

Today's Campus

Pest Parley

Quick, Henry, the Flit" may be an obsolete phrase soon, if the conference on vermin control proves successful. The conference, which is being held today and tomorrow, has for one of its subjects of discussion the baffling question "What is an insect?" For those who have time to observe the playful antics of rodents, "Life Habits of Rats and Mice" will be presented. Among the enlightening topics for tomorrow's conference are "Bedbugs and Cockroaches," and " Lice, Fleas, and Mites."

Discarded Theory

Many kid coeds taking to discarding the weather and gradually getting around to the more plentiful rains this spring. Still, the first sunny day to the let-up of artillery fire on the African front. Supposedly from the said coeds' viewpoint, the heavy rains are the result of the coeds' discarding and artillery fire in Europe and Africa. Seems like it was one we packed away during the last war as unproved and unproved.

Army Preferred 5 to 1 by Former Spartan Men

Army 5—Navy 1 is the record of former Spartans in the armed forces according to alumni office records, which show that there are 1718 in the former service and 346 in the latter. Most of the graduates are officers, ranging from brigadier general to second lieutenant, and some commander to ensign. There are two brigadier generals, Don Stroh, '15 and Ernest H. Hart, '14, thirteen colonels, and 95 majors. Among the naval officers, 55 hold ranks of lieutenant or higher.

In addition to former Spartans in the army and navy there are 10 in the marines and eight in the coastguard. The WAACs have accounted for 18 former Spartan coeds, and the WAVES bring up a close second with 17. On some battlefield there is at least one fighting man from every class since 1907. A member of the class of 1900, John R. Thompson wears a lieutenant colonel's silver oak leaf.

Students Direct Theater Dramas

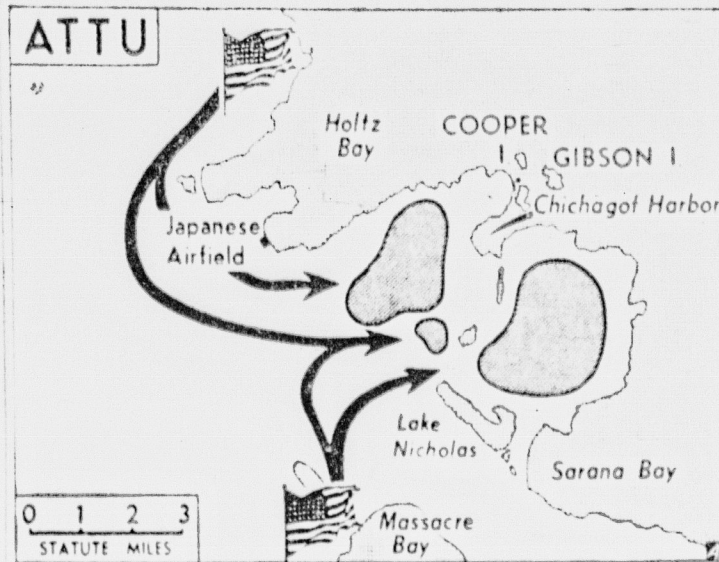
Studio theater will present two plays tonight at 7:15 in room 49, College auditorium, according to Mrs. W. B. Whitaker of the speech department.

The first play, directed by Dean Lewis, Plymouth senior, will be "Her Sainted Grandmother," Rosemary Howland, Detroit sophomore; Margaret Morrison, West Branch senior; Patricia Toolan, Lansing senior, and Dick Jones, Muskegon junior make up the cast for this stage fantasy.

The cast for the second play, "Orchids for Margaret," with a theme, under the direction of Pauline Olde, Grosse Pointe senior, is as follows: Barbara James, Ferndale freshman; Laura Hack, Mount Lebanon, Pa. freshman; Mildred VanWestrienen, East Lansing freshman; Bob Babcock, Flint freshman, and Dave Merrell, Miles freshman.

Allies Continue Heavy Aerial Assault on Europe

Japanese Resistance on Attu Fades Before Violent American Attack



WASHINGTON, May 26 (AP)—Japanese resistance on Attu island appeared today to be crumbling fast, with one of the enemy's last three main positions in American hands and a second under violent assault.

Amy air striking power in the western Aleutian islands was supporting the assault by ground forces. A navy communiqué said that Liberator heavy bombers, Mitchell medium bombers, and Lightning fighters all joined the attacks on Monday.

Such heavy use of planes was the maneuver which authorities here had been hoping for. It undoubtedly resulted from a break in the weather. Tactics had predicted that when plane could be brought into play in such force, the enemy would be done for in a hurry.

Chichagof valley was the first of the enemy positions to fall since the Japanese forces were split last week into three groups. It was cleared of the enemy last Monday.

Immediately combined units of the original American northern and southern landing groups turned to an attack along the ridge north of the valley and this, the navy communiqué said, "was reported as continuing."

Nation Mourns Death of Edsel Ford After Prolonged Illness

DETROIT, May 26 (AP)—Edsel Bryant Ford died today, leaving the gigantic Ford Motor company to carry on temporarily without its president, treasurer and nominal general manager.

Death came to the 49-year-old son of Henry Ford at his home in suburban Grosse Pointe Shores at 1:30 a. m. and was attributed in a family announcement to a recurrence of a stomach malady aggravated by undulant fever.

The younger Ford's ailment dated back more than a year and a half. He underwent an operation for stomach ulcers in January, 1942. It was a recurrence of this malady that took the widely popular president of the Ford company to Florida for a rest and recuperation 10 weeks ago.

Hundreds of messages of sympathy poured in by telegraph and telephone at the Ford offices.

Reds Repulse Germans

LONDON, May 27 (AP)—Violent fighting was renewed Wednesday in the Caucasus where a force of 1,600 Germans was thrown back with heavy losses in an attack on the lower Kuban river, the Russians reported early today.

Field Artillery Seniors Lose \$110 to Thief

Police, Military Officials Hunt for Raider of Delta Chi House

Police and military authorities are hunting today for clues leading to the identity of the thief who entered the field artillery barracks, the former Delta Chi house, 401 Woodmere, between midnight and 6 a. m. Wednesday and stole \$110, according to East Lansing Police Chief Richard Rogers.

The burglar took the money from the wallets of men whose rooms are on the second floor of the house. Nothing was reported missing from third floor rooms.

The last members of the house signed in at midnight from a Scabbard and Blade party and the robbery must have occurred after that time, according to Pct. Al Smith, house commander. With the exception of two men, second floor men sleep in the dormitory on the third floor. Nothing was missing from the occupied room.

Pvt. David L. Waite, Dexter senior, one of the larger losers, reported \$31 missing. Eleven other men were robbed of smaller sums. Money was taken from wallets in pants and shirt pockets and desk drawers.

If the thief is found to be a member of the armed forces he will be dealt with by a military court martial. Lt. Col. E. A. Banning, ROTC head, stated. As yet, no suspects have been listed.

Governor Commends MSC War Efforts

Gov. Harry F. Kelly commended Michigan State's contributions to the war effort and the importance of Michigan war production when he addressed 150 members of the State College club yesterday noon for the final meeting of the year.

Kelly specifically mentioned the important contributions of Dean of Agriculture E. L. Anthony; C. V. Ballard, extension professor, who made a food survey of Michigan; and Paul Krone, extension professor in floriculture.

Duesseldorf Arms Center Hit: Yanks Strike at Italy

BY RICE YAHNER
LONDON, May 26 (AP)

The RAF bashed the German arms center of Duesseldorf with nearly 2,000 tons of explosives last night while an American-led armada gave another "get out of the war" warning to Italy in a paralyzing attack eliciting cries of pain and anger from the weaker Axis partner.

Perhaps 500 British bombers, most of them four-engined giants, packing two-ton black-busters, left a carpet of flames to eat through cratered Duesseldorf in a saturation raid almost equalling Sunday night's record of destruction heaped on Dortmund, 50 miles away.

100 Planes Blast Italy

The rolling sky barrage continued today as a strong force of Allied planes sped across the English channel toward the invasion coast.

In the Mediterranean, nearly 100 Allied aircraft, spearheaded by U. S. Flying Fortresses and Liberators, rocked Italy's invasion outposts of Sicily, Sardinia and Pantelaria, in which was officially declared as a "ferocious hammering." Messina, Sicilian ferry terminus only a few miles from the Italian mainland, was a particular target.

Allies Lead 355-33

Twenty-three Axis planes were shot down over Sicily yesterday out of a total bag of 26 enemy aircraft. This sent the Allied Air command's record spiraling to 355 planes destroyed in a week at a cost of 33 planes, better than a 10 to 1 score.

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Yankee Generals Receive Honors From George VI

LONDON, May 27 (AP)—King George VI bestowed today upon General Dwight D. Eisenhower and Douglas MacArthur the honorary rank of Knights, Grand Cross, of the Order of the Bath, military division.

General Eisenhower, Allied commander-in-chief in North Africa, and General MacArthur, commander-in-chief of the southwest Pacific, were honored "in recognition of most valuable services in command of troops of the Allied nations."

The Order of the Bath is the senior order of British knighthood which has a military division. The rank of Knight, Grand Cross, is the order's first class.

It is held by such top-ranking British commanders as Gen. Sir Harold Alexander, deputy commander-in-chief in North Africa, and Field Marshal Sir Archibald P. Wavell, commander-in-chief in India.

The honorary appointments are reserved for non-British persons.

TIME TABLE

TODAY—

PanHellenic, 7:30 p. m.
Org. room 2, Union
Musical interlude, 12:30 p. m.
Sunporch, Union
Defense planning board
5 p. m., org. room 2, Union
Free movie, 5 p. m.
Spartan room, Union

Senior Week Activity Calendar

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

7:30 p. m. Swing-out and election of alumni officers, Fairchild theater.
9:30 p. m. Senior dance, Union ballroom.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, JUNE 3-4

7:30-10:30 p. m. Pres. and Mrs. John A. Hannah's senior reception.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

3 p. m. Baccalaureate services, College auditorium.
7:30 p. m. Band concert and College sing, Band shell.

MONDAY, JUNE 7

12:15 p. m. Mortar Board luncheon.

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

10-11 p. m. Lantern night, Band shell.

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, JUNE 9-10

3:15 p. m. Senior play, "Her Husband's Wife," Fairchild theater.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

9 p. m. - 12:30 a. m. All college Graduation dance, College auditorium.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

3 p. m. Commencement exercises, College auditorium.

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ALONG THE WINDING CEDAR

By Len Barnes

OUR calendar says May 27, yet the thermometer believes it. But in spite of all the rain and cold weather, the usual magical growth has been taking place all around us.

After only a brief five hour spell of sunshine last Friday the leaves fairly burst into full green, calling attention to a spring which is all too apt to slip by unnoticed in the rush of wartime education.

Many persons will not be able this year on account of the war to go far out into the wilderness. But all nature lovers can gain a sensation of the wonderful growth process of this season just by walking outside the town or along the placid Red Cedar.

There is something about the reawakening of nature in the spring that can inspire one to a new beginning on some difficult task of life. It cleans and purifies the inner person that can be reached in no other way. The out-of-doors in spring is an inspiration which we can ill afford to pass up.

We feel sorry for the individual who can get no appreciation or pleasure from looking at nature. In a way he has just one avenue left for approaching the essence of religion or God. For somewhere among the trees and rivers and living creatures of nature is a connection with the mystical secret of the Creator and an appreciation of the true value of life.

IT SEEMS odd, but every spring since we've been here has brought a minor epidemic of gangsterism. The late of the open door appears too much for petty thieves who manage to fill several fraternity houses before being scared away.

Just last week we were tempted to write a line or two on how easy it would be to walk off with everything in most of the ROTC barracks, with the admonition that any readers with light fingers desist.

Just offhand we can think of several groups we'd rather have catch us in a robbery than the army. That's simply because they don't fool around with knives. And that's as it should be.

HOW are your ideals weathering the storm of college life? We've seen one after another of ours exploded. Most of them were based on false concepts.

We once thought everyone was honest and wanted to do good. Now everybody knows that is foolish. We thought most women were sincere. We vowed never to go out with one who smoked or look at one who drank.

A lot of us had ideas about reforming the world, and then found out it didn't want to be reformed. Everyone has had childish ideals destroyed. It is only natural. But the danger lies in becoming cynical about it all.

Experience teaches you that everyone can't be trusted. We

know a man who found that out and then refused to trust anyone afterward. He will eventually be hurt more than the man who trusts everyone and is occasionally double crossed. For he will never have any true friends unless he changes his attitude.

Ideals and friends are pretty important things to have in spite of those who sneer and say they are just for fools. It is partly by ideals that we uphold the moral life. Ideals govern our conduct in business and relations with others. If we have good ideals we will have friends. And friends are the basis of all happiness.

SHORT stuff—Privates aren't as poor as they think. If you would believe a release from the OWI. For it states that instead of getting \$720 a year, their pay actually amounts to \$1,500.

They base their figures on the following: Cash income at \$30 per month, \$600; food at \$1.50 a day, \$374.50; barracks shelter at \$10 a month, \$120; equipment and replacement, \$170; medical, dental and hospital care, \$100; saved or life insurance, \$63.00; saved on cigarettes, \$10.90; saved on laundry, \$32.50; saved on postage and barber bills, \$28.60.

THE WOMAN'S WORLD

By KAY BESEMER

Green Splash

Installation of new officers and formal initiation of 11 new members will highlight the Green Splash, women's swimming honorary, dessert tonight at 7:15 at the Ham Food shop. Pres. Peg Green, Detroit senior, announced.

Tower Guard

Those attending the Tower Guard picnic tonight will meet at 5:45 p. m. on the Union upper deck. General Chairman Elaine Waterbury, Clarkston sophomore, announced.

SUMMER POSITION OPEN

Salaried position as Circulation Manager of the State News is now open for the Summer Term.

Apply by letter of qualification to Paul E. Walker, State News office, before Saturday, May 29th.

In Campus Quarters

Scottie McNeal and Ro Howland

FOR A NICE juicy beginning, we were going to take the weather . . . but on second thought most of the remarks we have overheard about that subject lately have been unprintable.

Speaking of more pleasant subjects, over at the Kappa Delta house the gals are admiring Mary Jean Collin's recent acquisition in the jewelry line. It's Ed Cruppen's Alpha Chi Sigma pin.

It was practically a reunion at the green house on M.A.C. Sunday as the Alpha Chis entertained some of the alumnae. Jean Campbell was there, as was the former Nedra Smith with her husband, Borrie Otis.

Georgia Kaegle Hudson dropped around with her husband, Lt. Charles Hudson, SAE, and Lt. and Mrs. Art Land (June Esslinger) popped in from Fort Custer.

Jean Gardner is sporting the Theta Chi pin of Bud Harris, another Michigan man has invaded the campus and captivated the heart of June Westover. Their relationship is sealed by his Sigma Phi Epsilon pin.

Only two couples have taken a more extreme step in the direction of matrimony. Last Saturday night Russ Noble, Phi Delta, and Clara Dowling, Kappa, made things very definite in the form of a diamond.

"Bull" Nacker, Alpha Xi, is the happy little girl wearing a ring from Bob Barry.

This week the Delta Zetas had formal initiation for Bettie Barry, Alice Eager, Phyllis Hamborsky, Jeanne Macomber, Gloria McNeven and Betty Thompson, followed by a buffet supper.

The Zeta Tau Alphas also have initiated Elaine Simon, Betty Still, Rayetta Prior and Maryetta Prior are now full.

Clark Receives Award

Through an error, the name of Cadet Lt. Sherman E. Clark was omitted from the list of winners of the Chicago Tribune gold medal awards in Tuesday's State News. Clark received the award for the field artillery and not Cadet Lt. Col. Al Smith as was previously stated.

TCRA

Last TCRA meeting will be held tonight at 7:30 in the Little Theater, Home Economics building, according to Chairman Gave Williams. Highland Park Junior, Miss Elsa Richards, teacher in the Lansing schools, will speak.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CAREER IN DEPT. STORE ADVERTISING

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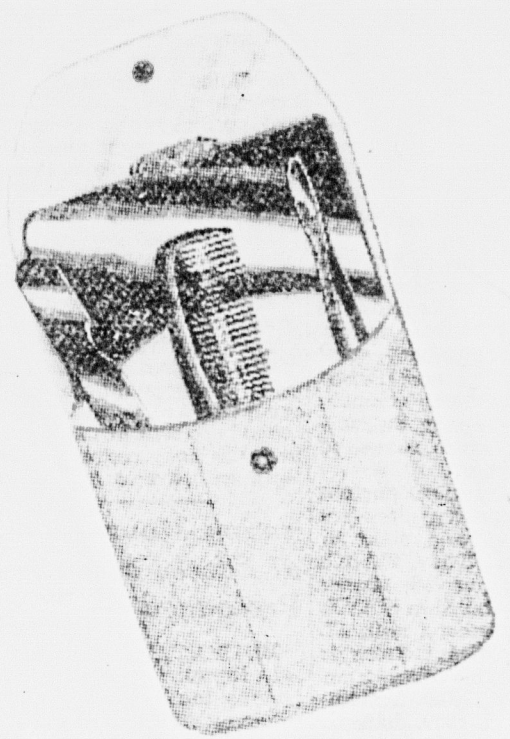
They're all aces and they're going home to tour the states—then fatter they oughta put on a little act or two.

Air Detector Course Opened to Women

Newest field open to women is training for work with the navy's secret detecting device—radar, the Detroit office of naval officer procurement announced recently.

Women 20 to 49 who have a college degree, or senior students working toward a degree with physics as their major, may be eligible. Those who are accepted will receive commissions as officers in the W.N.

Women who have courses in electrical or electronics will be qualified for the job. College women who are able and interested in more information about the mental office which is the Back Tower, they report will receive commissions.



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ALAN MAYER

Wednesday I told you so in the case of Cleveland and its top ten. Then were it not for the fact something might mention the Cincinnati Reds in the National League, our annual disappointment. We picked the Indians and Reds for the World Series.

Even the usual old outdoing Red-pitching has been faltering lately, and when the team does not a well pitched game it goes anyway. It's on a day when it comes to the plate, and Bill McKechnie will have to start putting a leg or two on third base to get the boys around. There's eight games out now, which shows how fast they go on.

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Annual Parade Will Include Aircrewmen

310th CTD Band to Lead Air Forces in Lansing Appearance

Leading the officers, tactical sergeants and aviation students of their detachment in the annual Memorial day parade scheduled for 2:30 p. m. Sunday will be the recently organized 310th CTD band, Capt. Kenyon T. Payne, director of training, announced.

The army air force units stationed at Michigan State college will form part of the marching body, which will include the civil air patrol, American Legion, CFW, Spanish war veterans, disabled American veterans and other patriotic organizations.

The Memorial day parade, second in which the preflight students have participated this month, will be on Washington avenue from Genesee to Lena-see street, to South Capitol avenue, and from there to the Veterans' Memorial building. A reviewing stand is to be erected in the 100 block of South Washington avenue.

Michigan state troops are making arrangements for transportation of aircrewmen from East Lansing to Lansing before the parade's formation.

Cedar Passes Flood Stage

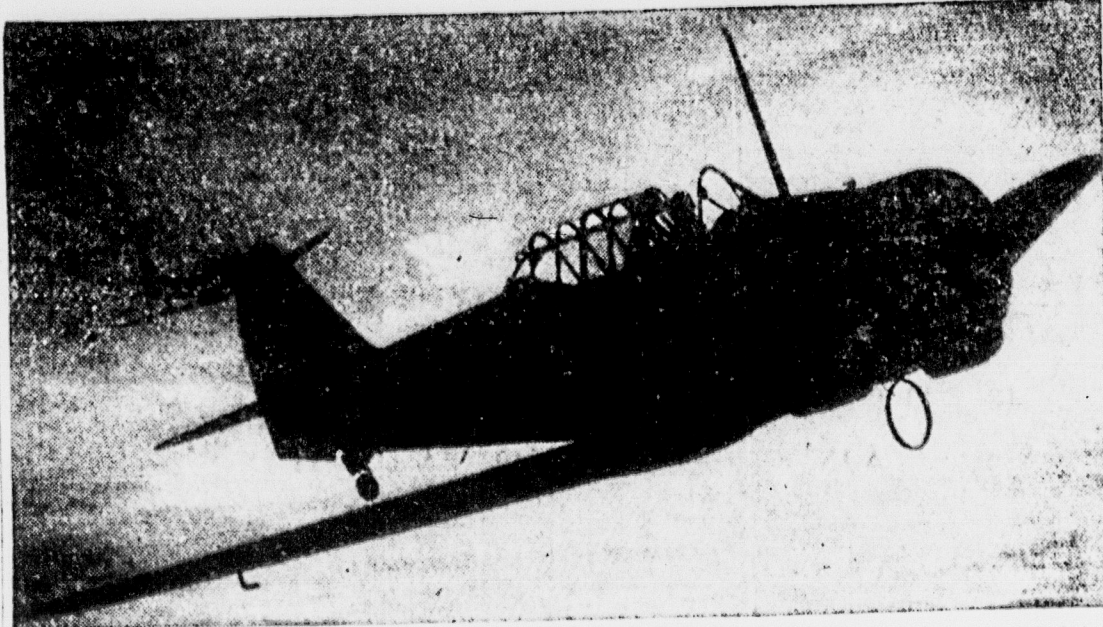
Flood stage on the Red Cedar river in East Lansing was passed yesterday afternoon, the water rising about 7 of a foot above the 8-foot flood level, according to the weather bureau. The stream, which rose several inches yesterday, is expected to subside today.

WINGS OVER M S C

News of the 310th College Training Detachment

Fighter Plane Used in Advanced Army Flight Training

EDITOR—Pvt. Joe Bitzer



Future fighter pilots at Randolph Field, Texas, continue their practice flights by night with the aid of navigation lights. Here an advanced training plane, last step for army air cadets before fighter craft, is shown at the advanced flying school in the army air forces gulf coast training center.

Aircrew Debates Use of 'Free Time'

By PVT. PETER J. GORMAN

How to spend the daily free time from 5 to 6 p. m. is a problem which has aroused much controversy among aircrewmen. Among the suggestions circulating now are these from squadron E.

For instance, Pvt. Richard A. Gill says, "Put the aircrew students to bed, they need it."

However, as A-S James M. Henderson says, "Continue the 'at home' sessions, with about 2,000 girls here, I haven't met my quota for introductions yet."

Pfc. John F. Huddleson seems to think that "there's enough time to squeeze in some coke dates (if we could drink cokes), or maybe some of the women

would let us listen to their record."

One of squadron E's members, who prefers to remain anonymous, says: "I'm sorry that the idea for a coffee hour fell through, maybe we could substitute milk."

Soldier from the Ozarks, Pvt. Arnold Branson says: "Back where I come from we'd be able to squeeze in a square dance or two."

GREMLIN GOSSIP

By JOE GREMLIN
31 Abbot Hall

No, it didn't rain Saturday so the aviation students didn't parade. The absence of parades A and B shortened the parade, but next week perhaps newcomers will increase the size to the original.

Speaking of rain, you know it's terribly monotonous coming from a flight jacket raincoat, and back again five times a day. Perhaps aviation students wouldn't mind it so much if someone told them that rain is good for the crop or something. Won't you defend Michigan, please?

It didn't rain Saturday, though. Aircrewmen were in a good time as usual by the messes, State women A few lights of the evening dances at the Williams and Campbell dormitories and various sororities.

WKAR Plans Program for 'Hep-Fliers' Band

The recently organized "Hep-Fliers" aircrewmen swing band is making plans with R. L. Roman, director of station WKAR, for a radio appearance in the near future. This will be the first appearance of the aircrewmen over the air.

The "Hep-Fliers," directed by Pvt. Roman M. Troszowski, is composed of 13 pieces. The band has three male singers.

Among the members of the organization are: Arnold, John G. Weber, ex-Woodman bass fiddler, and Arnold, man Newton S. Goldman, Claude Thornhill drummer.

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