

# MEMO

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A Reminder: Remember the Principal-Freshman conference is March 20. We hope you will find it profitable and pleasant, and we look forward to seeing you.

Dramatic Debut: MSUO's first full-dress dramatic performance was staged Saturday and Sunday at the Oakland Center. It was "Alice in Wonderland", the work of the new Meadow Brook Theater Guild, one of the most active groups on the campus. M. Sondra Forsyth of Walled Lake, played Alice; John Gillespie of Southfield, played the King. Director was Douglas Turek of Pontiac, who has had considerable professional experience. He has performed at Willoway and worked with the Cleveland Playhouse and with road companies. The group has also brought to the campus Cliff Fraser's performance of Samuel Beckett's one-man, one-act play, "Krapp's Last Tape."

Chicago Class: About 70 art majors and students in the China Area Studies will go to class in Chicago March 22-24 with Professors Charles Hucker and John Galloway. They will see the exhibit of Chinese National Art Treasures at the Art Institute, and will visit the University of Chicago and Northwestern University. Part of the cost will be subsidized by the University.

Varsity Awards Banquet: A total of 216 students received certificates for distinguished academic achievement at the annual Recognition Dinner last Thursday. Lawrence Dennis, associate director of the Peace Corps, told the students that the work of his agency offered them the chance to work on vital new frontiers. Superintendents in the area and principals of the schools that produced the top honor students were guests at the banquet.

Help for the Girls: As every college girl knows, most college boys are too backward socially and lack aggressiveness. At MSUO, the Associated Women Students are trying to compensate for this with a dance set for next week known as the "Spinsters' Spin", in which the girls ask the boys for dates. The girls are perfectly willing, however, to let their escorts pay the admission price.

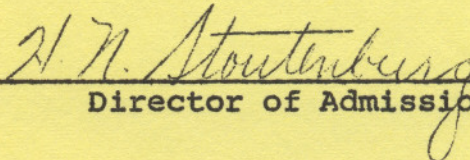


Chorus Appears With Symphony: The University Chorus performed with the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra last week in its first off-campus appearance, and won the plaudits of the Orchestra and its Director. The concert, at Pontiac Northern High School, featured the Chorus singing "The Song of Fate" by Brahms. The Chorus will appear with both the Detroit and Pontiac Symphony Orchestras next year. With 150 voices, it is the largest student activity on the campus.

Other Musical Notes: A Jazz Dance Band has also been formed. The student-faculty group formed to play baroque music on the recorder and other instruments of the period has been tagged The Baroque Bearcats.

Norman Cousins Speaks: The University bookstore was dedicated last week with Norman Cousins, editor of the Saturday Review as the speaker. Mr. Cousins argued for the end of manufacturing and testing of nuclear bombs. The bookstore which has over 3,000 titles is one of the best stocked in this area and features paperback works so that students may build libraries at little cost.

Last Saturday Seminar: A mock steel bargaining session will be the feature item on the final Saturday Seminar March 17. The other programs will be those on psychology and careers, plus performance of a portion of Handel's "Messiah." Please let us know how many are planning to attend from your school.

  
Director of Admissions