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Detail of Top Portion of Sculpture

Prize to Florentine Artist For Free-Form Marble Work

A design by Berthold (Tex) Schiwetz, former head of sculpture art at the Cranbrook Academy of Art, was selected Wednesday for Michigan State University Oakland's Sculpture Award, given in connection with MSUO's first annual Symposium on the Arts, which opened this afternoon.

Schiwetz' free form sculpture will be done in Travertine marble on which 19 to 25 cast bronze birds will be placed. The sculpture will be placed in a garden and reflecting pool setting on the MSUO campus.

Announcement of the award was made during the intermission of a concert at which Henry Dixon Cowell, dean of modern composers, presented an MSUO-Commissioned work.

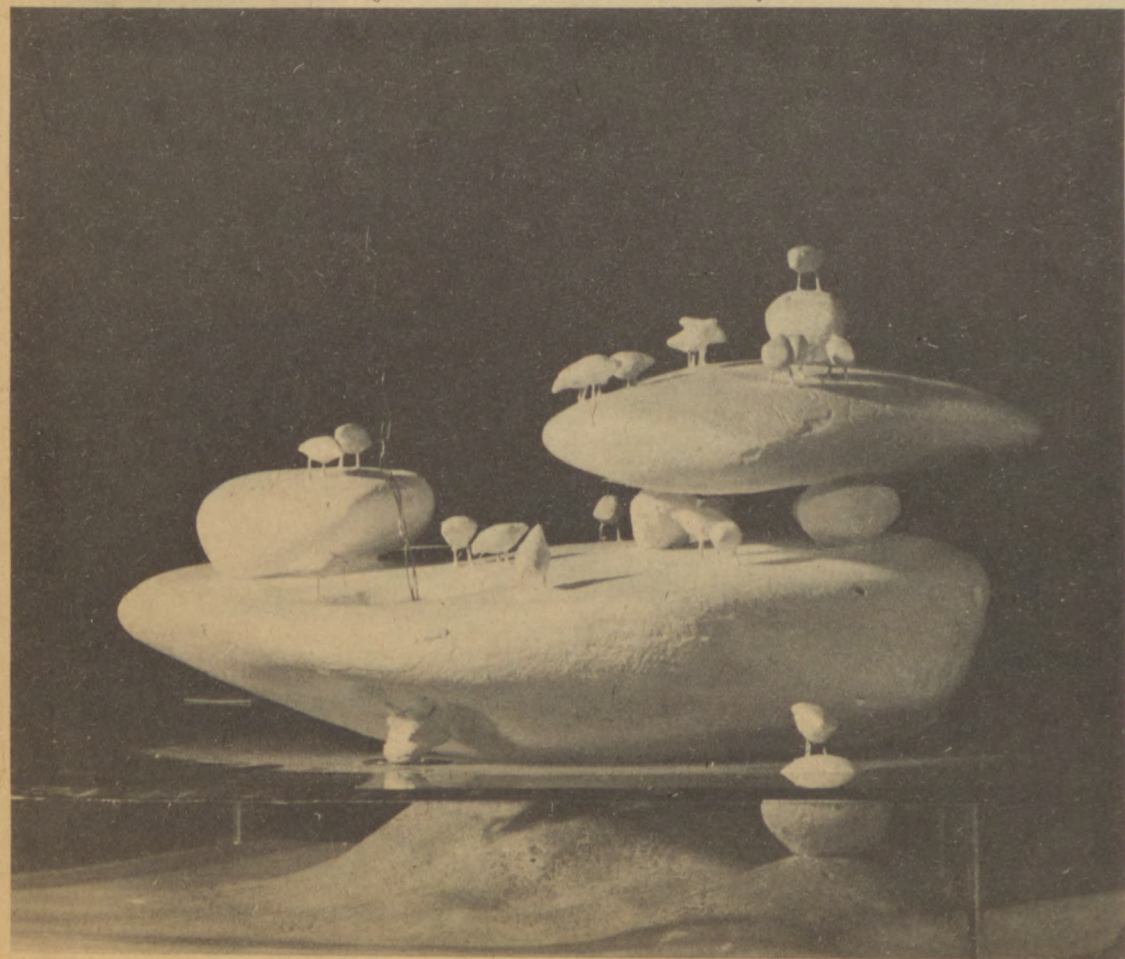
New Debate Meeting

A second meeting of those interested in the formation of a debate club on campus will be held at noon Monday in 127 Oakland Center.

This week's initial meeting saw no attendance whatsoever. Peter Evarts, assistant director of teacher education, is advisor to the group.

Schiwetz, who held his Cranbrook position for six years, and was a resident artist there for 20 years, resigned in July to set up a studio in Florence, Italy, where he now is concentrating on the sculpturing of fountains and the preparation of works for a second one-man show in New York.

"Imagination," and "suitability" for the MSUO campus, were the design's winning qualities, Stillman said.



Overall View of Schweitz Sculpture

Campus Suddenly Silent As Kennedy Acts on Cuba

By Nancy Cowen

Initial campus reaction to President Kennedy's unprecedented decision in the midst of a Cuban arms buildup was mixed this week as students and faculty learned of the sudden move.

Concern Tuesday seemed to center around the possible outcome of increased East-West pressure rather than the immediate quarantine itself.

Throughout the past four days, students have made extensive efforts to gather information, not only about Cuba, but also on Berlin and the growing Chinese-Indian clash. Definite opinions have been postponed in many cases until more complete facts and interpretations are available.

Professors, too, were reluctant to state opinions prematurely, although all seemed gravely concerned about the matter.

"A Soviet base in Cuba is too much of a threat to United States interests," Associate Professor of Political Science Edward J. Heubel told a comparative politics class Tuesday. "But if we don't enforce the quarantine, this is the worst kind of bluffing," he continued.

Legal conventions, Heubel stated, have been violated and will not bind any future action in the area. However, "We can expect a counter-measure in Berlin," he pointed out. "When you're asking me whether it's right, you are asking me whether I like the nation-state system—and I don't," he replied to a question about the Cuban action.

Sheldon Appleton, assistant professor of political science, and Samuel Shapiro, assistant professor of history, had no comments on the situation, seeking time to formulate opinions.

Disaster Group Meets After Action, Stocks Shelters, Sets Alarm System

The University Disaster Committee was called into a special session Tuesday morning by Chancellor Varner. Most of the university administrators and deans were present.

Hollie Lepley, director of physical education, who has coordinated the MSUO Civil Defense program, told the group of preparations already made in the event of a disaster.

It was decided at this meeting that the science building would not serve as an effective shelter area. Lepley cited the small space

in the building and the lack of below-ground facilities as reasons for transferring science building shelter areas to the library.

Continually emphasizing the need for cool heads, Varner designated building coordinators. He directed Robert Swanson, director of business affairs, to purchase transistor radios and flashlights for the shelter areas.

The tone of the meeting was somber, but all members present felt that definite steps should be taken to inform students of shelter areas. Less than two hours after the meeting adjourned, Lepley had put signs up in all buildings designating shelter areas.

The biggest concern at the meeting was the need for dependable communication between the sheriff's department and the campus. MSUO is presently warned of disasters by a telephone message from the Oakland County sheriff's office. Lepley indicated that there was a need for a better system.

Swainson, Romney May Debate Here

Incumbent Governor John B. Swainson and gubernatorial aspirant George Romney may meet in a debate on the MSUO campus, indicated Dr. Robert Holmes, assistant dean of students.

Support for such a debate, according to Holmes has been indicated by attendance figures for the Detroit Arts Quintet performance, and last week's Smith-Roberts debate.

Holmes will take steps to contact the presidents of the two political clubs on campus. "If a Romney-Swainson debate should come about, all the initiative would have to come from these two clubs," he said.

Student response immediately following Monday's announcement of U. S. action toward Cuba, was more of helplessness than vehemence. Some students actively participated in discussion, while others were unusually silent. All showed some concern.

Faces turned toward the Oakland Center television were grave and intent as newscasts, summaries, press conferences, and U.N. Security Council speeches rolled across the screen. Quiet was broken only by occasional comments, laughter and contempt for the periodic commercials, which students said seemed trivial at such a time.

Crowds of listeners clustered around portable radios, and cafeteria discussions at most tables confirmed student interest and mounting tension.

Not confined to Cuba, talk was also directed this week to Berlin and the China-Indian conflict, which some students view as a more immediate threat than Latin American missiles. Citing lack of Soviet or U.S. control over the Chinese Communists, they pointed out that more explosive conditions prevail in the Far East than some reports indicate. In addition, there was much talk of an impending Communist move in the divided city of Berlin.

Student conversations showed an extensive knowledge of the implications which all three situations can contain, and an awareness of the difficulties ahead for American foreign policy.

Faced with an unsought crisis which they cannot control, many students expressed futility, some were bitter, still more said nothing.

Frequently, ironic humor replaced serious analysis, but the jokes too were not without truth. "America—land of the free and home of the scared stiff," quipped one political science professor.

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—Gyorgy Sandor— 8:15 Tonight Pontiac Northern

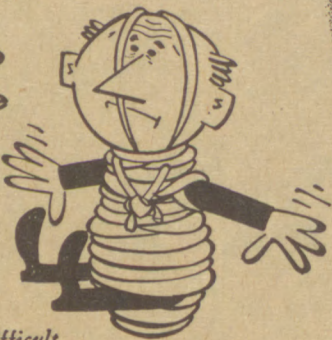
THE WEEK ON CAMPUS

- Oct. 26 Friday Readings, noon, 190 Science Building
Dr. David G. Lowy: recordings of Sitwell's "Facade"
Skiing films and discussion, 12:15, 125 Oakland Center
Newman Club Meeting, 1 p.m., 156 NFH
Coffee Hour follows at 1:30 p.m., rear resident Cafeteria
Football—3 p.m., Bearcat Stadium
Bizad-lib-te's vs. Bus. Ad.
Football—4 p.m., Bearcat Stadium
Engineers #1 vs. Fitzgerald #1
Gyorgy Sandor, pianist, 8:15 p.m., Pontiac Northern High School Auditorium
Grill Dance, 8:30 p.m., Oakland Center Grill
- Oct. 27 High Fidelity Workshop and Demonstration, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., 190 Science Building
Football—10 a.m., Bearcat Stadium
Engineering All Stars vs. Fitzgerald All Stars
SAC Halloween Dance, 8 p.m., barn
- Oct. 29 Music Listening Program, noon, 190 Science
All Mozart Program: Serenade in D major; Oboe Concerto #9 in Bb major; Mass in C "Coronation"
- Oct. 30 SAC Meeting, 4 p.m., SAC Offices
- Oct. 31 DAFS Film "Riffi," 8 p.m., 190 Science. Coffee and Discussion
- Nov. 1 Music Listening Program, 1 p.m., 190 Science
Respigi—The Pines of Rome
Tschaikowsky—Violin Concerto
Resident Assistant Meeting, 4 p.m., 126 Oakland Center
SAC General Meeting and Dinner, 4:30 p.m., 126 Oakland Center
- Nov. 2 Friday Readings, noon, 190 Science Building
Norman Susskind: Sound in French Poetry
Lecture-Concert Series, Professor Albert Marckwardt, 1 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Room
Faculty Square Dance, 8:30 p.m., Oakland Center Gold Room
Grill Dance, 8:30 p.m., Oakland Center Grill

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

To the editors:

According to Rody Yezman, the procedure of choosing the school ring in the September election was not valid. May I add that the purpose of the above election was misinterpreted by the student body to the degree that the results of said election do not reflect the views of the whole student body, but the views of only the senior class. Do the students of MSUO wish to have the senior class choose their school ring?

To those students who are dissatisfied with the election results and to those students who did not vote, I make the following appeal. Make your opinions known and felt! Only then will any action toward the attainment of a school ring be motivated.

Shirley Mapley

To the editor:

In last Friday's debate between Senator Roberts and Mr. Smith, the Democratic candidate, I questioned Mr. Roberts about what I considered to be a discrepancy between a statement he had just made and one which he made last May.

Last May Mr. Roberts said that he had changed his stand on the income tax question because after reconsidering the business taxes in the State of Michigan, which he said were somewhat higher than in other states, he felt that this new tax program would place an unnecessary additional burden upon the business community. In the debate Mr. Roberts said that his vote was changed because of a change in voting patterns in the "moderate wolf-pack" in the State Senate.

Answering my question Mr. Roberts said he thought my notes were incorrect.

Mr. Roberts, I do not believe my notes are incorrect, and even if they are, why did you not point this out before. I believe you received a weekly copy of the Observer in which "your" statement was printed.

I, therefore, am asking that the editors reprint the statement as I reported it in the Oakland Observer.

In closing, I would like to ask you, Mr. Roberts, did Henry Ford call you too?

Bruce Plaxton

To The Editors:

About a year ago, more or less, cards were distributed to the student body from "The Disaster Planning Committee." At that time I filled out the card and questioned them as to when they were planning on having a disaster. Now, the next day after a speech by the President, I have observed a number of busy people running about the buildings posting stickers to the effect that in case of a disaster we all can hide in the basement of the book box. I wonder if anyone has stickers to post telling us where we can hide from ourselves?

Larry Carey

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OFFICIAL BULLETIN

Items to be included in the weekly Bulletin must be submitted to Mrs. Mondine McNeil, 136 NFH, by noon on the Tuesday preceding publication. All items must be clearly labeled "Official Bulletin" and signed.

• All teacher education students planning to graduate in April or August are required to do their teaching internship next semester.

Internship applications may be obtained at the social science office, and must be filled out and returned to that office by Nov. 2. Those failing to do so will not graduate on time.

L. J. Hetenyi
Director,
Teacher Education

• Senior Class Meeting, 12-1 p.m., today, Oct. 26 in the Oakland Center Resident Cafeteria (rear).

• Faculty Panel Discussion on the Cuban situation, 1 p.m. today, Oakland Center Gold Room.

• Senior Seminar Meeting, 1 p.m. today, room 126 Oakland Center.

• Faculty and Academic Administrative Staff Meeting to discuss University Courses Art and Music, 4 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 30, 235 Science Building.

• Faculty and Administrative Staff Meeting to discuss the Science and Mathematics University Courses, 4 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 1, 235 Science Building.

New Contest to "Name-the-Grill"

Plans for a second "Name-the-Grill" contest were announced this week by Ron Miller, Student Activities Council president.

After what SAC termed the "unsatisfactory" outcome of the first contest, which ended Oct. 12, the activities group threatened to select names for the grill and commuter cafeteria on an arbitrary basis, ignoring student offerings. However, students will be given an additional two weeks to submit suggestions for the two rooms.

Suggestions should be placed in the box at Charlie Brown's desk. New deadline is Nov. 9, and the winner will receive a \$5 gift certificate to the MSUO book center.

SAC Schedules "Facade" Saturday

Bizarre garb will set the stage in the barn behind the Science Building Saturday night as MSUO students and faculty members attend this year's Halloween costume party "Facade".

Co-sponsored by Orchesis and the SAC Social Committee, the event will feature a jazz sextet composed of MSUO and Detroit students. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes.

Prices for "Facade," which will be held from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the barn behind the Science Building, are 75c stag, \$1 drag.

Mentioning poor response to the first contest, Miller stressed the need for more serious participation in this second attempt to name the grill and cafeteria. Sixteen entries were counted in the first contest, which was initiated by Oakland Center director George E. Fritz. Of these, according to Miller, 75 per cent were "farcial," including such names as "Fou-Chow-Lou Room" for the cafeteria, and "Jive Hive" and "Garbage Pit" for the grill.

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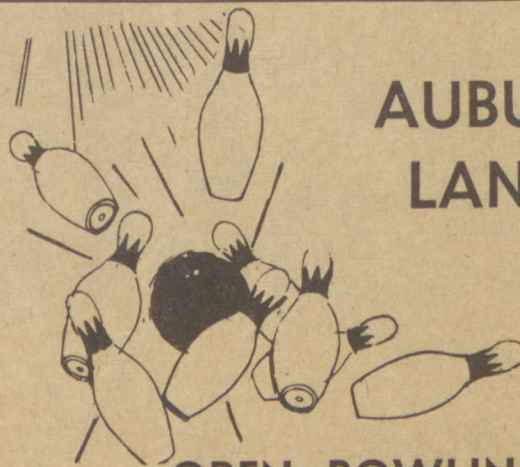
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BOYD TO MSUO

Playwright, freedom rider, representative of the "Take-over generation" covered in LIFE Magazine, Rev. Malcolm Boyd, will meet MSUO students at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 8 in the Gold Room.

Official chaplain of Wayne State University, Boyd has repeatedly made headlines throughout the country because, as he puts it, "I have something to say about race."

More information about Boyd's visit will appear in the next issue of the Observer.

Activities Council Holds Thursday Meet

This semester's general meeting of the Student Activities Council will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 1, in 126 and 127, Oakland Center.

Bringing together all 34 SAC members, the session is designed to acquaint new members with the board of governors. Membership cards will be distributed and an activities report will be presented.

SAC vice-president Marge Swoboda, Rochester senior, described the meeting's purpose as "to identify people with each other" and "to build up a spirit in the organization." Miss Swoboda also hinted the discussion of a constitutional amendment. "All members of the Council have a responsibility to come," she said.

Director of Student Activities, Dr. Robert Holmes and his newly appointed assistant, Mrs. Becky Malm will be present at the meeting.

"Audio Demo Day" Slated Saturday

As an addition to the First Annual Symposium on the Arts, the MSUO Hi-Fi Club will present Audio Demonstration Day, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in 190 and 195 Science.

Students, faculty and staff may bring high fidelity equipment for comparison with systems of other individuals and commercial firms.

A panel of musicians and technicians, including Drs. Robert Holmes, Laszlo Hetenyi and Serge Shishkoff will award a trophy to the monophonic or stereo system having the best sound reproduction and acoustical quality.

Detroit area audio dealers, such as KLA Laboratories, Audioland and Mayhews' Electronics will also demonstrate late model equipment.

The Hi-Fi Club system will be presented by Joe Prahler, and will stress economy in quality sound reproduction.

System judging will be held between noon and 2 p.m.

Kennedy . . .

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"We certainly did have a special and historic relationship to Cuba; we only invaded twice," a student said, referring to President Kennedy's speech.

"We have more crises than UN members," warned another.

Students also laughed nervously about draft and recall prospects for men on campus. Humorous? They didn't really think so.

Perhaps the most striking fac-

tor, written into most faces and comments, is the fear of a nuclear war. To a generation which has never known peace, but has been thoroughly informed of radiation dangers, the question is serious. Anger and bitterness when the subject is mentioned, are directed toward those whom students accuse of acting without sufficient knowledge or regard for the consequences.

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Marckwardt, Brokensha Added to C-L Series

A linguistic scientist and a musician have been added to this semester's Concert-Lecture program, Dr. Robert Holmes, assistant dean of students, said this week.

Professor Albert Marckwardt of the University of Michigan will lecture next week on "The

Linguistic Science and its Applications."

Director of Ann Arbor's English Language Institute Marckwardt is recognized in this country as a leader in linguistics.

His appearance at MSUO follows an invitation by William Schwab, associate professor of English, and will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, Nov. 2, in the Oakland Center Gold Room.

Jazz vibraphonist Jack Brokensha, an outstanding figure in his field will appear in campus in December.

A former member of the Australian Jazz Quartet, Brokensha was an overwhelming success at

New Office

Mrs. Becky Malm, newly-appointed assistant director of student activities, has established an office in 112 Oakland Center.

Mrs. Malm, wife of Donald Malm, MSUO assistant professor of mathematics, will assist Dr. Robert Holmes, assistant dean of students, in handling the activities of AWS, Anibal House and the new promotion council, created by campus club presidents.

Detroit's jazz festival earlier this fall. His concert will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9 in the Oakland Center Gold Room.

Now a resident of Pontiac, she holds a bachelor's degree from New York University and a Master's in sociology from Brown University.

Her office, 112 Oakland Center, will also be used as a workshop for the promotion council. Phone number for the office is 2127. Mrs. Malm may also be reached at 2145.

Leadership

A second Institute on Organizational Leadership, sponsored by Continuing Education, will be held Saturday, Nov. 10 at MSUO from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Institute is a one-day conference to train presidents and officers of volunteer business and civic organizations and boards.

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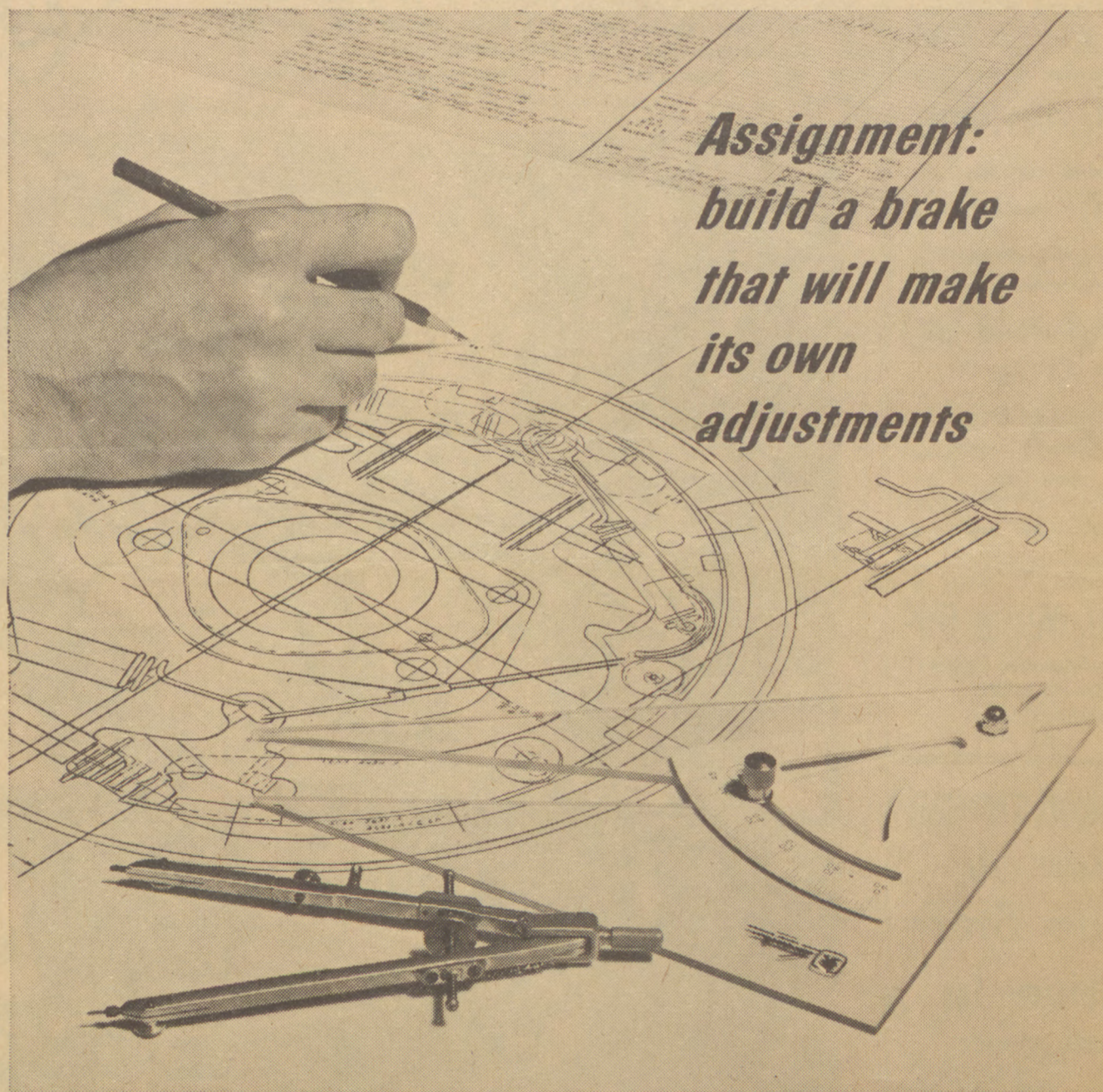
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