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## Petrov's Army Cuts Through Czech Border

LONDON, Oct. 19 (AP)—The Red army has plunged across the Carpathian mountains southward into Czechoslovakia on a 170-mile front, cutting clear across the eastern tip of the country and placing the Germans in a dangerous 100-mile deep salient from which they must flee quickly or be annihilated, Marshal Stalin disclosed last night.

Moscow remained resolutely silent concerning the reported Soviet offensive against East Prussia, which German broadcasts said was lashing against the province's eastern borders along a 30-mile stretch and had reached the frontier around the German town of Schirwindt. The Nazis portrayed it as the biggest of all the battles on the eastern front.

In a triumphant order of the day, Stalin and Gen. Ivan D. Petrov's fourth Ukrainian army group had captured the Carpathian mountain passes of Tatar, Jablonka, Lupkow, Ruska, Uzok, Verecke and Wyskow, advanced 12 1/2 to 31 miles on Czechoslovak territory, and seized the north Transylvanian town of Sighet.

By this great thrust Petrov's army evidently joined forces with Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's Russian and Romanian troops which had driven northward through Transylvania to the Czechoslovakian border.

## Today's Campus

### ... Canine Capers

Corky's mistress couldn't get angry with her for cutting trig yesterday. It was a nice day and there were lots of squirrels to bark at and birds to smart chase. But Corky was spaniel just paying her back for cutting another class to which Corky wanted to go. The consequences, everyone thought Corky's mistress went to class because the dog got obstinate and went anyway. Mistress swears the next thing Corky will learn is to bark at the right name in roll call and take good notes.

### ... The Cat's Meow

And then there was the lil' black kitten who was kept in a room on campus four days. It drank the thickest cream and ate the finest fish. It sat on the radio and burned its seater; and when it got stuck between the mattress and the end of the bed, it yowled and the neighbors thought The Roommate had a bad case of growing pains.

### Psych Majors Name Organization Heads

Roberta Cole, Pontiac senior, was elected chairman of the psychology club at an organization meeting Tuesday. Other officers named were: Jeanne Robson, Ovid junior, assistant chairman and publicity director; Francis Hoeflinger, Lansing senior, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Barbara Humphreys, corresponding secretary; Elaine Nordhaus, Riverview Forest, Ill. junior, social chairman; and Helen Snyder, Flint junior, program chairman.

## Union Board Schedules Full Round of Social Activities

Maryland - State Game to Be Aired in Union

Union board will hold a full round of parties, including several dances and a chance to listen to the Michigan State-Maryland game this weekend, it was announced following the regular meeting this week.

Rosemary Howland and her band will supply music for the regular Union board dance Saturday from 9 p.m.

to midnight in the Union ballroom. Tickets are now on sale at the Union desk, according to Bob Edgell and Gordon Hueschen, co-chairmen of the affairs. Joe Heagany, Saginaw freshman, is in charge of patrons.

### Party-Party to Be Held

Saturday afternoon, the regular Party-Party will be held on the second floor of the Union, including the ballroom and main dining room. Chairman Marty Kelly, Kalamazoo senior, announced that games and dancing are scheduled as usual. Party-Party this year takes the place of the more formal tea dances, and is open to couples, stags, and groups.

Students who remain on campus this weekend will be able to hear the Maryland-Michigan State game in the mixed lounge of the Union, over a special wire which the administration has leased, Bill Graham, Detroit sophomore who is in charge of Friday Frolic, revealed.

### Men's Lounge Available

At the same time, the men's lounge will be open to women as well as men for the night, and bridge tables will be set up for those who wish to play. Immediately following the game, Union board will sponsor dancing in the faculty dining room on third floor. No admission will be charged.

Following its regular meeting Tuesday night, Union board announced that Rosemary de Beaubien, Birmingham sophomore, has been appointed to the publicity committee and will handle posters for all Union board affairs. Jinny Jackson, Alma senior, is in charge.

## Pi Alpha Features Open Door Policy; Provides for Student Expression

Standing as the only Greek letter organization on campus in which membership is not restricted, Pi Alpha opens its doors to all who are interested in sociology and the programs the club presents.

The campus sociology club dates back to 1937, but the Greek name was not attached until 1941 when the constitution was also adopted.

### Honorary Independent

At the time it was decided that the club would not affiliate with the national honorary because that would eliminate too many persons and defeat the purpose of the society. Open meetings help Pi Alpha in their goal of providing a medium for student expression.

The group sponsors activities of many sorts which are brought forth in monthly meetings which are open to students and faculty alike.

First of these meetings will be held tonight, at which time the group will attend en masse the lecture of Dr. Robert Lacour-Gayet, one time minister of finance in France, who will relate conditions in Occupied France and problems arising out of these conditions.

### Open Meeting Tonight

Preceding the lecture, all who are interested in Pi Alpha are asked to attend a short business meeting at 7 p.m. in room 15, Union annex.

## Bryan Will Offer Technicolor Film On Saturday

America's foremost camera correspondent, Julien Bryan, will show his technicolor documentary film, "Chile", in College auditorium Saturday at 8:15 p.m. The film is one of a series of similar pictures on life in South America.

During the first World War, although he was only in his teens, Bryan volunteered for the American field service as an ambulance driver, and was sent to the battle areas of northern France. On his return to this country, his pictures of the front appeared on magazines and newspapers all over the country.

He achieved further recognition when his films on Russia came to the attention of the public. He was also the only cameraman to remain in Warsaw throughout the aerial and artillery blitz which razed the town in 1939.

He smuggled the film through the Nazi lines, and as "Siege", it has been called by critics the most spectacular camera document of World War II.

The last two summers he has produced the latest motion pictures on the nations allied with us in hemisphere defense. The films show the extensive penetration of Axis ideology and colonialism in the economy and politics of the South American nations.

Students will be admitted to "Chile" upon presentation of their student receipts.

## Premier Papandreou Returns to Athens With Greek Heads

ATHENS, Oct. 18 (AP)—The Greek government headed by Premier Georg Papandreou returned to newly liberated Athens today amid the tumultuous cheering of citizens who had suffered grievously during the years of Axis occupation.

The Premier arrived aboard the flagship Averoff, was met by members of his cabinet at the quayside and driven through the streets packed with masses of wildly excited Greeks.

Since the liberation of the city last Sunday a committee of three, headed by Philip Manouilidis had governed the country pending the arrival of the premier.

Manouilidis, in reviewing hardships suffered by the Greeks during Axis occupation, said more than 500,000 Greeks were slain or died of privation.

## Yanks Hold Springboards For Invasion of Philippines After New Island Capture

Capture of Ngulu Completes Outflanking of Jap Base in Yap Islands as Shipping Off Formosa Receives Losses

U.S. PACIFIC FLEET HDQ., PEARL HARBOR, Oct. 18 (AP)—A new raid in the smashing series of American carrier aircraft strikes at the Philippines, occupation of another atoll flanking the important Japanese base of Yap and additional destruction to enemy shipping at Formosa were reported today by Adm. Chester W. Nimitz.

## Audience Shows Approval for 'Gypsy Baron'

"The Gypsy Baron" was sung last night in College auditorium to a capacity audience. Slow in starting, it was on the whole well received by an audience which has lately become opera conscious to a large degree.

Following so closely upon "La Traviata," the Strauss operetta had the disadvantage of comparison with the Verdi opera at all times, although actually it was in a much lighter strain.

The audience interest was largely concentrated in the second act, as Zsupan, the rich swine-raiser, who provided comedy throughout the production, was being robbed by the gypsies in a ridiculous and obvious fashion which lends itself well to opera of this sort.

The second act also provided room for several timely remarks about the conscription of soldiers in time of war. This part of the play has been modernized in wording which is definitely modern slang and which appealed greatly to the larger part of the audience, although it robbed the story of a part of its operatic value.

Outstanding in the cast were Brenda Lewis as Saffi, the gypsy girl whom the baron chose over the rich swine herder's daughter, Grant Garnell, who perhaps made the most imposing stage presence as Count Homonay, and Norman Roland as Zsupan.—R.S.

## Injustice, Nazism Out in Allied Rhine

SHAEP, PARIS, Oct. 18 (AP)—Extermination of Nazism with all of its works and symbols, and stern but just treatment of the Germans generally are the terms of the military law being imposed in German territory as it is wrested from Hitler's army.

Brig. Gen. Julius C. Holmes, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's deputy assistant chief of staff for military government, said today in outlining the scope of the measure that its main object was to facilitate the work of the armies in continuing their push.

The war law for Germany sets aside the sovereignty of the German state and makes Gen. Eisenhower supreme judge and administrator. It is effective in all areas occupied by the armies under his command.

The main provisions are the elimination of Nazism, apprehension of war criminals, protection of Allied and neutral property, abrogation of Nazi laws, surrender of all arms by Germans, suspension of civilian travel, courts, newspapers and radio stations, control of postal, telegraph and telephone services and preservation of all existing records, archives, artistic and scientific works and property generally.

The code provides possible death penalties for resistance behind the Allied lines.

## Allied Planes Hit Ceram

ALLIED HDQ., NEW GUINEA, Oct. 19 (AP)—One hundred fifty Allied planes smashed installations, shipping and air-dromes on Ceram and Boeroe islands, flank bases to the approaches to the Philippines, headquarters announced today.

Planes of Adm. William F. Halsey's mighty third fleet hit the northern Luzon area Tuesday. They destroyed 18 Japanese planes on the ground, knocked another from the skies and sank or fired seven enemy ships.

### Tokyo Claims Victory

This latest of the series of aerial invasion strikes at the archipelago smacked the enemy as the Tokyo radio clung to its unconfirmed propaganda line of a great victory in the western Pacific, and a withdrawing United States fleet.

Ngulu atoll in the western Carolines, but 80 miles south of Yap and 210 miles east of Palau, was occupied by American ground forces last Sunday. There was only slight resistance, Nimitz reported.

### Yap Outflanked

Seizure of Ngulu, a tiny group of atolls, completes the outflanking of Yap. Nimitz announced only last night that six islands in the Ulithi atoll had been occupied, also without opposition, Sept. 20 and 21. Ulithi is about 100 miles east of Yap.

American forces now hold springboards for the invasion of the Philippines, or for an assault on Yap, in the Palau, Ulithi and Ngulu atolls of the western Carolines.

## Dorm Date Bureau Offers Weekend Fun To Soldiers, Civilians

Mason hall women added a new feature to their extra-curriculum this week, when they opened a date bureau in the lobby of the dormitory. Ruth Owsley, Detroit freshman is chairman and says that the bureau is open to soldiers and civilians alike.

Included on the files are the women's hair color, eyes, home town, hobbies, height and what they like to do on dates.

Only requirement to keep in good standing w.r.t. the bureau is to show up for dates. Miss Owsley said. Anyone who fails to keep a date he or she has made will be blacklisted and barred from using the service again.

North and South Campbell dorms opened their date bureaus last week, and they are now in full swing.

## Shell Threatens Patton

FRANCE, Oct. 18 (AP)—Lt Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., narrowly missed being a casualty from the huge railway gun being employed by Germans over a wide area of the third army front when one of its 700-pound shells landed within eight feet of him.

The shell was a dud, however, and Patton escaped unharmed.

## TIME TABLE

### TODAY—

- Football, 7 p.m.
- 103 Union annex
- Pi Alpha, 7 p.m.
- 15 Union annex
- Christian fellowship, 7:15 p.m., Bethel manor
- Frosh debate, 7:30 p.m.
- 1446 College auditorium
- 4-H club, 7:45 p.m.
- Spartan room, Union
- Red Cross chairmen, 9 p.m.
- Upper deck, Union

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## FACULTY ROUND TABLE

By HOWARD RATHER BREAKING sharply with accepted pedagogical theory and practice, Michigan State college has staged a revolt of such significance and magnitude that it may influence the course of higher education in the United States for generations to come.

least five of these comprehensive courses. It is not assumed that only five courses constitutes an adequate basic education. Some students will take six or all seven. Those who do take only five will cover a sixth or seventh area in departmental courses leading to more specialized work.

Thus Allen Schoenfeld of the Detroit News opened a leading story (Detroit News, July 16, 1944) regarding changes in the educational program at Michigan State that led to the establishment of the Basic College. His comment typifies the sort of thing being said of the new venture here by many educators and by others who have had an opportunity to learn about this college's concept of basic education.

To illustrate: Engineering students get a lot of physical science in the mathematics, physics, chemistry, and other courses that are a usual part of the engineering curriculum. These students add breadth to their training by taking the comprehensive course in biological science.

The students who enrolled in Basic College this fall, along with scores who transferred to the new program, are not guinea pigs in a doubtful educational experiment. They, along with the Michigan State college faculty, are pioneering in an area of great promise. They may well take pride in being the first to participate in this development.

Departmental courses are very important as part of a complete college training. In a logical sequence they lead the student far into a special field of learning. Basic comprehensive courses take in broader areas of subject matter. They choose important material significant to the non-specialist and study interwoven relationships among the subjects, stressing relationships to every day experience.

Here are some of the purposes of the Basic College: 1. To strengthen specialized training by supporting it with a broad foundation of general education. 2. To give students who have not decided on a course of study an opportunity to explore many areas and thereby base their plans on real interests and aptitudes.

For example, everybody is concerned with physiology, zoology, botany, bacteriology, and entomology. The Michigan State college faculty has gone ahead on the assumption that the things from these fields that are of greatest concern to the majority of us can be taught more efficiently as a comprehensive course in biological science than they can in five separate departmental courses each of necessity introductory to more specialized study.

3. To make college experiences more valuable to students who do not complete a degree-granting program. 4. To improve the basis for measuring the educational progress of students and to provide greater opportunity for each to proceed at a rate in accord with his own abilities.

Specialization Basic education is not in conflict with specialization. Specialists are highly essential. No one ever knew too much about a given subject. But some, in their intense specialization, have known too little about the relation of their specialty to the needs of society as a whole.

What Is a Basic Education? Basic education is defined at Michigan State college as the learnings encompassed in seven basic comprehensive courses. These are: Written and spoken English, biological science, physical science (including mathematics), social science, effective living, history of civilization, and literature and fine arts.

The Basic College gives students a chance to gain in knowledge and understanding of several broad areas by means of its comprehensive courses; at the same time, they may make a substantial start toward specialization in courses taught for degree-granting schools.

By dual enrollment in Basic College and the school of his choice a student may become

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## In Campus Quarters

By LEONE SEASTROM and DOROTHY LA MONT

MAYBE if anyone reads Bin-gay, this will sound familiar, but we've decided on no column for today. That is, no column unless somebody around State's campus gets a brainstorm. So we are appealing to the readers of this column for more suggestions on a slight renovation of Campus Quarters.

In other words, anyone have any ideas of a new name? Those two theater tickets offered a while ago for any Lansing show are still waiting to be claimed by the person who hands in the best suggestion. Leaving you pondering over this profound subject, let's see what's on the record for today.

### ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

Speaking of claiming, Jackie Bullen claims a very beautiful ring as of the beginning of this term. The lucky fellow, Lee Walton '46, was recently on campus to present the gift in person.

Back at the right time to see Jackie's ring, and other sorority sisters, are two Alpha Gamma alums. Helen Wnek who was married in June to Harold Hefernan, Delta Sig, came back to look things over, and with her was Mary Ellen Speer who was married a month later to Jim Davis, '46.

### DELTA ZETA

Barbara Rickard '44, sends back the good word to her sorority sisters that she wears a ring from Lt. Jack W. Warren, stationed at Fort Riley, Kan. Lieutenant Warren attended both MSC and the University of Arizona before pledging himself to Uncle Sam.

Sister Dorothy Dean went one step farther last month and she now answers to Mrs. Robert G. Tangeman. Lieutenant Tangeman was formerly an aviation student on campus.

Pledge duties are over for Jo, Delp, Wayland junior, since she was initiated last week and exchanged her pledge pin for an active Delta Zeta badge.

### MASON HALL

Looking at things in a different light is Nancy Fleisher, Grand Rapids freshman. The added sparkle comes in the form of a ring from Ben Baldwin, formerly of the University of Illinois, now of the U.S. navy.

### PHI DELTA THETA

Six men stronger are the Phi Delt actives since they held initiation last week. The new badge wearers are Bill Miller, Lansing senior; Warren Finkbeiner, Sebewaing sophomore; John Osmer, Grand Rapids freshman; Don Dahlman, Muskegon freshman; Jim Sailors, Grand Rapids freshman and Bill Jansen, Ann Arbor freshman.

### POTTER HOUSE

Said house was full of big things not so long ago, and all caused by the tubbing of Lida Kidwell, Detroit sophomore, who is engaged to Louis Hail, Louis was stationed on campus with the ASTP last year.

Another who lists himself as among the "one-man" class is AGR Pete Butch. His pin is now in the keeping of Pauline Grate, secretary at the Vet clinic.

Faye Sarko, Epsilon Chi, now living at "A La Rancho Sarko" in Tucson, Ariz. writes her sorority sisters that she wears the medical honorary pin of Lester Besen of New York City.

## Grin and Bear It . . . By Lichty



"Her piano teacher says she's really improving—we were afraid we were just merely getting used to it!"

## Prof Wins Leading Role in Radio Play

Dr. Frederick Reeve of the basic English department has the leading role in this week's MSC radio workshop play, "The Importance of Being Ernest", an adaptation of the stage comedy by Oscar Wilde.

The show will be presented over WKAR at 4 p. m. today, under the direction of Prof. Joe Callaway of the radio department.

"The Importance of Being Ernest" is a lively English period comedy adapted especially for this broadcast by Maxine

Several positions are now open on the sports staff of the Michigan State News. Freshmen as well as upperclassmen are eligible, and all interested persons should apply at the State News office Monday afternoon to obtain an interview with Barbara Dennison, editor, or Jerry Kenny, sports editor. Anyone who would like to become sports editor should apply at once in order to prepare for the position. No experience is necessary if applicants are genuinely interested.

Eyestone, Lansing senior, from the original stage show. It is the second workshop play of fall term.

Others in the cast include Randy TePoorten, Pontiac sophomore; Margaret Bradbury, Detroit senior; Ted Brink, Grand Rapids freshman; Nancy Blue, Detroit senior; Anne Osgood, East Lansing sophomore, and John Pardee, East Lansing freshman.

## — THE — WOMAN'S WORLD

By MAY ANN MAJOR

TOWER GUARD Tower Guard will meet at 7:15 p.m. in the tower. Maurice Gonon, counselor of women, will be the guest speaker. Heels are in order.

### TOWN GIRLS' LUNCHEON

The Town Girls are to meet their own lunches today and meet in the Town Girls lounge at noon. All freshman girls are welcome. The membership drive will begin at the meeting.

### ORIENTATION LEADERS

An important training meeting of freshman orientation leaders will be held today at 7 p.m. in room 112, Union annex, according to Chairman Sue Arnold, Birmingham junior. Leaders are requested to bring pencils and paper.

## New Wolverine Staff Photographer Named

New commercial photographer for the Wolverine is Robert Anderson, of Detroit. Anderson got his start in shutter-clicking about 12 years ago when he began developing rolls for his friends in a basement darkroom. Soon he was printing and developing in his own studio. Anderson has also done stencils work for the Detroit Free Press and the Detroit Evening Press and handled publicity for Woody Herman's band. He is head photographer for the Michigan Bell, publisher of the Michigan Bell Telephone company.

Saturday Oct. 21st **ARMORY** Lansing Saturday Oct. 21st  
 Dance 8:00 to 12:00 P. M.  
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 And His 14-Piece Orchestra  
 Featuring Bonnie Hyde  
 OPEN DANCE — EVERYBODY WELCOME  
 50c Per Person — Plus 10c Fed. Tax — Total 60c

Studio Theater to Hold Preliminary Try-outs  
 Freshmen, sophomores, and transfer students are encouraged to attend the preliminary try-outs for Studio Theater, Thursday at 7:15 p.m. in room 49, College auditorium.  
 These preliminary try-outs are scheduled to follow the presentation of the humorous skit, "Potboilers." The final try-outs, however, will not be held until the following week's meeting.

For the Latest Designs in COSTUME JEWELRY  
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# Spartans to Test Unbeaten Record

## Squadmen Leave For Night Game At Maryland

Coach Charlie Bachman put the finishing touches to the high powered Spartan offensive in the second night practice in two days before entraining today for the trip to College Park, Md., where State will flaunt its unbeaten record before the University of Maryland.

Bachman named a squad of 29 players to make the trip with him. They will play a night game. Practice has been held for the past two nights under the lights of old college field in an effort to accustom players to the arcs. State has been plagued with a night game jinx for several years now.

### Leave Today

The team members and the traveling party will leave the campus today at 1:30 p.m. from the Union. State's cheer leaders will be present to direct the send-off for the grid men.

A large feature of the Spartan offensive has been the passing and Bachman and Backfield Coach Joe Holsinger have not been neglecting it in their practice sessions.

The same starting lineup will probably face the Maryland eleven that has started the other games. A possible exception is Ben Johnson who might move into the right halfback slot in place of Fred Aronson who has been bothered with injuries.

### Tackle Tartars Next

Following this week's encounter, the Spartans will face Wayne University Tartars in Detroit, Oct. 27. Tickets for the game are available now at the ticket window in Jenison gymnasium.

State rooters will sit on the east side of the stands in the University of Detroit stadium where the game will be played.

The players who will make the trip include: ends, Donald Grondus, Frank Brogger, Richard McWeese; Arthur Arntz; tackles, Peter Dendrino, Richard Massuch, Daniel Goldsmith, Mike Prushaw, Kenneth Collister, Ellis Phillips, guards, Robert Godfrey, Don Aronson, William McFarland, Robert Lahssies, Glen Hatfield, Don Anderson.

Others are: fullbacks, Jack Breslin, William Maskill, William Parronches, centers, Brady Sullivan, William Johnson; quarterbacks, William Siler, Rex Moore, Robert Schroeder; halfbacks, Robert Bruegger, Fred Aronson, Herb Speerstra, Thomas Mitzelheid, and Harold Johnson.

## Wanted: Cross Country Runners

Without offering it up as an excuse for a terrific defeat at Ohio State, it can nevertheless be stated that State's cross country coach, Lauren Brown, has been greatly held down for lack of candidates for his team.

No more than eight candidates have ever been out for the team on even the best of days. Stacked up against the 30 odd men Ohio State could choose from, it does not represent a good collegiate spirit. Even Wayne university als on the harrier's schedule, which is widely scorned for lack of athletic interest, has had 24 candidates out for its cross country team.

Five meets still face Brown's harrier squad, one with Drake university in Iowa, Oct. 28, two with Wayne and then the IC-4A and the NC-2A meets later in the fall. Any person who started running practice this week could be in shape for the Wayne meets and both notional meets.

In order to report for practice it is first necessary to get a physical approval from the college health service. Then by reporting to Coach Brown at the running track south of the stadium any day after 4 p.m. a candidate can get equipment and a locker. Managers are also needed.

## FACULTY

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closely identified with both the curricular and extra-curricular work of that school.

### Deciding on a Course-of-Study

It is to be expected that many beginning students are still undecided as to the sort of work they wish to do. When they first come to Michigan State such students may find it desirable to enroll in the Basic College only, without indicating a school preference.

By taking the basic core courses and several departmental interests, and by making full use of the counseling service, these students should get a better idea of their likes and dislikes, should learn their strengths, and thus be able to plan a more advantageous college program.

### Two-Year Curriculum

More than half of the students who enter college do not complete requirements for a degree. In a very large percentage of the cases this fact has nothing to do with scholarship. The Basic College is no refuge for students who can't or won't do college work but it does plan to recognize work of college caliber that has not been continued for four full years.

Hence, provision has been made for certification on the basis of two-years of creditable work either of a very general character or following such specific lines as agriculture, engineering, home economics, teacher training, secretarial work, and others.

### Examinations

Some upper class students are congratulating themselves because they don't face "big, bad comprehensive examinations" at the end of a whole year of work. I'm sure that obstacle looms highest in anticipation. Comprehensive examinations are becoming an increasingly important part of a college education. And well they may.

When students get out of college they are constantly being examined in the course of every day's work. Now is a good time to get some experience. Comprehensive examinations are broad in scope—hence, give a fairer measure of knowledge, understanding, judgment, and ability to apply information than a more restricted examination.

Students will be given plenty of experience with the sort of problems to be used in comprehensive examinations long before the big test.

Short tests and term examinations will be continued in the Basic College as an aid to teaching and to give students an idea of their own progress. Tentative term grades serve this same purpose, and will also be used as official grades for transfer purposes in cases where only one or two terms of a three-term course have been completed.

## Football Fans to Hear Telegraphic Reports

For the next two Fridays when State is playing night football games in other stadiums, a new system of keeping students informed of the games' progress will be tried.

R. J. Coleman, director of WKAR, has announced that since WKAR signs off the air before the games are started and is therefore unable to broadcast a play by play description, interested students may hear "ticker" reports in the Union. The play by play report will start at 8:30 p. m. with Larry Frymire, program director of WKAR, doing the announcing.

## Red Cross To Meet

Members of the Red Cross board of chairmen will meet tonight at 9 on the upper deck of the Union.

## British Capture Enemy Island in Mediterranean

ROME, Oct. 18 (AP)—British warships have seized Scarpanto island, midway between Rhodes and Crete, in the name of the United Nations with landing forces meeting no enemy opposition, the Allied command announced today.

The communique said "Scrapanto, like other islands in the Dodecanese, is ex-enemy territory."

The wording of the communique appeared intended to make clear to the Italians, who had occupied Scarpanto and most of the Dodecanese nearly 25 years ago, and to the Greeks who already are pressing demands for those islands, that the United Nations as a whole intend to take over administration of the islands until final peace settlement.

The communique said the Greek population of some 8,000 persons already had detained the German occupation garrison on Scarpanto before the British destroyers Terpischore and Cleveland arrived before dawn yesterday. Nothing was said of the size of the garrison.

The Greek government recently expressed confidence that its claims to the Dodecanese islands would not be seriously opposed by either Turkey or Italy after the war. Some Rome newspapers, however, intimated that the Italians had not given up all hopes of retaining some influence in the eastern Mediterranean.

## Meeting Postponed

Theta Sigma Phi, will not meet today as previously announced. The next meeting of the group will be held next Thursday, at 7 p. m. at the International Center, 3 faculty row. All actives and pledges are requested to be present.

## Committee Appointed to Aid Plan For Center's Activity Program

To insure success of the newly established International center, Pres. John A. Hannah has appointed a committee of eight faculty members and three students to work out a specific activity program for the center this year.

Meeting for the first time yesterday, the committee, headed by Prof. and Mrs. S. C. Lee, discussed ways in which the house may best be operated. Those serving on the committee besides Mr. and Mrs. Lee are Mrs. Isabelle Gonon, assistant counselor for women; Margaret Harris, home economics extension specialist; C. H. Nickle, assistant professor of speech; and Irma Gross, professor of institutional administration.

Others include H. J. Statseth, professor of bacteriology; Rev.

## Spartans At War

By PEG DUBRY

### CAPT. BURTON BENZ

previously reported as missing in action since Aug. 27, was killed in France on that date according to information received by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Benz, East Lansing. A 1939 graduate of State, Captain Benz left for overseas in Sept. 1943, serving first in England, where he was commissioned a captain about nine months ago. He recently had been awarded the purple heart for wounds received in the invasion of Normandy in June.

### LT. JOE VILMINOT

a bombardier on a B-24 Liberator, has been missing since Sept. 11 while on his 16th mission over Germany. Lieutenant Vilminot, '44, received his training at Randolph Field, Texas, and also at Victorville Field, Calif., where he was commissioned about eight months ago. He left for overseas early in July and has since been based in England.

## Tropical Gale Rashes Through Florida Keys

MIAMI, FLA., Oct. 18 (AP)—A tropical hurricane which left in its wake in death and damage across Cuba vented its fury upon the little-island city of Key West tonight and set a course toward the west of mainland Florida.

A 5 p.m. weather bureau advisory said the Caribbean-born disturbance probably would move into the Florida mainland tomorrow morning on the west Florida coast between Fort Myers and Tarpon Springs.

N. A. McCune, pastor of the Peoples church and Mrs. Ben Euwema, President of the Faculty Folk club.

Students assisting with the program are Student Council Pres. Jim Bibbins, Buffalo, N. Y., senior; Mortar Board Pres. Dorothy Shaw, Detroit senior, and State News Editor Barbara Dennison, East Lansing senior.

Dr. Lee was chosen chairman of the group while Mrs. Gross will serve as vice-chairman and Dorothy Shaw as secretary.

The center will be formally opened Sunday at 3 p.m. when an open house will be held. All students are invited to attend.

Anyone knowing where a piano, a phonograph, or a vacuum cleaner may be obtained should notify the center.

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