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## Communists Move In On Czech Government

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### AVC Motive Questioned By Barbers

By HERKIE BOWERS  
State's unbeaten wrestlers chalked up their eighth win of the season at Ann Arbor last night with a triumph over Michigan, according to an Associated Press report.



BOB MALDEGAN

wins by fall ...

This statement by Ken Steckle, owner of Ken's Barber Shop, yesterday reflected the majority opinion of East Lansing barbers questioned about the current civil rights drive being pushed by the American Veterans Committee.

**Business Problem**

Other barbers declined to be quoted directly, but spoke freely off the record. Most seemed to feel that injury to their business might result from publication of their views. This was true also of those who expressed sympathy for the Negro students involved.

The owner of one shop who voiced the general opinion of the group said, "I feel that those who have stirred this thing do not have the real interests of the Negro students at heart."

In Tough Spot

"Anyways I am in a tough spot between the two and don't know how I will follow it."

"My customers are my living if they go somewhere else, I go out of business," he added.

I called one of the deans at the college and asked his opinion about what I should do. He said I ought to cut the hair of Negro students," the barber concluded.

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## THE SQUARE CORNER

## Open Forum

By PAT McCARTHY

MOST STATE STUDENTS HAVE found the Palestine controversy so extensively carried on in the Letters to the Editor column to be more tiresome than anything else. But in view of the importance that the Palestine problem in world affairs today it is fitting that they show a little interest in it.

Tonight at 8 students representing the Arab and Jewish elements at MSC will hash out the present situation in Palestine at an open public forum in the Union ballroom. The program should provide a more than interesting expression of the problems of the two peoples by representatives of those peoples who are involved.

THE PALESTINE SITUATION IS CURRENTLY PRESENTING THE UN WITH THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IT HAS MET TO DATE—a concrete example of two parties that are unable to come to a satisfactory agreement without resorting to arms.

The U.N., begun with so many high hopes of peoples from all parts of the world, has steadily lost prestige through internal bickering so that it now stands as hardly more than an insignificant oratory marathon for the airing of world gripes.

If the U.N. can reach no accord on the Palestine situation, it will become another subject of world history study along with the League of Nations.

The middle stand on the Palestine problem is no longer possible. Both Jews and Arabs are charging the British with alleged assistance to the opposing faction. The Arabs have refused the U.S. permission to lay a pipe line across Arab territory until her attitude, which is the basis of the U.N. partition decision, towards the Arabian-Jewish conflict is changed.

Both factions are fighting with all their hearts for what they consider their inalienable rights. No compromise seems possible in view of the events that have occurred to date.

It is fitting that the Student council sponsored campus U.N. committee should open its first student debate on the eve of the day that the U.N. opens its debate on the same problem at Lake Success.

It will be a program worthy of any student's time.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL DESERVES hearty commendation for the inauguration of the new Student-Faculty hour. The first hour, which was held on the night of the Friday J-Hop drew the amazing attendance of 200 persons.

The Student-Faculty hour is the ideal set up to handle a raft of subjects and questions which are not brought out in class study, or for which students and faculty find no time to take classes.

## LETTERS to the EDITOR

TO THE EDITOR:

On George Washington's birthday we have to remember the story of Washington's life. There are few in the world's history who have his character and noble feeling.

We came from foreign lands to study the life and education of Americans. The progress and civilization of the world demands on how far every country keeps close and faithful to good principles.

These principles we studied from the life of Washington are quite fine to save the world from suffering and to prevent it from new war.

Lincoln and Washington were the two great men who established the fame and glory of the United States.

We have to know that the lives of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington were not only beneficial to America, they established the right way of freedom and liberty to all the world.

Abdullah Kamel Eid

TO THE EDITOR:

It can be embarrassing to go to a dance and find half the girls wearing flowers while the other half is without them.

We are under the impression that there are definite rules governing the wearing of flowers at which course we are to learn some of the basic problems of marriage and their solutions.

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## ROBERTS REPORTS

## Czech Politicians Try Escape From Moscow

By J. M. ROBERTS  
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The current complicated political moves in Czechoslovakia represent what may be the last efforts of that country to escape becoming a one-party police state like other Russian satellites.

The Czechs have held out longer than the others because they escaped military occupation. But president Benes is in poor health, the Communists are consolidating their power control, and the country's last chance would seem to lie in a popular uprising for which the anti-Communists seem unprepared.

The first major blow came last fall when Czech foreign trade was disrupted by Russian demands in order to hurt the Marshall plan.

More recently the Communists have been trying to make the police a strictly party force, and to swamp all opposition in the coalition government by bringing in controlled representatives of labor unions.

The opposition parties foresee that this would sugar-coat Communist control of the election machinery. They have been trying to force an election before that happens.

The combined opposition is now in the majority, but the Communists are the largest single party with 114 of the 300 seats in parliament. President Benes has fought bravely to hold them to proportionate representation in the government.

The government themselves have, until now, adhered to the letter if not the spirit of the law. But the opposition recently traced a bomb plot to Communist sources. One of the intended victims was Jan Masaryk, known as the Father of Czechoslovakia.

Now the men who uncovered this plot are being arrested and accused of conspiring with Anglo-American interests against the state. That is the same old line used by Moscow's pro-consuls whenever they wish to eliminate opposition leaders.

Benes apparently hopes by having an immediate showdown by having the opposition parties continue in a coalition government, while at the same time refusing to let the communists pack the cabinet with leaders of stooge organizations which have no political standing.

Benes probably believes that if he can keep the plot off the front page, the plan begins to have its effect in Europe, his chances will be better.

In the first place the solutions are so absurdly general and biased that we find it difficult to even memorize them, to say nothing about applying them.

A simple illustration of the generalization is Marriage for Moderns as realized in the personal question of whether fathers should be present in the maternity ward.

Chairman of the Maternity Ward says no, my professor says yes, I personally agree with the prof. On an examination the answer should be no.

We are not against the wearing of flowers, by any means, but if there is such a standing rule either it should be enforced or abolished.

We would appreciate your clarification of this condition for us and the rest of the student body.

Disgusted yours,

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Class discussion in this subject is worthless and extravagant. It has no bearing on the examination and is too relative for practical application. Don't you think it rather silly for married students to learn from a book how to get dates, what to do on them, and which one shall finally propose?

I have finally concluded that it would relieve my ulcers to omit all classes save one period reserved for those impractical examinations, and if every student would do this I feel that we would soon remove ourselves from the position of guinea pigs and rather be the recipient of a totally progressive advancement in modern education.

Gerald F. Huffman

## Youth Groups Plan Program To Study Service Projects

State's YWCA-YMCA are presenting a program tonight at 7:30 at the College house.

Opportunities in study projects, camp programs, European service projects and employment for students this coming summer are on the agenda.

The committee is expecting about 40 floats to be entered in the

alumni day land parade is a new addition to the water carnival this year. It is being reserved for floats from non-fraternity group organizations. Wentworth emphasized.

Chairman of the meeting will be Delores Stevenson, Kansas City Mo. senior. She will present Marion Woolcock and Ruth Nilson.

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## INFORMATION

## Executive Board

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4 p.m. 115 Berkey

Alpha Zeta

Room 120 Ag hall, 7:30 p.m.

Home Ec Club

Senior board, 5 p.m. room 1.

Orchesis

Rehearsal for "Tubby," 7 p.m.

Dance studio

International Relations Club

UN forum, 8 p.m. Union ballroom

Christian Science Org.

7:15 p.m. Chapel of Peoples' church

Spartan Guard

7:30 p.m. Room 14 Dem hall.

Newman Club

Glee club practice, 8 p.m. Newman hall

Sigma Delta Pi

7:30 p.m. Room 405 Home Ec.

Officers Club

7:30 p.m. Room 7 Dem hall

AWS Activities Board

6:30 p.m. Tower room

Penfet

Room 1 Home Ec.

Marine Corps Club

Room 111 Berkey, 7 p.m.

Spitfire Spin

Union upper deck, 3:30 p.m.

Tower Guard

7:30 p.m. Tower room

ASAE

7:30 p.m. Room 213 A.H.

**Seniors Called To Interviews By Job Scouts**

Representatives from three organizations will be on campus this week to interview senior men and women graduating this term.

Wednesday, February 28, a representative of the Montgomery Ward company, Lansing, will be on campus to interview senior men interested in positions as store managers.

Mr. Margaret Show, Detroit Police department, will interview senior women interested in police work Thursday, February 28.

A representative of the Firestone Tire and Rubber company, Akron, Ohio, will interview senior men in the fields of chemical, mechanical, industrial, and electrical engineering and accounting.

Petitions for membership in the Union board are available at the Union desk. The petitions have to be turned in at the Union desk by March 8.

## Final Exams

The final examination for classes meeting 2-3 on the days listed should be 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 16; examination officials said yesterday.

## Cribbage Turney Playoffs Set

The Union board announces that today is the last day to sign up for the cribbage tournament to be played tonight and next Wednesday night in the Union.

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## Land Parade Meeting Set For Tomorrow

A meeting of all organizations planning to enter the Water Carnival land parade will be held in room 104 Home Economics building, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Russ Wentworth, chairman of the Land Parade committee, said the meeting will be held in an effort to determine the approximate number of floats that will be in the parade.

The committee is expecting about 40 floats to be entered in the

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## Name Bands Difficult To Book For Seasons' Major Parties

By DAVE GORDON

"I want Tex Beneke." "Why can't we have Vaughn Monroe for the J-Hop?"

These famous last words are often heard around MSC when the first publicity flashes on a college dance are released.

In order to get a band popular with the students, the dance committee must know the date four to six months in advance, and a building must be rented.

### \$300 For And

It costs approximately \$300 a night to rent the auditorium. Once the date and location are settled, the agencies that handle bands must be notified.

But the band wanted may be making a movie and can't leave the location, or the band members might be on vacation and unable to be called together for a tour.

The band may have a radio show and can't leave the area of the station, since some local music unions will not okay broadcasting in their respective towns.

### May Be On Road

Another reason for difficulties is that the band may be on the road but not in the area in which the party is being held. Many musician's unions refuse to allow a band to travel over a certain distance between jobs.

Finally a band is picked. Then a permit has to gotten from the local musician's union.

So the band is contracted, and at least one-half the fee must be paid when the contract is signed. This means that money for publicity, half the fee for the band, rent for the building in which the

dances like the J-Hop, at five dollars-a-ticket, if 300 tickets are not sold it means loss of \$1500. The groups that plan the dances must make up the deficit.

In order to broadcast dances from coast to coast everyone from the janitor of the studio to Petillo must be contacted. College officials must first allow a broadcast on campus. At MSC, it is Dean Crowe.

Then the band's agent contacts the band leader to see if he will consent to broadcasting. The studio must then be asked if it will take the broadcast. If the local station consents, the permission must be received from the local musicians union.

### Stations Must Clear

Over 275 stations must be cleared to carry the music before the network will agree to carry the show. This is done "rather simply" by going to the president of the network, who says "no". The band's agent is then contacted, who will call the president of the band corporation. The two presidents get together over a couple of cups of smoke, and about five minutes before the dance they shake hands and say "okay."

Then the telephone lines are ordered to go from the studios to the dance, and the broadcasting engineers take over from there. Simple isn't it?

Shall we hold a dance?

### S. E. CROWE has his troubles

A few miles away a few miserly finance officers are paid before a ticket is sold.

**Wide March**

MSC figures at least 200 to 600 dollars leeway in case all the tickets are not sold. With a big

## Budapest Man To Address 2 MSC Groups

The only member of the University of Budapest who survived the Nazi and Communist occupations, Dr. Ferenc H. Kiss, will speak before two campus groups today.

He will speak at an open meeting tonight at 8 in room 206 of the Horticulture building. The lecture is under the sponsorship of Spartan Christian Fellowship.

Dr. Kiss will speak on "The Christian Student in Europe."

He publicly went on record as opposing the Nazi orders expelling Jews from the faculty and student body of the University of Budapest. He is in this country as a guest of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, and is visiting college groups throughout the United States.

Dr. Kiss will speak to friendly members of the State College club this noon.

## Foreign Students Fete Washington

Over 100 MSC foreign students were present at a George Washington party, given Sunday afternoon in the College house, by the YWCA.

Dr. and Mrs. S. C. Lee, Mrs. Isabelle Goron, and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Faunce were among the faculty guests who attended the party.

Mrs. Leo Haak, a member of the advisory board, headed the committee in charge of planning the party.

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