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Buell Announces Student Cast for 'Letters to Lucerne'

Members Will Begin Rehearsals This Week

Final casting for the spring term three-act play, "Letters to Lucerne," was settled at the last tryout Monday night, according to Don Buell, director of dramatics.

The action of the play, which takes place at Madam Remaud's girls' school near Lucerne, Switzerland, involves an international group of characters and their reactions during the summer of 1939.

Cast Named
Buell listed the cast, in the order of appearance, as Olga Kirinski of Warsaw, Poland, to be played by Barbara Hacker, Lansing senior; Gustave of Lucerne, to be taken by Robert Kamins, Lansing junior; and Erna Schmidt of Berlin, Germany, will be portrayed by Barbara Chandler, Muskegon freshman.

Also included in the cast are Annette Suravits, Lansing sophomore, who will play Marguerite of Lucerne; and Nancy Blue, Detroit junior, as the dignified Mrs. Hunter of Lucerne.

Other students in the cosmopolitan group are Jean Granville, Saginaw junior, whose part will be a New York girl, Bingo Hill, and Marion Parker, Grosse Pointe freshman, as the Parisian student, Felice Renoir.

Others Chosen
Joan Carter, Kalamazoo sophomore, will not need dialect for her part as the Winnetka, Ill., student, Sally Jackson, but an English accent will characterize Frances Joyner, Battle Creek freshman, in her interpretation of Marion Curwood of London.

The two remaining characters will both be done by Detroit freshmen. Francois of the Swiss Post will be handled by Arthur Feigelson, while the second policeman, Keppeler of the Gestapo, will be played by Richard Henderson.

Rehearsals will start this week and the final production will be presented under the auspices of Theta Alpha Phi, dramatics honorary, June 7 and 8.

Today's Campus

... Rock-a-bye Baby

The Vets are getting in some practical experience in preparing for family life. The men are each donating an hour of their precious sleep to walk the floor with the pups that they have adopted. The two furry refugees have even acquired names. One Clyde and the other Carry, after Prof. Clyde Carry of the physiology department.

... Popular Prof

There is more than one way to surround oneself with women and Dean E. A. Benney of the graduate division has apparently discovered a good way as he drove away from his 11 o'clock zoology lecture yesterday with a carload of coeds. His excuse—it was raining so he gave the women living in Sarah Williams dorm a lift.

Tau Sigma Elects Officers

Doris May, Detroit junior, was elected president of Tau Sigma, local Liberal Arts and Applied Science honorary, for the coming year at a meeting of the organization last night. Evelyn Tussing, East Lansing senior, announced.

Other officers chosen were Susan Moore, East Lansing junior, vice-president; Mary Jean Armstrong, Dearborn junior, secretary, and James Sitar, Flint junior, treasurer.

U.S. Casualties for New Britain Campaign Told

ALLIED HDQ., SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Wednesday, April 12 (AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today that American casualties in the campaign for New Britain island totaled 1,514 as against previously estimated enemy killed and wounded of 10,000.

This report followed General MacArthur's announcement that the Japanese on New Britain, which was invaded last Dec. 15, now are in full retreat toward their bomb-ravaged fortress of Rabaul for a last stand.

Since Dec. 15, General MacArthur said today, 442 Americans have been killed, 1,062 wounded and 10 are missing. The Americans now control the bulk of New Britain, having forced the Japanese to abandon Gasmata about midway along the south coast and Cape Hoskins about midway along the north shore.

The communique today reported that destroyers had moved far up the New Guinea coast past the Allied ground front to shell the Hansa bay and Madang areas without drawing enemy fire or opposition by sea or air. Continuing to steadily slug at weakening Rabaul, more than 200 South Pacific planes went after that base Monday, headquarters reported.

Southeast of Rabaul on Bougainville, Americans enlarged their air base perimeter eastward in the direction of Torokina. Headquarters said that total enemy dead counted on Bougainville for the period of a month ending April 8 was 5,370.

SPAR to Present Film, Fashion Show Tonight

State coeds will have the opportunity to become acquainted with the program of the SPARs tonight at 7 when Lt. (j.g.) Elizabeth Robillard will present a short movie depicting the life of a SPAR and a style show of SPAR uniforms in the Little Theater of the Home Economics building.

Today and tomorrow Lieutenant Robillard will be on the lower deck of the Union to discuss the SPARs with interested coeds. She will also broadcast over WJIM and WKAR. Lieutenant Robillard's visit is being sponsored by the YWCA and SWL.

Jap Snipers Line Supply Highway to Allied Kohima

NEW DELHI, April 11 (AP)—Hurled back with sharp losses in their first direct assault on the Allied base of Kohima in eastern India, Japanese invasion forces have swung around through the jungles north of the town and already have planted snipers along the 35-mile supply highway.

(A German broadcast of Tokyo dispatches said the Japanese had captured an "important" Allied base six miles north of Kohima-Dimapur highway, to which the broadcast presumably referred, runs northwest from Kohima—not north.)

Should they cut the road to Dimapur, the Japanese would isolate the British and Indian defenders of Kohima except by air transport, as they earlier isolated a similar garrison in the main Allied base of Imphal 60 miles to the south.

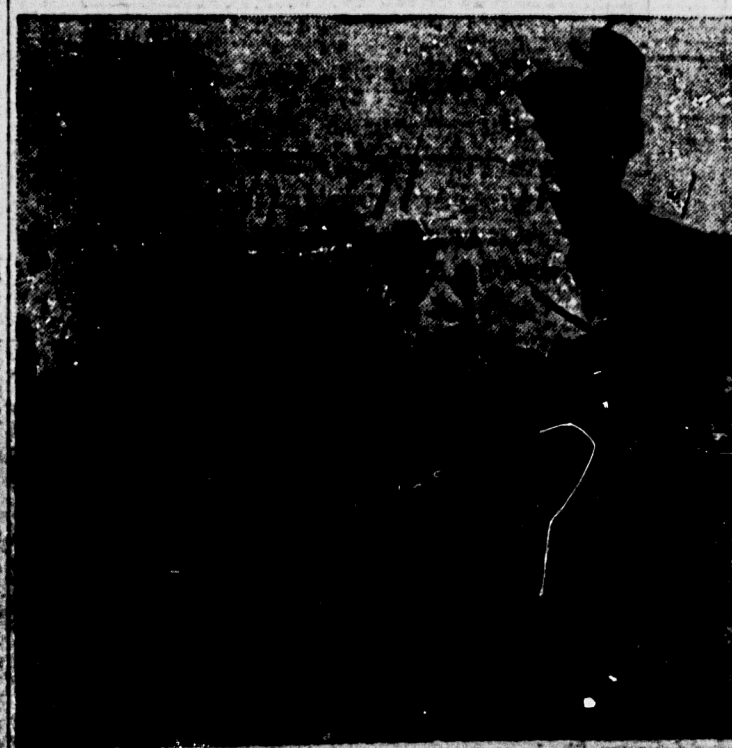
Palmer to Illustrate Lecture with Films of Undersea Life

Vincent Palmer, noted marine explorer and scientist, will discuss "New Worlds Undersea" on the World Adventure series Saturday night at 8:15 in College auditorium. He will illustrate his talk with motion pictures taken undersea.

In 1931, when a student at Harvard, Palmer worked as an assistant to Dr. William Beebe and spent three summer vacations on undersea expeditions. Since then his work has attracted the attention of the New York Zoological society where he is now on the staff of its department of tropical research.

Three years ago Palmer organized and led a treasure-hunting expedition to Moon island in the West Indies.

Gen. Henri Giraud Refuses New Post



Gen. HENRI GIRAUD (left) has refused to accept the post of inspector-general of the French armed forces after Gen. CHARLES DE GAULLE (right) abolished the position of commander-in-chief which Giraud has been holding.

Red Army Speeds Forces Over Crimea to Take Strategic Rail Junctions

Ukrainian Mechanized Divisions Surge Forward to Endanger German Ferry Terminus on Dnestr River Estuary

LONDON, April 11 (AP)—The Red army descended with spectacular speed upon 100,000 beleaguered German and Romanian troops in the Crimea today, capturing the strategic rail junction of Czankoi and the heavily-fortified town of Kerch, two of the most important points on the entire peninsula, Premier Stalin announced tonight.



Broken arrows indicate possible Red army thrusts beyond the battle front (broken line) established with the capture of Odessa.

University of Michigan to Train Army Officers

ANN ARBOR, MICH., April 11 (AP)—Training of approximately 200 commissioned officers from various army branches in war contract termination negotiations will begin at the University of Michigan May 1.

Col. Edward Young, commandant in the judge-advocate general's school here, said the training would be given in a series of 30-day courses with approximately 50 officers assigned to each class.

Pre-Professional Students Included in Selective Service Deferments

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—A handful of pre-professional students and some coal miners were added at the last minute today as selective service wound up a study of which industries should have draft deferments of key men under 26.

Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey included students on recommendation of Manpower Chairman Paul V. McNutt although an inter-agency government committee omitted them and coal miners in preparing its proposed list.

Hershey announced that state directors in certain coal-producing areas were being given special authority to defer individuals whose induction would result in serious curtailment in coal production.

Only one classification was approved in the food processing industry, technicians essential to wet corn milling, and only one in commercial fishing, captains of vessels of 20 gross tons or over.

The students approved for deferment include those now studying medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, osteopathy or theology, or whose preliminary studies will permit them to enter such schools by July 1, and students in certain fields who can be graduated by July 1.

The fields of study in the latter group—and for these students only temporary deferment until July 1 is recommended—are limited to specified war-contributing sciences and techniques.

Kerch, at the eastern tip of the Crimea, fell to the Soviet independent maritime army under Gen. Andre I. Yeremenko, which launched a third attack against the Axis troops of the big peninsula. These troops rolled 19 miles west of Kerch after taking the fortress.

Gen. Feodor I. Tolbukhin's fourth Ukrainian army, rolling tank and infantry forces forward at a rate of 37 miles in four days, captured Dzhankoi, at the heart of a big "X" of railways feeding all the Crimea. The town is 15 miles inside the peninsula proper and only 85 miles northeast of the big naval base of Sevastopol.

While these forces were advancing southward from the shore of the Sivash sea other Tolbukhin troops were speeding into the heart of the German Crimean defenses from the Perikop isthmus at the northwestern entrance to the peninsula.

Gen. Andre I. Yeremenko, who signed the final ultimatum prompting the eventual surrender of Field Marshal Friedrich Von Paulus' sixth German army at Stalingrad, was disclosed as the commander of the maritime army, which seized 40 villages in its advance from Kerch.

Slashing at German Romanian columns retreating southwest of Odessa toward the ferry terminus of Ovidiopol on the Dnestr estuary, the Russians seized one village after another, including Liebental, only nine miles from the bottleneck where the enemy must take to boats for an escape into lower Bessarabia, the daily Soviet communique said.

In Romania Marshal Ivan S. Konev's second army rolled on 43 miles west to seize Pascani.

U.S.-Soviet Relations Will Be Discussed on Radio Panel Tonight

"As We See It," weekly liberal arts radio program, directed by Joe A. Callaway, professor of speech and dramatics, will present a panel discussion on the topic "United States-Russian Relations" at 6:30 tonight over WKAR.

Taking part in the discussion are Chairman Hans L. Leonhardt, professor of history; special guest Karel Huger, instructor in astronomy and physics; Prof. Townsend Rich, and Prof. C. M. Newlin, both of the English department.

TIME TABLE

TODAY—

- Kappa Delta Pi, 5 p. m. Faculty dining room
- Epsilon Chi, 6:45 p. m. Faculty dining room
- Student council, 7 p. m. Org. room 2, Union
- Blue Key, 7 p. m. Org. room 1, Union
- AWB, 8 p. m. Org. room 2, Union
- Sophomore Home Ec board 8:15 p. m., Home Ec lounge

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THE LESS SAID

By NEVA ACKERMAN

IT WAS a pretty good showing for Michigan State students but it would be an all-time low in most other schools. That is the general result of CDC's campaign yesterday to register coeds for Red Cross unit. The percentage of those who signed up is dwarfish in proportion to the total enrollment of women.

This can be interpreted to mean that State, as usual, is lagging behind in campus war effort. It substantiates the statement that Spartans have made a consistent practice of either not supporting CDC measures at all or giving only a half-hearted support.

Some other schools can report almost 100 per cent backing of war work . . . the University of Michigan for example, where every woman is registered for some war work and her hours of work are tabulated and compared each week. Each coed is rated on a war work scale and dormitories and sororities com-

pete for the most time spent at war work.

Each person's contribution to the campus war effort is listed and the list is kept up to date. This record is used in giving of positions of importance on the campus, for job recommendations and for general evaluation of each student to the campus.

As a part of this campaign each class has a project of volunteer work for women including sale of war stamps, volunteer aid at the hospital, grounds work on the campus and bandage rolling. Beside this excellent example of cooperation our war effort looks like a dinner dress in a victory garden.

We don't have to be flag wavers—we wouldn't want to be, but we aren't so busy that we can't contribute a little something to our CDC projects. Everyone here may not have a written record of her war work but everyone has a sense of responsibility that can be a rating scale.

All along CDC leaders have been up against a lack of cooperation from students and because of that our CDC hasn't been a howling success. It has always been a few who have had to work hard and spend a great deal of time while the majority felt that they were too busy to make war work the big thing on campus it should be.

By attempting to get a Red Cross unit on campus CDC is taking a giant step forward in making our contribution more worth while but it also means that a greater student support is necessary.

So far our collective war effort has been lukewarm. We have capable leaders, good ideas and plenty of workers but the three haven't got together yet.

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THE RETURN of State to intercollegiate sports makes it necessary for the Athletic Department to hire fellows to care for the athletic grounds. Those interested should contact Ralph Young, Athletic Director at the field house. 134-136

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Spartans At War

By PEG DUBRY

THREE former Spartans, Cadets Frank H. Lee, East Grand Rapids, Roy K. Niemeyer, Arlington Heights, Ill., and Roger H. Hendrick, East Lansing, have reported at the Carlisle, N. Mex., army air field, where they will receive advanced flight training in high-level bombardiering and dead-reckoning navigation.

A/C Ernest A. Matthews has just reported for duty at the Big Spring bombardier school, Big Spring, Texas. After 18 weeks of intensive study Cadet Matthews will be graduated as a bombardier of an aerial combat crew.

A graduate of State in 1915 and one of three Spartan brigadier generals Donald A. Stroh has been awarded the legion of merit for outstanding service from March 28 to Aug. 16, 1943 in Africa.

Jack Shipman, 1945, has entered the army air forces training command school at Yale university for aviation cadet training in communications. While at State, Cadet Shipman was a member of the Abbott-Mason club and the freshman golf team.

Lewis W. Beem, Battle Creek, has been commissioned an ensign in the naval reserve at the naval air training center, Pensacola, Fla. Ensign Beem will go on active duty at one of the navy's air operational training centers before being assigned to a combat zone.

Word has been received of the promotion to captain of Harold G. Lee of the air transport command in India. Captain Lee, in the China-Burma-India theater more than a year, was awarded the coveted air medal July 2, 1943. The India-China wing of the command transports vast quantities of military freight from India to China by air, flying over the north Burma "hump" of the Himalaya mountains.

Charles M. White, West Branch, became a midshipman March 28 at Columbia university. Midshipman White, '45, left school last year to enlist in the navy.

Grin and Bear It . . . By Lichty



"Don't put any candles on my birthday cake, Mama! . . . I know women, some of the girls who come to my party will be remembering thirty years from now, how old I was!"

THE WOMAN'S WORLD

AWS

A meeting of AWS board is scheduled for 8 tonight in organization room 2, Union, according to Pres. Pat Stone, Chicago, Ill., senior.

TOWN GIRL PETITIONS

Women wishing to petition for officer candidates of Town Girls club must turn in petitions by 5 p. m. today, it has been announced by Pres. Doris Bennett. Petitions may be secured from Mrs. Leone Warren in the Union office.

YWCA AND SWL

YWCA and SWL are sponsoring a SPAR program tonight at 7 in the Little Theater, Home Ec building. YWCA Pres. Joanne D'Arcy, Detroit junior, said yes-

terday.

Following the military session, YWCA cabinet will meet in organization room 2 of the Union. This will be the first meeting of the faculty advisory board and junior and senior cabinet members.

WAA

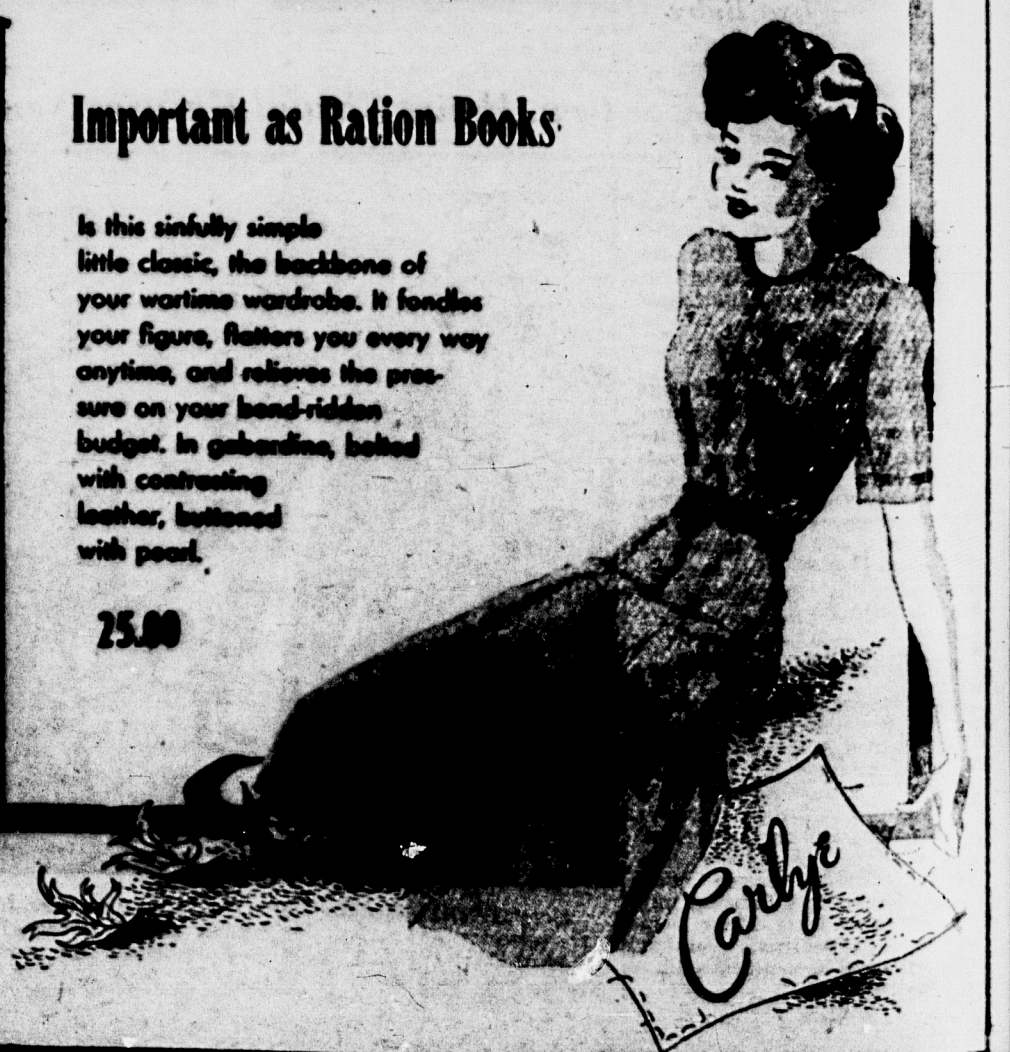
WAA members who could not be present at the winter term banquet and who were to be initiated or installed in office at that time are requested to attend a special meeting Monday at 5 p. m. in the Women's gym. These persons, plus those who did not receive their numerals, are to contact Billie Morley, New Troy junior, before Saturday.

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U. S. Bombers Blast Nazi Air Plant

Eighth Air Force Shows Heavy Loss of Fighter Planes

LONDON, Wednesday, April 12 (AP)—U. S. air forces ripped another jagged hole in Germany's aircraft industry and destroyed 136 Nazi planes in the air yesterday at a cost of 64 bombers and 16 escorting fighters in the most savage aerial battle Americans have fought since their blow at Berlin March 6.

The great daylight attack, directed at the plane factories in Oschersleben and Bernburg and at industrial targets in Rostock and Arnimswalde, was made by a fleet of nearly 2,000 bombers and fighters.

The Germans sent up hundreds of interceptors, both single and twin-engine planes of every type, in a desperate effort to ward off the blow. Besides machine-gun and rocket fire, the Americans were harassed by a new "tank-busting" cannon.

As a result the loss in bombers was the second heaviest ever suffered by the eighth air force and the total of 80 planes missing was one more than the total of 79 bombers and fighters the Americans lost there.

Nine of the American bombers in yesterday's raid were known to have made forced landings in Sweden as the bitter aerial brawl spread back and forth across the Baltic sea.

Spartan Red Cross Drive Registers 200 Coeds for Classes

"The enthusiasm of the students in signing up for Red Cross classes is more than satisfying and if they will follow through after the courses are scheduled, State can well be proud of its CDC," Sally Seifert, Grand Haven junior and chairman of WPB stated yesterday.

By Monday night 160 coeds had signed for Red Cross classes and at the tabulation yesterday almost 200 names were on the list. Production, including classes in knitting, sewing, and bandage rolling, is the most popular course, with the majority of coeds designating Thursday as the preferable Red Cross night.

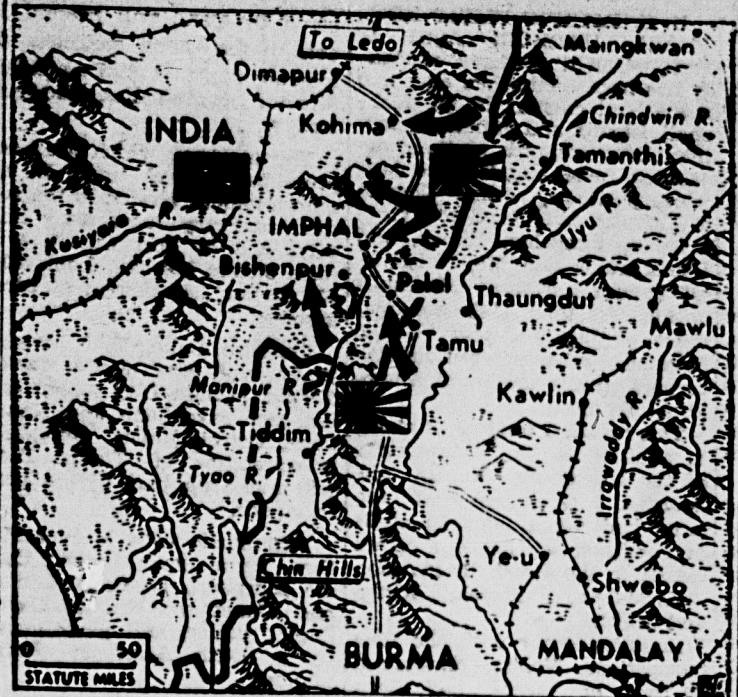
Thursday night the official installation of the Red Cross program will take place.

'Off the Grass' Campaign Launched by Fraternity

In keeping with their traditional spring term activities, Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity, is starting a "keep off the grass" campaign. Success of the campaign will depend upon student cooperation even more this spring than in former years as the fraternity does not plan on erecting signs, according to Pres. Lester Shelden, Holt junior.

"With the present shortage of help, the condition of the campus grounds depends almost entirely upon this cooperation," Shelden stated.

Japs Strike at India from Burma



Arrows indicate Japanese drives into India from Burma. Allies announced that the Japanese had sent small parties west of Bishenpur, southwest of Imphal, in an effort to sweep around Imphal's defenses. In the north, hard fighting is in progress for Kohima, where the Japs' objective is the railway running north through Dimapur to Ledo—a supply line for Allied forces in northern Burma.

Nazi Infiltration Attempt Foiled in Anzio Sector

ALLIED HDQ., NAPLES, April 11 (AP)—In a flare-up of fighting on the Anzio beachhead, American and British troops have thrown back and inflicted casualties on several strong German patrols attempting to infiltrate through Allied lines between Carroceto and Littoria, it was announced today.

The Nazi-controlled Vichy radio said Tuesday that American reinforcements had landed on the beachhead near Rome and that "it seems another Allied offensive in this sector is imminent."

The enemy's unusual patrol activity—sometimes in platoon strength—indicated nervousness over Allied plans. Three miles south of Littoria American troops ambushed a Nazi patrol, killing three and capturing two others, and four similar engagements southeast of Carroceto saw the Germans slapped back with losses.

Some Nazi prisoners captured in recent days in Italy have been minus toes which were amputated as a result of frostbite on the Russian front, a headquarters commentator said.

A company of Germans yesterday made attacks at two points against Italian troops holding Mt. Marrone in the mountainous central region of the main Italian front, but were thrown back with losses of seven killed and one captured. This was the first prisoner taken by the Italians since they joined the fifth army.

Box Social to Be Given

A box social will be sponsored by Town Girls Saturday from 9 to 12 p. m. Any coed is eligible to attend the social provided she signs up in Mrs. Leone Warren's office in the Union by Friday.

Each woman planning to attend should bring a box lunch consisting of light refreshments for two persons, according to Chairman Juliann Willis, East Lansing senior.

Education Department Announces Spring Term Student Teacher List

Student teachers in Liberal Arts and Applied Science for spring term have been announced by Prof. Edmund Thorne of the education department.

Students in elementary education will change schools in the middle of the term. Those teaching at Everett are Lillian Beardslee, Lansing sophomore; Anna Bottoms, Grand Rapids sophomore; Patricia Evans, Lansing freshman; Helen Francis, Lansing freshman; Neva Longnecker, East Lansing senior; Ruth McLean, Saginaw freshman; Fern Tanner, Lansing freshman; and Alice Wilkins, Royal Oak junior.

Bertha Heck, Lansing senior, and Mary Hodge, Lapeer freshman, will teach at Gretton. Harrison road student teachers are Mildred Lyons, Howell sophomore, and Myra Mahlow, Elsie freshman.

Students teaching at Holt are Eugenia Church, Wilmette, Ill., freshman, and Dorothy Wise, Grand Rapids junior. Alma Bower, DeWitt sophomore, and Barbara Schulze, Laingsburg freshman, will teach at Pink school.

Liberal arts and applied science teachers at Eastern are Marjorie Crandall, Benton Harbor senior; Mary Ekberg, Margaret Mahoney, Whitehall senior; Mary Alice McGraw, Jackson junior; Averil McLean, Detroit senior; Marguerite Olsen, Ionia senior; Judson Parkins, East Lansing junior; Jean Rheinfrank, Detroit senior; Elsie Tranes, Evert junior, and Bette Zatzke, Whitehall senior.

Teaching at Mason are Elea-

nor Chamberlain, Carson City senior; Lillian Drummond, Detroit senior; Margaret Kronbach, Detroit senior; Jean Lumsden, Pleasant Ridge senior; Mary Elizabeth McClelland, St. Clair senior; Pat Stone, Chicago, Ill., senior, and Gloria Thompson, Detroit senior.

Okemos teachers, all seniors, are Bette Barry, Dearborn; Nanette Hegelman, Detroit; Ellen Kempf, Muskegon; Dick Wickens, Lansing, and Mary Ann Wise, Grand Rapids. Students teaching at Sexton include Shirley Crisman, Pontiac junior, and Elizabeth Sullivan, Pontiac senior.

Williamston student teachers are Barbara Brown, Groton, Vt., sophomore; Dorothy Cole, Ludington senior; Mary Ann Edgar, Okemos senior; Dorothy Gordon, Lansing senior; Harriett Heller, Detroit senior; Nancy Hoffman, Bloomfield Hills senior, and Faye Runkle, Fayette, Ohio, senior.

Teaching agriculture at Williamston are Donald Briggeman, Detroit junior; Melvin Simonson, senior; Karl Vary, Marshall junior, and Clifford Walsh, Lansing senior. Loraine Payant is practice teaching at the School for the Blind in Lansing.

Seniors to Place Orders

Graduating seniors may make out their applications for senior announcements and invitations in the lower lounge of the Union from 11:30 a. m. to 1 p. m. and from 4 to 5:30 p. m. today, according to Pres. Larry Frymire, Chicago, Illinois, senior.

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SMOKE SHOP

Yanks to Fly 'Death Express' in Coming European Invasion

Raids Planned to Wipe Out Nazi Air Force

A U. S. FIGHTER BASE, ENGLAND, April 11 (AP)—American fighter pilots were told today by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower that their role in the great three-way invasion of Europe soon will be flying a dawn-to-dusk death express against the German air force.

The supreme commander for the western front invasion told the fighter pilots packed in a briefing room at this station that he would drive them so hard they would not have proper sleep or food for weeks but that they would knock the Nazi air force from the sky.

General Eisenhower, accompanied by Lt. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, commander of the U. S. strategic air forces; Maj. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, commander of the U. S. ninth air force, and Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, commander of the U. S. eighth air force, toured the fighter-bomber station.

They told the fliers they were doing their part in the great triad of sea, land and air blows which finally would crush the Germans and crush them properly. The supreme commander added that at the moment it was entirely an air show.

The land army, he said, cannot do anything until the air-men knock out the German air force.

Eisenhower said he had a feeling of great privilege and almost humility in visiting such a group of fighting men.

Wallace Reveals Plans for Trip

WASHINGTON, April 11 (AP)—Vice-President Henry A. Wallace announced tonight he plans a trip to China in the late spring or early summer, and said said he would go on official business as President Roosevelt's personal representative.

The projected trip, about which Wallace gave no details in a brief announcement, may possibly mean the vice-president will be out of the country at the time of the July 19 Democratic national convention. He has given every indication he plans to be a candidate for renomination.

The announcement came as a surprise to most members of the senate, of which Wallace is the presiding officer. It revived speculation, however, about the possibility that Wallace might be left off the ticket if President Roosevelt seeks a fourth term.

East Mayo Coeds, Union Board Hold Campus Dances

Civilians and servicemen are invited to dance, play ping pong, and have their fortunes told at Mayo Maneuvers, the open house to be held in East Mary Mayo dormitory Saturday night from 8 to 12, Virginia Ede, Detroit freshman, announced.

Main features of the evening will be a floor show which includes songs by Jackie Bullen, Jackson sophomore; the Four Flats, a quartet of Marjory Selmen, Eleanor McDonald, Gloria Oster, and Carolyn Tracy; and a take-off on jitterbugging by Virginia Labbitt, Royal Oak junior, and Joyce Searcy, Detroit freshman.

Chairmen of Mayo Maneuvers decorations are Margaret Kennedy, Bay City sophomore, and Joan Carter, Kalamazoo sophomore, on refreshments.

The Union board dance, to be held Saturday night from 9 to 12 will feature the music of Rosemary Howland and her orchestra. Tickets for the dance, which is open to both civilians and servicemen, are on sale at the Union desk and the air forces public relations office, Pres. Betty Simpson, Grand Rapids senior, announced yesterday.

Body of Suicide Victim Removed to Benton Harbor for Burial

Arrangements for the funeral of Betty Lutz, who leaped to her death Monday afternoon in Lansing, are being made in her home town of Benton Harbor.

Fear of health was cited as the only apparent motive for the suicide. However, after a recent examination at the Ingham county sanatorium, Miss Lutz was told that she was not suffering from tuberculosis.

Friends in North Williams hall are unable to explain her action, for she had appeared to be in good spirits. Miss Lutz had over a 2. point average and was one of the more active members of Tower Guard.

U.S. Sovereignty

Extended to Five More Areas in Marshalls; Wotje Pounded

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HDQ., PEARL HARBOR, April 11 (AP)—United States sovereignty has been established over five more land clusters in the Marshall islands and American air-men have stepped up their assault on remaining, isolated Japanese positions, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced today.

Alluk, Rongelap, Likiep, and Utiirik atolls and Mejit island, all in the northern Marshalls within less than 145 nautical miles of Japanese-held Wotje, have been reconnoitered and incorporated into the list of American holdings.

This makes a total of 18 atolls, in addition to Mejit, now clear of the Nipponese. Nimitz announced a week ago that the navy had taken over 10 atolls in addition to the four seized earlier in the Marshalls invasion—Kwajalein, Eniwetok, Wotho and Majuro.

Simultaneously with the new occupations, Nimitz announced 55 tons of bombs had been dumped on four Japanese positions in the Marshalls on Easter Sunday. Barracks, wharves, hangars and gun positions were hit by this unusually heavy load.

Spartan Spotlight Presents Review for Lansing Industrialist Club

Playing for the Lansing Industrialist club under the sponsorship of a Lansing firm the Spartan Spotlight review, sponsored by CDC, will present 10 acts in the Union ballroom tomorrow night at 8, Don Buell, director of dramatics, said yesterday.

The program, which has been presented several times as an entertainment service to the soldiers at Percy Jones army hospital and at Fort Custer, will have Jackie Meehan, Louisville, Ky. senior, as mistress of ceremonies.

Florence Luke, East Lansing junior, will sing; while Marion Teeple, Minden City sophomore, and her saxophone and Nancy Blue, Detroit junior, doing her interpretation of "Gunga Din" will make up part of the performance.

Trio music with Marvel McGirr, Birmingham junior; Cordie Morrison, Dearborn senior, and Genevieve Knappe, Grand Rapids junior, will be followed by a South American chorus number.

Mary Margaret Murphy, Mt. Clemens senior, will act as accompanist for the entire program and will also have a spot of her own.

Jean and Joan McCullough, Northville freshmen, twin tap-dancers, will appear just before Emma Sue Hutson, Murray, Ky. graduate student, whose description of the hills of Kentucky will be done in accent.

Pre-Meds May Take Medical Association Information Tests

Aptitude tests of the Association of American Medical colleges will be given Friday, April 28, at 3 p. m., according to Prof. Ray Hutson, head of the entomology department.

With the exception of students in the AST program, the tests should be taken by all pre-med who have not already done so. The tests have been adopted by the association as one of the normal requirements for admission to med school.

They measure the student's ability to learn material similar to that which he will have in med school including general information, scientific background, and ability to draw accurate conclusions from a given set of data. Students interested in taking the tests should make application to Prof. Hutson at the entomology building.

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