

Turks Declare War on Nazis, Japs at Last

Big Three' Conference Held Responsible for End of Neutrality

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP) Turkey declared war on Germany and Japan tonight after nearly six years of neutrality, frankly admitting the declaration was made by the "Big Three" as a result of admission to the security conference at San Francisco April 1.

It said that the weight of neutrality might be thrown into the Pacific war as soon as Turkey was crushed, the Ankara government implied strongly that Soviet Union was aligned with Britain and the United States, demanding that still neutral nations declare war on Turkey as well as Germany if they wanted to have a voice in the world organization.

WHY NOT Hinder Allies? Turkey's move is not likely to affect much military importance in Asia.

The Turkish assembly approved the war declaration. Foreign Minister Hasan Saka said that Turkey had agreed on being accepted as qualification for membership in the United Nations. He pointed out that in December 1941, he had been presented with motions as well as Turkey's

objection to follow.

A statement was reported to have been issued in the Middle East by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and other conferences confirming from the Chinese that the eight declarations of war on Japan, including those of Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Transjordan and Iraq, did not mean that Russia and the western Allies in neutrals declare war on Turkey as well as Germany. It was in a statement by Minister Hasan Saka, as well as the Ankara radio

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Weather

Cloudy and a little colder, occasional snow flurries.

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'Behind Scenes' Crew Struggles On Term Play

By HELEN TURNBOW

"Personal Appearance," the winter term play scheduled for Friday and Saturday, March 2 and 3 in Foote Hall theater gives the "behind scenes" gang numerous responsibilities in the way of tricky props and stage layouts.

This play, the story of a typical movie star and her adventures while on a personal appearance tour, is set in the colonial styled Stratheirn Tourist home near Greentree, Pa.

The construction crew has been madly chasing down Victorian period furniture, and in keeping with this furniture a particular pattern in old fashion with paper was selected.

To meet this need, the crew,

headed by Lansing junior Helen Kroll, along with Dorothy Smidler, Barbara Fine, Yvonne Jones, Alice Snodgrass, Louise Sato, John McCullough, Barbara Chaudier, Everett Larson, Gladys Jeanne Rutherford, Dennis Gurn, Florence Macdonald, Alice Stine, Shirley Scott, Menga of Smith, Margaret Atkinson, Gerald Cole, Roberta Flynn, and Marie Daniels created sets in imagination and created a beautiful wallpaper with blue background and red flowers by a local artist.

Stratheirn's forest scene would not be complete without a picture of an elegant gentleman of the time's, a man, Aunt Kate Barnaby, in the play, tells a billion. This specification placed the properties group headed by Polly Monroe. Last

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Revision Plan for Governing Women Now Underway

A plan to revise the whole governing system for women is underway with emphasis on a more fair and evenly distributed representation for all women on the AWS council.

Questionnaires have been sent to approximately 20 other colleges asking for information on such subjects as number and methods of electing, limitations put upon women by the judiciary board, the percentage of women have in the student government and the handling of late minutes.

Attention will be given to see that the approximate 300 women living in cooperative and off-campus houses will be heard on AWS as to their particular difficulties not realized by women living in dormitories or sororities.

AWS meetings, held on alternate Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in organization room one or two are open to all women students.

A Woman

For the first act, read yesterday's State News. . . . The answer is Dick Dimmick, Almena, who, as sophomore got always from Toni Prosciotti, was a silent sophomore, after presenting her with a poem. The poem is as follows: Her mother of horse blinders, demanded this poem . . . The lines were beautiful, lovely, just right.

Now I could use them, for we're a fright. But you know that a woman must have the last word, And I think any different is simply absurd. So I thought and I thought how to stop your reply. And decided to first stop your searching eye. These blinders will keep them from straying to heels. And will have more efficiency in serving of meals.

Allies Begin Massed Drive to Rhine, Crossing Roer in Moonlight Raid

Firth, Bolander Receive Top Offices in WAA Election

1st, 9th Armies Use Big Gun Barrage Against Nazis

PARIS, Feb. 23 (AP)—

The U.S. first and ninth armies opened the long-awaited Allied drive toward the Rhine today, sending thousands of troops storming across the Roer river in pre-dawn moonlight against tight resistance on a broad front 70 to 80 miles from Cologne and Dusseldorf.

They crossed by assault boats, bridges and amphibious jeep and tanks at dawn. Afterward, one of the greatest barrages ever thrown on the western front was unleashed. The big guns roared as close together as 100 to the mile.

Satisfactory Progress

The Americans quickly seized their footholds on the eastern bank, in progress, officials declared, as satisfactory.

A front-despatch described the onslaught as a "Rum-and-tide of attack," combining initial and main power. The initial, including the flooded river and its banks, lay back in great clouds of smoke and smokeless gas before the lead held fire from British and American tanks and 150 guns.

Accorded French Army honors, Gen. Weygand declared that combined with Allied forces already being delivered across the west, the fall of the Ruhr was in sight. The British will be despatched to the battle as soon as ordered.

United Move

The two armies jumped across the Roer, Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' first army crossing the River downstream of Aachen.

Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's ninth army crossed on the right, intermediate north flank.

Initial crossings were made swiftly and with less opposition than expected in the Germans' lines, bouldered under fire, tremendous barrage, as U troops in the trenches were left boggy.

The Americans found the Roer, which the Germans had tried to convert into a moat, had been filled with anti-water spikes, stakes, sticky-coating mines and wire.

In the swift current some boats capsized, swept others downstream, and made it difficult to launch infantry bridges.

Little Resistance

From the east bank came mortar fire, but there was less artillery fire than had been feared.

With the crossings the Americans put the two major barriers to the Rhine and Rhineland behind them—the Siegfried line and the Roer, which the Germans had flooded by blowing upstream dams.

TIME TABLE

TODAY—

Party-party, 3 p.m.
Union

Track meet, 7:30 p.m.
Jenison fieldhouse

Adventure series, 8:15 p.m.
College auditorium

Sigma Chi, 9 p.m.
Union ballroom

Alpha Omicron Pi, 9 p.m.
Fac. din. room, Union

Red Cross Drive Starts for Students

Beginning Monday a Red Cross Booth will be in the Union lobby from 1 to 5 p.m. every day to help the War Fund drive to receive contributions from all students not living in college residences.

All other students should give their contributions to the representatives in their own house or dormitory.

The drive will give every student a chance to say, in a very small way, "Thank you" to the American Red Cross.

When one person's contribution is multiplied by 130,000,000, the total equals 160,000 movies shown to sick and wounded men, 14,000,000 letters, telegrams, and cables sent to anxious families, \$8,000 persons aided in home disasters,

It means also hundreds of Red Cross clubs bringing a touch of home to war-torn boys all over the world, thousands of nurses during the War Fund drive to receive contributions from all students not living in college residences.

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servicemen have volunteered untold hours of service to the many home phases of Red Cross.

War workers have contributed to the annual roll call more generously than formerly. College women, at Michigan State, have rolled thousands of surgical dressings, made clothing for refugee children, or learned to act as aides in local hospitals.

But this is not enough when men are giving their lives. Giving to the war fund "tiltchits" is a good beginning, but no one can possibly be hurt by contributing to a fund used wholly to relieve or minimize sickness, loneliness, anxiety, and loss of

sisters and wives of American lives.

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Seniors May Have Lungs X-Rayed

The other day there appeared in the State News a small and non-eye-catching article concerning the opportunity seniors are being given to have their lungs x-rayed by the health center.

No matter how small the article, it is of importance for the senior students to take advantage of his opportunity. It is offered for the convenience of those who will be accepting positions at the end of this term or spring term.

If the films show a positive condition, the student will be notified immediately and may see the films on request.

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DEAREST JOHNNY,

The foreign language department especially the Spanish division, is basking over backwards with interesting activities. Hunt's Food shop patrons get an eyeful and earful of strange sounding garble every Tuesday when members of La Cetaria "speak for their supper." Imagine going hungry if you couldn't remember the words for "Hamberg with everything." It's working out very well, though, and is certainly a novel and tummy-filling idea.

And that's not the least of La Cetaria's activities. This week the group put on a play entirely in Spanish. Last Friday was fine, the scenery was, too, and a big crowd attended. What more could one ask for?

This week's top communiqué reports the signing of Woody Herman's band for the Senior ball. He was here a couple of years ago for a dance which I couldn't attend because you had just all your money in the intervarsity sweepstakes. I think you called it. Well, we can buck up now, 'cause this year I'm gonna

Last week I received a basket of fruit from Florida for Valentine's Day. I thought it was a gift from some friends of mine so I promptly snatched a check from Mom's weekly letters thinking the check was the Valentine present. I later thought I learned that the check was Mom's contribution and that it was only two weeks before spring break was my allowance supposed to have lasted me six weeks. When I got that, I didn't change on the basket and immediately sent it back to Mom. She sent back the seeds.

SWL has begun its dancing classes again. ASTHS will take to learn how to do the ballroom dances. And the day after the ball they don't offer a corresponding course.

Mason Ballroom has sponsored a lecture series this week featuring "the day before spring" as their theme. I'm beginning to wonder if the day before spring is even coming. I've seen my last sun in winter. I'm beginning to feel like a lame old dog keeping up.

PEGO

CLASSIFIED ADS

LOST

ARMED FORCES: Four men from the class of 1943 were lost in the Korean War. They were: John W. Johnson, Robert E. Johnson, James E. Johnson, and John W. Johnson. They were lost between Aug. 1943 and Jan. 1945.

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CAMPUS CHURCHES

By CARROLL BESEMER

CHRIST LUTHERAN

Topic of tomorrow's sermon will be "Common and the Uncommon." Holy Communion will be administered. Morning service is held at 10:45 a.m. and Sunday school and Bible class are at 9:30 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Theme of tomorrow's 11 a.m. service will be "Mind." Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. The reading room is open 3 to 6 p.m. on Sundays and 1 to 4:30 p.m. week days.

COLLEGE LUTHERAN

Topic of Rev. William Young's sermon will be "Not Ashamed of the Gospel of Christ." Service is at 10:30 a.m. and Bible class at 10 a.m. Lutheran Student club social hour will meet in the faculty dining room at 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Miss Esther Walcupus will be in charge of the meeting.

PEOPLES CHURCH

"Adopted Children" will be the topic of Dr. N. A. McCune's sermon. Services are at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Student supper at 5 p.m., student vespers at 6:45 p.m. and student fireside discussion at 7 p.m. Monday evening at 7:15 in the student parlors the Religious council is sponsoring a publicity workshop. Pointers on making posters will be given. Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. in the student parlors a discussion on "South America" will take place. Marilyn Miller, Dearborn, Michigan, will be chairman of the meeting.

ST. MARY'S

Theme of tomorrow's masses will be the "Church Laws on Marriage." Sunday masses are at 6, 7, 8:30, 10, 11:10 a.m. and 12:40 p.m. Daily masses are held at 6, 7:15 and 8 a.m.

ST. PAUL'S

Worship services are held at 11 a.m. Sunday school is at 9:30 and 11 a.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Disciples of First Hand will be the topic of tomorrow's service held at 11 a.m. Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. "Hour of Christian Living" will be held at 7 p.m. Mrs. Roy Prescott will speak on "Mary."

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal will be the topic of tomorrow's service. Masses are at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. and all other services, vespers and fireside discussion are at 7 p.m. Sunday. March 4 Newman club will have a tribute to "Pope and Author" ALFRED MARSHALL NAZARENE.

Worship services are held at 11 a.m. Sunday school is also taught at 11 a.m. Young people will have a 6:45 p.m. Sunday.

CENTRAL METHODIST

Tomorrow is Valentine Day. The ladies will be preparing the service held at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Guests will present a "Worship Through Prayer" offering. The Lenten study will be "The Life of Jesus." There will also be a Lenten service.

UNITY CENTER

"An Important Question Answered" will be the topic of Dr. Miller's sermon. Services are at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday school at 11 a.m.

Home Ec Program Features Speech on Indian Life

Miss Clegg will take the international spotlight Tuesday when Miss Ruth Corpian, graduate student in bacteriology, will speak on that country at the open meeting of the Home Economics club at 7:30 in the Little Theater according to Donna Austin, Fenton junior.

Miss Corpian has spent a number of years as a resident in India and from her experience will tell some facts concerning Indian foods and homes and the position of women in Indian society. As an added interest she will bring authentic costumes and other illustrative material for display.

Ruth Kistner, Monroe junior, is general chairman of the meet-

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Thursday — 9 a.m.

Friday — 10 a.m.

Saturday — 11 a.m.

Sunday — 12 noon.

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Lenten Vespers —

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Subject

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Upperclass Swimming Beats Record of Soph-Frosh Coeds

Final Class Meet to Be Held Wednesday

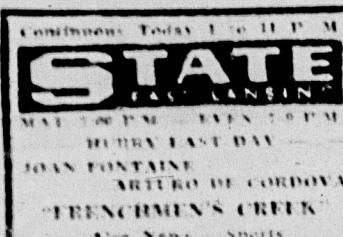
By TONI EBNER

Results from the inter-class swimming meet puts the junior-senior team into the bright lights triumphing over the sophomore and freshman class team. Individual winners in the 40-yard crawl were Nancy Trabue, of the junior-senior class team, and Elaine Halstead, freshman, tying for first place timed in 34.2 seconds and followed Dorothy Goralezyk, junior-senior; Dorothy Goralezyk, junior-senior, in 38 seconds.

In the 40-yard side-overarm Thelma Junker, junior-senior, took first in 35.8 seconds defeating June Allen, also junior-senior, in 36.6. Winners of the 40-yard breast stroke were Thelma Junker, timed in 40 seconds, and Joyce Conklin, freshman, in 42.4.

Sophomore Edna Hartman timed in 24.6 took first place in the 40-yard free style with Doris Pick, sophomore, and Ruth Burmeister, freshman, both matching for second place in 27.2 seconds. Thirty-yard crawl winners were Elaine Halstead, in 24.9, and Nancy Trabue, junior-senior, in 25.4 seconds.

Joyce Scary, of the junior-senior team, in 27 seconds defeated Joyce Conklin, freshman, in the 30-yard side-overarm. In the 30-yard breast stroke Edna Hartman placed first timed in 24.2 followed by Joyce Conklin in 28.8. Sophomore Doris Pick took first place in the 30-yard free style timed in 18.5 seconds with Ruth Burmeister, freshman, losing in 18.7 seconds.



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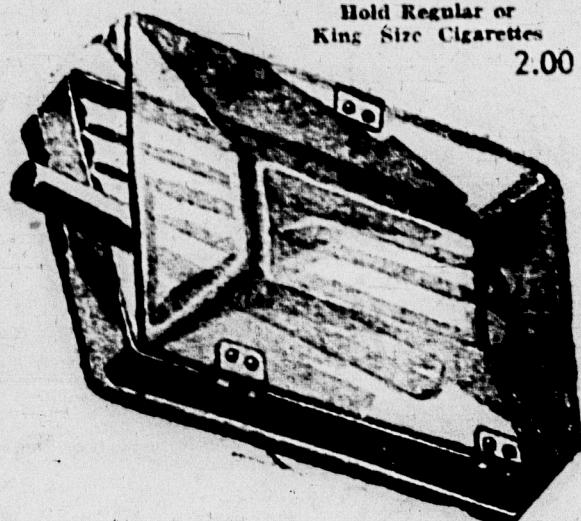
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