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Today's Campus

Lost or Hiding?

Upset to learn from a civilian that a mutual friend had been lost in action, a conscientious Sigma Kappa thought she should write one of the soldier's friends, in case he had not heard. The letter went out in a rush, and a reply hurried back. "I was very sorry to hear that Harding has been lost—I didn't know the action was that terrific in North Carolina."

He Was Lost, Too

Clay Egner, economics instructor, introduced to his economics class the subject of management programs. In a complex attempt to clarify the matter he continued his explanation for 15 or 20 third minutes. Tangled in the maze of his own explanation he asked his class, in bewilderment, "Let's see, what was I talking about?"

Faculty Quartet to Play for Tea

At the musical portion of the second musical-exhibition-tea, jointly sponsored by the music and departments, the faculty quartet will play a chamber music recital Sunday at 4 p. m. in the music auditorium.

The string players, who are members of the music faculty, will be Professors Romeo Schmitt, violin; Julius Stulberg, piano; William Sur, viola; and Alexander Schuster, cello. They will play the

Students, and coeds especially, are needed to fill paying positions as State News carriers. Persons interested should contact Jane Walker, circulation manager, in the State News office, room 8, Union annex.

March by D Major, Op. 64, No. 10 by Haydn.

The current art exhibit features the work of two resident artists, Doris Lee and Arnold Danvers. The doors to the art gallery will be opened at 2:30 p. m. and will be served after the concert.

House Fails to Pass Federal Ballot Bill for Servicemen

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (AP)—The house rejected tonight administration-backed legislation to provide a uniform federal ballot for service men and women, and proceeded toward passage of a bill leaving the soldier's machinery in the hands of the states.

The vote was 215 to 164. It was by yeas, the house previously having voted against a roll call record on the bill by Chairman Warley (D-Texas) of the elections committee setting up the war ballot.

This was the issue on which President Roosevelt, in a special message to congress last week, said every member "ought to be willing in justice to stand up and be counted." Mr. Roosevelt supported the Warley bill, and termed the so-called "states rights" measure "a fraud on the soldiers and sailors and marines."

Red Offensive Traps Nazis in Ukraine

Germans Admit Losing Rovno, Lutsk in Deep Polish Withdrawal

LONDON, Feb. 3 (AP)—Premier Marshall Stalin announced tonight that ten German divisions—probably between 120,000 and 150,000 men—have been trapped by a new double-headed Red army offensive in the Ukraine, while Berlin announced the sudden evacuation of Rovno and Lutsk in a sensational 50-mile axis withdrawal deep inside old Poland.

Spring the greatest trap since Stalingrad, the first and second Ukraine armies under Generals Nikolai F. Vatutin and Ivan S. Konev captured 300 towns and villages in a shattering five-day 100-mile break through to join forces along the Zvenigorodka-Shpola line, 45 miles below the middle Dnieper river. The ten German divisions were locked in a circular pocket approximately 50 miles in diameter. They now face annihilation. It seemed unlikely the German command could muster sufficient reserves to break the Soviet ring, engaged heavily as it is on virtually every sector of the long eastern front.

To the north, the Russian Leningrad army under Gen. Leonid A. Govorov, converging on Narva, seven miles inside Estonia, captured 50 more villages, said the daily Soviet communique. Gains also were reported in the drive westward from Novgorod and Novosokolniki all along the 230-mile northern front.

Spotlight to Shine on Mary Mayo

Mary Mayo dormitory will be spotlighted tomorrow afternoon at the second Union board tea dance of the term, according to Chairman Bob Latzell, N. Y. senior. The new AST band will furnish music for dancing from 3:30 to 5:30 p. m.

Women from the dorms will present a program during intermission, under the direction of Social Chairman Donna Morton, and Joan Hint, Oakfield, N. Y. junior. The program will feature piano selections, singing, and a comedy skit with Barbara Chandler, Muskegon, freshman, as master of ceremonies.

Following the entertainment, officers from the two dorms will be presented.

The dance, which is a non-date affair, is open to the AST, aircrewmembers and ROTCs as well as civilians.

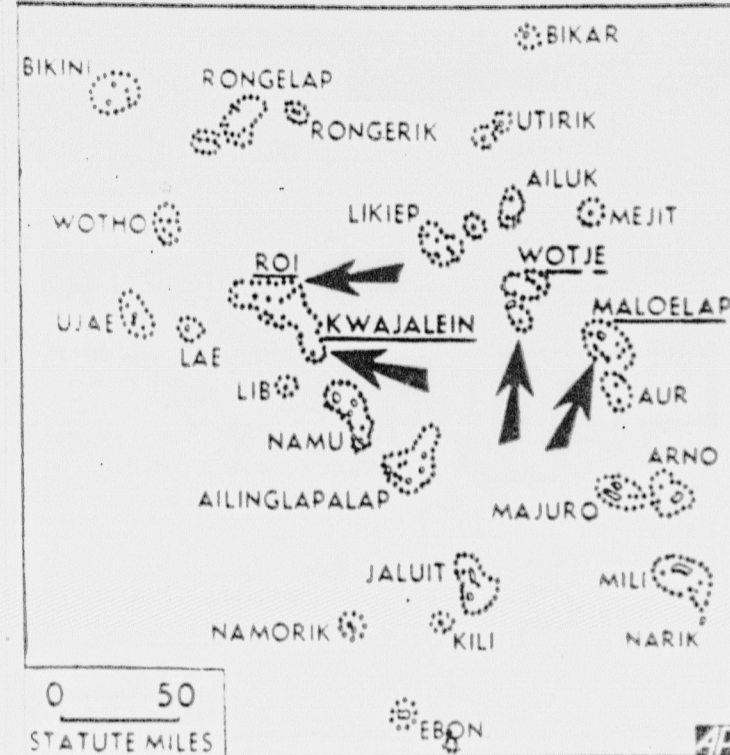
Home Ec Student-Faculty Relations Committee Aims for Cooperation

Promotion of better student-faculty relations is not a new idea in the Home Economics division. Since April, 1942, when the first student-faculty relations committee was organized, that group has proved to be an excellent instrument in bringing student viewpoints to the faculty and creating a better understanding between the two groups.

Originally represented on the committee were four faculty members, Dean Marie Dye, a freshman and a sophomore delegate, and one student representative from each department in the Home Ec division.

Discusses Future
Later, it was decided to have a departmental representative from both the junior and senior classes. The committee now is

Americans Strengthen Marshall Stand With Capture of Namur



Arrows indicate Kwajalein atoll and Roi islands of the Kwajalein atoll where American troops have made initial landings in their mission of the Marshall islands. Underlined Jap bases were pounded heavily by a Yank naval task force before the landings.

Veteran Columnist Raymond Clapper Dies in Plane Crash in Marshalls

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (AP)—Raymond Clapper, whose tireless energy as a reporter won him the title of "the newspaperman's columnist," has been killed in a plane crash over the Marshall islands—victim of his own belief that the only way to write a wartime column was to see some of the war first-hand.

The navy's announcement that Clapper was a passenger in one of two planes that collided crashed into a lagoon and left no survivors, immediately evoked expressions of regret from many high Washington officials who knew the writer and radio commentator for a score of years.

President Roosevelt, in a letter to Mrs. Clapper, said the tragedy emphasizes once more the constant peril in which correspondents do their work in this war. It was characteristic of Ray's fidelity to the great traditions of reporting that the navy's work should find him at the scene of action for first-hand facts in the thick of the fight.

What may have been Clapper's last words were: "See CLAPPER—Page 3"

U. S. Fighting Political War, False Optimism Runs High, Says Brock

"The war as I see it is a political war and is growing increasingly so," said Ray Brock, foreign correspondent for the New York Times and guest speaker of the program closing Farmers Week last night in college auditorium.

Except for a few tough scraps, we haven't begun to fight the real military war. The American public is fast to take up the air of optimism on the outcome of this war when there is, as yet, no basis for it.

He further contended that Russian policies must be handled frankly by the United States and that without supplies from this country, the Red army could never have taken Kiev or been in a position to menace the Balkans. "The Red army is one to be admired," he stated, "but all is not what it might be with her totalitarian government."

Stressing the stupidity of the present censorship system, he made particular reference to the condition existing in Cairo.

Union Board to Offer Civilian Dance Tonight

Answering the demand for more civilian social activities, Union board will sponsor an informal dance in the Union ballroom tonight, according to Betty Simpson, board president.

To meet the change in women's hours, the dance will be held from 8:45 to 11:45 with Gene DeVine and his orchestra furnishing the music. Tickets may be obtained at the Union desk.

The dance, which is a non-date affair, is open to the AST, air corps and ROTCs as well as all civilians.

Kwajalein Island Battle Reveals Jap Fatalities High

PEARL HARBOR, Feb. 3 (AP)—The fourth division of marines has captured Namur island in Kwajalein atoll, wiping out enemy troops which had been pushed into the extreme northern portion of the island.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced this today and also said several islands adjacent to Namur had been stormed and captured. Resistance continues in Kwajalein island at the southern tip of the atoll, but "we have landed troops and mechanized equipment in force, and are proceeding with annihilation of the enemy," the communique said.

Jap Losses Announced
A spokesman for the admiral added that the known Japanese dead on Kwajalein island alone, as of last night, totaled 1,250, of an estimated initial garrison of 2,000.

American known dead on the same island, as of last night, were 27, with nine missing and 190 wounded.

This is a remarkable ratio of about 46 Japanese dead to one American.

Islands Taken
The enemy counterattacked Tuesday night on Kwajalein island but was dispersed with heavy losses.

Seizure of Namur followed by one day the capture of Roi, which is connected to it by a narrow strip of land and a causeway. The new victory gives Americans full opportunity to repair and use the three-strip Red airfield.

1893 Class Secretary Dies Yesterday at Sparrow Hospital

Luther H. Baker, secretary of the class of 1893, died yesterday morning following a heart attack. Baker had been in Sparrow hospital in a serious condition since he was stricken while lunching Monday, according to Glen O. Stewart, alumni director.

Baker was president of the Friends of the Library of Michigan State college, an organization aiming to enlarge the library. Formerly mayor of East Lansing, he was also president of the Michigan Millers Insurance Co. at the time of his death. Baker's home is at 205 Delta street, East Lansing. He is survived by a wife and two sons. His funeral will be held tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. at Esles Leadership parlors.

TIME TABLE

- TODAY—
- SWL dance class, 7:30 p. m. Union ballroom
 - Newcomers' club, 8 p. m. Faculty dining room, Union
 - Town Girls' club, 8 p. m. Town girls' lounge, Union
 - Union board dance, 8:45 p. m. Union ballroom
 - YWCA cabinet, 7 p. m. Peoples church
 - Elementary ed, 7 p. m. Forestry cabin

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THE LESS SAID

By NEVA ACKERMAN

NEWS ABOUT the "unfortunate incident" at Wednesday's student council meeting spread itself all over campus yesterday in a conversational buzz that is phenomenal in the present era of "quiet politics."

But this incident is worth some explaining because already it has become gnarled up in its travels around the campus.

The council meeting Wednesday had all the appearances of a regular meeting and the usual business matters were discussed. Then, to the surprise of most council members, a paper was presented entitled "questions on which the student council seeks additional information." On this sheet were nine questions directed at Student Council Pres. Gordon Hueschen concerning the practices of his office.

Since most council members knew nothing about the questions they could not have represented the general feeling of the council members. Perhaps one or two of the group were "in" on it but the matter was presented in a false light as expressing council opinion.

The paper was said to have come from an anonymous source to be given through council members. It was also said that these charges were only intended to get an explanation from Hueschen on some of his policies but it was quite evident that he was being put on the spot. It was quite definitely an attempt at impeachment proceedings.

The charges were, for the most part, childish and without basis. They gave the impression that someone felt that Hueschen was pulling a "fast one" yet he was cleared by his own explanation and backed by members.

It looked as if the questioners were either misinformed or were deliberately starting something. If there were any questions in the minds of anyone, they could have as easily asked the president for an explanation but most of these questions didn't even deserve an answer.

The nine charges ranged from misappropriations of council funds to illegal elections and tampering with penny votes for Mardi Gras queen.

Hueschen was accused of trying to convince the council that the Blue Key should put on a dance March 4 which the seniors wanted but could not get because they were not organized "due to the council's late elections."

It was shown that the council had at a previous meeting decided that the seniors would be given preference but other organizations could present bids since the seniors were not organized.

Blue Key and Alpha Chi Omega presented such bids and re-

ceived favorable attention because they had organization. However, the council did vote to give first choice to the disorganized senior class. Thus this argument went up in smoke.

Another question found lacking in evidence was the complaint about pay which Hueschen received for doing council work during Christmas vacation. But it was shown in the minutes of the last meeting in December that the council agreed to pay him for the work he did if he came back early. His time card had been punched in the Dean of Men's office for all the time he worked, so everything was legal.

The attack was also made that IFC members had little respect for the Spartan Victory Loan fund because it was being put on by Gordon Hueschen.

Members of IFC pointed out that, in the first place the fund was started last year and was merely being continued by the council and furthermore that a fraternity man was at the head of the fund.

IFC members present reported that they did not oppose it nor have any disrespect for it. IFC has a fund of its own and for that reason didn't contribute to the SVLF.

At another time the question of paying for a gavel for the president was brought up and it was pointed out that the order was made out as a matter of course by the secretary who had no idea it would be questioned.

These are a few of the questions brought up but they are indicative of the general quality. Some of the others had even less basis and the whole thing was pretty much of a farce. It was disgusting to council members.

The attack was not the students vs. Gordon Hueschen nor the council vs. Gordon Hueschen but rather had all the markings of an attempted coup d'etat by persons or group of persons interested in taking over the council leadership.

There was no logic to the accusations. They seemed to be directed at the one aim of "getting Hueschen out of office" not for trying to do any clearing up for the council. It didn't express the general opinion of students, but rather that of a prejudicial few. It earned the name of "dirty politics."

If those who wanted to bring an inquisition intended to lower the position of the president, they missed the point entirely. He got all the more backing and they cut their own political throats.

It is one thing to clean up something if it needs to be cleaned up but it is another to drag someone's name through

In Campus Quarters

By SCOTTIE McNEAL and RO HOWLAND

"SHADES of Kappa Sigma's 'Women in the house'!" So said Granville Sharp, 1940, when he returned to his old haunt. Not only were there women in the house, but they were, of all things, giving a tea Sunday afternoon! The tea was to introduce the new house officers, all freshmen: Barbara Jenkins, Battle Creek, Julie Mackey, Cedarhurst, N.Y., Margaret James, Jackson, and Sally Haas, Plymouth.

The Epsilon Chis were hostesses at a successful coko-tail record party Saturday afternoon which was given for new servicemen on campus.

The LBOM club is once more functioning for all AOPs under 52. The letters stand for "Little—but oh my!" and Louise Osterholt leads all with a mere 49. Another news item from the AOP house is the fact that they have three brand new pledges: Doris Rinehart, Lansing sophomore; Donna Sargent, Lansing freshman; and Jo Smith, East Lansing freshman.

Sunday morning the Kappa Deltas held a breakfast honoring the 13 women who were to be pledged Tuesday night. The following women now wear KD pledge pins: Lucille Albert, Ironwood sophomore; Marilyn Burley, East Lansing sophomore; Rena Cole, Battle Creek sophomore; Louise Castelich, Gary, Ind., sophomore; Barbara Elliott, Royal Oak freshman; and Nora Kolstad, Birmingham freshman.

Others are Zoe Mason, Saginaw freshman; Helen Milham, Kalamazoo junior; Betty Reece, Detroit freshman; Shirley Schmidt, Grand Rapids freshman; Gloria Smith, Posen sophomore; Julianne Truesdale, Buffalo, N.Y., freshman; and Helen Veaser, Iron River sophomore.

Other sororities which have added to their pledge classes recently are the Alpha Gams who pledged Betty Jo Cornish, Standish junior and Marion Farmer, Saginaw sophomore, last night, and the Delta Zetas who presented their diamond-shaped pledge pins to Dorothy Dean, Charlotte freshman; Elaine LaPointe, East Lansing sophomore; Margaret MacKichan, East Lansing junior; and June Palmer, Allen Park freshman.

The Delta Zetas also did a bit of initiating Sunday. The following women are now lighting their way through the world with the Delta Zeta lamp: Lois Banzet, East Lansing sophomore; Edna Mae Fowler, Detroit senior; Jane Hunter, Monroe freshman; Lou Johnson, East Lansing sophomore; June McAuley, Royal Oak freshman; and June Metz, Binghamton, N.Y., freshman.

Six young women of MSC are making postwar plans of marriage in collaboration with their respective fiancés. Doris Vogel, Alpha Gam, has a diamond from Ward Richardson of Ludington and Verda Hendrickson, Sigma Kappa, is displaying one of the same which she received from Pvt. Jack Elliott, Theta Chi. Jack is now with the ASTP at Oklahoma A. and M.

Friday night Grace Kline, Grosse Pointe sophomore, was on the receiving end of a gift of a ring. It was given to her by Sub-Lieutenant Don Crysler, RNVR from Toronto.

Margaret Ann (Mac) Cloon, Wakefield senior, is displaying a love token in the form of a ring from Maurice Richmond, grad of '43, who is now in Akron, O. Fat Wilson, Berrien Springs freshman, now has evidence of the fact that she and First Class Petty Officer Bernard Kesterke are not kidding. Dody Walton, Pontiac senior, is wearing a diamond from Marine Lt. Stanley Watson, out in the Mojave desert, Calif.

Grin and Bear It By Lighty



"That's her reward for being sensible. While all the other girls were busy fainting over radio crooners, she was busy with a husband about her."

THE WOMAN'S WORLD

By LEONE SEASTROM

SWL DANCING CLASS

Hostesses for the aircrew dancing classes sponsored by SWL will meet at 7:30 tonight in the Union ballroom, according to Chairman Donna Austin, Fenton sophomore.

YWCA CABINET

YWCA cabinet members will meet at 7 tonight in the student parlors of Peoples church. Pres. Jean Bruam, Williamsville, N. Y., senior, announced. The term program will be discussed.

TOWN GIRLS PARTY

A get-acquainted party will be given by Town Girls, for members only, from 8 to 10:30 tonight in the Town Girls lounge in the Union. Co-chairmen Margie Johnson, Lansing freshman, and Mary Lee Miller, East Lansing freshman, said yesterday.

Admission to the dance will be one cartoon for the club's gag scrapbooks which they are making for soldiers. Bridge and games will be played and refreshments served.

ELEMENTARY ED MAJORS

Faculty members of the department of the elementary education will be given an Elementary Ed club party in the Forestry cafe. The formal party is planned for the students and their parents or relationship.

Red Cross to Collect Sewing

Under the sponsorship of the Red Cross, a table of sewing machines will be set up tomorrow in Dem. Club room. Any mending or donations of sewing machines will be appreciated.

Grades Due Next Week

Student mid-term examinations will be turned in to the Registrar's office Friday, Feb. 4. The results today as was previously announced.

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Sun.: "Best Foot Forward"

North Campbell Star Parade to be Presented at Custer

Dorm Women to Give Three Presentations

"A-Mail Star Parade" is the name given to the take-off of Fred Allen's program that the North Campbell women are taking to Fort Custer Wednesday. They plan on giving performances at Percy Jones hospital, Battle Creek, at the Red Cross center, and the service club at Fort Custer.

The writing and handling of the script is under the direction of Marilyn Goodrich, Alton senior, with Bonnie Behler, Grand Rapids sophomore, responsible for the music arrangements. Marian Heckel, Detroit sophomore, is stage manager.

Large Cast
Impersonations of Allen and Portland will be made by Lynn Lyle Birmingham freshman, and Shirley Rostow, Detroit sophomore, respectively. The rest of the cast includes Bonnie Barr, Homer freshman; Bobbie Dixie, Duane, freshman; Gretchen Glasson, Detroit freshman; Beth Hester, Grand Rapids freshman; Jimmy Johnstone, Birmingham freshman; Beth Murphy, Flint freshman; Bobbie Needles, Flint sophomore; Anne Kenrick, Battle Creek sophomore. Susie Seagrave, Port Huron sophomore; Peg Morrison, Detroit freshman; Eleanor Wanty, Ypsilanti junior; Sue Averill, Birmingham sophomore; Jere Saladins, Detroit freshman; and June Truesdale, Buffalo, N. Y. freshman.

Special acts will include: Betty Jane Pettinger, Flint freshman; soloist; Kathleen Mason Lorain, Ohio, freshman; boogie dance; Betty Jaeschli, East Lansing senior; accordion soloist; Alice Bueschler, East Lansing junior; caricature artist; and Neva Ackerman, Ironsides senior, will tap dance.

Men to Participate

James Richards of the speech department is acting as faculty adviser.

Ann Kenrick, Battle Creek sophomore, will conclude the program with her "Take It or Leave It" skit in which she will ask men out of the audience. Prizes will be awarded to those who answer the most questions correctly.

Job Openings Listed by Placement Office

Several positions for women including such work as auditing income tax reporting, advertising personnel jobs and others are available for graduating women. Prof. Tom King, head of the placement office, announced yesterday.

Women do not need any special training to qualify for the jobs but should contact King at the placement office immediately.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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- SMALL RIMMED glasses in green case. Lost Sunday. Call Marjane Bird, 2500 E. 10th, 98-99.
- BOTTOM PART of small grey fountain pen between Home E. and North A. streets. Call Jess Straith, ext. 89, 97-98.
- LEWIS PARKER PEN. Call Jane Wilson, 8267 Keweenaw, 96-97.
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Swimming Meets Planned for Next Three Thursdays

After the first open swimming meet held last night, swimmers voted to hold open swimming meets every Thursday at 6:30 p. m. during the month of February. Swim Coach Charles McCaffree announced yesterday.

The meets will be open to all AST, civilian, and ROTC students, McCaffree said. No signing up is necessary. Persons wishing to swim in the Thursday events need only to appear at Jensen pool, McCaffree said.

No winning team was announced from the results of last night's meet, which was only a trial event.

In the 50 yard breast stroke, Ed Hamerly, and ROTC, took first place with a winning time of 36.4 seconds. Dave McIntyre, an AST from North hall, came in second with a time of 47.7 seconds.

The 50 yard free style event was won by Curt Seifert, and AST, who traveled the distance in 26.1 seconds. Webb McDonald, a civilian, was second.

Winner of the 50 yard back stroke was Del Loeffler, civilian whose winning time was 32.9 seconds. Coming in in second place was James Hodge, also a civilian whose time was 39.6 seconds.

Dave Hubbard, ROTC, won the 100 yard freestyle race with a time of 66.3 seconds. Del Loeffler, Stillman, and Hodge, tied in second place with a time of 1:10.4 seconds.

The civilian team won the 100 yard medley relay in a time of 1:33. The team consisted of Loeffler, Stillman, and Hodge. The civilians also took the honors in the 10 yard free style relay with a time of 49.8 seconds. McDonald, Gardner, Hodge, and Stillman made up the team.

The diving competition was won by Carson Jordan, an AST, while Dave Hubbard, ROTC, was second.

Hannah Asks Men to Return Cards

Civilian men are urged to mail to the president's office the questionnaire post card they received last Friday. Pres. John A. Hannah asked today. He said the delay in return of the cards meant postponement of the establishment of State's quota of educational deferments.

Tom King, Former Spartan, Leads 'M' Cage Hopes

ANN ARBOR, Feb. 3 (AP)—The antics of peppy Tommy King, Michigan's current Big Ten scoring leader and former State student, will steal the spotlight in the two-game conference battle for seventh place between the Wolverines and Indiana opening here tomorrow night.

Michigan currently holds the No. 7 spot with one win against seven defeats, but a sweep for the Hoosiers, unless in five league starts, will drop the Wolverines to eighth place behind the Bloomington crew.

Michigan's record, however, does not reflect some exceptional performances against such front-runners as Northwestern, Purdue and Ohio State, and Bennie Oosterbaan's scrappy five is favored to end a five-game conference losing streak with a pair of victories. The series ends Michigan's home season.

Whatever chance King has of capturing the scoring title depends greatly upon his accuracy against the Hoosiers. The slim sophomore has 109 points in eight games. Ohio State's Don Grate trails by one point, and has played two fewer games. Also six-game performers are Iowa's Dave Danner and Dick Ives who have 93 and 91 points respectively.

Splash Party Planned for Soldiers, Coeds

Green Splash, women's swimming honorary, is sponsoring a mixed splash party tomorrow from 7 to 9 p. m. The affair to be held in the pool of the women's gym, is open to swimmers and coeds.

Women may use their own swimming suits. Servicemen, if they do not have suits may rent them at the gym. Towels will also be available. Organized games will be played. Dates for the affair are optional, according to Pres. Rosemary Yanz, Lansing senior.

CLAPPER

(Continued from Page 1)
pers' last column was published today in the Scripps-Howard newspapers through the United Features syndicate. It was devoted to assuring Americans that their soldiers are getting the best of care possible in Pacific hospitals.

Clapper's trip to the Pacific a month ago was his fourth visit to the war theaters. He had been in Europe three times and when he left San Francisco Jan. 1 he wrote:

"Very frankly I would rather go back to Europe for the big cross channel show than be starting out into this somewhat neglected war in the Godforsaken wastes of the Pacific which is being fought over islands that no American will ever want to see again."

He said he chose this assignment however, because there was some "unawareness" at home of the importance of the Pacific conflict.

Clapper cruised over much of the Pacific area in army planes and confessed to a mild superstition. He never boarded one without making sure he had a little brown bear his daughter had given him.

The Clapper family in Washington was advised of the tragedy through his associates, the navy holding off its announcement until then. Tomorrow is Mrs. Clapper's birthday.

Flying Fortresses Devastate German Shipbuilding Base

Aerial Attack Centered on Wilhelmshaven

LONDON, Feb. 3 (AP)—A near-record force of 1,100 Flying Fortresses and escorting Thunderbolt, Lightning and Mustang long-range fighters flew a round trip of more than 700 miles through bad weather and dumped perhaps 1,500 tons of bombs on the big German shipbuilding and naval base of Wilhelmshaven today.

This assault, made in the forenoon, was followed by an afternoon attack on the mysterious military objectives of the French invasion coast by American Marauder and Boston medium bombers along with Mitchells of the RAF and the Dutch naval air service, Mosquitos of the RAF and the Royal Australian air force and Typhoon fighter-bombers of the RAF.

Use Large Formations

The Americans attacking Wilhelmshaven defied a thick cloud cover, intense cold and sleet and snow. Flying in what a joint American-British communique described as "very large formations," the airmen met only weak German fighter opposition. The fighter escort shot down eight German interceptor planes and the Fortresses got one, while four of the American heavy bombers were lost.

From all the day's operations, which also included an RAF Typhoon fighter-bomber patrol action in which three enemy barges were sunk off the Dutch coast, nine fighters and two fighter-bombers were missing.

The heavy bombers mixed thousands of bullets with the tons of explosives unloaded on Wilhelmshaven, North sea port having U-boat and shipbuilding yards and oil storage depots and facilities for accommodating the largest ships.

Fighter Aid

The text of the pamphlets scattered was not disclosed immediately. During the record raid on Frankfurt on Jan. 29 copies of the Atlantic charter printed in the German language were dropped by the Americans.

A tremendous fighter force accompanied the Fortresses throughout the attack.

Allied Bombers Hit Base

ALLIED HDQ. IN THE S. W. PACIFIC, Friday, Feb. 4 (AP)—Allied bombers dropped 77 tons of explosives on Alexishaten, the Japanese plane and supply base on the northeast coast of New Guinea, the high command said today.

Postponed Games Conclude Second Week of Playing

Playing games postponed from last Monday, AST basketball competition concluded its second week of competition with three games last night.

Ward A of Wells hall hit the hoop better than Hedrick house to the tune of 36 to 17. ROTC 1 beat Hesperian by a score of 35 to 14 while North Hall topped ROTC 2, 22 to 14.

High scorer for Ward A was Setian who scored nine points. Panos of ROTC 1 and Turetsky of North hall both scored 10 points to lead in their respective games.

Monday's games will include contests by Hedrick house vs. Hesperian vs. Vet. 1, and North hall vs. Vet. 2.

This series of games will run until March 1. After then the winners of the games will play together to decide the championship of the AST.

Five to Compete in Symphony Test

Five State musicians will compete in the Grand Rapids symphony orchestra contest tomorrow for the honor of playing as soloist with that group at its March concert.

The contest is open to young musicians of western Michigan, and is designed to promote musical interest and accomplishment among them. Contestants are divided into two divisions—piano and instrumental. One winner will be selected from each classification.

Piano entries from the Michigan State music school will be Juan Bendell, Lansing sophomore; Marjane Bird, Grand Rapids senior, and Yvette Ariza, Jackson sophomore.

The instrumental division will be represented by Dabria Kreim, Lansing junior, cellist, and Dolores Klukoski, violinist, junior from Grand Rapids.

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Nazi 'Suicide Squads' Meet Yanks in Cassino Street Fight

American Troops Defy Enemy Fire in Open Thrust

ALLIED HDQ., ITALY, Feb. 3 (AP)—American infantrymen thrust into Cassino today for an hour of bitter street fighting and formed their lines tonight for a second assault on the tottering German stronghold in their drive to open the way for a 50-mile advance to form a junction with Allied landing forces south of Rome.

Facing them were Nazi "suicide squads" fighting to hold on in this outflanked city on the fifth army front.

Seize Prisoners

In a field dispatch sent from a forward command post outside Cassino, Associated Press Correspondent Hal Boyle said American troops charged into the town just after dawn today and took prisoners before they withdrew under the fire of heavily armed German tanks.

(A Cairo broadcast heard in London declared that "street fighting is going on in Cassino. Tanks have forced a breakthrough and Allied infantry is pouring into the town.")

Other Posts Taken

The battle for Cassino heralded the approaching end of three months of hard, bloody fighting to crack the enemy's main mountain defense line across Italy.

North of Cassino, French troops, including Moroccan Goums and Algerian and Tunisian sharpshooters, mopped up remnants of German resistance in the bleak hills and widened the three-mile breach in the Gustav line. Latest reports said American infantry had taken new heights on Mt. Castellone, just to the northwest of Cassino, from which they could fire into its streets.

Of the Anzio, or beachhead front, headquarters said only that "hard fighting" was in progress and that the British and American forces there had enlarged their holdings against stiff Nazi resistance. There was no indication where the gains were made or how extensive they were.

HOME EC

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As a result of ideas brought up during these discussions, brides' courses will be offered spring term for women not in the division. These courses will offer homemaking highlights from the various departments in the division.

The committee has also recently placed a box at the bottom of the stairs in the Home Ec building in which students are asked to put their suggestions for committee discussions. Dean Dye expressed the hope that such a student-faculty group will serve to improve the Home Economics division.

War Jobs, Induction Decrease Mid-Term Enrollment Figures

War jobs and impending induction into the armed services given by Robert S. Linton, registrar, as the reason why most first semester high school graduates this year are delaying continuance of their education at college.

His opinion was based on the fact that only 32 recent graduates enrolled this week during mid-year registration at Michigan State, as compared to the enrollment last year of 75 freshmen.

This is an indication, Linton said, that the young men who have completed high school are temporarily foregoing their college education because they are approaching military age. The girl high school graduates have been attracted by war work at good wages, he said.

Farmers' Week Attendance Mark Surpasses Last Year's Figures

Williams Hall Women to Sponsor Second Campus Canteen

Second on the list of dormitory open houses for this year will be the "Williams Canteen," scheduled for tomorrow night from 8 to 12 p.m. The open house will be free to all men students and service men on campus.

Both North and South Williams hall recreational facilities will be turned over for entertainment purposes. Dancing to recordings, with mixer and cut-in dances will be held in the dining room. Entertainment will be provided during intermission.

The recreation rooms will be open for ping-pong and other table games. Bridge and other card games will be played on the sunporches.

Mary Jeanette Martin, instructor in the speech dept., will act as mistress of ceremonies. The patrons for North Williams will be Mr. and Mrs. B. E. O'Berne and for South, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Sheehan.

COLLEGE FRONT

By BETTY ANN WENDLAND

PASSERSBY through the Union have undoubtedly noticed a table near the desk, at which two coeds are seated.

For those who have wondered what their purpose is may this help to clear the matter up. It is the PanHellenic war stamp booth. Each week a different sorority has the booth.

That group is responsible for assigning women to sell the stamps during their free hours. The individual group also provides the booth with whatever decorations and signs are necessary.

The stamp booth is open from 10 to 12 in the morning and from 1 to 5 in the afternoon.

The Victory Speakers' bureau launched a new campaign during the week. Brief speeches, yet ones which are to the point, are being given before the various clubs and organizations on campus.

The talks are given to arouse student interest and enthusiasm in campus defense activities. It is hoped that the reminder will draw more of the student body into participation in defense projects.

Members of the Victory Speakers' bureau give the speeches. By the end of next week VSB plans to have covered every organization on campus.

CDC plans for their new project are now in the final stages. The campaign to sell stamps to help purchase some piece of equipment for the armed services will begin next week.

Willkie to List Tax Boosts

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (AP)—Wendell L. Willkie was invited tonight to lay before the senate finance committee any concrete suggestions he may have for increasing revenues in line with his assertion that federal taxes ought to be boosted by \$16,000,000,000 or so.

Marshall Tells of Battles

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (AP)—Gen. George C. Marshall told the nation tonight that "great battles" impending in Europe and the Marshall islands thrust in the Pacific is only the pre-view to more action.

More than 2,000 teachers in nine southern states have entered the armed service or have left for better paying jobs.

About 6,000 persons attended the final day of Farmers' week yesterday, bringing the total for the three-day event well over last year's 15,000 mark. Dairy and forestry meetings for the day were overflowing, Ralph W. Tenny, director of short courses and program chairman for the event, announced.

Throughout the week there was a serious and determined attitude. Farmers seemed well aware that there is an important job to be done, Tenny said.

Final program of the week was an address last night in College auditorium by Ray Brock, war correspondent of the New York Times, who spoke on the war as he saw it. The college orchestra also appeared in a half hour concert.

Highlight of the afternoon program was the livestock show and sale which were held in the livestock pavilion. At that time champions of the steer and swine production contests were judged and sold.

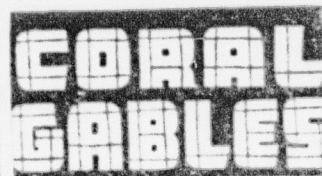
News in Brief

LONDON, Feb. 3 (AP)—A special session of the Spanish cabinet, presided over by Generalissimo Francisco Franco, has decided to maintain Spanish neutrality. DNB said tonight in a broadcast recorded by the Associated Press.

LONDON, Feb. 3 (AP)—The Vatican radio said tonight that Pope Pius had refused to abandon "his Rome" ever since the beginning of the war because the pontiff has always wanted Rome to be in the front line of spiritual resurrection.

The tone of the broadcast, recorded by the Associated Press, appeared to confirm reports that the Germans had been applying pressure to get the pope to Germany.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (AP)—The United States and Mexico today signed a treaty relating to the conservation and mutual use of the waters of the Rio Grande, the Colorado and Tijuana rivers. The state department called it "a step of epic importance" in the application of the good neighbor policy.



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Ship Production Drops Sharply

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (AP)—Rear Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the maritime commission, tonight reported a steep decline in ship construction in January and cited it as an argument for enactment of national service legislation.

Production in merchant shipyards dropped to 124 vessels last month, compared with 208 deliveries in December, Land reported in a speech prepared for broadcast over CBS from an American Legion dinner.

The output was the lowest since last February, Land said. Some drop was expected because of the conversion of yards from Liberty to Victory ships and the concentration of other yards on military instead of cargo vessels, he declared.

THE LESS SAID

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the mud without cause. The whole thing was so far as pinning any blame on the council president. Yet an "unfortunate incident" cause it was an attempt to save the good name of the council president. Many dubbed it a "malicious attack."

There is one thing the oil members want to know and they no doubt have the backing of the student body. They want to know why won't be any repeated offenses.

They are going to create situations by posing questions to the student council as a safeguard against questions of a personal nature to be directed to the student himself.

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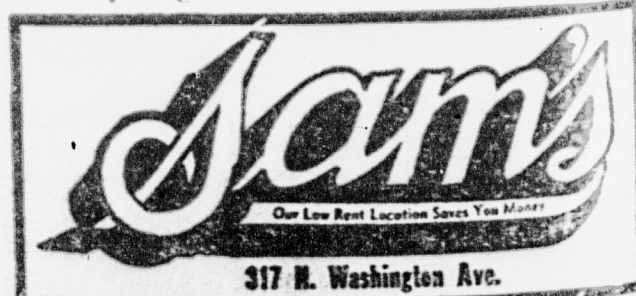
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