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# Russian Marines Take Vital Crimean Port of Balaklava in March on Sevastopol

### Germans, Romanians Trapped Near Stronghold

LONDON, April 18 (AP)—Gen. Andrej I. Yeremenko's coastal army of tough marines cracked Sevastopol's southern defense anchor today with the capture of the Crimean port and stronghold of Balaklava, linked with the larger city by a seven-mile highway and tramline, Moscow announced tonight.

Balaklava's fall opened up the valleys leading into Sevastopol from the south and outflanked German troops putting up a stiff fight on Malakhov hill and Inkerman heights against Gen. Feodor I. Tolbukhin's fourth Ukraine army attacking on the eastern side of Sevastopol.

**Villages Taken**  
Striking two miles beyond Balaklava along the tramline the Russians also took Kadykova, only five miles south of Sevastopol.

The other four villages seized in the area were Kamary, 2½ miles northeast of Balaklava and seven miles southeast of Sevastopol; Kuchuk-Muskomya, four miles southeast of Balaklava; Batumin, six miles south of Balaklava on the coastal road, and Alsu, nine miles southeast of Sevastopol.

The capture of Alsu, less than two miles from Verkhny-Chorgun, seized yesterday by Tolbukhin's forces, virtually effected a junction of the two armies, whose weight now will be hurled against the last pocket of German resistance.

**Troops Trapped**  
Thousands of trapped German and Romanian troops now have been hurled into a 50-square-mile area.  
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## Today's Campus

### ... Come and Get It

Anybody want to play ball? If any group on campus is game for a little hard competition, the aircrew permanent "9" will be glad to accommodate. After playing or practicing regularly in Ball the ball park, the aircrew students have developed a group which will take on any campus team, male or female. For further and specific directions call Cpl. John Towner, ext. 405.

### ... Just Like Home

Dissatisfied with the cold, un-moving interior decorating plan of his room, Pfc. Harold Millin, Detroit sophomore Vet at Wells hall, has rebelled. Frilly white curtains now flutter from a bedroom window in the west end of the dormitory as a result of his yen for a "homey atmosphere."

## HISTORY OF THE GREEKS

### Clubs Advance from Basement Rooms to 'Sorority Row'

By JUNE WILKINSON  
The recent recognition of Gamma Phi Beta and Pi Beta Phi national sororities promises a big increase in Greek activity at Michigan State college. Since national sororities were first permitted on this campus in 1921, 12 nationals have established chapters here.

Before 1921 many literary societies, or women's clubs, were in existence on campus. These societies resembled present-day sororities in that they had rushing each fall, attempting to fill membership quotas with pledges. Each society did rushing as it saw fit and growing competition led to a great deal of "dirty rushing."

**Meet in Morrill Hall**  
A PanHellenic organization did not exist and no society was permitted a house. However, the Fronians and Themians, la-

## Seniors Announce Activity Schedule for Spring Term

A senior-faculty mixer, dance, game night and surprise program were decided upon as senior activities for spring term last night at a meeting of the senior activities committee, according to Chairman Mary Jane Holmes Nemetz, Highland Park. First of the programs will be the mixer scheduled for Wednesday, May 10, which will stress informality and fun for both senior class and faculty members. Entertainment, music and refreshments are planned for the event.

A senior dance featuring the music of Gene Devine and his orchestra will head the activities for seniors Wednesday, May 17. Third of the social events will be a game night which is listed for Wednesday, May 24. Dancing, bridge, music, refreshments, and special entertainment will be featured.

Final event scheduled by the activities committee is the "surprise" night which will follow the annual senior swingout Wednesday, May 31.

Only those seniors who will graduate either at the end of spring or summer terms may officially take part in the senior activities, according to Pres. Larry Frymire, Chicago. Seniors who will graduate before spring term, 1945, and wish to participate in the activities may petition to do so through any of the class officers. Petitions must be in by May 5. Frymire said Senior women will have 12 a. m. permission for the Wednesday night programs

## Tea to Recognize Two Point Coeds

Freshman women who earned averages of two points or over both fall and winter terms have been formally invited to a tea to be given in their honor by Dean Elisabeth Conrad tomorrow at 7:30 p. m. in South Williams dormitory.

Ninety-eight women have had at least a B average both terms, according to Dean Conrad who will be present at the tea to congratulate them. The presidents of some of the women's campus organizations will also attend the affair.

Women who are eligible to attend but have not been invited to the tea should contact the dean of women's office before tomorrow

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## Invasion of Kurile Islands Included in War Plans

WASHINGTON, April 18 (AP)—American plans for closing in on Tokyo, Secretary Knox said today, call for invasion of the Kurile islands which stretch in stepping-stone fashion northward from the Japanese homeland along the short route from Alaska.

The navy secretary was discussing at a press conference the current increasingly heavy aerial bombardments of enemy positions in the island chain and was asked specifically if invasion was planned.

"Sometime, sure, but nobody knows when," he replied.

Knox went on to observe that weather is an important factor in military operations in the north Pacific. Because of fog, he remarked, it frequently is impossible to observe results of bombing missions against the Kuriles.

(The best weather ordinarily is found about this time of year between the close of the Arctic winter and the beginning of summer with its heavy and unpredictable fogs.)

Matsuwa island in the Kuriles, attacked five times in as many days by American bombers, is less than 500 miles from the Japanese mainland. In addition to Matsuwa, bombers flying across the north Pacific from bases in the Aleutians have been pounding regularly at Paramushiro, northernmost of the enemy bases, and at Onokotan and Shumushu.

## 310th CTD Transfers Aviation Students to Southern Camp

Scheduled to reach full strength again by May 1, the 310th CTD yesterday transferred about 120 men to Camp Shelby, Miss. Col. Paul Johnson, commandant, announced.

The men transferred were from the ground forces originally, and are now being transferred back after training at State for a period ranging in length from two to four months.

Replacements for squadrons C and D which left last week have not yet been received, Colonel Johnson said. The squadrons will be replaced, however, but details are not available. The new replacements will be trained only until the end of June when the college training program will be withdrawn from State.

## Allied Defenses Gaining Ground in Imphal Area

### Jap Losses Estimated at 10 Casualties to One for Mounbatten's Troops in Intense Inland Fighting in East India

KANDY, Ceylon, April 18 (AP)—Allied infantry and tanks are locked in heavy fighting against Japanese invasion troops around the entire jungle perimeter of the rich Imphal plain in eastern India, with the Japanese

## Series Named Don Cossacks Listed on Lecture-Concert Slate in 1944-45

Preliminary plans for the 1944-45 lecture-concert series, which will include the popular Don Cossack chorus, have been announced by S. E. Crowe, chairman of the series.

To date the program lists the London Philharmonic orchestra with Sir Thomas Beecham, conductor; the Charles L. Wagner Opera company, which presented the opera "Faust" last fall, in "La Traviata"; and a joint recital by Richard Crooks and Bidu Sayao, noted Brazilian coloratura soprano of the Metropolitan.

Also included on the program are the Philadelphia Opera company in the "Merry Widow"; the annual visit of the Russian Ballet Theatre; the Don Cossack chorus with Serge Jaroff, conductor; and an all-star Metropolitan ensemble with Jarmila Novotha, Hertha Glaz, Martial Singher, and Raoul Jobin.

Four or five additional lecture numbers will be announced later, as will be the names of the features included in the Saturday evening travel series.

Times and dates for the individual numbers have not been set.

## Panel Will Discuss Irish Situation Over WKAR

"Should Eire Break Relations with Germany and Japan?" will be the topic of discussion tonight for "As We See It," round table discussion program sponsored by the Liberal Arts division.

The panel, which will be aired over WKAR at 6:30, will have as guests Prof. Stuart Gallacher, foreign language, who will act as supervisor of the discussion; Prof. E. M. Banzet, sociology; Prof. E. P. Lawrence, English, and D. F. Sheenan, also of the English department.

neither being stopped cold or thrown back at every point of contact, Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten's headquarters disclosed today.

The Japanese, shorn of the protection of the jungles and hills through which they infiltrated from western Burma, were estimated to be suffering 10 casualties to each one for Mounbatten's troops as they tangled with the powerful Allied defenses around Imphal, the Manipur state capital. Allied authorities consider Imphal's fortifications impregnable.

**Attack Successful**  
Going over to the offensive northeast of Imphal, Allied forces were reported in today's communique to be making "satisfactory progress." Other counter-attacking British and Indians threw the Japanese from a commanding position near the Bishenpur-Silchar jungle trail some 18 to 20 miles southwest of Imphal and were reported staying off enemy efforts to retake the point.

The Bishenpur-Silchar trail, or "track," is believed to have represented the Imphal garrison's last overland communication with the Bengal-Assam supply railroad

**Mass Suicide**  
Indicative of the desperate fighting outside Imphal, one of Mounbatten's officers told of a struggle for a hilltop overlooking the plain in which a Japanese force of 120 men held out for 18 days before British troops, aided by planes and artillery, occupied the position. Only one Japanese survived. Forty-five Japanese bodies were impaled on British wire after a final suicide charge, he said.

It was estimated that Brig. Gen. Frank Merrill's all-American raiders, a part of Stilwell's invasion forces, had killed at least 2,000 Japanese and wounded another 4,400 in the past six weeks.

## Kappa Delta Pi to Meet

Kappa Delta Phi, education honorary, will hold a social meeting tonight at 5 p. m. in the Faculty Dining room, according to Chairman Mary Helen Driver, Lansing senior. All members are urged to attend.

## TIME TABLE

- TODAY—
- Kappa Delta Phi, 5 p. m. Faculty dining room, Union
  - Student council, 6:15 p. m. Faculty dining room, Union
  - AGE, 7 p. m. Org. room 2, Union
  - Blue Key, 7 p. m. Org. room 1, Union
  - Sigma Chi Gamma, 7 p. m. 15 Union annex
  - IFC, 7 p. m. 115 Union annex
  - SAE, 7 p. m. Spartan room, Union
  - Christian Science, 7:15 p. m. Peoples church chapel

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## Spartans at War

By JOHN HICKEY

NEWS comes from Maxwell field, Ala., of the arrival of nine former State men in the pre-flight school there. The aviation cadets are Charles P. Davey, '48; Glenn H. Johnson, '43; Roman H. Koehnigs, '43; Harry H. Lilley, '38; Harry C. Lorenzen, '43; Mike Schelb, '43; Robert Thoits, '43; Cornelius T. Yoder, '43; and Arthur J. Steeby.

A/C Daniel S. Mayka, '43, was graduated from the army air forces pilot school at Stockton field, Calif. Before moving to Stockton field, Cadet Mayka completed his primary and basic training at Twenty-Nine Palm and Merced, Cal.

Four former Spartans, Sylvanus W. Curtiss, Detroit; Daniel Dzoba, Battle Creek, Charles F. Bostedar, Eaton Rapids, and Lyle G. Breckway, Vicksburg, have been commissioned second lieutenants in the army air forces at Columbus army air field, Columbus, Miss.

Lt. Robert Gibbs, Lansing, has been awarded the distinguished flying cross for heroism and outstanding achievements against the Japs in the Pacific battle zone. Lieutenant Gibbs has also recently become an "ace," having shot down five Japanese planes on the New Guinea front.

Leo and Leon Wrenn, '43, were commissioned naval ensigns at Columbia university, New York, Thursday. Both were assigned to the Atlantic fleet, and are spending part of their leave at MSC.

Also taking a quick look-see at the campus during his leave is Don MacKenzie, Lansing '43, now a second lieutenant in the

quartermaster's corps. While at State Lieutenant MacKenzie was a member of Excalibur, Phi Kappa Phi, and president of Beta Alpha Sigma.

Lt. Walter A. Arrington, '41, is stationed at Roswell army air field, Roswell, N. M. Lieutenant Arrington is a former State track star.

Ted Retan, '44, was graduated a second lieutenant from advanced flying school at George field, April 13.

Keith Mixer, '44, at Fort Bragg, N. C., music student while at State, has formed a band composed of men from the fort. His band makes several appearances in the motion picture, "Private Hargrove," which was filmed at Fort Bragg.

Capt. Allen J. Smith, '43, can be found on campus this week. He is on leave from Fort Bragg, N. C., where he is in the field artillery.

Two Lansing men, Donald F. Albrecht and Harry Beeley, are receiving part of their military training as aviation students in the 310th College Training Detachment at State. Previous to their MSC aircrew assignment the men were at Jefferson barracks, Mo., for five weeks' basic training work.

Max Baker was transferred from the naval dispensary at Washington and is now at the PT-boat training school at Melville, R. I. Regardless of rating or specialty they are all required to study navigation, plane identification, anti-aircraft guns and firing, radio, and PT-boat construction itself.

Now in Florida is Pvt. Don Davis whom many Spartans will remember seeing behind the Union desk. Private Davis is in the infantry at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Don Parkhurst, '42, and John Breidenbach have received commissions as ensigns in the naval reserve after completing training at the Corpus Christi, Texas, air base. Ensign Parkhurst is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Ensign Breidenbach was enrolled in the Engineering division at MSC in 1939.

John Lawler, '43, has entered the army air forces training command school at Yale for aviation cadet training in aircraft engineering. Lawler, a former chemical engineering student, is a member of Phi Kappa Phi.

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## SPEAKING FOR MYSELF

By BARBARA DENNISON

IT IS doubtful if the anticipated additional sparkle will be evident to any great extent in the contents of this and succeeding columns, but it is a nice thought anyway.

Other persons have fun, too, we hear, according to a recent copy of the Purdue Exponent. Men of Pi Kappa Alpha on the Purdue campus had a laugh on a couple of their fraternity brothers Easter Sunday.

The two went to church with their dates and found when they arrived that the church was packed. Undaunted, they sat upstairs on the steps by the choir.

Later the minister announced the next selection and the congregation leafed through their hymn books. The organ played the theme, the choir (and the PiKA men and their dates) stood up to sing.

After the second chorus the four realized that the congregation was enjoying their number immensely. The choir soon became the main attraction again, and an embarrassed four students hastily sat down on the steps.

**SURPRISED** was the University of Texas coed who suddenly found herself at shoe-lace level while walking to classes with some friends one morning recently.

In the last minute rush for classes no one noticed the absence of one at first but soon started looking around for her and found her with her head protruding from a steam vent in front of the dormitory into which she had fallen.

The old saying of a worm's eye view finally came true for a moment at least.

## Grin and Bear It . . . . By Lichty



"Books okay, eh?—shows how bad the help situation is, when they suddenly quit without taking any money with them!"

## Vandenberg Favored as Keynote

CHICAGO, April 18 (AP)—Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Michigan's coiner of catch phrases, appeared to be the leading candidate tonight for the Republican national convention keynote after party chieftains reportedly discouraged a move to select Rep. Clare Boothe Luce. The attractive Mrs. Luce was kept in the running by a one-man campaign conducted by J. Kenneth Bradley, Connecticut national committeeman. The trend among members of the arrangements committee who are expected to do the picking tomorrow seemed, however, to be running toward Vandenberg.



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# Liberators Crack Fighter Defense

## Vital Targets Hit; Nineteen Allied Bombers Lost

LONDON, Wednesday, April 19 (AP)—A force of probably 2,000 U. S. Flying Fortresses, Liberators and fighters broke through comparatively weak enemy fighter forces guarding Berlin and its environs yesterday and rained high explosives on targets vital to the Nazi aircraft industry.

Nineteen of the big American bombers and six fighters were lost in the attack. At least 34 German planes were reported destroyed. Bomber gunners shot down 10 Nazi planes and the fighters three. At least 21 others were destroyed on the ground, returning fighter-pilots said.

In addition to the forces which hit Berlin and the capital's environs, Thunderbolt-escorted Liberators bombed the Pas de Calais area and Marauders, accompanied by Thunderbolts, blasted Charleroi, bringing the number of Allied aircraft in operation from the British Isles to more than 2,500. Three of the Marauders were reported missing.

## Fields Will Offer Varied Musical Friday Night

Gracie Fields will offer a "little of everything" in her concert Friday at 8:15 p. m. in College auditorium with selections ranging from current popular hits and classical numbers to the English music hall comic songs for which she is well known. The concert is a special program presented by the lecture concert bureau.

Movie, night club, and concert appearances, and a movie, "Holy Matrimony" in which she co-starred with Monty Woolley, have made Miss Fields known to the American public.

On the stage at the age of seven, Miss Fields was considered a star when she was 16. Like many others in the entertainment world, she has traveled through the United States, England and Canada to entertain service men in the camps and hospitals.

Tickets may be procured at the ticket window in the Administration building. Students are requested to show their treasurer's receipt.

## Tigers Lose First Game of Season

DETROIT, April 18 (AP)—The Detroit Tigers dropped their fifth successive American league opening game today when they fell victim to long Jack Kramer and the St. Louis Browns, 2 to 1, before 28,034 spectators at Briggs stadium.

Kramer, a navy dischargee, bested Paul Trout, Detroit's 20-game winner last season, in a tight mound duel although Kramer needed the help of George Caster in the ninth inning to do it. Each pitcher yielded six hits. Vernon Stephens of St. Louis and Pinky Higgins of Detroit belted home runs.

In the pre-game ceremony, Mayor Edward J. Jeffries, Jr., tossed a perfect strike to Swift, substituting for Gov. Kelly, who was absent.

## BULLETIN

LONDON, Wednesday, April 19 (AP)—One of the largest hospitals in London was blasted and set ablaze by a direct bomb hit early this morning as German raiders attacked the British capital for the third time in April's "dark of the moon" period.

## Division Plans Girls' Day Conference for Visiting High School Home Ecs

The Home Ec division's Girls' day, which will draw girls from several hundred neighboring high schools, will be observed on campus Friday, April 26, according to Dean Marie Dye of the Home Economics division.

The morning's activity, called "The High School Girl Looks Forward," will start with a program in Fairchild theater at which Pres. John A. Hannah will speak. Also included on the program will be entertainment furnished by the music and physical education departments.

At noon the girls will be served luncheon army style in the Union cafeteria.

Trips through the Home Economics classrooms, home management houses, and the nursery school will be conducted in the afternoon. A tea will be held in Sarah Williams dormitory following the tour.

The faculty is asking fresh-

man and sophomore students to help with registration and also to act as guides for the tours. Any students who have not been notified and are interested in helping should sign up on the Home Economics bulletin board.

## Women's Sports

By DOTTE VON DETTE

Baseball practice among the sorority and dormitory women is now in full swing, with the second series of women's softball games run off yesterday afternoon on the diamonds in front of the Women's Gym.

North Campbell defeated their neighbor West Mayo with a score of 10 to 5. South Williams piled up enough runs to win over Zone 1, 14 to 0. Kappa Delta trounced Zone 3, 12 to 7.

## SWAIN JEWELRY STORE EXPERT WATCH REPAIRING

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## THE WOMAN'S WORLD

By MAY ANN MAJOR

### HOME EC CLUB

Final elections for Home Ec club officers will be held today from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. in the front hall of the Home Ec building, according to Carolyn Kalmbach, Chelsea junior. Women must have their membership cards to vote.

Candidates for the position of president are Marjorie Graf and Aileen Wilson, both Detroit juniors. Nominees for the other offices are: Vice-president, Mary Gorsline, Battle Creek junior, and Barbara Christiancy, Grand Rapids sophomore.

Freshmen Grace Johnson, Robinson, Ill., Betty Lou Ruhlman, East Lansing, and Ann Shontz, Columbus, Ohio, are running for secretary, while sophomores Esther Gardner, Detroit; Barbara Nisbet, Fremont, and Shirley Tubbs, Laingsburg, are candidates for treasurer.

Pictures of the candidates have been posted on the Home Ec club bulletin board.

### TOWN GIRLS

Election of officers will take place at tomorrow's luncheon meeting of Town Girls' club, according to Pres. Doris Bennett, Lansing senior. Members should sign up in the women's lounge of the Union or in the Home Ec building before 5 p. m. today.

### HOME EC CLUB

There will be a meeting of the board members of the Home Ec club at 7 p. m. in the Home Ec library, according to Pres. Jean Oviatt, Washington, D. C., junior.

### AWS

Sue Averill, Birmingham sophomore, and Pat Darr, Detroit sophomore, will be co-

chairmen of freshman orientation activities next year, AWS Pres. Pat Stone, Chicago senior, announced following the appointments by the council last week.

Miss Averill and Miss Darr have been orientation discussion leaders this year and have taken an active part in the orientation activities. Besides her orientation work Miss Averill is a member of Tower Guard, AWS council, Alpha Chi Omega, and a staff member of the Wolverine.

Miss Darr has served as secretary of Tower Guard this year, is a member of Chi Omega, the glee club, and was president of South Williams dorm during fall term.

Women who have not filed petitions for orientation discussion leaders may do so at the AWS office in the Union.

### YWCA

YWCA cabinet meeting will not be held tonight because of the Faculty Fireside program, according to Pres. Joanne D'Arcy, Detroit junior. The meeting will be held Friday night.

### SWL

SWL interest groups will meet tonight at 7 in the following rooms: Art, 7 Union annex; personality, 103 Union annex; social, 107 Union annex; radio, 104 Union annex; drama, 111 Union annex. New members are invited to attend tonight and may pay dues for spring term membership.

A meeting of the SWL board will be held tonight at 8 in room 104 Union annex. Pres. Kitty Mitchell, East Lansing senior, announced.

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# Trials Proceed as FBI Locates Missing Man

## 30 Defendants Accused of Nazi Conspiracy Against America

WASHINGTON, April 18 (AP)—The missing defendant among 30 accused of conspiring with the Nazis to dominate the United States was taken into custody today, removing one of the blocks that have bogged down the trial for two days.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation announced that Edward James Smythe of New York city, identified by the FBI as publisher of "Our Common Cause" and a contributor to "Publicity," edited by Elmer J. Garner, another defendant, had been arrested at Au Sable Forks, in northern New York. Case Reopened

The announcement did not come, however, before Justice Edward C. Eicher, after listening for more than half a day to clashes between government and defense counsel, between lawyer and client, and among individual defendants, recessed the case in U. S. district court until tomorrow while federal agents hunted Smythe.

P. Bateman Ennis, attorney for Gerhard Wilhelm Kunze, identified by the justice department as leader after 1939 of the German-American bund and under sentence for espionage and for counseling evasion of the selective service act, decried "making a mockery of this trial," and asserted: "For Kunz we do not subscribe to such antics." Mockery in Trial

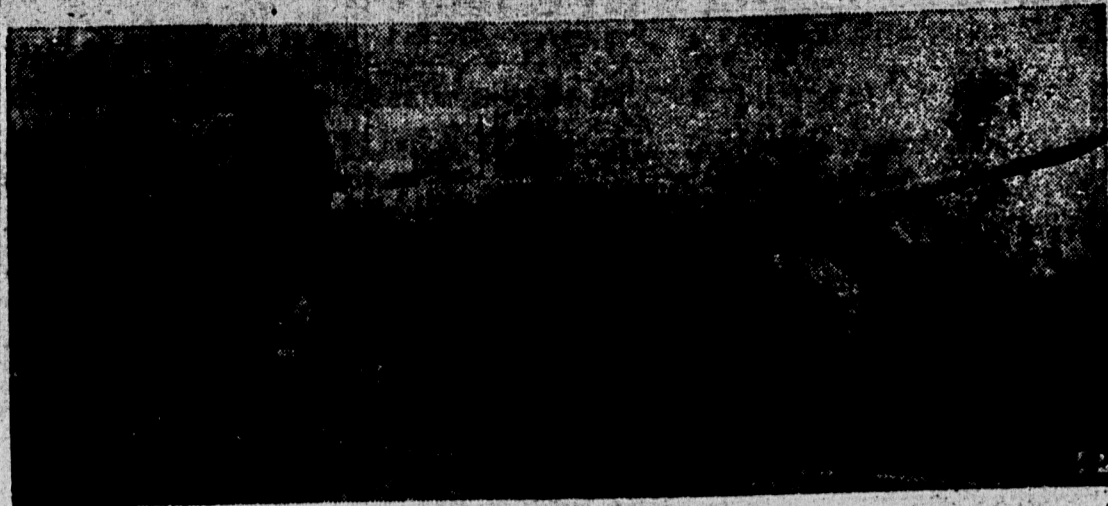
Lindas requested attorneys to refrain from even "jokingly" suggesting that Adolf Hitler, Paul Joseph Goebbels, Prime Minister Churchill and like persons be called as witnesses or depositions be sought from them.

### RUSSIANS

(Continued from Page 1) mile pocket around Sevastopol, the bulletin disclosed.

The coastal stronghold of Balaklava was the scene of a bitter British-Russian fight Oct. 25, 1854, immortalized in Tennyson's "Charge of the Light Brigade." Its fall also preceded the capture of Sevastopol in July, 1942, after an eight-months German-Romanian siege which cost the Axis 300,000 casualties. The German-Russian roles have been reversed in the present siege.

# The Constellation Comes to Earth After Record Flight



The new Lockheed Constellation, which is described by its builders as the largest transport plane, just after its arrival at National airport, Washington, D. C., following a record transport time of 6-hours, 58 minutes from Burbank, Calif. Note the size of the plane as compared to a jeep.

## YWCA Will Sponsor Faculty Firesides at 7 Tonight

YWCA will hold a Faculty Fireside meeting tonight, according to Pres. Joanne D'Arcy, Detroit junior. The meeting will be open to all students wishing to visit faculty members and their wives, who will be at home to them, from 7 to 8 p. m.

Persons desiring to attend the fireside should meet in the student parlors of Peoples church where they will form groups before visiting the faculty homes.

Those who will be hosts to students are Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Geisenhof, Mrs. Margaret Hearn, Prof. and Mrs. Harry R. Hoppe, Prof. and Mrs. O'Neal Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace B. Moffett.

Working with Chairman Marlon Vorce, East Lansing sophomore, are Adella Dunton, Ft. Wayne, Ind., sophomore, and Barbara Needels, Flint sophomore

## Tower Guard Will Give Bridge to Raise Fund

Tower Guard women will sponsor a dessert bridge Saturday, April 29, at 2:30 p. m. in the Union ballroom, according to Co-Chairmen Dottie Jo Bailey, Romeo sophomore, and Joyce Armstrong, Detroit sophomore.

The benefits from the bridge will go toward the Tower Guard scholarship fund given every spring. Entertainment will not be limited to bridge and non-players are welcome.

Tickets now on sale may be bought from any Tower Guard member.

# Badoglio Coalition Proposal Opposed by Junta Forces

NAPLES, April 18 (AP)—Premier Marshal Pietro Badoglio's chances of uniting Italy's six political parties with his own organization in a coalition war government grew dimmer tonight.

Most leaders of the six parties composing the liberation Junta are holding firm against the marshal's demands that the premiership and five key portfolios go to himself and members of his old cabinet.

With Badoglio also reported holding firm for his demands, hopes of a compromise lessened.

There also were indications that the Communists, who have been working vigorously for collaboration of the parties with Badoglio to give Italy a strong war government, were on the point of giving up the project because of the attendant difficulties.

One criticism of Badoglio in leftist and anti-Fascist quarters was that in the present dealings with party leaders he seemed more bent on saving the monarchy than in giving Italy a strong war government.

## French Advised to Prepare for Invasion

LONDON, April 18 (AP)—The British advised the French people by radio today to store up as much food as possible in preparation for the Allied invasion from the west because "the time is getting short," and the Germans told troops of the vaunted "Atlantic wall" to prepare for "zero hour."

The worldwide guessing game on the invasion date intensified sharply in the wake of Britain's sudden extension of censorship to the traditionally immune diplomatic pouches, but the answer remained a priceless military secret guarded by the Allied command alone.

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