

COMING EVENTS— EXAMS!

Today's Campus

"Victory Telegram"

How would you like to send a telegram to the football team cheering them on, if you can't be at the game on New Year's day? The student council has decided that it would be a capital idea if the school would get a wire, signed by all the State students, between the halves. A telegram with an imposing array of student names will be handed to the Spartan squad by two beautiful Postal Telegraph girls before they start the second half of the Orange Bowl game. One's signature may be placed on the telegram at the Union desk starting this noon and continuing until 11:30 p. m. next Friday. A nickel will put your name on the big "Victory Telegram."

Love is Blind

David Hall, '41, liberal arts student, reads his mail with a great deal of concentration. He was so engrossed in reading a post card from his girl friend as he walked across the campus the other day that he bumped into a tree near the home economics building. The injuries received included cuts on his face and a pair of broken glasses.

Oh! Stuff!

Students have all sorts of reasons for signing up for the courses they include in their schedules. One man, the State News was told, was a deciding factor.

An adviser from the engineering division called Dr. R. T. Oll, who teaches classical languages, and asked if one of his advisees might enroll in a course in editorial writing.

"Why, yes, but how does he happen to be taking it up now instead of in the fall term?" Dr. Oll asked.

"Well, he hadn't read your guest editorial in the State News, then he had read it, he says he wants to take a course from a man he thinks like that."

Vice Versa

The Kappa Kappa Gamma, usually on the receiving end of a parade, turned the tables last night. They stopped in front of all campus fraternity houses and sang Christmas carols. The fraternities were enthusiastic in their response to the carolers.

Christmas Spirit

The Union building took on the Christmas atmosphere yesterday. The trees were set up and decorated with colored lights and a red star on top. One of them in the third lounge and the other in the first of the entrance to the women's lounge. A log was lighted in the fireplace in the main lounge. The large campus tree at the main entrance to the college was lighted Thursday evening for the first time. More than 500 colored lights are used in this tree.

Another Record

The current issue of the Record, alumni quarterly magazine, came out Thursday with a snappy-looking cover, dressing a magazine that keeps the old grads in close touch with the student life and the goings-on of the other alumni. The reading matter is one of the strongest connecting links between the alumni which is spread all over the world. The cover is a two-color job in blue and silver. Lloyd H. Geil, of the publications department, who edits the magazine, is to be given a vote of thanks.

RR Club Will Hold Meeting Saturday

The regular meeting of the RR Club will be held Saturday at 8 p. m. in room 400 Ag hall. Mr. H. H. H. is the club leader, will be the guest speaker. Mr. Avery, assistant state club leader and club officer, will also attend. The business meeting will be followed by a social hour of games and dancing. Buy your flowers from Gene Averill, florist, 211 Abbot road.

Police Chief Seeks Unknown Assailant Of Mrs. Lloyd Turk

Professor's Wife Beaten in East Lansing Home Thursday

Fail to Uncover Assaulter's Motive

Victim Believes Invader to be Playing Joke as He Enters

Chief of Police Harold Haun is searching for an unknown man who attacked and seriously injured Mrs. Margaret Turk, 33, of 733 West Grand River avenue Thursday afternoon. The injured woman was removed to the Edward W. Sparrow hospital in Lansing, where her condition is reported to be improving. She is the wife of Lloyd M. Turk, assistant professor in the Michigan State college soils department.

CLUES ARE MEAGER

Police have only meager clues to assist them in their search for the man who entered the Turk home and beat Mrs. Turk several times on the head with what appeared to be a screw-driver. The assailant is described as being a young man, about 18 years old, dark complexioned, good-looking and well-dressed.

THOUGHT IT WAS FRIEND

Mrs. Turk told police she was resting on the davenport Thursday afternoon when she heard the back door open and someone entered the house. Thinking it was one of the roomers living in the house, she sat up, and saw a tall, well-dressed young man, with his face half-hidden by a scarf, walk into the room. She thought he was playing a practical joke by masking his face, so she jumped up and pulled the scarf from his face. The intruder warned her twice not to attract attention, saying "Don't scream! Don't scream!" In spite of the warning, Mrs. Turk screamed, and the man grabbed her and struck her on the head more than a dozen times with an instrument which appeared to be a screw-driver. He then ran out the door, leaving his victim lying on the floor partially stunned.

MOTIVE UNKNOWN

Mrs. Turk managed to raise herself from the floor and made her way to the neighbors' house next door, from where police were notified about 2 p. m. When taken to the hospital, it was found that she had suffered multiple lacerations and bruises about the head. As the police enter the third day of their search, they are still at a loss to determine a motive for the assault, although burglary was thought to be a possible reason.

Yule Season Sneaks up on the Home of J. J. Everyman

By HARVEY HARRINGTON

Twelve more shopping days until Christmas, and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Everyman are rushing about buying an electric train for Junior John J. Everyman, and a doll that says "Mamma" for little Mary Everyman, who has just turned nine. Last just turning nine, a memorable day in everybody's life.

Mr. John J. Everyman is worrying about being able to get enough track for the train to run clear around the moulding. Mrs. J. J. is wondering if the Christmas tree will shed its needles so quickly that Christmas will have to be moved up two days to catch the tree unwares. (Not without its unwares.) "And those needles are so hard to get out of the cracks in the floor," says Mrs. J. J., in her daily half-hour telephone conversation with Mrs. Charles L. Taxpayer, down on the first floor. Junior spends all his waking hours figuring out the hiding places that Ma and Pa will duck the train and ball bat and Muck Rogers super-super ray gun—and looking in them while Ma talks to the Fuller Brush man in the front room.

"More Drivers" Is Request Of Bureau

The Transportation Bureau established by the Independent Men's League has issued a call for more drivers to accommodate all the students who have consulted the bureau for possible rides home. The bureau is designed to bring those persons desiring rides in contact with drivers. The two parties then make their own arrangements, which usually result in a plan to share expenses. Anyone desiring a ride home, or anyone who has a car and is willing to take some passengers, call Irving Wreth, phone 2-7988. Riders are asking for rides to all parts of the country, but the majority of them desire to go east.

Yule Scene Is Featured

Mackrell and Dorothy Dixon Lead Grand March at Soph Prom.

A Christmas scene, with Beaumont tower, silhouetted against a large moon, featured the decorations at the Soph prom, staged in the Lansing Masonic temple Friday night. Three hundred couples danced to the music of Bert Block and his orchestra.

Christmas trees stood at either side of the stage, and the words "Soph Prom" in crystal letters, ran across the front of the platform. The climax of the evening was the grand march, led by Ted Mackrell, class president, and his guest, Dorothy Dixon, Detroit sophomore, who wore a white taffeta gown, made with square neckline, puffed sleeves, and a full skirt. Tiny blue velvet bows decorated the shoulders. President and Mrs. Robert S. Shaw were second in the line of march. Rebecca Lord, vice president of the class, came next with her escort, William Hasselback. She wore a gold satin formal, high waisted with a very full, shirred-in skirt.

Pauline Weir, sophomore secretary, was there with Ted Bullis of East Lansing. Her gown was of turquoise crepe with rhinestone trimmings. Albert White, treasurer of the class, had as his guest Betty Ruth Corns, Detroit sophomore, who wore a black taffeta formal, its halter top decorated with green dots.

Hotel Honorary Initiates Eleven

Eleven new members were initiated into Sigma Gamma Upsilon, hotel honorary, Thursday evening, December 9. The new members are: MacArthur Gorten, Harry Mertins, George Thum, Robert Martin, June Olive, Freeman Gibbs, Howard Taylor, Andrew Knudsen, William Williams, Keith Clement and Cyril Moore.

U. P. Students to Hold Dance December 28

A "collegiate swing session" will be held for all Upper Peninsula students Tuesday, December 28, at Stager lake near Crystal Falls. Students from other colleges will also attend the dance. Those desiring to get their tickets before leaving for home may get them from Bill Sheveiland, 405 Abbott road, phone 4-3260. To Hold Dinner Party There will be a Christmas dinner and party for the home economics resident staff and extension workers at Hunt's at 6:30 Sunday, December 12.

Best Player To be Named At Grid Fete

All-State Prep Footballers Will Also be Honored Here Tonight.

During the annual football banquet in the gym at 6:30 tonight, the man chosen the most valuable player on this season's varsity football team will be announced.

Dr. Eugene Elliott, superintendent of Public Instruction in Michigan, and a graduate of State, will represent Governor Frank Murphy in presenting the winner with a Gruen watch. Every year the Daniel's jewelry store in Lansing donates a watch which is the "Croix de Guerre" for athletic achievement, to the outstanding player. This man is picked by a secret committee of 15 men. Last year Sam Ketchman won the award.

700 TO ATTEND

Toastmaster C. W. Otto of the Lansing Chamber of Commerce, will introduce C. W. Strickling, the main speaker of the evening, to an audience of about 700 men. Mr. Strickling, an attorney for a southern railroad, is a southeastern football official and well known for his after-dinner speaking.

The banquet will honor Michigan State's varsity squad, the freshman team, and the cross-country team. The coaches of all varsity letter winners and leading sports reporters of the 25 leading Michigan daily papers, among them W. W. Edgar of the Detroit Free Press, Bob Murphy of the Times, and Harvey Barcus of the Detroit News will be there. The State Board of Agriculture will also be guests.

ANNUAL AFFAIR

The banquet, which is sponsored by the Central Michigan Alumnae club, with the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Lansing cooperating, will be the eighteenth annual affair of this kind. That part of the program in which Mr. Elliott presents the watch to the most valuable player, and Mr. Remington, presents the medals to the All-State high school team, will be broadcast over WJIM from 9 until 8:30 p. m.

Following a precedent of several years, 200 high school football players, who have been most outstanding during the season according to the Detroit News selection, are invited to attend the M. S. C. football banquet. From this number 12 have been chosen for the official All-State team. R. E. Remington and the high school coaches will attend to see the honor conferred on them men.

State Board Gives Approval To Bond Issue for Financing Huge New Men's Dormitory

Comes the Showdown



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Post Office Has New Mural By PWA Artist

The mural painting which is now hanging on the side wall of the East Lansing post office, was recently painted by Henry Bernstein, Detroit P. W. A. artist. The theme of the mural shows the time when scientific agriculture was just beginning to develop. The apparent satisfaction of the people in their new-found achievement is reflected in their glowing, sun-burned faces as they look on their first harvest. Bernstein is being employed by the government to paint murals for many other public buildings. He is well known as the artist of murals which hang in public buildings in many states.

Y Cabinet Reviews Fall Achievements

The Y. M. C. A. held its last cabinet meeting for the fall term Thursday evening. William Genne, secretary of the organization, submitted a report on the achievements of the Y for the passing semester. The faculty members in the college advisory board were invited as guests. Among those who attended were J. V. C. Davis, Prof. H. R. Hunt, John A. Hannah, Ralph Tenny and T. Gunson.

Building Contract Let to Reniger Construction Company of Lansing; Work Will Begin at Once; to be Ready for Next Fall.

Construction of the first of a group of three or more men's dormitories was given final approval Thursday afternoon when the State Board of Agriculture concurred with representatives of the Ann Arbor Trust company and approved the floating of a bond issue to finance the dormitory. The administration envisions a dormitory quadrangle, to house 2,000 men with this building as a beginning. The State Board met with Earl Cross, executive vice-president, represented the trust company.

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What Price Faithfulness

When the names of the football players who will entrain for Florida December 20 to meet Auburn in the Orange bowl New Year's day were announced a week ago, that of Charles Halbert, senior quarterback, was conspicuous by its absence.

Can it be that the record of Halbert, who won a reserve letter in his sophomore year and varsity letter last year and again this season, has been overlooked? Is it already forgotten that it was Halbert at quarterback who, in the fourth period, directed Michigan State in five plays to the touchdown that enabled the Spartans to defeat Michigan for the fourth year in a row?

At the outset of the 1937 football season, Halbert was rated Michigan State's No. 1 quarterback. He held that post for two games and a part of the third, when a fumbled punt sent him to the bench, there to remain unnoticed until the final quarter of the concluding game of the schedule at San Francisco. He was not even given a chance to make a final appearance before the home crowd when the team played Carnegie Tech.

Although relegated to the fourth team, the Grand Rapids senior kept faith with the coaches and his teammates, reporting nightly for practice to the very end.

Rumor has it that there was a misunderstanding between the coaches and the player. When members of the team were discussing the proposed Florida trip, Halbert was thought to have said, "I'd rather spend Christmas at home than in Miami." In reality, the senior quarterback was one of the most enthusiastic supporters of the bowl game.

It is inconceivable that the coaching staff will deny Halbert the right to the final trip of his college career, a right earned by hours of grueling practice, by months of keeping in training, by sacrificing other phases of college life for football.

Spartan spirit calls for fair play. The omission of Halbert violates this spirit. In the future, prospective State football players, eyeing the treatment of Halbert, may turn elsewhere to attend college. Certainly, it isn't the late for the coaches to reconsider.

He is Missed

The illness of Michael Preis, associate professor of music, deprives the college not only of one of its most colorful figures, but also of the services of a man considered one of the world's greatest violin teachers.

For years Leonard Auer was known in musical circles as the greatest violin teacher in the world with Mr. Preis ranked second. The death of Auer left the latter without a peer in his field.

Aside from his teaching Michael Preis is

an artist in his own right. Before coming to the United States, he played before practically all of the crowned heads of the now defunct European courts. Playing before the greatest critical juries he won prize upon prize. At one time he appeared in a contest with 30 violinists. The audience had been instructed not to applaud, but when he finished playing not only the audience but the jury arose in unison to pay him tribute.

Since coming to this country he has conducted both the Boston Symphony and the Detroit Symphony, but has done little concert work.

A White living in revolutionary Russia, his life was far from drab. Twice he was practically before the firing squad when his friends rushed in and saved his life. Another time when he was captured by the Reds, his music pleased them so much that they spared his life.

For ten years Michael Preis has been a member of the music department staff, teaching violin and conducting the symphony orchestra, whose fine work has been largely the result of his brilliant direction.

Now because of serious illness he has been granted a six months leave of absence. Much better now than he was early in the fall, he will go to Florida soon to recuperate. Let it be hoped that his southern sojourn will restore his health, for the services of such a great artist are sorely missed, not only by his students but by all lovers of good music.

Courtesy on the Thumb

Hitch-hiking is the only means which many men students, whose financial resources are low, have of traveling to their homes.

College students are expected to be courteous persons at all times.

Although at first glance these two facts may seem unrelated, they are really closely connected. And the fact that some student or students do not put these two things together is going to spoil the chance of going home for many others.

A state highway department engineer, driving from Detroit Sunday afternoon, stopped on the outskirts of that city and offered a ride to a young man standing at the roadside hitch-hiker.

"Who the hell asked you to stop?" demanded the prospective hitch-hiker of the engineer.

"Are you from State college?" asked the motorist.

"What the hell is it to you?" the young man insolently replied.

The motorist drove on, considerably angered. Later when he picked up another MSC student, the motorist vehemently told his passenger that he would, the next day, see to it that members of the highway department and state police do not give rides to Michigan State hitch-hikers in the future.

This insolent beggar of rides did not realize that the kind-hearted driver knew him, and knew that he was a student at Michigan State college. He did not realize that he was casting a distorted reflection on the college which he represents. He did not realize that he was jeopardizing the hitch-hiking opportunities of many of his fellow students.

Such an attitude as this hitch-hiker displayed is deserving of severe censure. If he wanted to refuse the ride, the least he could have done was to display a courteous attitude to the motorist who went to the trouble of stopping for him.

This is not, of course, a true picture of all Michigan State students. Unfortunately, however, it does a great deal of harm to the college. Does not this incident reveal the individual responsibility of all hitch-hiking students of the college to see that such an occurrence does not happen again?—J. C. S.

So They Say

"Hundreds of thousands of hours in our educational institutions are wasted because the training goes almost to the point where the thing becomes permanent, but not quite." President William Allan Neilson, of Smith college, advises women at the Packer Collegiate institute that if they would raise the intellectual level of the United States, they must aim at definite mastery of whatever they are trying to do.

Some students at State college, in South Dakota, earn money to finance their education by caring for rats and mice in the food experiment section of the home economics division. Nearly 60 per cent of all State college students are earning their way, at least partly, through school.

In The Rough

With Harvey Harrington

Intramural Limerick Contest

Osric and some of the boys decided to run a limerick contest, the rules of which are: Finish these limericks and win two tickets to the 1938 Rose bowl game. This contest is open to everyone but the students of Michigan State college and their families. Prizes will be awarded New Year's morn, if you can wake up (or sober up) the judges.

No. I

A coed arrived at the Styx,
And thought Charon was one of
the hys;
He offered a ride,
But the young filly aied.

(Last line must not rhyme with "Ties")

No. II

A BMOG who's called Merton
Appeared at the prom of a certain,
His pivots and dips
Produced several rips.
Said his partner, "Hey, son,
keep your shirt on."

Excuse it, but we filled this last one out ourselves.

No. III

(Lamping Limerick)
Holding hands in the inter-
missions,
Never lead to inhibitions,
(No last line—this part of the contest closed to everyone).

Decree

She's been on more laps than a
nappkin, Betty Sparkes.

Mystery

It's certainly a conundrum
how lipstick got on the towel in
the men's room in the Union

Too Bad! Too Bad!

my love has flowed
him did me dirt
how were i to know
him were a dirt

to those in love
let I forbid
lest they be doed
the dirt i were doed

Stuffenuff

Norma Longnecker was sports
editor of Traverse City high
school's paper, the Black and
Gold. Knows all the locker
room terminology, n everything

Who took the ultra-ultra
candle shot in the balcony of the
ballroom the other night? And
who got caught by it?
Ernie Eleonor and Vada Granger
might be classified as semi-
steadies. Overheard: "That
Betty Bement is plenty smooth,
but she'd look lots nicer if she
used more lipstick."

This morning on WKAR, "You Can't
Stop Me From Dreaming," re-
quested by Bill Gidley for Chi
O. Gidny Thompson. No caten-
ing first base, Bill!

Triple Trouble

Marion Phillips, the young lady
who goes around calling fellows
"Honey" on general principles,
has three flat rank "Honeys."
When one calls up for a date,
the other two call right up
within a few minutes, asking for
a date in the same affan. Marion
says she's beginning to smell a
rat. "I would too, Marion, if I
were you."

Down for the Count

Barbie Delano, the blonde
freshman, whose eyebrows grow
black, while her hair grows ash-
colored, has Paul Ford down for
the count. What I mean, he's
really got the bug—the bug is
him.

No more pencils, no more books,
When there's a girl with her
sweil looked!

By the Way

George Maskin bowled a
booming 44 the other night.
That fire in the fireplace in the
Union lobby certainly makes the
room 100% more homier—it's a
good idea, and some freshman
should be detailed to keep it
there every day. Christmas
trees in the lobby—gosh—it
won't be long now. Did you
know that Johnny Pangel play-
(full-back, according to News-
Week)? Ruffie Pappas is the
next in line for a Kappa Sig
seconade. Fred Walker gave
his pin, and was duly
painted, the first part of the
week. The Spartan will be
out the first or second week of
next term. Twenty-six proud
junior men were last night in-
ducted into Blue Key. The
picture of Dave Goldsmith's
fiancee was in the State Journal
Thursday. By coincidence, the
picture was a recent one, too.

Statistics at the University of
Wisconsin extension division
shows that persons from 40 to
49 years of age are better stu-
dents than youths of 15 to 19.
The older students received 24
A's and three D's in college
courses, compared to 17 A's and
12 D's for the younger group.

Student Pulse

Dear Mr. Gowins:

Just in case Jack Yuncik ignores your demand for his definition of poetry, which appeared in the Student Pulse, December 9, may I, as a believer in dialectic materialism, offer mine?

Poetry is that form of expression which contains a blend of feeling, emotion, and preception, which synthesizes experience, and cannot be broken down into prose without loss.

I realize that this somewhat hasty and sketchy; but inadequate as it is, is it not evident that the poem you defend contains few of these qualities? Bear in mind that I am not defending Mr. Yuncik, but only criticizing a type of dialectic materialism which is ninety per cent materialism and only ten per cent dialectic.

It seems that you have become acquainted with Marxian philosophy only recently and it has burst upon you like a glorious revelation. I recognize in you the growing pains which usually mark our progress from enthusiasm to caution. I have long since discarded the idea that any expression is art just because it contains an element of revolt. If any attempt does not contain something new, or something old seen from a new perspective, it is not justified. The poem under discussion does neither. It certainly does not improve on Oscar Wilde.

You ask if we should flee from life as it is. Not by any means. Too many of us do that. Yet it is the sad truth that college students know very little about the actualities of life. That being true, would it not be better to hesitate before we start splintering ourselves all over the landscape in rebellion in order that we may gain a clearer conception of that against which we rebel and of what we are to do afterwards? No treatise on the anthropology of human beliefs can give us that—it comes from hard contact with life and honest sweating over its problems. Your letter displays an adolescent lack of contact with life. Life's greatest problem is not the breaking of outworn shells—that battle is already won. The real issue is who or what is to acquire the spoils, and how are we to live a fruitful life during their division.

Unfortunately, the only effect your reasoning has is to continue a condition of rather dissipated moral looseness. It is easy to point the need of freedom, but difficult to realize that freedom must of necessity lead to new restrictions. It is well to remember that those who will readily follow you into materialism will shy away from the restrictive implications of your dialectics. On the other hand, when one considers the moral anarchy, the cheapness and shallowness, the hypocrisy and the emphasis on superficial values that some times seem to be the outstanding characteristic of what many think to be a declining culture, one wonders of what use is it to add to this dissipation. Yet with the critical problem of grasping some tangible values facing us, your immature philosophy would succeed only in increasing the existing chaos.

If you persevere through the whole dialectic formula, you will arrive at a different view from what you have. Dialectics opposes a thesis to an antithesis from which opposition a synthesis is derived. You have arrived at the point of opposition, you have yet to discover a synthesis. The application of this to poetry is that poetry is eminently synthetic. Suppose

THE REVOLVING STAGE

By Larry Distel

The end of the trail is near. After four long years they're finally going to give us the gate, if all goes well, next week. We're not sure just how we feel about it, and we're not going to try to tell you.

It was a great experience. Through the combined media of classwork, the editorship of this paper, fraternity life, social life, and just general campusiana, we had about all there is to get out of college. No greater variety of experience could one expect to dig out of four years in school.

Now we look back on those years and recall many things. Events and people slide through our mental picture in a confused fashion. There are so many things that are pleasant to recall, a few, too, not so pleasant.

We remember our early freshman days before we really pitched in to absorb a little more in the way of college activity. Sophomore days saw our start on the ladder toward an editor's job.

As a junior we began to line our sights on that all-important winter term election. We laugh as we remember the apparent hopelessness of it all. It couldn't be done, it seemed, but then it was done.

That election in March was the high point of our college career. It was a hectic time while it lasted. Fortunately we never took things during that time as seriously as did some people.

Then came the actual year of editorship. Last spring we dropped into the role of columnist. We didn't do so with the intention of pleasing everybody. It was merely a small way in which we could keep contact with the paper.

That quickly traces the high spots of our journalistic career. So much of what we have done here in school has been woven around our work on the State News.

We've known a lot of people during those four years. We have maintained friendly relations with most of the faculty. Our attempts at being friendly with instructors have been misconstrued as being too light-hearted at times, but we'd rather be that way with them than aloofly respectful.

The boys and girls we've known are legion. Many have already left. Some will be here yet for some time, as we like the freshmen as well as our own classmates, without discrimination.

Now the time for our own farewell has come. As we said before we don't know how to say what we feel. We have enjoyed our stay here, and hope we can keep close contact with the school and its students.

So, without further ado we'll finish this last column for the State News. We don't like good-byes, so, instead, we'll say, auf wiedersehen.

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Open Books

By LUCILLE VOGEL

First you get red in the face. Then, in spite of misgivings, you spend 25 cents for a book called "Youth, a World Problem." You read it. You wonder. Suddenly you want to write a book yourself. Suggested title—"Ain't It The Truth?"

W. Thacher Winslow, Administration Assistant, N. Y. A., goes to town on the "youth problem." He sets facts down cold-bloodedly. He tells us nothing, however, which we do not already know.

Through representatives of various foreign State Departments, information has been gathered on our playmates in some 50-odd countries. According to the data which has been so painstakingly compiled, these kids are in the same predicament as we.

Our case has been diagnosed before reputable doctors of unemployment. Now it has been done again! The symptoms of this terrible malady are evidently known. We're restless because we lack "recreation, vocational training and education." Surprisingly, few of our elders realize this fact. The author does a good

that, having completed your act of destruction, you arrive with your new society, it is possible that you will then regret having destroyed so much, and being wiser, you may discover it to be good dialectics to return somewhat to the traditional concept of sin.

The purpose of rebellion is to free the ideals of Man from the weight of encrusted beliefs so that he may realize a higher level of value from a synthesis of old beliefs with new necessities. Rebellion is not an end in itself, but only a means to an end. You justify the acts of those who want freedom and thereby encourage the "unbuttoned" goodness of such moral monstrosities as Isadora Duncan. It is all right to rip your buttons off if you have the intention of replacing them with zippers.

You ask what there is to be optimistic about, and thereby confess your inadequate conception of determinism. Determinism, if rightly understood, shows the way of control and therefore justifies optimism. I am even optimistic about the possibility of your arriving at a mature attitude toward the powerful weapon you have found and that you will learn to use dialectics effectively and constructively.

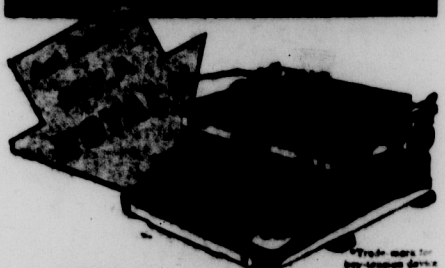
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Spartan Cagers Rated Good Chance Of Upsetting Wolverines

State Ready For Supreme Test Tonight

Coach VanAlstyne Expected to Name Same Quintet That Faced Hope.

By VIC SPANOLO
Stimulated by a rousing victory over Hope, Michigan State's basketball team will invade Ann Arbor to battle a veteran University of Michigan quintet tonight in Yost Field house, starting at 7:30 p. m.

Off hand, the Wolverines appear to be odds on favorites to repulse the State invasion. Experts claim that Michigan seems to have what is necessary to capture Big Ten honors. Basis for this opinion is that the Wolverines have a squad made of experienced veterans.

The Spartans will face Michigan with a team made up of three veterans and a pair of sophomores, unless Coach Ben VanAlstyne makes any last minute changes.

State's sophomores, particularly Marty Hart and George Followski, played bang-up games against the MIAA champions, garnering 21 points between them. If performance in the initial start means anything, then State should have a powerful aggregation this year.

One thing is certain, the Spartans better chance of upsetting Michigan into tonight's game with a gun than at any other time during the last three years.

In the Michigan lineup will be Jake Townsend, forward, easily the most outstanding forward in the Western conference. His passing is deadly and he never shoots unless in the clear. His six-foot two frame enables him to intercept passes.

FISHMAN STARTS

Another key player is Herb Fishman, who plays a steady, reliable brand of ball and is a speed merchant. He is an expert dribbler. Bill Barclay and Eddie Thomas have been waging a battle for the other forward berth. Danny Smith is being pushed to the limit by Jim Rae, sophomore at center.

Coach VanAlstyne believes that this Wolverine game will be the most difficult this season. Michigan with its veterans and promising sopho make up one of the strongest teams in the middle-west. If State is to win over the Wolverines, the Spartans will have to go at top speed all the way, and the cage mentors.

The Spartans will be out to average four rebounds a row at the expense of Michigan.

Grid Eleven Works Inside

Bachman Makes Changes in Practice Lineup.

Driven indoors because of the severe cold wave, Michigan State's football team practiced in the narrow confines of Demonstration hall. And only a portion of that was available to Coach Charles Bachman's men.

The coaches went through a light scrimmage in order to loosen up. This was the second practice session since the team arrived home from the west coast.

Bachman plans only to hold a couple of workouts before embarking for Florida December 20. The itinerary calls for a stop-off at Gainesville, home of the University of Florida, incidentally, Bachman coached at this school before coming to State.

On the whole, the condition of the squad is better than at any other time during the season. Only Unit Haney, regular fullback, is on the injured list and even he was out in uniform. Haney is suffering from a bad ankle.

Bachman and his aides in the last few days have been experimenting at right guard and right half. Charley Hill who has played both halfback positions this year has been transferred back to right half. The Spartan coaches believe that he may come in handy at that spot.

Arthur Cramer, Muskegon sophomore, a guard, was tried out at right guard. Both Walter Lueck and Darwin Dudley will be pushed to the limit in the battle for the starting berth.

SPORT INTERLUDES...

Strikes In Back Yard by George Maskin

Firing Harry Kipke as football coach at the University of Michigan strikes in the old back yard, since the Wolverine eleven goes a long way each year in fashioning the Michigan State season while the rivals continue to battle on the first Saturday in October.

State, by defeating Michigan, virtually is assured of a successful year—at least in the eyes of the Spartan followers. Despite the fact Michigan victories become more common here as the years progress, they still are cherished more than any other scored by a State team.

The first big game a team plays each year has a tremendous bearing on what it does during the balance of the campaign. State has moved into the national football limelight since 1934 by finishing one banner season after another.

In each instance, the Spartans met Michigan in their first stiff test and came away from Ann Arbor with a victory. By winning State gained considerable confidence in its ability and power. It proved the spark necessary to set the team off on a BIG season.

Defeat on the other hand, generally lowers the Spartans hopes for a winning campaign. Past records show that the Spartans, by getting off on the wrong foot in Ann Arbor, are demoralized and it reflects upon them as the season advances.

Michigan's football team has a tremendous bearing on what Michigan State accomplishes on the gridiron. Thus, it isn't any wonder the firing of Kipke has attracted so little interest at Michigan State.

Coach Won't Be Michigan Man

Kipke's departure means the Spartans probably will face a Michigan team next fall which will employ a system other than one used at Ann Arbor since Fielding H. Yost stepped into the picture. It is our understanding the new coach won't be a Michigan man.

Whoever gets Kipke's job, and whatever system the team uses, Michigan should have a better football team next October 1. Included among those who think so is Charles Bachman, whose job it will be to round into shape the Michigan State team, which meets Michigan on that October day.

The Wolverines are coming back in the football world and probably will do better next year, regardless of who coaches them. Michigan has some good boys coming back from this year's squad, and in addition a group of the best freshmen turned out by the school since the heydays of 1932 and 1933.

Since Michigan opens against State, the Wolves will have three reasons to stop the Spartans: (1) Start on the right side of the ledger for a change; (2) avenge four straight defeats at the expense of the Spartans; and (3) win for their new coach.

The shift in coaches undoubtedly will benefit the Spartans, however, and not Michigan in their 1938 game, especially if the Wolverines don't use the Michigan system.

During the short practice period which precedes the game, Michigan will have little time to become well groomed in the new system.

But—it still is a little early for us to go out on the limb and predict a State victory.

Two Surprises on Grid Card

During tonight's football banquet, Athletic Director Ralph H. Young will announce State's 1938 football schedule. We already have a copy of the card in our pocket, but its details aren't for release until the Sunday papers hit the street.

There are one or two surprises. Two teams—neither of which is familiar to football followers in these parts—are slated to furnish State opposition. They are scheduled on successive Saturdays following the Michigan game.

Another feature of the grid card will be the naming of State's most valuable men. If it were up to us, we would pick Fred Schroeder, one of the silent members of the team, but a valuable man to have around.

He alternated between tackle and guard throughout the season, and did a swell job of both positions. The fact he switched partly served to bring out better Schroeder's football ability.

His work went unnoticed by the majority of the fans. However, when Eddie Grayson picked his All-Western team recently, he selected Schroeder as one of the guards—just another case where an unsung hero was rewarded for his playing.

John Pingel Plays Fullback Now

Comes this telegram to the boss: "Pingel given honorable mention as outstanding fullback in Newsweek's All-American team. Signed: E. E. SMITH, Editor."

Since when did Pingel play fullback for Michigan State? The same Pingel and his understudy, Gene Ciolek, both received honorable mention ratings on Grantland Rice's All-American released yesterday. Rice said nothing about Pingel when discussing whom he and his board figured the best six fullbacks.

If you didn't see the team Marshall Goldberg of Pitt and Whizzard White of Colorado were named at the fullbacks.

Pingel Picks Up 5.7 Yards Each Time He Handles Ball

Five and seven-tenths yards every time he carried the ball. That was the average compiled by Johnny Pingel, Michigan State's brilliant left halfback during the 1937 football season. Pingel's play was called 111 times this fall and he responded by clicking off a total of 683 yards.

Close behind Pingel among the regulars was Gene Ciolek, the other left half. Ciolek carried the ball 49 times for 269 yards, or a 5.5 yard average.

Big Unit Haney boasted an even five yard average, earning 300 yards in 60 attempts. Best average on the team, however, was recorded by Ray O'Malley, who carried the ball four times in the Wayne game for 61 yards to finish the year with a 15.3 average.

Other averages were: Jack Coolidge, 3.7 yards; Eddie Pearce, 2.9; George Kovacich, 2.9; Ole Nelson, 4.2; Leslie Bruckner, 3.8; Sam Nuzmy, 3.2; Al Diebold, 4.5; and Charley Aher, 4.

The statistics reveal Pingel completed 30 out of 68 passes he threw for a gain of 481 yards. Gene Ciolek tossed 17 complete passes in 34 attempts for 234 yards. Pearce, Coolidge and Ciolek each

Spartan Eleven Names Speelman As '38 Captain

Harry (Fire Chief) Speelman, veteran left tackle, Thursday was voted captain of the Michigan State football team and will lead the Spartans in action against Auburn in the Orange bowl New Year's day.

Speelman for three years has been an important cog in the Spartan football machine. He broke into the lineup with the "second stringers" in 1935 and last year gained recognition for his work as leader of the junior varsity.

The big tackle tips the scales at 195 pounds and played his high school football at Lansing Central. Speelman, a physical education senior, will be graduated in June.

Game after game saw Speelman turn in an outstanding performance. His work excelled both on defense and offense as he led the Spartans on the field of play.

MIAMI IN NORTH?

The current cold wave which is sweeping the country has the Michigan State footballers somewhat worried. According to stories from Miami, the thermometer has hit an all-time low in that city. The Spartans are hoping for a warm day for their game in the Orange bowl on New Year's day.

HUTSON IS WINNER

Charley Hutson, also a frosh, handed John Kellog a decisive defeat, winning a decision with a 5:05 time advantage. The bouts are six minutes long. They weighed in at 165 pounds.

Other freshmen to win were Bill Martin, 145 pounder, who

Five Yearlings Gain Finals of College Wrestling Tournery

Lloyd Russell Upsets Lay in 145-Pound Class With 3:15 Time Advantage; Dale Ball Receives Injury and is Lost to Team for Month.

The freshmen completely stole the show in the semi-finals of the All-College wrestling tournament yesterday afternoon. It marks the first time in several seasons, freshmen are playing a prominent part in the meet. Five of them will be in the finals this afternoon at the Demonstration hall, starting at 1:45.

Prominent among the frosh victories was the decisive defeat of Ken Lay, a junior with considerable experience, by Lloyd Russell, 145 pounder, who stayed behind Lay most of the time and nearly had him pinned. Russell won a decision with a time advantage of 3:15.

John Chanshoff, 126 pound freshman, won from Dale Ball, varsity letter winner from last year, on a default when Ball was injured and was unable to continue. Ball suffered a serious shoulder injury and will not be able to wrestle for about a month.

Sam Aldrich, star of last year's team wrestled a good bout at 126 pounds to pin John Stover in 3:17. George Bird, 145 pounder, pinned Veclin Eiler after 7:17 minutes of wrestling in an overtime bout.

Bill Mason, veteran 15 pounder, won easily over David James with a fall in 4:05. In the other 155 pound match, Cliff Freibergner did the expected and won his bout with a 5:44 decision over Tom Brown.

Lettuce League Keeps Coaching Members on Run

The "lettuce league" has the Michigan State football coaches on the run.

Practice at 4 p. m. and the dinner table at 6:30 p. m. briefly sum up the average day for the Spartan board of strategy. Since State accepted a bid to play in the Orange bowl, invitations asking coaches to speak at banquets have more than doubled.

Naturally Coach Charley Bachman is in the greatest demand. But Bachman goes to only one event a night, and spends the rest among his assistants—Tom King, Miles Casteel, and Bob Terlaak. Once in a while John Kobs and Ben VanAlstyne also are pressed into service.

BROADCAST BANQUET

For stay-at-homes, radio station WWJ of Detroit will broadcast a portion of the Michigan State football banquet tonight in the gym from 6:30 until 10 p. m. There still is a chance for those desiring to attend the fete to secure tickets, which sell for \$2 each. The banquet starts at 7 p. m.

Trojan Five Loses Second

Reds Outpower East Lansing in Final Three Periods to Win.

East Lansing High school suffered its second straight defeat of the current basketball season when it lost to Central high by a score of 31-20, Thursday evening at Boy's Vocational School field-house.

The Trojans never gave up, but the superior height of the Big Reds and their new fast break offense was more than the Trojans could match.

Play was fast and fouls were numerous, with the Trojans committing 18 personal fouls and Central being penalized on 12 occasions. East Lansing lost two of their first strings in the fourth quarter, when Max Phillips and Ty Anderson were banished.

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