WELCOME FRESHMEN

Duncan Sells To Ann Arbor Popular Dean Resigns

J. Duncan Sells, assistant provost, resigned abruptly at the end of the spring semester. He had been on leave-of-absence doing graduate work at the University of Michigan. He has taken the position of Dean of Student Activities at U. of M.

Sells, who was very popular with students at Oakland, said in a telephone interview, "The post at Michigan is definitely a step upward for me - - both financially and as an opportunity in myfield.

"I will be able to work in the area of student services, which is my major interest. My job at Oakland seemed to be moving farther and farther from this area."

Sells came to Oakland in the fall of 1961 as dean of students and became assistant to the dean of the university in 1964. The

title was later changed to assistant provost in last summer's administrative reorganization.

He came from Cornel University, where he had been Director of the Office of Financial Aids.

Dean Sells, as he was popularly known even after his title changed, graduated from Cornel in 1942 with a bachelor's degree in zoology and chemistry, and worked for some time on a doctorate in

He is currently working on his doctorate in higher education administration at U. of M.

D.B. Varner, chancellor, noted that Sells "has made a very great contribution to the growth of the university. We are sorry to lose him, but we'll have to get used to losing people like him, like Charles Hucker and Francis Tafoya,

who get offers they can't turn down. They get those offers because they are good."

Sells's job has been parcelled out to various offices. Fred Obear has assumed the title assistant provost, dean of freshmen, and head of the charter college, and will handle all advising programs and records of freshmen and new

Dean of students Thomas Dutton has taken over records of upper classmen, reinstatements, and questions of academic stand-

Sells commented on leaving, "of course, I've left a lot of myself all over Oakland. It has been a great experience working here, and I have high regard for the students and staff with whom I've



J. Duncan (Uncle Dunc) Sells Observer Photo

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An unknown campus humorist chose this method of indicating the number of administrative changes at OU this year. See statements from the new deans on inside pages.

Exploding Toilets Wreak Havoc On The Hill

What could easily have been a tragedy turned out to be a humorous beginning of the new semester Sunday when one of the

Sunday Flicks \$4

"Picnic" leads off the Sunday evening movie series this term.

Starring William Holden, Susan Strasberg, Kim Novak and Rosalind Russell, the film is adapted from the Pulitzer-prizewinning play in which a Labor day picnic brings to aclimax the conflict and emotions of a stranger's 24-hour visit in town.

First in a series of 15 films, "Picnic" will be seen Sunday, September 12 at 8 p.m. in the Gold Rom. Single admission is 35¢. series tickets may be purchased

toilets in Hill House exploded.

The air pressure, regulated automatically, had built up considerably and when a freshman girl flushed the toilet, it completed disintegrated, cutting the girl's foot and cutting the leg of another girl's mother who was

An ambulance rushed them to St. Joseph's Hospital in Pontiac, ere they were treated for the cuts and released.

James Appleton, housing director, commended the staff in Hill House for alert action in the situation.

"They handled the incident very well," he said. "They had the situation under control very quickly."

the problem with the air pressure has been corrected.

30% Tripled: Returnees Swell Ranks

An exceptionally high number of returning resident students have overloaded the dormitories for the third straight year.

Nearly 30% of the rooms have been tripled as the dorm occupancy swelled to more than 800

James Appleton, housing director, explained that 75% of last year's resident students have returned to the dormitories.

"The number of new students is about what we expected," he said. "But the returning student ration really jumped over previous years.

"However, during the semester, some of the overcrowding should be alleviated," he added. "Some of the students who have signed contracts and paid their \$25 will never show up. The normal attrition rate will also rethe overcrowding some-

There will be some adjustments shortly, Appleton said, because of students who do not

"However, all room assignments are frozen until Sept. 24 when late registration ends, "he explained. "That way, we will be sure they are not going to show

Despite the overcrowded situation, Appleton is optimistic about the residence halls.

"I'm glad to see the ratio of He also assured students that resident students to commuter students increasing. It's a good sign," he stated.

Summer Election Council Reorganized

the offing this fall under the newly reorganized Dorm Council.

Feeling that the unwieldy size and scope of the D.C. was hampering its success, the group was completely reorganized with the approval of the student body this summer.

Under the new plan, D.C. becomes, in effect, an inter-dorm council. Each residence hall will have its own separate committee, operating as an entity, but including in its membership representatives to an overall Dorm Coun-

In the smaller dorms, students

Frosh Indoctrinated

Close to 1000 new students climax their first week on campus today when they go through their first registration.

The freshmen, the largest entering group in OL's seven-year history, will swell the total enrollment to 2300.

Upperclassmen registered yesterday, but no immediate figures were available at press time.

Late registration begins Monday and runs through Sept. 24. Orientation week began for the

freshmen with the convocation address by Dean of Freshman Fred Obear (see story, page 6).

During the week the freshmen were kept busy with testing, a seminar on the Lord of the Flies, informal discussions with faculty members, and several dances.

Separate house councils are in will elect 1 dorm committee member from each floor and 1 social committee member per wing. In addition, the house elects I student to represent them on the inter-dorm council.

Thus, Fitz, Anibal and Pryale will each have house committees consisting of 7 students and including the head resident as ad-

In the larger residence halls, Hill and dorm #5, 2 members will be elected perfloor to the general house committee and I student per floor to the social committee. Two students are elected at large to represent these dorms in the inter-dorm council.

In addition to those members representing their specific houses, the inter-dorm council will also include several others elected at large by the entire dorn

The establishment of the Fitz fireplace committee and the Pryale social group let the D.C. to recognize the need for separate dorm organization and identity.

Retiring president Gary Durst noted that the old Dorm Council got bogged down under specific hall problems like the vending machines in Fitz or plants in

The new organization will allow the inter-dorm Council to discuss more important all-inclusive issues without neglecting specifics.

Elections for Dorm Council are expected next week.

Editorial

Today Is Freshies' Day

"Welcome, Freshmen!" is a phrase bandied about by just about everyone this week, ourselves included. I really don't know why. You're just like everyone else around here. A little greener, perhaps, a little more dogmatic, a smidgen more idealistic, and, so they tell us, a little smarter.

Past Convocation speakers have exhorted you to "Either fish or cut bait." They've said, "Joe College is dead. Be prepared to do your damndest." They've claimed, "Many of you are senile," intel-

They were all right: you will work, and you will work hard, or fall by the wayside. You will also play, and love, and drink, and some of you will think. And of those few who think, some will talk and write about their thoughts, and be involved with what they think about. These people will learn.

In the meantime, you have all been told many lies about going to college, about Oakland in particular. You will be disillusioned. The lies don't matter, really. Oakland is still a school with its own uniqueness which can't be written down by the public relations people; which is far removed from proselytizing admissions officers.

Some of you will feel, eventually, what Oakland is. Some of you will pass from day to day inside the vacuity of your own small selves, neither seeing or caring. Others will be permanently unhappy here. I hope none of you are ever content and unwilling to try to change what you find wrong.

Let me hear from you, and Good Luck, Freshmen.

Just Plain Folk

There has been at least one tradition at Oakland which has held fairly consistently over the years. Everyone is on an equal social footing, formally speaking. There are no "Doctors" or "Deans" to keep straight, no freshmen or seniors. Only people.

Part of the egalitarian atmosphere is maintained by addressing everyone as "Mister," "Miss," or "Missus." Never worry about a person's educational status, he's just "Mr."

Indeed, some faculty members fairly bristle when addressed by their formal titles: they feel that such distinctions work to destroy any rapport between themselves and students. There are, naturally, others who visibly preen when "Dr." proceeds their names. Part of

effective brown-nosing is knowing which are which.

For myself, I reserve "Doctor" for those faculty for whom I feel a special respect. The Observer mentions a person's title in an appositive clause following his name, and thereafter uses only the last name.

We suggest that the spirit of academia, which is the last step in the process of becoming men and women, calls for an amount of recognition of students as equals. Therefore, at Oakland, faculty and administrators are "Mr." until they begin to use your first name -- then you may also feel free to use theirs.

This full-fledged tradition in appellation embodies well the Oakland spirit of cooperation and closeness within the whole of the university community.

Stamp Out "Tourists"

Having just returned from an extended motor tour of New England and the Maritime Provinces, I am impressed by two things. One is the extraordinary natural and man-made beauties of our Eastern States and of our great neighbor to the North. The other is the callous carelessness with which strangers to these scenic wonders deport

Tourists, and the noun is rightfully an evil epithet, have a definite proclivity to forgetting that other people will follow them. Thus, where'er you go, you'll wade through an odoriferous jungle of candy wrappers, beer cans, pop bottles, sticks and stones, popcorn boxes, newspapers, advertising pamphlets, and that newest bit of touristtrash, Polaroid camera negatives.

They holler at each other, bitch at the kids, break twigs off trees, and even chisel bits of stone from historic monuments. The favorite of all places to toss things is into deep natural chasms, where it's nearly impossible for maintenance personnel to get at the crap destroying the view.

It appears to be a matter of upbringing. I, myself, would never think of discarding a Kleenex along a trail in Fundy National Park. It would not occur to me to throw anything into the "Flume" gorge in New Hampshire. But people do, apparently thousands of them.

You conscientious college students: you, the leaders of tomorrow, the hope of the nation: you future "tourists," I hope that littering the countryside, especially the parks and historic spots, will become the sign of the very utmost in boorishness to you; that you will discipline yourselves and train your children to feel instinctively the inviolability of public and private property. I hope that putting the crud in the cans universally supplied for that purpose will become a matter of personal pride. I hope that whatever rationale is necessary to jolt your, and the rest of the nation's consciences will be applied, so that you will not be called upon to try to ignore the offal of past spectators in order to enjoy what you came to see.

Comment

If at first . . .

To the Editor:

Oakland University is now in a situation where student government is becoming a necessity. Unfortunately, no power structure exists that could fill this void.

Many administration members frankly admit that they need the representation of student opinion in making their decisions, but, as of yet, they cannot determine any such feelings. This does not mean, however, that any student congress need be administration controlled. An effective commonwealth could work with all university personnel to the benefit of everyone.

Con-Con, the last student movement, failed due to increased apathy among its members. A new movement by another group of students is now working, in hopes that they may offer a workable plan to students for ratification.

I support this try, and hope that other students will do the same. More information about their work should be available soon.

Ken Weingarden 6506

We're Home Again!

To the Editor:

Feeling more than usually benign, we trundled into the housing office to find out our address.

"Yes, we have a name."

"No, it isn't spelled that way!"
"5668"

"You don't have it listed, but..."

"Yes, we filled out all the forms. The little one you tear in half,

"Of course, we requested a

"You're all filled up!?"

"But it's your fault!!"

"I DEMAND ... " "...talk to the dean?"

"A triple?"

"With two freshmen in #5?"

many beds."

Where? Why?

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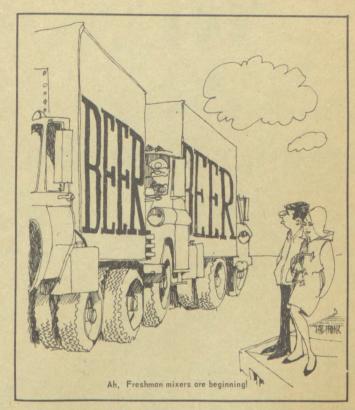
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A Tribute

Dean Sells, Students' Man

Four years ago about this time, Duncan Sells was just beginning as dean of students at Oakland. Now he's gone. During that time he earned the respect and affection of every student who ever had any dealings with him. He was instinctively called "Dean Sells," as though the "Dean" were his first name.

He performed well in all circumstances -- firmly, and with an inborn understanding of his youthful charges. He has, of all the things rare in an administrator, a sense of proportion.

Reprinted below is an editorial from the September 22, 1961. Observer, when Sells was new.

Thanks, Cornell!

"Ask Dean Sells first."

A new operating procedure at MSUO. It is evidence of student endorsement of a new dean,

Dean Sells is actually interested. He listens. And when he gives advice he has something to say.

He has a sense of humor. He needs one for a job that is

mostly overtime.

"With two freshmen in #5?"

"One of us sleeps on the floor?"
"Of course there are only so office was moved from the "inner sanctum" of room 155 to a light, glass-enclosed area? Those who imagine a dean as an austere, hardfaced individual glaring at the world — or a distraught student — through beady eyes will be forced to construct a more accurate image. Dean Sells has rendered such a conception invalid." a conception invalid.

"More students have come into the Dean's office in the last two weeks than came in in the last two years," says a member of the administration.

We don't wonder how MSUO got along without Dean Sells. We know. It was rough, But he was worth waiting for.

Three years later, the Observer said,

The Best Years

When Duncan Sells arrived at Oakland three years ago, the Office of the Dean of Students was in an uproar. The college had grown tremendously in two years, and the dean's office had not yet caught up to developments.

Then Sells arrived. From the first, he stamped himself as equal to his job. He worked quietly and yet forcefully, and such has become the distinctive and agreeable Sells Style.

At most campuses, the Dean of Students is the scapegoat, the "Black Dean" of the administration. At Oakland, Dean Sells has been consistently popular as an administrator. Even though a large part of his job is enforcing the rules, Sells has been admired and respected by all far beyond the due of an average policeman.

In 1964 Sells apparently fell out of favor with somebody or other who didn't like the "Sells Style," He was elevated to the assistant provost position, where it took him four months to find out what his job was supposed to be. It was only a matter of time before he went looking for another school.

I, and everyone I know, hope that the University of Michigan will know what to do with a man who is perhaps more of a student at heart than he is an administrator. Oakland couldn't handle it. -- dej

ICA, IM Activity Underway

Sportsy-Craftsy

In sports, as in so many things

allist honors in several meets. But facility. after the middle of June they had no teams left to play against, and were forced to end their season.

as Intramural softball where the Cobb, along with a dozenfirst year Building. regular season games. Pickwick- work-outs. ers were captained by T. J. Linstruth, and claimed such other stars as Dan Phillips, ace pitcher and nine meets beginning Sept. 18 at ked if a Pioneer cage team makes league leading hitter, and Jon Bloc- Defiance College. The soccerteam a December debut. her, quick thinking shortstop who was second among league hitters.

The Faculty-Staff team made a late season drive to win second place. Commuters ended third, and Fitzgerald House finished dead last in the league, but made a strong showing in post season play-offs.

OU had a tennis tournament, but it was never officially completed. At last word Dave Meyers and John Bradfield were in the finals. Bradfield had already beaten Meyers in the same tournament, so he must have been the winner.

In the track and field world Don Inman totalled 157 points to win the second annual Intramural Decathlon. Allan Cotter finished second in the meet which sawsix records fall.

That's about it. Not really en-

Petty Patter

Activities director Jim Petty reminds that all student organizations must register for the fall semester in the Activities Center. Students interested in forming new clubs should see him.



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but each sport was fun for those 28 against Hope College. who took part.

at OU, the key word is future. A OU boast bountiful blossoming al action, and sports days should backward glance reveals a medio- jocks. A visit to the Sports and Re- highlight the fall season. Instruccre spring sports season, but be creation Building will show there tion in a wide range of sporty acprepared for the greatest year for is something for everyone -- from tivities is also available for all at sports that the Pioneers have folk dancing to judo. An exciting the IM Building. staff including Hollie Lepley, director; Robinson, assisting Lepley; This spring Oakland's golf team, Veronica Dempsey, director of on the Intercollegiate baseball, led by coach Dick Robinson, made a women's activities; and Corey Van- cross country, golf, indoor track, surprisingly good showing. Gordie Fleet, "coordinator of aquatic ac- soccer, swimming, tennis, or track West, our top golfer captured med- tivities", now mans the sports teams are invited to visit the IM

First official practice for the The most exciting sports news Putnam, Gil Ashendorf, and Gary 18, in the training room of the IM Pickwick Club won all nine of its men have already began individual

ough to have a heart attack about, plans on opening thir season Sept.

There's room for men on all in-Now it's fall, and the trees at tercollegiate teams, and intramur-

> Men interested in participating Building as soon as possible.

The physical examination for cross country team will be held the fall Intercollegiate program today. Returning lettermen Louie will be given at 6:45 p.m., Sept.

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by Thomas Dutton Dean of Students

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Each of you has many talents to cultivate, and to develop one's talents to the fullest is an accomplishment of great personal reward. To achieve this development, you must make a fundamental commitment to academic and personal excellence and participate actively in ments concerning their educational the learning process.

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by James Appleton

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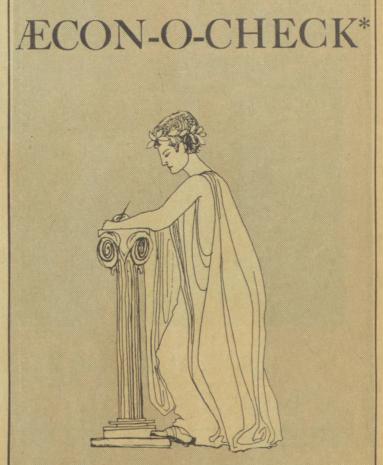
physical education and intercol- contribute to the educational op- tion of the Charter College. portunities provided at Oakland by A major function of the office facilitating student orientation to which will be opened in the fall of is to counsel students concerning the college environment, by encour- 1966. This addition of 572 spaces personal and educational questions aging a continual interchange of will greatly increase the co-ed livand to help them achieve their ed- ideas, by sponsoring activities and ing opportunities at Oakland. events, and by involving the stu-The office also administers the dent in a community situation for expected to play an increasing role withdrawal procedures for upper- which he must assume some degree in campus life as the proportion of

idence hall environment that com-Associate Dean of Students plements the academic mission of This fall, over 30% of the stu- the University, and that, in itself,

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Although the crowd was not as large as were the Music Festival crowds, several people were forced to sit on the grass Sunday afternoon as Dean of Freshman Fred Obear delivered the convocation address at Baldwin Memorial Pavilion.

More than 2,000 freshmen, parents, and friends, sat under sunny skies as Obear spoke at the seventh annual freshman convo-

Speaking first to the parents, who had been urged to attend convocation for the first time, Obear warned the parents not to hope for a "carbon copy" when their children graduate from college.

"This parental demand for a carbon copy' rather than an 'original' is not wholly uncommon but certainly detrimental to the process of education," he said.

He told the parents that the university is a very complex entity and that learning, not teaching, is the primary function.
"Universities have become

great not as centers of indoctrination for a particular brand of morality or a prescribed political philosophy, but simply by encouraging the pursuit of learn-

ing," he said.
"This means keeping alive the spirit of inquiry, the desire to experiment, and providing opportunities for creative effort."

Concluding his remarks to the parents, he said:

'You as parents must provide an environment in terms of surroundings and attitudes conducive to continued growth for your sons and daughters. It is perhaps your hardest test to encourage your student's independence while at the same time continuing to provide some emotional and probably much financial support.

"Your willingness to free them from decisions and problems at home but equally as important to free them for making their own decisions outside of home, particularly on academic matters, will be crucial to the success or failure in which each of you will partake."

Turning his attention to the students, Obear gave his viewpoint of the campus unrest that has swept the nation in the past few years, culminating in the Berkeley riots last fall.

"More than just a hand-full are now objecting to the established order," he said.

"Students - who in the past have attended college without questioning the going system now organize themselves into groups or committees for the purpose of examing college curricula; they meet with faculty Continued on Page 8.

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Dean of Freshmen
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In carrying out these responsibilities, we work closely with the Office of Psychological Services and the Office of the Dean of Students.

This office has the responsibility for the Academic Advising Program. This includes upperclass advising, although the assignment of advisers to upperclass students is done by department chairmen.

The freshman advising program is a major activity of this

This year there are 18 freshman advisers, including five charter college faculty members.

They are: James Bailey, Russian; John Barnard, histoory; J. G. Blair, English; Robert Facko, music; Robert Howes, history and area studies; Jack Moeller, German; Rosalie Murphy, English; John Dettman, mathematics; William Hammerle, engineering; Steven Miller, chemistry; Walter Wilson, biology; Edward Starr, economics, and Carl Vann, political science.

The five charter college faculty members are Sheldon Appleton, Melvin Cherno, Alfred Lessing, Roger Marz and Gertrude White.

Orientation is another responsibility of the dean of freshman. Although this program is predominantly concerned with testing

by Pat Houtz

Associate Dean of Students

I would like to welcome all you

new freshman students to Oakland

University and wish you exciting,

productive and successful years

with us. In order to help you to

attain your educational goals, I

have briefly described below the

services with which this office

and advising, it provides good opportunity for students to get to know Oakland and to participate in some academic exercises.

Finally, the dean of freshmen is also assistant provost and as such reports directly to Provost O'Dowd. Responsibilities here include charter college and other little college programs, Parents Day, Honors Banquet, and such things as the Freshman Advisory meeting, Declaration of Major Day, Career Day, and the Senior Placement Seminar.

In my spare time, I teach one senior - graduate chemistry course and supervise a senior research project for one student!



She's Dean of Women, Too for all women students at Oakland.

Last, but far from least, we are here to work with you and the rest of the University community to make your experience at Oakland meaningful. We will be glad to discuss any problem -- academic, social or personal -- and work

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Mrs. Jane Cartmell and Mrs. Jackie Compton, Registered Nurses, will be on duty from 7:30 a.m. to midnight effective September 13. Not only are they interested in treating your illnesses but also in developing a preventive pro-

All you aspiring actors and acrtresses will want to meet Mr. Tom Aston and see the theatre facilities in the basement of the Sports and Recreation Building. A varied and interesting list of plays is on the docket for this year. Watch bulletin boards for try-out schedules and dates of plays.

A special invitation is extended to those women who are interested in being active in developing and expanding programming for women students. We anticipate an exciting year and hope you will take an active part in developing unique and interesting programs

Frosh Intellects Read, View "Flies"

academic airthis fall as freshman read and discussed William Golding's once controversial novel, "Lord of the Flies."

At summer sessions, freshman received a free copy of the novel which they were assigned to read. They than met Monday in seminar groups of 20 to 30 students, one professor and one upper class student to discuss the

Monday night, freshman viewed the movie version of Golding's novel, then met again Tuesday for a comparitive discussion of the book and film. The last facet of the plan calls for writing a paper which will be critiqued, and used

Orientation week took on an by the Writing Center to evaluate each students' need for additional writing training.

This plan, informally called the Freshman Student Seminar Program, was the brain child of Frederick Obear, dean of freshman; John Blair, English professor; and the Student Orientation Board.

Reacting to complaints that orientation was not intellectual enough, they developed this plan to expose freshman immediately to an academic atmosphere. At the same time, these fresh-fromhigh-school-students get a taste of college class work.

Enthusiasm for the program ran high among students and professors.

"A completely new experience," said Vicki Frost, Detroit freshman, "I didn't realize there was so much in it," she continued. "The discussion started quietly, then began to really move -- student participation was high."

In Miss Frost's seminar group the discussion ran from the Christian concept of man as basically evil to contemporary civil

Cindy Diehl of Milford was surprised to find that her ideas differed quite a bit from those of other students.

Her group too, ranged over a variety of topics. They questioned the possibility of our society disintegrating, wondered if the boys in Golding's novel were developing their own religion.

Faculty enthusiasm was per-

haps even higher. Jesse Pitts, professor of sociology commented, "The students took off like a light. This sort of thing could be very successful. We adapted our teaching to what interests students, instead of just what we professors think is interesting and worthwhile. As long as the material interests us too, it might improve our capacity to teach, but a bored prof is far more deadly than bored students."

"Great fun!" said James Appleton, associate dean of students, who also conducted a seminar program. "I thought the program was very well conceived."

"Lord of the Flies" was an excellent book to stimulate discussion. I was impressed by the students, they are articulate, quisitive and this is a tremendous way to get them into the swing of things academically.

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Convocation

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discuss educational issues; they lead civil rights struggles; volunteer for Peace Corps Service, agitate for disarmament, demonstrate over Vietnam, and undertake social service projects.

"Their voice is being heard and it is often a mature voice. There is no doubt much truth in the statement, 'if Booth Tarkington were to write Seventeen today, he'd have to call it Twelve.

Obear also took a swipe at the would-be censors.

"We cannot substitute dogma for knowledge, indoctrination for understanding, or adjustment for education.

"Whitney Griswold, former president of Yale University, has expressed a similar point in the following remarks, "Books won't stay banned. They won't burn. Ideas won't go to jail. In the long run of history, the censor and the inquisitor have always lost. The only sure weapon against bad ideas is better ideas."

Following Obear's address, there was a reception for the freshmen and their parents at Trumbell Terrace.

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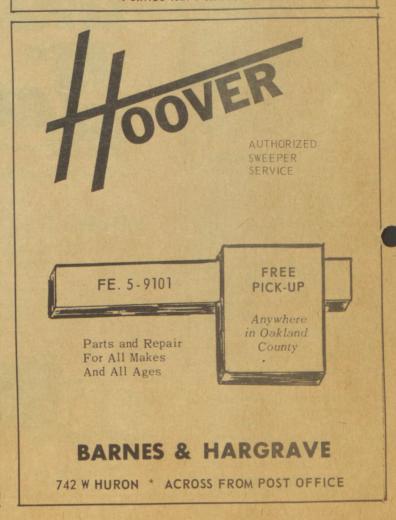


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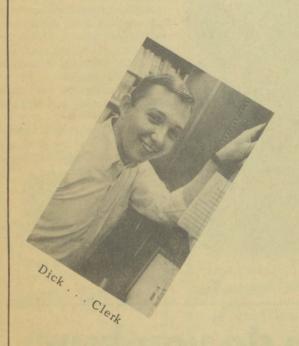
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warded degrees at Oakland's first summer commencement August 22. Robert G. Hoopes, chairman of the English department, addressed the graduates in the Howard C. Baldwin Memorial Pavilion.

University honors went to five graduates. Graduating magna cum laude were Carolyn R. Gromer, elementary education; Frederick S. Pearson, political science; Janet L.Dixon, elementary education; Edith A. Harris, historysecondary education; Mary A. Lutz, elementary education, graduated cum laude.

Departmental honors went to Robin J. Young, art; Miriam F. Foxman, English; Edith A. Harris, history; Donald C. O'Brien,

Frederick S. Pearson, political science; Bonnie Jo Zeld, psychology; Janet L. Dixon, teacher education; and Mary A. Lutz, teacher education.

Invocation and benediction for the ceremony was given by Rabbi Aaron Brander, of the Beth Tephilath Moses Synagogue in Mt. Clemens. Degrees were conferred by Chancellor Varner.

Yukiko Shuya, a graduate student in English, is looking for a place to live and a roommate, preferably another grad. She may be reached through G. White of the English Dept.



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Senior Dave Lewis recieves diploma and handshake from

Chancellor Varner.

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DAFS Series Moves To Hills Theater: Prices Go Up

A seven-film series for the fall semester was released this week by OL's Dramatic Arts Film Society (DAFS).

Several changes have been made in the series this year, the most significant being that the films will be shown at the Hills Theater in Rochester, rather than on campus.

Another major change is that sound will be dubbed in rather than subtitles.

Two reasons were given by a DAFS spokesman for this change.

"The subtitles tended to destroy the totality of the visual image," he said. "Besides, the Hills Theater is not adapted for subtitles."

Season tickets for the films, to be shown at 7 and 9p.m. every other Tuesday, are \$5, an increase of \$2 over last year.

Tickets purchased at the door will cost \$1 apiece.

A plea for student and faculty support was made by DAFS this week.

Financial problems have plagued DAFS from the beginning, and strong support is needed this year to sustain the series.

The schedule:

Sep. 21 - Gervaise

Oct. 5 - A Taste of Honey

Oct. 19 - Lavendar Hill Mob

Nov. 2 - Sunday and Cybele

Nov. 16 - The Devil's Eye

Nov. 30 - Mr. Hulot's Holiday Dec. 14 - Ivan the Terrible,

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In a book recently published ful literary craftsman, "finds it in hardcover by the Princeton University Press, author John G. Blair, assistant professor of English, has chided critics of poet W. H. Auden for what he calls "their refusal to look at the art of his (Auden's) poetry as distinguished from the ideas it ex-presses or implies."

Entitled THE POETIC ART OF W. H. AUDEN, Blair's book is more than a critique of previous Auden criticism; it is a positive attempt to illuminate characteristics of Auden's poetry which Blair feels have lent to the poet's work a consistancy which other critics deny.

In a recent campus discussion of his book, Blair explained that Auden's philosophical vascillations and his tendency to employ an unending variety of poetic forms have befuddled some of the academicians who have sought to characterize his poetry.

Auden's mode of approach to the problem of creating a poem is almost unique among major American poets today, Blair said. He commented that Auden, a skill-

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especially satisfying to succeed in saying something meaningful while using highly complicated literary forms."

According to Blair, Auden is likely to begin writing a poem by first choosing a form, rather than a subject, with which he feels it will be interesting and challenging to work. Then, said Blair, "He will ask himself, 'what does this particular form allow me to say?***

Blair had two personal interviews with Auden while in the

process of writing his book, Blair's first. "He's a very kind and considerate person, but also highly self-conscious." Blair said, and added: "His unusual involvement with form seems to be

The OU professor's interest in Auden's poetry dates back to 1960 when he was working on his doctorate in English at Brown University. He earned his Ph. D. in 1961, and his doctoral thesis on Auden provided the basis for

a way in which he avoids being tied-up by himself."

his book.

Part-Time Job "Educational"

"On-campus, part-time work

is of considerable educational value, even though the student may not realize it at the time" stated Gladys Rapoport, head of the sturecent interview.

Work Available

Student employment is one of the biggest ventures on campus with upwards of 350 students holding jobs. The university needs students to fill many, varied, parttime jobs, but it needs people who can fill these posts competently.

Most students holding jobs work about 15 hours a week at a rate of \$1.25 an hour, which, incidently, is not as bad as most people seem to imagine.

Food services, the library,

maintainance, office help, and faculty assistants make up the bulk of the student jobs.

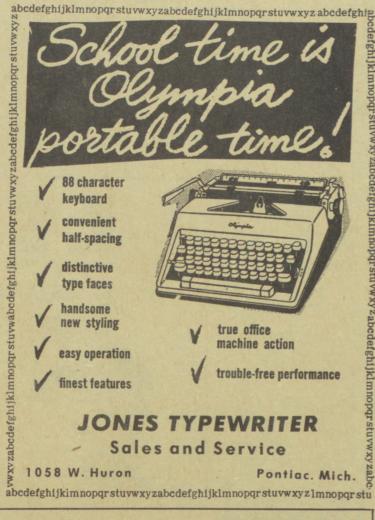
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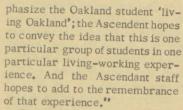
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Ascendent Needs Staff

Ascendent is Oakland's newest publication. Called for convenience a yearbook, "It's not like any yearbook you've seen," says business manager, Bruce Chadwick.

Editor of the 160-page publication is Kathy Keiser, who des-cribes the book as "New, different, unique. It isn't a yearbook, its a composition stressing creativity in photography, lay-out and copy. **Most important, it will em-



Students interested in working on the Ascendent staff should contact Miss Keiser, Chadwick, or associate editor Margo Weiberg. Offices in the lower level of OC.

Collateral Series Survives Again; Begins Sept. 21

Repeated this term is last year's successful Collateral Film

Beginning September 21, with "Animal Farm," the series continues with "All Quiet on the Western Front," "Henry V," "The Seventh Seal," and "Birth of a Nation."

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Sunday, Sept. 12

8:00-Film "Picnic" - Gold Room, O.C.

Wednesday, Sept. 15

9:00 p.m. - Record dance, Grill,

Friday, Sept. 17

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