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Friday, November 9, 1962

THE WEEK ON CAMPUS

Friday, Nov. 9

noon—Friday Readings, 190 Science Building:
David Wilder: "A Tour Through London: 1748"
12:30 p.m.—Foreign Exchange Committee Meeting, SAC Offices
8:30 p.m.—Grill Dance, Oakland Center Grill

Saturday, Nov. 10

6:45 p.m.—Engineering Society Road Rally, main parking lot
9 p.m.—Dance, Slipstick Slide, Gold Room

Sunday, Nov. 11

3 p.m.—Earle Spicer, balladeer, Oakland Center Gold Room

Monday, Nov. 12

12:30 p.m.—Christian Science Organization Meeting,
Oakland Center Piano Room

Tuesday, Nov. 13

1 p.m.—Lecture, "Evidence for our Faith," Father Thomas
Hinsberg, 168 SFH
4 p.m.—SAC Board of Governors Meeting, SAC Offices

Wednesday, Nov. 14

noon—International Affairs Discussion, the China-India
Dispute, 163 SFH
1 p.m.—Lecture, "The Discovery of Science," James Haden,
190 Science
1 p.m.—Basketball Organizational Meeting (men), 125 Oakland
Center
3:30 p.m.—Modern Dance Class, Oakland Center basement
recreation area
8 p.m.—University Women's Club Meeting. Lecture, "A Case
For Modern Art" Damie Stillman, room 276 SFH

Thursday, Nov. 15

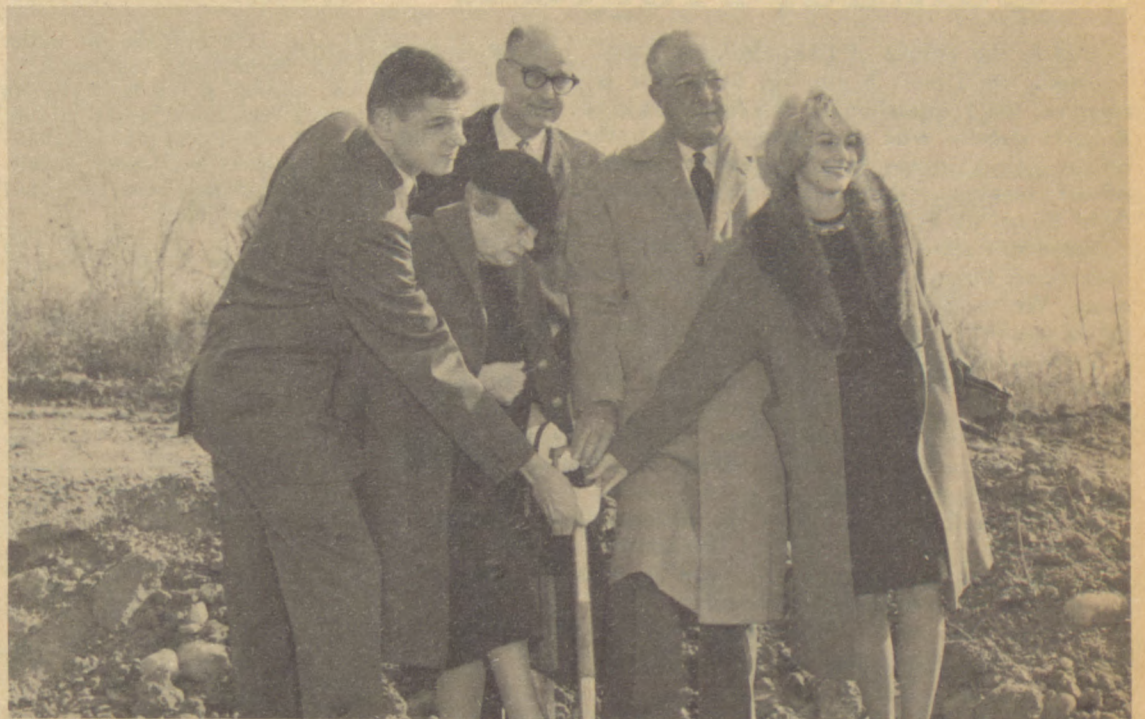
noon-3:30—Bowling Tournament, North Hill Lanes, Rochester
12:30 p.m.—SAC Social Committee Meeting, 126 Oakland Center
1 p.m.—Music Listening Program, 190 Science:
Bach—Cantata #51
Sibelius—Symphony #4
4 p.m.—Resident Assistant Meeting, 126 Oakland Center
7:15 p.m.—Lecture, "The Story of Productivity," C. G. Schelly,
Oakland Center Gold Room

Friday, Nov. 16

noon—Friday Readings, 190 Science: "Old English Poetry,"
John Blair
12:30 p.m.—Foreign Exchange Committee Meeting, SAC Offices
8 p.m.—DAFS Film, "The Men" with Marlon Brando, 190 Science
8 p.m.—Wesley Foundation Folk Music and Dance,
Oakland Center Gold Room



ROAD RALLY RECRUITING—Dick Jackson, Engineering Society program chairman, enlists Bill Mordaunt, Birmingham junior, for Saturday evening's Engineer road rally. The trophies displayed by Jackson will be presented to the first and second-place automobiles. Rallyeists will assemble by SFH at 6:45 p.m. for the 50 mile-plus run. Entry fee for the rally and corresponding Gold Room dance is \$1 per car.



GROUND GOUGE—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pryale, assisted by freshmen Roger Bailey, Manchester, N. H., and Maureen Mack, Alexandria, Va., and Chancellor D. B. Varner, turn the ceremonial first spade during ground breaking activities for the new Pryale House residence unit. Bailey and Miss Mack made short speeches on behalf of the student body. The new dormitory, financed by part of a gift of \$450,000 by the Pryale Foundation, is located to the northeast of Anibal House, the present women's residence.

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE TO BE "TURKEY TROT"

An 8-man relay race, four miles cross country, will be run at 4:30 Monday, Nov. 19. The winning team will be treated to a turkey dinner at 5:30 Tuesday, Nov. 19, in the resident cafeteria.

Teams for the race will be accepted from Engineering majors, Business Ad. majors, Liberal Arts majors, Teacher Ed. majors, organized campus clubs, and individual floors of Fitzgerald House.

Participants must obtain medical clearance cards from the Health Service and file them in the Physical Education office, 114 Oakland Center.

Ground Broken Tuesday For Pryale Dormitory

Construction began Tuesday on a \$345,000 co-educational residence which will house 48 men and 48 women students at MSUO.

Similar in design to Oakland's two other student residences which house 96 students each, the new building is L-shaped, two-storied, and has 12 double rooms on each floor of each of the two wings. The wings, one for men and one for women, are joined by a resident adviser's apartment. There is a community lounge, as well as separate lounges in each wing.

Named Pryale House in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Pryale of Bloomfield Hills, the new residence is part of a total gift of \$450,000 from the Pryale Foundation. The balance of the gift will be used for a major nuclear physics teaching and research project, and a high-speed digital computer. Pryale is the former president and board chairman of Baldwin Rubber Co. of Pontiac.

The Pryales joined with Chancellor D. B. Varner at ground-breaking ceremonies Tuesday morning. Others taking part included Dr. and Mrs. Howard Barker, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Hunt, and Mr. and Mrs. Graham J. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fitzgerald, and a student group.

Included in the Pryale gift are sufficient funds for furnishing Pryale House. The other two residences were built with federal loans through the Housing and Home Finance Agency, which does not provide furnishings money.

Designer of Pryale House is Louis G. Redstone Architects, Inc., of Detroit; general contractor is Frank Rewold and Son, Inc., of Rochester.

IBM 1620 Contemplates Man While Playing Tic Tac Toe

by Marilyn Young
Observer Staff Writer

"GOOD MORNING, SIR OR MADAM OR MISS . . . (I CAN HARDLY TELL FROM IN HERE) WE ARE GOING TO PLAY 3-DIMENSIONAL 4 LEVEL TIC TAC TOE."

The Oracle at 318 Science, IBM 1620 Data Processing System, lives among other members of his gray steel race and contemplates the nature of man. He is sustained by electricity and the sweat of the human intellectual brow that he might tell us of ourselves in some esoteric language.

His realm of jurisdiction is wide, and widening. The riddles which issue from his mouthpiece—an IBM input-output typewriter—may someday facilitate not only student and faculty research, skill at blackjack, baseball, and three-dimensional tic tac toe, but also our registration

procedure, library, and economics department.

IBM 1620 is caught in a case and controlled. A thick, black cord connects him to the wall and to his ration of electricity. When the Start button is pushed, the leash on his power seems a good thing.

Ten minutes pass while he warms up his humming intellectual muscles. Then his memory is cleared by typing the number 160001000000RS and communication is established. Information in the form of punched cards is fed into the side of IBM 1622 Card Read Punch, one of 1620's slavish accessories.

Columns of small white lights blink and a red Reader No Feed button pulsates as the material is read and stored in the memory of 1620. As the last two cards pass out of 1622, a message is issued through the mouthpiece:

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Tickets for the Masonic Temple Concert Series are still available in the physical education office, 114 Oakland Center.

Remaining programs are:
Nov. 17: Roumanian Folk Dances, \$1.90.
Nov. 23: New York City Opera, \$2.15.
Nov. 30: Foo Hsing Theater from Nationalist China, \$1.90.

All seats are in the rear of the first floor.

Students Support Cultural Program

Due to the efforts of Dean Holmes, MSUO has lately been transmogrified from a cultural Sahara to a place of fair attraction. The Symposium on the Arts was a success, the Smith-Roberts debate was well attended, and the faculty foreign affairs panel, in the face of imminent discontinuation of all affairs, foreign and domestic, played to a full house in the Gold Room its opening night.

These are signs of progress; the Observer is for them. We look upon them as a fine start, full of promise of things to come. We would be anxious to see more of such activities made available on campus, if the students will support them.

Speakers from the FBI, the CIA, or USIA would be looked upon with great favor. Readings and informal talks with authors like Robert Frost, S. J. Perelman, or Allen Tate would be most welcome. We would even welcome, heaven forbid, a Communist or two, to tell us about the Great Leap Forward and other interesting things.

All the possibilities rest with the students. If we support the activities we now have, such as the coming concerts by Earl Spicer and Joseph Schwartz, we may be sure that the activities will be more varied in the future.

As usual, the whole responsibility rests upon the student body.

PLACEMENT OFFICE

The following employers will be interviewing on campus the week of November 12, 1962. All 1963 graduating seniors are eligible to sign up for these interviews.

If you are interested in one or more of the organizations listed, please report immediately to the Placement Office, Room 266, South Foundation Hall, to sign up for an interview and to obtain additional information.

Tuesday, November 13, 1962

The Dow Chemical Company

EMPLOYER INTERVIEWING:

OPENINGS FOR FOLLOWING MAJORS:

Chemistry-Physics-Mathematics
Engineering Science
Business Administration

TYPES OF POSITIONS:

Research Mathematicians (women only)
Sales (men only)
Research and Development
Analysis and Control
Production
Customer Technical Service

(Complete job descriptions for positions listed are available in the Placement Office)

Thursday, November 15, 1962

Detroit Civil Service Commission

EMPLOYER INTERVIEWING:

OPENINGS FOR FOLLOWING MAJORS:

Business Administration
Liberal Arts
Engineering Science
Chemistry

TYPES OF POSITIONS:

General Administration Trainee
Jr. Engineer
Jr. Chemist

TEACHER PLACEMENT

Monday, Nov. 19, Teacher Placement Interviews for Cleveland, Ohio Public Schools. Further details can be obtained from the Teacher Education Department bulletin board. Students interested should register in room 165 Science.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN

• The faculty senate will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 14, in 126-27 Oakland Center.

Gillespie Orders Contuse Deadline

All manuscripts for MSUO's literary magazine Contuse should be submitted by Nov. 30, Contuse Co-Editor John Gillespie, said this week.

Poetry, essays, short stories, or other contributions may be placed in the Contuse mailbox, Oakland Center basement, or given to Co-Editors Joel Levinson and John Gillespie.

The 40-50 page magazine will probably be published early next semester, Gillespie said.

3,000-Volume Library Purchased for MSUO

The 3000-volume library of Ralph David, of Grosse Pointe, has been purchased by the Friends of the Kresge Library. The collection, which includes the complete "Rivers of America" series, concentrates on Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War. Fiction and general materials on the American West are also included, according to MSUO Librarian David Wilder.

Ad Hoc

by William Hoke

"Catch-22," by Joseph Heller (Dell Pocketbook. 463 pp. \$.75) An unusual novel in style, an almost too-typical novel in subject: World War II pilots. Humorous, riotously so, tender, tragically so, perhaps too long, but well put together.

Contrary to the Los Angeles Mirror, I don't think this book is a classic—"a triumph . . . of this era." But Heller at his best is funnier than Salinger. He has mastered a technique of double-talk, and put genuine life in a well-worn plot. Heller is at his worst when he tries to make me believe unbelievable situations—an almost careless switch from a good description or story to pure fantasy.

Heller might have written a book of "All Quiet on The Western Front" quality but for his fear. He suggests the horrors of war, mid-air collisions, bombings of innocent villages, and freak accidents, but he seldom is able to come out and say more about these horrors; he assumes too much. Each time Heller moves his characters into trouble, either humor or fantasy is piled on.

Occasionally, just often enough to make this book well worth reading, Heller lets us feel the tragedy and stupid bureaucracy that war brings. The underlying feeling of hopelessness, developed with skillful satire, is something I leave for the reader to discover and mull over; it would be time well spent.

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While on the subject of books, I noticed an interesting campus reaction to the awarding of the Nobel prize for Literature to John Steinbeck. None.

Perhaps Joyce, Eliot and Hemingway are in vogue, but let's not forget Steinbeck, Drieser, Michener, Benet, or Frost. Steinbeck at his best makes Faulkner look like an infant.

But Steinbeck still should not have won. The Swedish Academy, apparently running the award as a raffle, drew the wrong name. Robert Frost, not John Steinbeck was supposed to win this year. Steinbeck is welcome to the award in 1970.

If the academicians can't do any better in organizing these raffles, then I suggest that Drew Pearson publish the real facts of this case; if he hasn't got them, he can certainly make them up.

Computer . . .

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ENTER SUBROUTINES, PUSH START 1620 FORTRAN SUBR. AUTO DIV 9/30/61 LOAD DATA.

The ritual of instruction is followed, 1620 is summoned, and the contest begins. ALL RIGHT, HERE WE GO. YOU PLAY FIRST. TYPE THE POSITION NUMBER YOU WANT TO MARK.

Thus, at the rate of 1000 calculations per second, a comparatively simple sorting machine provides MSUO students with the illusion of playing tic tac toe with an arrogant prophet. 1620 is to be purchased by the university and will soon be a permanent fixture, a sort of work horse through which students acquire the ability to control the faster, more arrogant, succeeding generation of the captive race.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

More Juke Box

To the editor:

The grill is a good idea. It provides a table, chairs, and access to refreshments; it is a fine meeting place. Only one thing about the grill spoils it completely: The Juke Box.

Why is it, gentlemen, that the obtrusive bad-taste of a few students should be permitted to harass the peace and quiet of their betters? What kind of a society is it which permits the obnoxious, ill-bred swinish minority impose its will on the majority of us, who are more sinned against than sinning.

Let's get rid of the Juke Box. It was a bad mistake in the first place.

Brimley Swilboom

Ed. Note: Authoritative sources indicate that a juke box is being rejuvenated to be placed in the grill. Sources indicate that music "to represent the majority" will be programmed. The editors will provide further details as soon as they are available.

Statue Slammed

To the Editors:

I entered MSUO with the understanding that this school was seriously striving to "maintain an exciting and stimulating community of learning." Recent actions have led me to believe that they have either forgotten this goal or abandoned it altogether.

I'm referring specifically to the sculpture commission that was awarded during the recent arts symposium. The fountain, chosen from among many suitable examples of statuary to be placed in a central location on our campus, has been described by the Detroit News as a "playful composition." It is not only playful (an adjective that I'm sure has never before been attributed to anything at MSUO), it is immature and clumsy.

Neither the students nor the faculty as a whole, the true representatives of Oakland, had any voice in the choice of the fountain.

Before the contest I overheard it being described as silly, cute and funny; afterward it became "interesting." It's interesting all right—very interesting that MSUO could so easily overthrow the small but precious tradition thus far acquired with this "playful" mess.

Perhaps the enraged opinion of one student doesn't mean much in this case. I, for one, shudder at the thought of this winner being placed anywhere on the campus.

An Enraged Freshman Girl

"The Story of Productivity"

C. G. Schelly, Director of Educational Research of the DoAll Company of Des Plaines, Ill., will speak on "The Story of Productivity" at 7:15 p.m. Thursday in the Gold Room. The discussion of production tools and machinery, their histories and economic effects, will include displays and slides.

The Oakland County Chapter of the American Society of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers and the student Engineering Society of MSUO are co-sponsors of the program, which is open to the public.

Name It

To the Editors:

A couple of weeks ago I submitted a name for the grill in the "Name-the-Grill" contest. In this week's issue I saw an article concerning the contest. It mentioned that 75 per cent of the entries were "farcial" and that there was need for more serious participation.

My entry was given as an example of such a farcial name and I just want to let you know that I had no intention of submitting a farcial name. I was completely serious about my entry and I still believe that it is a perfectly good name for the grill and I intend to submit it in the second contest.

To tell you the truth, I personally feel that the grill should be left as it is. Simply call it "The Grill." Who needs fancy names? No one will use them anyway!

Bob "Jive Hive" Sandelman

Editor's Note: SAC President Ron Miller charged two weeks ago that 75 per cent of the names submitted were "farcial." We reported his statement in the last issue.

Coterie Exposed

To the editors:

Why doesn't someone expose the coterie trying to deal the university, ALL OF IT, out of the equality it is supposed to have.

I know, for example, that the ring election was carried out to satisfy the vanity of the seniors. Are they someone special? How did they get the right to choose the ring that MSUO students will have to wear long after they have left here?

For all the seniors are supposed to be, they surely don't show me very much. They look to the freshmen for a student government, for the first class to have "unity" and for all the other things they say they haven't had time to get.

And the seniors quibble about all sorts of things, I hear, in their stupid meetings. Why don't they try and get a decent speaker for graduation instead of worrying about gifts which everyone will promptly forget about anyway?

Are there any seniors with enough conviction to answer this?

New Here

Question Answered?

After going to the discussion of the Cuban situation last Friday I have two questions.

1. Since four different professors are almost certain to have four different opinions on any given subject, why don't they just agree to disagree instead of wasting the audience's time by misquoting their colleagues just to get in a nasty remark? These "cute" remarks may be funny but they take up a great deal of time and add nothing of importance to the discussion.

2. Since when is it the "duty" of the moderator to pass judgments on the answers given by the panel and interrupt the panel member to notify him of this judgment?

One question asked was: How can we negotiate with Russia when we know from past experience that they will not keep their word? A panel member started to point out that the U.S. is also guilty of lying and failing to keep promises when he was interrupted by the "moderator," and told that he wasn't answering the question. I think he was.

Mike Simeck

Animal Trackers

CAMPUS MOUSE SLIPPED A MICKEY

MSUO is much better than Wayne State and as good as U. of M.'s Dearborn Center.

Just ask the man who kills our mice.

That is, killed our mice. We don't have any anymore.

Thanks to Vogel-Ritt Pest Control of Michigan, Inc., who now visit the campus twice each month on a preventive program.

We had some, though. One-ouncers that probably "were built into the buildings," Vogel-Ritt manager Joseph A. Watkins said.

There were some around the Kresge Library's kitchen . . . but none since May. And some around the Oakland Center, but that building has been mouseless for a month now.

"Tracking powder" is what does it. The little rascals go patting through the stuff, and, in two or three weeks the poison gets to be a little too much for them to live with.

And then they go outdoors to spend their last moments amidst a quiet nature setting?

Not so, said Watkins. Mice, he noted, are not given to traveling more than 20 or 30 feet from the places they call home.

"Once they set up housekeeping, they're happy, and they'll stay right where they are. Until something happens to their supply of food and water."

And even when that happens, they sometimes hold out and wait right where they are for better times.

So when the pest control officer assigned to MSUO, Henry Gendron, a journeyman who has taken the company's required extension courses from Purdue University, comes out, he spends a lot of time looking under and around.

And what about Wayne State and Dearborn?

Dearborn is on a par with MSUO mousewise, Watkins explained. The buildings there are as new as ours and of the same general style.

But Wayne has large and old buildings.

And worse, Wayne has alleys. MSUO mice have been sheltered.

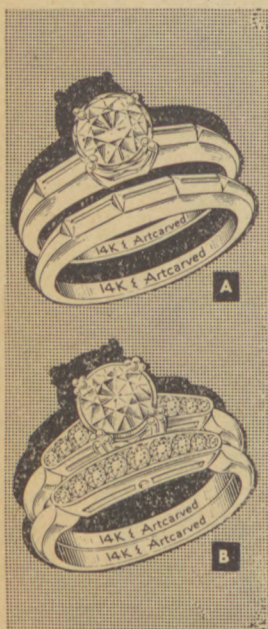
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Gym Available

Beginning today, gymnasium facilities of the Willis Elementary School are being made available to MSUO students until December 14. The gym will be reserved for MSUO men 3:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays, and for women 3:45 to 5:30 Mondays. The school is located about 3/4 mile from MSUO, on Opdyke, three blocks south of Pontiac Road. Students are requested to park in the parking lot south of the school building and enter the gym through the south door.

Interested students should register in the Physical Education office, 114 Oakland Center.

Bowling Tourney Thurs.

Faculty and staff members will compete against students in the fall student-faculty bowling tournament, between noon and 3:30 p.m. Thursday at North Hill Lanes, Rochester.

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India-China Border Program

Dr. Charles Hucker, Professor of Asian Studies and Dr. John Plott, Asian Studies Instructor, will discuss the background of the India-China border dispute at noon Wednesday in Room 163. The program is sponsored by the International Affairs Discussion Group.

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