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Today's Campus

Stuck With It

When is a pin not a pin? When it is stuck in a map to designate oil or gas wells, according to Geographers, Geology club members claim. Club members claim that students remove colored pins from a large scale map of Michigan, located in the basement of Morrill hall, faster than geologists can replace them.

The pins chart present drilling operations of wells, in addition to all oil and gas wells of the state. Harried geologists of the club frantically search for hours each week to replace properly the missing pins.

Say It Isn't So

Sociologists may be sour-pusses. A Chicago paper recently pointed out, but one of them proved the other day that he had a sense of humor despite the fact.

When Instructor C. R. Watts talked into one of his sociology classes Tuesday he must have inwardly surprised himself. A carefree young lady exclaimed, "Here comes the old sour-puss."

But there was no temperamental eruptions from Watts. Instead he grinned broadly, pulled a new clipping out of a pocket and began reading a piece to the class which designated all teachers of sociology as the world's worst sour-pusses.

Entrance Cue

When Earl, (Osric) Brigham came in in initial appearance of the term yesterday in Dr. M. M. Capper's "History of Socialism" course he not only spiked rumors that he was a fictitious student, but was also accorded a welcome that is unusual in a class attendance.

Brigham's belated appearance was the signal for glad reunion between himself and Dean Koch who not only welcomed Brigham with open arms but proceeded to introduce, in a loud voice, the "little man who was then there" to both the class and instructor.

Police to Act on New Rule

The East Lansing police department, according to a statement issued yesterday by Chief Harold E. Haun, is preparing to enforce the newly-passed city ordinance restricting parking on east and River Ave.

At the present time, Haun explained, the one hour parking extends only to Charles street. However, under the provisions of the new ordinance, the limited parking zone will extend both sides of Grand River to Charles street. As soon as the new parking signs have been erected, the police department will begin enforcement of the new ordinance.

Haun estimated that 90 per cent of the cars normally parked in the street area are student owned.

Under the Wire

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15—More speed in U. S. production to aid Britain's war effort was urged today by Cordell Hall, secretary of the War Relocation Authority, in testimony given before a subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

Hall said that the U. S. neutrality must be abandoned in favor of a policy of active aid to Britain.

DETROIT, Jan. 15—A.P.L. strike in five plants in Michigan and Ohio has been ended by arbitration of the Labor Manufacturing company has been ended by arbitration, John Dewey, federal labor mediator, announced here today. The settlement came 21 hours after a governmental order for a lock-out of the dispute which held up airplane engine production at the plants.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15—Wendell Willkie, leader of "loyal opposition" forces, will leave Wednesday by clipper plane for London, via Lisbon, to study British war aims, production methods, and social and economic effects of the war, he said.

LONDON, Jan. 15—Italy is rushing reinforcements to northwestern Sicily to quell another uprising led by former Emperor Haile Selassie, it was reported here today.

BERLIN, Jan. 15—The U. S. was accused by an official Nazi source of acting to close foreign trade markets to South America.

NEW YORK, Jan. 15—A freighter is being loaded here tonight with 100,000 worth of American Red Cross supplies for Greece, to be shipped within the next few days.

Flu Flare-Up Creates Two New Wards In Hillcrest

Michigan State's flu epidemic, after abating over the weekend, is increasing in severity, according to Dr. C. F. Holland, health service head.

Figures tabulated Wednesday showed that 651 students had been treated at the hospital for influenza since the epidemic began last week, and authorities expected that Wednesday's treatments would shove the total to the 800 mark.

Library Keeps Pace With Government; Shifts Records

How minor departmental rearrangements in Washington can have far flung repercussions was demonstrated at the college library recently, where library officials have shifted 75 per cent of the government publications because of federal reorganization.

Shifting of the U. S. weather bureau from the department of agriculture to the commerce department has meant moving the contents of 30 bookshelves, according to Glen Fitch, reference librarian in charge of documents.

Two other changes which affected the library, Fitch stated, were the moving of the public health service and the office of education, both changed from the department of the interior to the federal security agency.

Following a practice approved by the Library of Congress, the bulk of more than 6,000 separate government documents received each year at M. S. C. are kept together on one floor of the book-stack rather than scattered about the book collection.

"These publications are useful references and well worth any trouble," said Fitch. The reference department keeps a document checking file in the main reading room and always welcomes inquiries from students and faculty.

Swimming Pools Closed

As a precautionary measure, both the men's and women's swimming pools have been closed temporarily. If the epidemic abates by Monday, it was announced, the pools would be reopened then.

Holland pointed out that the epidemic is increasing in severity as well as in volume, and explained that students are now sick from three to five days, while they were ill only about two days when the epidemic began. A number of students are registering higher fevers than in the early days of the epidemic, Holland said.

Six Students Spend Their Time On the Rocks--In Research

Aiding Michigan's research investigation of oil wells are six Michigan State students who wash, bottle, and label thousands of rock samples sent each year to the Michigan Geological Survey in Lansing.

Students working on the samples are Robert Gavin, Detroit; Gerald Gaige, Joseph Foster, and Dale Walington, East Lansing; Darwin Quigley, Quincy; and Wilton N. Melhorn, Owosso. The sample-washing laboratory is in the basement of the old Music Center, and the research laboratory of the six embryo geologists is in the music practice building.

Samples Are Required

Samples are sent to the Geological Survey for analysis in accordance with a state law requiring: each new well to furnish a rock cutting for every 500 feet of its depth. Prof. S. G. Bergquist, geology and geography head, estimates that an average of 175 samples are sent from each well.

Since about 8,000 wells have been drilled in the last 15 years, the Geological Survey's downtown headquarters is well filled with rock samples. The samples, preserved in glass vials for easy observation, are available to anyone interested in studying them.

Used To Compare Wells

Washed samples of well rock filed with the Survey are studied for type, characteristics, and fossil content. Another important use of the samples is in determining the correlation between different wells and correlation as to thickness.

According to Bergquist, the sample washing has been a service of Michigan State college for two years, in cooperation with the State Geological Survey.

State Enlists Forestry Aid

The forestry department of Michigan State college, co-operating with the State Department of Conservation and the county agricultural agents of the state's 83 counties, is endeavoring to locate, in view of protection, Michigan's largest specimen trees.

The program is a part of a nationwide plan, it is announced by the American Forestry association, which has its headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Individuals are asked to co-operate

Information contributions should offer as definitely as possible, the location, ownership, circumference, height and spread of the largest trees known in any locality of the state. Help to individuals in identification of species and measurement of specimens will be offered by the county agricultural agents.

Efforts are being made to gain cooperation of landowners, lumbermen, professional foresters and conservationists as well as national, state, and local conservation agencies in this drive.

Department Gets New Sap Evaporator

The forestry department has purchased a new fire-sap evaporator for the manufacture of maple syrup and sugar in the college wood-lot. The fire-sap evaporator will replace the steam evaporator, formerly used by the department.

The college has made maple syrup in the River, or Sanford, wood-lot, east of Farm lane, periodically for the past 25 years and continuously since 1909.

Ag Engineers Design Cheap, Light Boat

A boat light enough to go atop a car, which can be built for \$10 has been designed by the Ag engineering department, it was announced yesterday.

Of plywood, the boat measures nine feet in length, and is made waterproof by plastic glass. It will go on exhibit Farmers' Week.

Council Picks Placement Committee

Members Approve ISA, Entomology Club Charters

David Jones, East Lansing junior, was named last night by Richard Groening, Student council president, to head the council's 15-man committee on placement clinics. This committee will supervise setting up of placement bureaus in the college's six divisions and will also have charge of the job application clinic, sponsored last year by Green Helmet, sophomore men's honorary.

Other members of the committee are James Otto, senior class president, and Chester Kennedy, Royal Oak senior. Both served on a similar committee last year. In addition, two members of each divisional council will be named to the committee later.

Green Helmet Reports

Green Helmet, it was reported at the council meeting last night, gave up the vocations clinic project on the basis of its decision that upperclassmen should handle it.

Another committee named last night was instructed to investigate costs of arrangements of "M.S.C. Shadows" for State's band, and also to compile a booklet of Spartan songs sung in informal groups.

William Morgan, Lombard, Ill., junior, is chairman of this music committee, and will be assisted by Mary Evelyn Fleming, Bay City junior, and several other students to be named later.

Approves Charters

The council also voted approval of constitutions of Independent Students association and the M. S. C. Entomology club. These charters will now go before the faculty committee on student organizations for final approval.

A series of reports by delegates to the National Student Federation of America convention held three weeks ago was begun, but some of the reports were held over until the council's next meeting one week from tonight.

Jean Bills, Liberal Arts representative, read reports on convention sessions which discussed charity and relief activities, financial problems on campus, and college publications. As a result of the first of these, the council voted to appoint a committee to investigate the desirability for a standing central relief committee under Student council to have control of relief solicitations on campus. Personnel of the committee will be named next week.

Discusses Leadership

Tom Connelly, junior class president, presented reports on meetings dealing with student participation in curriculum change and development of student leadership. He recommended that Michigan State's divisional councils promote student participation in curriculum changes.

The council appropriated \$75 for the Vocations conference committee and \$25 to National Student Federation, of which it is a member.

Credit Man Talks At Employee Meet

Michigan State College Employees' Credit Union heard Vern Williams, president of the Michigan Credit Union league, at its annual meeting for election of officers and committee members in the Union Tuesday night.

O. Ulrey, agriculture economics, W. S. Beamer and Miss Dorothy Scott, both of the accounting division, were re-elected president, treasurer-manager, and secretary of the board, respectively. Vice-president L. J. Luker, of the education department, was the only new officer chosen.

Miss Scott and Beamer, both re-elected

M. E. G. Muelder, of the history department, and J. F. Thaden, of the sociology department, were chosen for positions open on the board of directors.

New members of the supervisory committee are J. E. Powell, of the mathematics department, and Lloyd Euler of the creamery department.

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Pigeon Potpourri Presents Winners Of All Kinds

Michigan State college has just been given the bird, in fact, 3,500 birds which are entered in the National Pigeon association show. Demonstration hall has been converted into a gigantic pigeon coop, and even the ballroom is hearing much billing and cooing.

Entries are arriving from all sections of the country. Owners send them by express, with feed and water in each coop. All the entries are prize winners, selected at hundreds of smaller shows held previous to this exhibition.

Some of the oddest varieties include the Fantail Pigeon, a tiny bird with a huge peacock-like tail, and the Muffed Tumbler which has feathered dusters on both feet. The largest bird in the show is called the Runt, and pigeons strutting about with a great ruff of feathers almost hiding their heads are called the Jacobins.

There are short faced birds who are unable to feed their young, because they have been so highly developed that they have practically no beak. Their eggs must be hatched by a different breed of pigeon, and the young birds until they are almost full-grown.

In the show are also the old-fashioned carrier pigeons, which are now replaced by the new and faster homing pigeons for message carrying. The mapkies came in for a great deal of attention, because of their long necks and extreme slowness, and an insignificant looking little bird, the parrot tumbler, is credited with the amazing habit of flying up very high in the air and spinning over and over, like a bewildered acrobat.

Totals Reveal Decrease in Enrollment

Registration figures reached a total of 6,337 students for winter term, 1941, according to an announcement made from the registrar's office yesterday. This figure shows a decrease of 399 students from the peak of fall term registration figures, which totaled 6,736 at the beginning of fall term.

A part of the 399 drop can be accounted for through graduating seniors who totaled 90, and through those who were flunked out, which after 17 reinstatements, numbered 104. The balance have dropped out of their own accord for personal reasons, officials believe.

This term's total shows a decrease of four students in comparison to enrollment figures for winter term, 1940, which reached 6,361.

Fall Wind Makes Foresters Work

Six forestry students under the direction of Vern Thaler of the forestry staff are working to salvage trees and to clean up the damage done in Jensen Memorial park by last fall's big windstorm. The men doing the work are: Robert and Herbert Holmes, freshmen from Chicago, Mass.; Ed Larkin, freshman from Brooklyn, N. Y.; Walter Wickman, Chicago sophomore; Dick Johnston, Oswego freshman; and Robert Martin, Detroit sophomore.

The department is also improving

the Kellogg Reformation tract near Battle Creek. The work consists of road building and timber sanitation operations, cutting out diseased and insect-infested trees.

The tract is to be opened next spring for public use and inspection.

State Team Places In Judging Meet

A Michigan State college cattle judging team placed eighth in the National Students' All-American Holstein-Friesian judging contest recently, it was announced yesterday.

Held in Brattleboro, Vt., the contest was sponsored by the extension service of Holstein-Friesian association of America.

Harold N. Geiger, junior Ag student

was awarded 11th place in the intercollegiate division of the judging. Members of the State team making the trip were William Knox, senior Ag student from Sault Ste. Marie; John W. Foster, junior Ag student from Hastings; Lyle Thorburn, senior Ag student from Mason; and Geiger.

Record Lists FarmHouse Term's Best

AGR Actives Tops List of Fraternity Averages

FarmHouse fraternity obtained the highest scholastic average among the 17 Michigan State college fraternities fall term, 1940, figures released late yesterday by G. R. Heath, men's housing director, revealed. The grade point average of the active-pledge group of FarmHouse was 1.62, three-tenths of a point above the all-fraternity average of 1.259, and 349 point above the all-men average of 1.271. Alpha Gamma Rho, with an all-house average of 1.5, took second honors and Alpha Epsilon Phi placed third with a 1.4 average.

AGR LEADS ACTIVES

Broken down into active and pledge groups, Alpha Gamma Rho leads the actives with an average of 1.689. Alpha Epsilon Phi is a close second with 1.688, and FarmHouse places third with its 1.57. The pledge group is led by FarmHouse's 1.66 and a 1.36 gain by Sigma Nu gives them second place. Kappa Sigma is third with 1.37. The all-active average for last term was 1.37 which is 235 points above the all-pledge fall term average of 1.142.

The all-house fall term, 1940,

grade point averages of the 17 campus fraternities are as follows:

FarmHouse	1.620
Alpha Gamma Rho	1.500
Alpha Epsilon Phi	1.418
Sigma Nu	1.391
Alpha Tau Omega	1.369
Kappa Sigma	1.332
Theta Chi	1.319
Lambda Chi Alpha	1.196
Phi Delta Theta	1.190
Phi Chi Alpha	1.184
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	1.176
Pi Kappa Phi	1.174
Delta Chi	1.172
Phi Kappa Tau	1.155
Beta Kappa	1.145
Delta Sigma Phi	1.140
Hesperian	1.068

MASON-ABBOT DOWN WELLS

Additional averages were released by Heath for the three men's dormitories. Mason and Abbot hall averages were combined to give the dorms a 1.331 average, a .096 advantage over Wells hall's 1.235. Division F led Wells with an average of 1.323 and precinct 9 of Mason-Abbot hall led all men's dormitories, averaging 1.597.

Plant Nears Completion

Operations on the building and grounds department's new ash-disposal system are rapidly nearing completion, W. A. Davenport, superintendent, said yesterday. The system will be put into operation within three or four weeks, he stated.

The new system will be more efficient and will cost much less than the old system, according to Davenport. Water for the system will come from a tap on the condensed discharge, which now runs into the river, thus using a waste by-product.

The water will flow along 125 feet of yard-deep trenches beside the base of four large boilers. Into this trough workmen will scrape the ashes from the boilers, and they will then be carried to the grinders, made of special abrasion-resisting steel called "ashcolite".

Below the grinders, in a pit with about 500 cubic feet capacity, the ashes assume a liquid form, from which they are pumped into hoppers. Here the water is removed, and the ashes drop to trucks below. The water resumes its trip back to the river.

In this form the cinders will not

be detrimental to tires when used on roads.

Authoress Joins Home Ec Staff

New this term to the education department is Miss Hazel Hatcher, professor of education and author of books and tests in home economics work.

Miss Hatcher has just received her Ph.D. degree from the University of Minnesota where she wrote "Two Methods of Teaching Home Economics in High Schools of Minnesota."

At Michigan State college, Miss

Hatcher will work especially in the field of research and graduate courses in home economics.

Corsage Question Is Unsettled; Council To Test Survey

'Flowers' Hangs Fire Despite Report

The question of whether or not Michigan State will continue to maintain a ban on corsages at all-college formal parties is still unsettled.

It was brought up last night at an open meeting of Student council in the Spartan room of the Union when a report was presented on a survey of campus opinion on the ban.

The group which made the survey

is headed by Robert E. Smith, Detroit senior.

MAKES REPEAL MOVE

Following presentation of the committee's report, Jack Sinclair, a council member, moved repeal of the ban, which was passed by the council two years ago. A discussion followed in which members of the council as well as non-members participated.

Validity of the figures given in

the survey report was questioned when several persons gave examples of "unscientific" methods of conducting the survey. The survey was intended to be carried out on a scientific sampling basis in the same manner as national opinion polls.

WILL INVESTIGATE SURVEY

As a result of charges that the sampling was conducted indiscriminately, the council's committee supervising the survey group was instructed to investigate methods used in the corsage survey and report its findings at the next meeting of the council.

When the legality of the corsage ban now on the books, irrespective of its merits or demerits, was challenged, Richard Groening, council president, named a five-man committee to investigate that point and also present results of its work at the council's next session.

LISTS COMMITTEE

Groening heads this committee, and other members are Sinclair; John Liffey, Interfraternity council president; Robert Page, Rockland junior and a former council member; and Joseph Goudie, Engineering representative on the council.

Student council will hold a special open meeting Thursday, Jan. 23, when continuance of the corsage ban will be discussed again.

Club Sets Date Of Snow Train

The third annual snow train to Grayling has been scheduled for Sunday, James Husted, faculty advisor of the M. S. C. Outing club, announced yesterday.

Leaving Lansing at 8:15 a. m., the train will arrive in Grayling for six hours of winter sports. Wandering minstrels will provide entertainment on the train. At Grayling fans will be able to partake of skating, skiing, tobogganing and snowshoeing.

Dean Conrad has announced that all women who sign up in advance will receive 10:30 p. m. permission. If the train is not in at the scheduled time of 10:15, an hour's leeway will be given. Persons with flu or who have just recovered from it will not be allowed to go.

Tickets include train fare, transportation to and from train to

park and admission to park. All equipment must be furnished by students, with the exception of toboggans.

Special buses will leave the Union at 7:30 and 7:45 a. m. for the Lansing station. Tickets for the event should be purchased before Friday at the Union desk and Smoke Shop.

Board Postpones Regular Meeting

Death of George W. Akers, father of Forest H. Akers of the State Board of Agriculture, has caused postponement of the board's regular meeting scheduled for today, board officials announced yesterday.

Funeral services for Akers will be held today at 1:30 p. m. at the Gorsline-Rummen funeral home in Lansing. Pres. R. S. Shaw and Sec. J. A. Hannah will attend the services.

Next session of the board will

be Thursday, Jan. 23, Hannah announced.

Campus Calendar

TODAY--

- Stud. club cabinet, 7:30 p. m. Stud. parlors, Peoples church
- Newman club, 8:45 p. m. Jensen fieldhouse
- MSC Hotel association 8 p. m., Spartan room, Union
- MSC Outing club, 7:30 p. m. Room 3, Union annex
- College Householders' Ann. 2:30 p. m., room 4, Un. annex
- Entomology club, 7:30 p. m. Entomology building
- Farm Man. club, 7:30 p. m. Org. room 2, Union
- Blue Key-Kappa Kappa, 7 p. m. Union dining room
- American Chem society 7:30 p. m., Kodak lab.
- YWCA Cabinet, 5 p. m. Peoples church

TOMORROW--

- Top-o-Mink club, 8 p. m. Room 401, Ag hall
- Initial orientation A&T home, 7:30 p. m.
- Town Club, 10 noon
- Town Club, 7:30 p. m.

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Tried And Proved Opinion

That "two heads are better than one" is an old and proved adage. When more than two heads get together and agree on something, such opinions usually are sound. Opinions of this nature were presented at last night's Student Council meeting when delegates to the National Student Federation convention presented reports of some of the meetings.

One group at that convention, composed of college students from all parts of the United States, discussed financial problems on the campus. Out of this discussion came the recommendation that "student council funds be derived from a flat fee assessed on each student, said fee to be passed by vote of the student body."

This group also recommended the same method of financing student publications. Another recommendation which came from one of the dozen or so discussion groups favored student participation in making changes or additions to the college curriculum.

All three of these recommendations should be worthy ones; they're the result of serious open comment by a widely varied group of college students.

If organizations at Michigan State work for achievement of these recommendations on our own campus, it will be a creditable endeavor.

"One headlight's plenty," said the careless driver just before an oncoming truck sideswiped him.

Fraternity Week Observation

Neophytes in the college's 18 Greek letter organizations are on their way to becoming familiarized with more normal fraternity and sorority life this week after finishing the rigors of Fraternity week last Saturday night.

It's a long cry from the tortures of initiation suffered by pledges of a decade and less ago to the comparatively mild forms employed by present-day fraternal organizations. The step has been a major improvement.

Although fraternities have kicked the devil out of pledge week and substituted more educational methods of determining the mental, normal and physical caliber of their would-be brothers, they have left enough hell in

Fraternity week to make it interesting for all concerned. Instead of tying a pledge to a tree and leaving him out all night to nearly die of exposure as was done in one case at State years ago, the modern Greeks send him out to propose to the first red-headed girl he meets. Or they impose other tasks designed to try men's souls but not to harm them physically or otherwise. Sororities use much the same methods of pledgeship.

By the inauguration of such changes, present-day fraternity organizations are proving that they have higher aims in mind than merely raising hell.

"Women's fashions," some was once remarked, "are the result of a conflict between women's admitted desire to dress and their unadmitted desire to undress."

Congratulations to a Winner

For the first time in several moons Spartan sport fans are being treated to the sight of a winning aggregation in a major sport. Basketball Coach Ben VanAlstyne's amazing cagers are on the upswing and, after winning five in a row, three of them major upsets, they can't legitimately be called pan flashes.

Signs of student appreciation of a winning team were in evidence Monday evening when State dropped Temple in a thriller for the second time within a week.

In these days of breakneck competition, consistent winners are a rarity. The cage men of Sparta have added luster to their laurels by turning out a winning combination despite the fact that, at the last minute, they were forced to rebuild a team without the services of Chester Aubuchon, star of the past two seasons and groomed to furnish the spark this year. They have done a fine job.

To Max and Joe and Carl and Frank and all the others, the State News duffs a topper and, speaking for the student body, wishes continued luck in finishing an already successful season.

An object lesson in press relations: The press in Michigan will do practically anything for the state police because the state police will do practically anything for the press.

Public Relations

If every student would talk to his or her senator and representative about the need for a natural science building, it would do more good than the most expensive corps of professional lobbyists that could be hired.

Parade of Opinion

By Associated Collegiate Press
What Other College Students Think on Timely Topics

Just Sign Here, England

From across the Atlantic for the second time within the past quarter century, Britain proffers an empty pocketbook to support pleas for financial aid from gullible Uncle Sam. It seems that noble-hearted England is always willing to adopt a cause and jump willingly into the fracas just as long as someone else can and will foot the bill.

Primary check to such loans is, of course, the Johnson Act, which prevents extension of credit to any nation still financially indebted to the United States from the 11 billion dollar spending spree of 1917.

Or do you remember our money and our men that made such a "safe democratic world?"

Naturally, the late Lothian's mission to Washington was to deal with the legal technicalities that must be overcome before our financial hands can again be clasped. All indications point to the Duke of Windsor's similar motive. Britain is in dire need of money; we can supply her with that which she needs. But is the investment one that will pay?

In the financial realm, on the secretary of treasury's report is a five and one-half billion dollar debit marked against Great Britain. Only a negligible amount has been repaid by England in the past 20 years. This pittance payment has been one made by victorious John Bull. Are we to lose cool cash after a bad debt only to have England, should she win again, label us as Uncle Shylock when we begin to request pay?

On the other hand, if we turn over Fort Knox to Great Britain only to see her go down in defeat, our cause and our cash as well would be lost. If England is sincere in her desire to make solvent her credit, let's make a trade.

To clear Morgan's books let's cancel the five and one-half billion debt for a hundred year's lease on Canada and Bermuda. For further financial assistance let England turn over to us the Honduras and Guiana, the islands of Barbados, Grenada, Montserrat and Martinique, so vital to Caribbean defense, "for the duration" and until her obligations to us are cleared.

If we must lend money to Britain, let's make no bones about packing from the English empire all of the crown jewels that can be of service to us in the Western Hemisphere. There could be no more appropriate or opportune time to do some renowned Yankee trading than in 1941.—Tennessee Collegiate, Tennessee State College.

WASHINGTON MERRY GO ROUND

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WASHINGTON—Phil Murray, new CIO head, apparently is pursuing a policy of trying to carry water on both shoulders. There was a plum for both leftwingers and antis in his latest organizational moves.

The antis cheered when Murray announced that Reid Robinson would replace Lee Pressman as secretary of the legislative committee. This was a big feather in the cap of the antis and a very significant slap-down for Pressman. In the last few years, during the rule of John L. Lewis, Pressman ran the committee with an iron hand.

Because of his use of leftist tactics, Pressman was disliked on Capitol Hill and was repeatedly in hot water. But through his drag with Lewis, none of his numerous CIO foes was able to curb him and he operated as he pleased.

ANTIS REJOICE
His ouster from the key post caused much jubilation among the antis, who have been muttering disappointedly for weeks over Murray's failure to use the axe on strategically placed leftwingers. But this pleasure was short lived.

The next day Murray announced the appointment of John T. Jones, director of Labor's Non-partisan league, as CIO legislative representative on Capitol Hill. This was a solar-plexus blow.

A United Mine Worker official, Jones is one of Lewis' most intimate henchmen and completely under his thumb. Jones owes both his UMW and LNL jobs to Lewis, and he is one of the few UMW leaders who followed Lewis in bolting to Willkie. Personally amiable and a hail fellow, Jones is no leftwinger, but he takes his orders from Lewis and will follow any "party line" he lays down.

In CIO circles the appointment was taken as clear evidence that the shadow of Lewis still looms potent over Murray and that he does not feel himself strong enough to be his own boss.

LEWIS GETS READY
Lewis, confined to his home the past few weeks with a heart con-

Via De Modern Greeks

BY
MARY LEE SCHOOLEY

ZETA'S PLAN PARTY
Zeta Tau Alpha will grab the spotlight Saturday night for their winter term party which will be held in the American room of the Olds hotel. Patrons will be Mr. and Mrs. C. N. McCarthy and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Champion.

Sunday will be the day of formal initiations. Eleven men will be initiated into Kappa Sigma, and 14 pledges will take active in Sigma Nu.

Wedding bells in the distance again. This time for Harriet Beecher, Theta who graduated in '40, and now has a diamond from Hank Leipart of Buffalo. Announcement was made yesterday of the engagement of Harriet Barton, East Lansing Kappa, '39, who will wed Don Roberts of Detroit, Feb. 27. Betty Wilson, '38, of Kappa Alpha Theta, and Jack Hutton, Hespie alum, were married in Detroit Dec. 27.

ALUMS ARE GENEROUS—
Everyone has heard of the generous and cooperative nature of alumni, but the Delta Chi take the honors for this. The three alumni who comprise the finance control board of the chapter, Rex Lamerson, Joe Lachia, and Red Drennan, all of Lansing, treated newly-elected officers of Delta Chi to a dinner at the Lansing Country club last Tuesday night. Matt Wroclage, sophomore from Flint, was pledged to ATO recently.

Incidentally, the Pan-Hellenic Interfraternity ball will be given Jan. 31. In the auditorium with two big name bands to furnish music. Theta Ann Bryant is wearing a Phi Del pin from Chuck Hudler of Iowa State. Ginny White, Zeta Tau Alpha, is vacationing in Florida this term. Pledged to Alpha Chi Omega Monday night was Betty Jane Youngman, sophomore from Lakeview.

CHAPTER GOES VISITING—
Jack Anker, Detroit sophomore, Joe Vermulen, Mt. Clemens freshman, and Russ VanderVeen, Grand Haven sophomore, moved into the ATO house this term. The whole Theta chapter is going to Detroit Saturday to a Founder's day luncheon given by Detroit alumnae. Jack Twist pinned the five-armed star of Sigma Nu on Kappa pledge George Weidman Saturday night. Juniors of Zeta Tau Alpha won a steak dinner for having the highest average in the chapter. The alumnae scholarship adviser is giving the dinner.

Students to Conduct Friday Services

Michigan State Hillel Foundation students will conduct the Sabbath Eve services Friday at 8 p. m. in Sharey Zedek synagogue in Lansing.

Florence Wilkins, sophomore from Syracuse, N. Y., will preach on "Education, the Apprenticeship of Life." Students will read the entire service. A social hour in the temple recreation hall will follow. Transportation will be provided from the AEP house at 7:30 p. m.

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News Roundup Lease-Lend Bill Provokes Controversy In Congress

Bitter controversy greeted the lease-lend plan for British aid yesterday as it made its official entrance at House foreign affairs committee meeting.

Sen. Burton K. Wheeler's recent radio speech in which he called the bill a plan to "plow under every fourth American boy" was denounced by the president in his Tuesday press conference.

R. called the statement "most untruthful, rotten and dastardly."

"Apparently the president has lost his temper," Wheeler, leader of opposition forces in Congress, answered.

Although he expressed hope that his statement will prove untrue, Wheeler said the tenor of the president's latest speeches all have pointed to war. The chief executive has refused to comment on suggested limitations to duration of the sweeping powers the bill would grant him.

STRIKE BAN IS ASKED

On grounds that further walk-outs by organized labor will impede progress of the national defense program, some industrialists are asking that strikes be outlawed or at least curtailed in plants working on defense orders.

A spokesman for this attitude, Glenn L. Martin, aircraft manufacturer, told a house naval affairs committee Tuesday that the government should draft industry and labor to speed production and "stop strikes."

A.F.L. has been ordered by a federal labor conciliator in Detroit to end its strikes at five plants of the Eaton Manufacturing company in Michigan which threatens an interruption in airplane engine construction. This order, issued Tuesday, is the first of such a drastic nature to be applied in the U. S. by the conciliator.

U. S. MAY BUY METALS

The United States government has awakened to the fact that totalitarian nations are buying up most of Mexico's output of vital war materials and plans are afoot to counteract such trading, a dispatch from Mexico City said yesterday.

All exports of such metals as mercury, tungsten and molybdenum will be purchased by the U. S., according to a recent announcement by U. S. consular offices in the city. Mexico is unwilling to impose an embargo on the metals but finds the plan satisfactory as long as the U. S. buys the entire output, the dispatch indicated.

BRITAIN ADMITS LOSSES

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Faculty Men Air Defense Phases At YM Meeting

American defense from the points of view of four faculty men from unrelated departments was the subject of last night's round-table discussion group in Peoples church. The meeting was sponsored by Y.M.C.A.

Leaders of the discussion group which considered the defense problems from economic, political, religious and geographical standpoints were Prof. W. M. Knappen, head of the history and political science department, the Reverend Norman Kunkel, religious education staff member and Maj. O. L. Davidson of the college R.O.T.C. unit.

Knappen, discussing economic defense, pointed out that America is losing the idea of home ownership and private business which our tax structure is not able to pay but burdened on the lower income groups. He also pointed out that Canada's economic movements as examples of educational democracy. Knappen, speaking on "What have to defend in our political situation and how we can and expect to defend it," emphasized the importance of maintaining democratic principles. To illustrate this he spoke of his experience in Russia and told of having seen a boy arrested and taken to the police station for smoking a cigarette.

DEFENSE CUTS PRIVILEGES—An adequate defense of liberty, Knappen believes, must entail temporary abandonment of some of the privileges of liberty. In an emergency, he pointed out, order must be stressed over liberty and it is often necessary to fight in order to retain elements that cannot be relinquished.

In his concluding statements Knappen said that the surest way a government to lose out is that government to lose a war. The present war is won by totalitarian forces, he said, history tells that our democratic inheritance will be far from safe.

RES MILITANT STAND—The Reverend Kunkel, in his discussion of religious democracy, stated a distinct non-pacifist stand. Kunkel, who said that pacifism is not a position as that of conscientious objector, quoted John P. Adam's theory that

Spanish Outranks French; War Said To Be Cause

Demand for Spanish courses has increased in the last year that Spanish now outranks French, the former favorite. This shift is the result of the foreign situation which has been responsible for the shift of interest to Latin and South America, according to Prof. L. C. Hughes, head of the foreign language department.

Agricultural and engineering students especially have been electing courses in Spanish because of possibilities of going to the Canal Zone or some other Spanish-speaking countries, he said.

To meet this situation the department is now contemplating some revision of Spanish courses for next year with reference to this practical or occupational demand by more emphasis on oral or commercial work and less classical study.

Two of last year's graduates, both Spanish majors, have informed Hughes of the application of Spanish in their work. Sidney Moore sends word of her position as secretary to the manager of the foreign department of the American Air Lines. John McArthur is with General Motors sales department in Argentina.

CONSIDER THREE ANGLES—Davidson considered the matter from three angles, America's past policy, present policy, and probable future policy.

In the past, he said, the United States has declared war, then gotten ready to fight. At the present time, Davidson said, our problem is much more one of equipment than of men. Deploring strikes and industrial bickering, he emphasized that everyone should avoid any action that tends to delay production for so much as 15 minutes.

DEFENDS ENGLISH AID—As to whether the United States should send supplies to England, Davidson asked "If you had a bull dog tied in the front yard to keep off burglars, would you feed him?"

If future dangers are to be avoided, Davidson says, America must have a definite policy. The plan he suggests includes universal military service for one year to assure having an easily mobilized, well trained army of 1,000,000 men available at all times. At the end of this world war, the United States should have full modern equipment, he believes. If every year one-tenth of the equipment is replaced, Davidson feels that America would be fairly well insured against military danger.

Unintentionally omitted from Tuesday's listings of musical programs was that of Carlton Eldridge, tenor, who should be classed among those inspiring bigger and better musical appreciation. Eldridge is heard each Thursday at 11:15 a. m.

A continuation of folk music in the form of negro spirituals is the music appreciation program planned for 10:30 a. m. Friday. Mabel Miles of the music department is the commentator.

Friday afternoon's music department production will be presented by three piano pupils. They are Marilyn Hammer, freshman; Barbara Mahie, sophomore; and Marie McKay, sophomore; 2:15 p. m. is the time.

An unusual program which should be of interest to domestic-minded women and food-loving men will be a home economics broadcast by Marie Bukovac. Her subject is Swedish Smorgasbord. The broadcast may be heard at 9:45 a. m. Friday.

"The Broadway Season Picks Up" is the subject for Don Buell's program, "Curtain Going Up," Friday at 3:15 p. m. Reviews of December and January openings constitute the gist of his talk.

Library Will Try To Test Services

Criteria which will test how effectively the Michigan State college library is serving its students and faculty have been worked out tentatively, according to Jackson Towne, college librarian.

The plan is patterned after one adopted by the American Library association at its recent midwinter meeting in Chicago upon the advice of college administrators and librarians throughout the country.

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Action!



From the Women's Angle

Michigan State women are resuming their activities as well as their studies as plans for the Spinners' Spin near completion. Women's chairman of the marriage lecture series has been named by Mortar Board while other groups announce new advisers.

SWL PATER—

Mrs. Ralph Norman has replaced Mrs. R. D. Lamphear as adviser for Spartan Women's league, Jeanne Visel, president of the organization, announced.

TOWER GUARD—

The sophomore women's honorary is sending out calendars which include scheduled accounts of all the affairs to be held winter term. The calendar will be sent to the presidents of all organizations on campus. Additional copies will be sold upon request.

MORTAR BOARD—

Kay Freeman, applied music senior, has been appointed women's chairman of the marriage lecture series which will be held spring term. The lecture series will be sponsored by Mortar Board and Excalibur. Marie Gorte, president of the senior honorary, announced.

SHERMA SCOTTA—

Thursday evening, Sherma Scotta, honorary women's fencing society, will conduct its first meeting of the term. W.A.A. fencing and plans for the group's future meets will be topics discussed at the meeting.

ORCHESTRA—

As a result of the honorary dancing society's first meeting of the term, held last Tuesday evening, Orchestra members are working on a new dance composition. The dance composition was written by Sally Azlin, senior from Chicago, Ill., and is called "Work and Play."

Dance practices for tryouts, members and leaders will be conducted at the same time they were conducted last term.

All members who wish to appear in the Wolverine picture must have their fall and winter term dues paid and must report in dance costume next Monday afternoon from 5 to 6 p. m. at the women's gym.

Six to Arrange Student Meet

Richard Groening, Ludington senior, student council president, has named committee chairmen in charge of arrangements for the east central regional conference of the National Student Federation of America to be held on campus April 11, 12, and 13.

Jean Bills, Lansing senior, was named as general chairman. Tom Connelly, Cassopolis junior was appointed program chairman; Roger Blackwood, Detroit sophomore, with charge of publicity; Shirley Freeman, East Lansing sophomore, of housing; Louise Bombenok, Lansing sophomore, of food; and Bill Morgan, Lombard, Ill. junior, of entertainment.

The conference, which includes schools in Indiana, Wisconsin, Ohio, Illinois, and Michigan, was held last year at Murray college, Jackson, Ill. Both colleges which are members of the organization and non-members will send representatives from their student councils.

Occidental college alumni have issued an "Occidental Who's Who."

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College Bulletin

What's Doing On Campus Today And Tomorrow

(Continued from Page 2)

THE BOTANY BUILDING.

According to E. A. Bessey, dean of graduate school, this should be done as soon as possible since most assistantships are filled by early March.

HOME ECONOMICS MAJORS—

"Foods, Fads, and Fallacies" will be the theme of a junior and senior foods and nutrition majors meeting today. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p. m. in room 1 of the Home Economics building.

INSURANCE INTERVIEWS—

E. V. Gellies, representative of a life insurance company, will be at the economics department to interview seniors interested in insurance work.

Interviews will take place at 1 p. m. today. Students interested may obtain further information from Miss H. E. Bartlett of the economics department, room 361, Merrill hall.

STUDENT CLUB—

Members of Student club will meet at Peoples church at 8:30 p. m. Friday for an ice skating party. Don Farmer is chairman of the party and Grace Carless is in charge of refreshments.

WOLVERINE PICTURES—

According to James Keith, organizations editor, pictures will be taken of 14 campus organizations tonight in the Little Theater of the Home Economics building.

In the order that each group picture is to be taken, they are Zeta Tau Alpha, 7; FarmHouse, 7:10; PanHellenic, 7:20; Farm Crops Judging team, 7:30; Agronomy club, 7:40.

Newman club, 7:50; Student club, 8; I.S.A., 8:10; Cheer leaders, 8:20; Blue Key, 8:30; Excalibur, 8:40; Matrix, 8:50; Varsity club, 9; and Alpha Phi Omega, 9:10.

ECN-FARM MANAGEMENT—

Paul H. Nettleton, director of the Food Stamp Plan organization in Lansing and vicinity, will speak before the Agricultural Economics Farm Management club Thursday at 7:30 p. m., according to Dick Christian, club president.

The meeting will be in organization room 2 of the Union.

YWCA MEETING—

Y. W. cabinet will meet tonight at 5 p. m. in Peoples church to complete plans for the Snow tea to be held Jan. 25.

Exploring group heads will discuss the accomplishments of previous meetings and will plan for the next discussion group.

Steel Doors Guard Herbs Until They Get New Home

By Bill Barclay

Hidden away, for lack of a better place, in a vault-like room in the basement of botany building is the college herbarium, containing mounted specimens of plants, some of which were collected more than a century ago.

The herbarium, of which

Botany Professor T. H. Darlington is curator, is guarded by a single entrance with two heavy doors. Back in 1915, Darlington stated, a Sunday afternoon fire almost destroyed the botany building and the collection; and since that time every precaution has been taken to remove the danger of fire at least partially.

DEFINES "HERBARIUM"

"A herbarium," according to a professional definition by the curator, "is a collection of plants, dried, labeled and mounted, and classified." The plants in the collection here are arranged according to families, and mounted throughout the room.

There is no definite figure on how many individual specimens are included in the collection, Darlington said; but he described the herbarium as including "a good many thousand" specimens.

HOPES FOR NEW BUILDING

The collection has had a long history, the curator lamented, "that there is no longer room for further additions." Those interested in the herbarium look forward to the proposed erection of a natural science building with particular eagerness. Darlington stated, knowing that only in this way can adequate facilities for the collection be obtained.

The collection has had a long and interesting history, the curator revealed, since the first recorded specimens were purchased by the college during the Civil war. At that time a collection was bought from the widow of Dr. J. B. Cooke, practicing physician of what was then Carol's Corners in Macomb county.

DOCTORS USED HERBS

Cockey had come into Michigan in the early part of the last century, Darlington said, and, like many other physicians of that day, became interested in botany. "Botany was an important subject in the life of the early physician who had to gather many medicinal plants for his practice," he stated.

The greatest advancement in the herbarium came under Dr. W. J. Beal, who in the early days of the college combined posts as professor of botany, forestry, and of horticulture. Beal gathered specimens and bought collections until the herbarium began to approach its present size. However, not long after Dean E. A. Bessey of the graduate school took over the position of professor of botany in 1910, the problem of where

lection. For the most part, the herbarium is made up of higher plants of flowering types, although several varieties of fungi, mosses, and lichen are included.

The herbarium is used for reference and research, much as a library, the curator stated. It is also used for identification of new plants, and in making studies of the distribution of flora in various areas of the state.

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College Service Cuts Cotton Surplus; Aids Needy Families

The cotton mattress program being conducted by the Michigan State college extension service in cooperation with the Agricultural Adjustment, Farm Security and Federal Surplus Market-administrations is a beneficial aid for many rural Michigan families.

FREE COTTON

According to the extension department there are many rural families who need mattresses. In such as the Federal Surplus Marketing administration has acquired a surplus cotton to stabilize prices, giving cotton to needy families who make their own mattresses. Applications for cotton should be in the county A.A.A. office before the end of March, extension officials said.

For county approval, orders must be to the state A.A.A. office, then order the cotton. After that at the county headquarters the extension office demonstrates how mattresses are made then distributes necessary materials to the needy families.

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Geology Grads Find Work in Colorado

Bruce E. Kennedy, who graduated from Michigan State's geology department the end of fall term, is now working with the Vanadium Corporation of America and is working in some of the corporation's mining properties in Naturita, Colo.

Working with Kennedy are two geology students who graduated from State last June, Tom Oster and John Spencer.



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