace undecided).

Feb. 15 Michigan second team at East Lansing.

Feb. 18 Ohio University of Athens at Athens, Ohio.

Missouri Valley trip (pending).

FENCING TEAMS TO BE CONDUCTED OFFICIALLY

For the first time in the history of Michigan State athletics, fencing will be conducted on an official basis. A schedule has been arranged which includes meets with the University of Michigan, Ohio State, Northwestern University and several other strong colleges.

Coach Joseph Waffa has been drilling a large squad all the fall term and is remodeling his teams into shape for the opening bouts.

The schedule is arranged as follows:

Jan. 11 Varsity and freshmen tournament.

Jan. 21 Varsity and freshmen vs Michigan at Ann Arbor.

Jan. 28 Varsity and freshmen vs Detroit Fencing club at East Lansing.

Feb. 11 Ohio Wesleyan at Delaware, Ohio.

Feb. 18 Ohio State at East Lansing (pending).

Feb. 21 Northwestern university at Evanston, Ill. (pending).

Feb. 25 Chicago university at Chicago (pending).

March 2 Varsity and freshmen vs Michigan at East Lansing.

March 10 Varsity and freshmen vs Detroit Fencing club at Detroit.

Five tossed four baskets while holding the visitors without a point.

The game was played in rather a listless manner but proved to be a good workout for the Spartans. Twelve men were used in the fray.

Dickson was the high point man of the game, although he and VanZylen were only used in part of the game.

Dickson scored eight field goals and one free shot for a total of 17 points, while VanZylen scored 14 points to be second high man.

The teamwork of Dickson and VanZylen featured the floor work of the Spartans. At center Totten showed up well while Red Colvin and Schau did some nice guarding.

Greve made his first appearance on the State five when he was substituted in the last part of the first half for Dickson.

This fast little sophomore has been out of the game for several weeks because of injuries sustained early in the season in practice.

State has a hard job out and this week. They will meet the strong University of Detroit five on the State floor on Friday evening. Last season

WEATHER DELAYS INDOOR TRACK HOCKEY PLAYERS SCHEDULE FULL

Lack of Ice Will Probably Force Postponement of Michigan Game.

Coach John Kobs has been anxiously watching the thermometer for the past few days hoping that the weather will turn cold enough so that his hockey team can play the first games on their schedule. Michigan was scheduled to appear at the State rink today but due to the recent spell of warm weather this meet had to be cancelled.

Another game is scheduled for Saturday afternoon, but if freezing temperature is not forthcoming in a day or so this game will also go by the boards.

The University of Minnesota is scheduled to meet the Spartan sextette next Monday but if there is no ice there will be no game.

A few practice sessions have been held before the thaw but at present the entire rink needs to be reflooded. Progress is good for a winning team this season and if weather conditions permit Coach Kobs should develop a good combination.

Captain Hancock, last season's captain, Hauptli, Kennedy, Harper and Burris are all veterans while Plaut and Masore are two likely looking newcomers. A good schedule has been arranged and everything now depends upon the weather.

The Spartans won one and lost one with the Detroit five.

The box score:

HILLSDALE	F	T	P
Greve, F.	0	0	0
Johnson, F.	2	0	4
Wagner, F.	0	3	3
Hoove, C.	6	1	13
Allender, G.	2	0	4
Vos, G.	0	0	0

MICHIGAN STATE

F	T	P	
VanZylen, F.	6	2	14
Dickson, F.	8	1	17
Shenholm, F.	1	1	3
Greve, F.	0	0	0
Hood, F.	0	0	0
Eldred, F.	0	0	0
Totten, C.	2	2	6
Don Herder, C.	1	2	4
Colvin, G.	3	0	6
Schau, G.	2	0	4
McGillivuddy, G.	2	0	4
Russo, G.	0	0	0

Two Dual Meets and Three Intercollegiate Contests Included.

Two dual meets and three intercollegiate contests are the bright spots of the Michigan State indoor track schedule as was announced by Athletic Director Ralph Young. In addition State may be represented at one of the big southern relays.

Should the Michigan A. A. U. consider championships be run off the week of February 11, Coach Young will send a team to Detroit in an effort to retain the state crown won last year. As yet the date has not been decided.

Despite the loss of Grim and Albee Michigan still expects to win the indoor track meet at Detroit. Coach Young hopes to develop sufficient speed out of the squad to justify sending a few men to one of the southern meets next spring. Last year the Spartans won the quarter mile and half mile relays at both Rice and Texas, setting new marks in every event.

This year Coach Young favors sending men to Georgia Tech relays at Atlanta.

Dual meets will be with Marquette, a traditional enemy, and Wesleyan.

The schedule follows:

January 21 Freshman-Sophomore meet at East Lansing.

January 28 Interfraternity meet at East Lansing.

COMPLETE 1928 GRID SCHEDULE

Eight Games to Be Played With Only Two Away from Home.

Three intercollegiate games will feature the home schedule of the State football team for 1928, according to Athletic Director Ralph M. Young.

Mississippi A. and M. college has replaced Butler university and the Chicago Y. M. C. A. college has been given a date in place of Ohio university. Butler and the Ohio school, although operating on a two-year agreement with the Spartans, were unable to accept any of the dates State offered and surrendered their contract for the games.

College university and a second southern school, North Carolina State, will supply two more intercollegiate struggles.

The new lineup means that State will have six games at East Lansing and two away. The two engagements

on foreign grids are with the University of Michigan and the University of Detroit. This means that followers of the Spartans may see their team play every game next season without traveling more than a couple of hundred miles from this city.

Harry Kipke, new Spartan coach, has expressed satisfaction with the schedule. The six games at home will afford an opportunity to build up a strong college following for the team and to away with the inconceivable of making long jumps.

The schedule is divided into two sections, opening on Sept. 29 State will meet Kalamazoo and then Albion, Chicago Y. and top off the first half with Colgate. The team will then have a two week training period before starting the hardest section of the schedule as Oct. 27 has been left open purposely. Starting with the Mississippi team on November 3, the Spartans must meet Detroit, Michigan and North Carolina State in order to complete the schedule.

The completed schedule follows: Sept. 29 Kalamazoo college at East Lansing; Oct. 6 Albion college at East Lansing; Oct. 13 Chicago Y. M. C. A. college at East Lansing; Oct. 20 Colgate university at East Lansing; Oct. 27 permanently open; Nov. 3 Mississippi A. and M. college at East Lansing; Nov. 10 University of Michigan at Ann Arbor; Nov. 17 University of Michigan at Ann Arbor; Nov. 24 North Carolina State college at East Lansing.

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