

Students Urged To Consider HOPE

The editors of the Oakland Observer having had the opportunity to see the film "Project Hope," are asking MSUO students and incoming freshmen to join with the newspaper in support of this effort.

We propose that MSUO students undertake a fund drive to provide the dollars needed to maintain the ship and its work. "Participation in Project Hope," Chancellor Varner told the Observer,

"would impress upon the community the seriousness of our understanding international problems. No college students in the United States are more aware of the international problems than those here."

The Observer requests that students interested in working on a committee for Project Hope contact a member of the newspaper staff no later than noon Tuesday. Freshmen who will enter the University in September are asked to phone or write to the editor.

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250 Attend Dedication Services

BY NANCY COWEN

More than 250 guests attended formal dedication services Saturday at Kresge Library.

Presentation of the building to the university was made by Sebastian S. Kresge, 94 year old founder of the S. S. Kresge Corporation and the Kresge Foundation which provided the 1.5 million dollars for the library's construction.

In his short talk, Mr. Kresge, flown from Florida especially for the occasion, spoke of many things.

He spoke of his boyhood in Pennsylvania where profits from his bee colonies paid his tuition at the Eaton School of Business.

He described the opening of the first S. S. Kresge store (Detroit, 1887) where goods "really sold for five and ten cents."

He told very simply the story of the corporation's gradual growth until it now owns 803 stores throughout the country.

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Hucker Library One of Country's Largest

BY BRUCE PLAXTON

The Chinese library of Dr. Charles O. Hucker, professor of history, is one of the largest in the United States and contains approximately 4,300 volumes.

Hucker, a specialist on the Ming Dynasty, explained that the "core of my Ming collection is an 800 volume set, "Ming Shih-lu" (The True Record of the Ming.) The Ming Shih-lu is a daily chronology of the emperor's court.

Of particular interest is Hucker's study of the Chinese censorate, a governing institution by which the central court could regulate the activities of local authorities.

Included is an 800 volume (Continued on Page 4)

'HOPE' FILM TO BE SHOWN

"Project Hope," academy award winning documentary film, will be shown in 128 Oakland Center at 12:30 on the following dates:

Monday, May 21
Thursday, May 24
Monday, May 28
Thursday, May 31.

The color film runs for 30 minutes.



Nurses from the SS HOPE I distribute the ship's manufactured milk to Indonesian children, many of whom said they had never tasted it before.

An Editorial

... Only Because It Is Right

"It is for us, the living, to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us. . . ."

—Abraham Lincoln

Memorial Day, 1962. In America, the old soldiers put on their now-snug uniforms and march with the out-of-tune high school bands. The flags are waving.

Memorial Day, 1962. In Indonesia, old soldiers wander through streets looking for food, wearing rags that were once uniforms.

There are no parades, and there is no time for flag waving. You are hungry and sick and four years old. Your name is Sahna and you have been hungry longer than a four-year old should be.

Yesterday your brother told you there was a ship in the harbor. "Food," he said. Today you walk with him slowly towards the harbor. You walk slowly because your leg hurts and you are hungry. You have had the pain and hunger longer than a four-year-old should.

The streets are filthy but no worse than the crates your uncle nailed together and called home. It was better than the streets.

The harbor is crowded. Merchants, beggars, sailors, Curio vendors.

But there is a ship — a white ship. Around it are jeeps and trucks, women in white uniforms, women at tables talking to your fellow countrymen.

There are no soldiers, no bands, and just two flags; yours and mine.

You walk towards the ship and up the ramp. You are given a number when you get on deck and a tall, white-faced man looks at your leg and feels your stomach. He talks to you but you understand only his smile.

You are put in a blue suit and put into a bed. It is the first time you have ever had new clothes or been in a bed. A lady brings you a carton of milk. You drink it and she gives you more. You are not hungry now and you can sleep.

In the morning you are given food and more milk. The tall man comes back and looks at your leg and winks at you. There are other children in the big ship. Some have white bandages. An Indonesian lady in a white uniform comes and tells you the white-faced man is a doctor and will fix your leg. She puts you in a moving bed and takes you to a room with white lights on the ceiling — as white as the ship.

You see Indonesian doctors working next to American doctors and they talk about your leg. Other doctors come in and look at your leg. Then they give you a shot.

When you wake up you are back in your white bed. Your leg hurts, but under the bandages it looks straight. The lady in

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Indonesia Scene of Project HOPE Success

BY NANCY COWEN

Indonesia is a quiet country — backward in many respects.

A complex of more than three thousand islands, it is almost the size of Alaska and Texas combined, but its population is more than 12 times as large as the two states.

Its 87 million people rely on primitive agricultural and manufacturing methods long forgotten in the United States.

Change here is slow and time is for the most part meaningless. But the newly independent Republic of Indonesia must face daily crises of poverty and disease, unfamiliar to most Americans. Life expectancy is only 32 years and the infant mortality rate is one of the highest in the world.

Statistics show one doctor for ever 100,000 people, but in some places one-half million Indonesians are served by a single doctor who must combat widespread ignorance concerning sickness and sanitation.

Because of the lack of education and the scarcity of trained medical personnel, many villages depend on the traditional Dukun, a contemporary medicine man, whose limited knowledge has been transmitted through the centuries.

But in October of 1960, progress sailed into Djakarta, Indonesia's capital and busiest port city.

The SS HOPE I, its engines kept alive by thousands of volunteered American dollars; its equipment maintained by a virtually volunteer staff, crossed the Pacific and entered Indonesian waters.

A former Korean War navy hospital ship, the HOPE is now a fully equipped floating medical center, designed primarily (Continued on Page 3)

Sells Announces Council Members

Duncan Sells, Dean of Students, announced Tuesday, "In the first step toward establishing a Student-Faculty University Council, I have appointed twelve students who will serve as representatives during the summer semester.

The students are: John Berquist, Keith Bateman, William Kath, Nancy Kelly, Tom Kershner, Howard Hinkel, Mary Stewart, Marlene Payne, James Wolfe, Neil Smith, Terry Priestap, and Roberta Lieb.

The student representatives on this council will meet next week to begin discussion on the undergraduate needs at MSU. They will also concern themselves with problems regarding the student role in orientation and the need for and means of effecting a student government. Sells added.



GUESTS at the Kresge Library dedication included Harry Cunningham, (from left) Sebastian S. Kresge, Chancellor Varner, Mrs. Cunningham, the Rev. Scott MacDonald, and Stanly Kresge.

Kresge Library Dedication

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But most important, he emphasized the necessity of work for success in any field.

The audience of Foundation members, librarians, MSUO trustees, and friends of the university, was visibly impressed

with the simplicity, interest, and soft-spoken humor exhibited by Mr. Kresge, whose first words to Chancellor Varner were, "Young man, I like the way you've fixed your hair."

MSUO Foundation vice president James C. Zeder, retired

Chrysler Corporation engineering vice president, introduced Mr. Kresge as one of America's most important and successful businessmen, and continued to praise his belief in "good hard work and fundamental principles."

SCHOOLMOBILE

Little Tread Schoolhouse Wheels With the Population

By ROCHELLE SINGER
United Press International

CHICAGO (UPI) — A Chicago executive believes he has the answer to the nation's shifting school population — shifting classrooms.

Paul D. Shlensky, head of Mobile School Facilities Inc., said mobile-type rooms can put school space where it's needed relatively economically and without delay.

On the outside, mobile classrooms look like two joined house trailers, minus wheels. Inside they look like classrooms.

Chicago's board of education has bought 150 such units to help solve the problem of double-shift classes. Some are in operation. But their use has aroused controversy.

Negro leaders say the mobile rooms are being used to "maintain patterns of racial segregation." Some groups would prefer to ease the crowded classroom

problem by moving pupils to other schools where space is available.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) holds that it would be less costly to move pupils. An NAACP spokesman said the situation is being studied "to get the true facts to present to the school board."

Edwin C. Berry, executive director of the Chicago Urban League, said the mobile units are being planted in predominantly Negro areas. The school board says that's where they're needed.

The Chicago units cost \$8,160. Shlensky's units are rented at \$250 a year. He figures the units will stay in good condition at least 10 years.

"Our mobile units are 40 by 20 feet and can accommodate an instructor and 30 pupils," he said. "Such facilities enable school systems to provide seating space

quickly while permanent building construction is being financed."

Shlensky said the units can be parted through the middle when it comes time to move them. They can be jacked up, placed on wheels, and moved to another site.

"Each classroom has its own cloakroom, lavatory facilities, full wall-length blackboard, windows, bulletin board, art exhibit board area, book shelves, water fountain and ventilation system," Shlensky said.

Heating and lighting equipment can be connected to the main school utilities, Shlensky said, and most units can be put into service in less than a week.

He said his firm has received inquiries from school boards in Milwaukee, Tustin, Calif., and Warrensburg, Sweet Springs and St. Joseph, Mo.

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"Pledge Our Best Efforts"

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the white uniform comes and tells you your leg is fixed. She gives you food. You are not hungry and your leg does not hurt; you cry because it is the first time you have ever had enough to eat.

A few weeks pass and more people come to see you. One lady in white brings you a little teddy bear. You put him next to you on the pillow. He is soft.

You eat and sleep and slowly practise walking. The Indonesian doctor says you will be able to run soon.

While you were on the ship, doctors from your country learned how to operate on legs and cure disease. When the ship leaves it will leave hope for thousands.

For you it meant that you were not hungry and that you could walk and run. There is more to be done, but there are people to help; and it is easier to live when you can walk straight. You have been given Hope.

"To those peoples in the huts and villages of half the globe struggling to break the bonds of mass misery, we pledge our best efforts to help them themselves, for whatever period is required — not because the Communists may be doing it, not because we seek their votes, but because it is right."

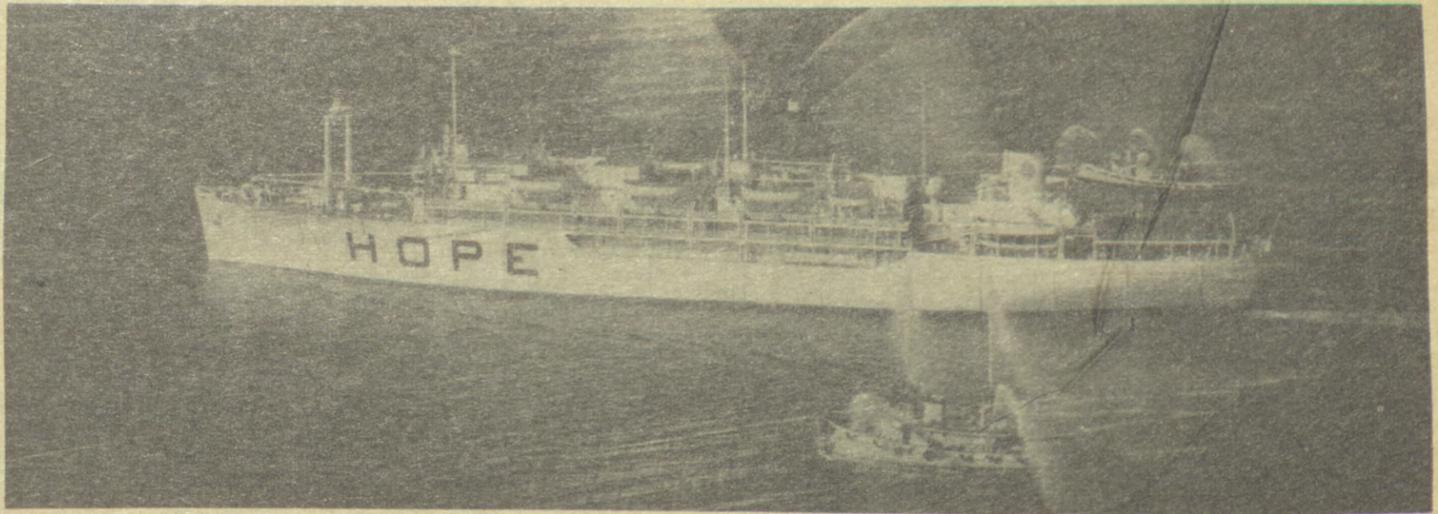
—John Fitzgerald Kennedy

Lit Supplement To Press Soon

"Contuse," Michigan State University-Oakland's first literary magazine, will go to press in three weeks, according to co-editor Nancy Kelly.

"We are still accepting copy, but students wishing consideration must turn in their material by the middle of next week," Miss Kelly said.

Material for "Contuse" should be submitted to Observer Editor Bill Hoke, in 109 NFH.



THE SS HOPE I greeted by fireboats as it returns to New York after one year in Indonesia. It sailed again last week, this time to Peru.

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Project HOPE

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The boat's mission was revolutionary; not a mere propaganda project or charity assistance, it carried trained doctors, nurses, technicians, teachers, and modern equipment especially suited to Indonesian medical needs.

More than this, it offered new life to thousands of Indonesians previously thought incurably ill.

With its complete lecture, demonstration and communication facilities, HOPE provided intensive training to hundreds of native medical personnel.

Its jeeps transported supplies and skilled technicians far inland where Indonesian and American doctors worked together in the over-crowded, under-staffed clinics.

Nurses gave field training in subjects, including nutrition and child care to villages usually inaccessible to health programs.

Ten thousand gallons of milk were manufactured daily from sea water in HOPE's massive plant, dubbed the "iron cow" by the ship's crew. Most of this was distributed to children, many of whom suffered from nutritive diseases, most of them had never tasted milk before.

During the ship's year in Indonesia —

—1,800 major operations were performed.
—28,000 patients were treated.

800 lectures and seminars were given for training purposes.

—800,000 gallons of whole milk were manufactured and distributed.

In addition to regular duties, the HOPE sailed to Vietnam in response to an emergency call and inoculated 250,000 Vietnamese to halt an epidemic.

Its programs were directed toward alleviating medical conditions and training Indonesian doctors and nurses to implement modern techniques, thus perpetuating the effects of HOPE's voyage.

Bob Considine, narrator of the 1961 Oscar-winning film, "Project Hope," has described the Project as, "people — people working together." Under HOPE's organization, each United States doctor worked closely with an Indonesian counterpart to explore first hand particular problems, including sanitation, tropical disease, dentistry and public health programs.

Everywhere HOPE travelled, its prime purpose was to aid Indonesians in establishing their own system of effective clinics and medical education.

Wednesday, May 9, 1962, the SS HOPE I left the United States for its second destination — Latin America, where it will spend the first part of its journey in Peru.

Plans call for a second and third HOPE ship to sail to

Africa and Southeast Asia. Considine concluded the "Project Hope" film by saying:

"HOPE can go only as far as the American people want it to. It is, after all, a non-profit, non-government effort and depends completely for support upon public assistance.

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**Observer Visits With
Professor Hucker**

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series, "The Standard Set of
Twenty-four Dynastic His-
tories," which gives a detailed
description of the various
Chinese dynasties and the prin-
cipal personalities of Chinese
history.

Hucker spoke with particular
enthusiasm of "Tung-hsi-yang
K'ao" (research into the East-
ern and Western Oceans)
published in 1618.

The "Tung," which includes
many maps and drawings, de-
scribes "foreign" countries and
their customs.

Hucker said that one section
of the book describes how in
the Portuguese colony of
Macao, the Portuguese boiled
and ate Chinese Children.

In addition to the Chinese
volumes, Hucker's collection
contains many volumes, writ-
ten in Japanese and several
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Music Society, also in Newark,
he has extensive orchestral and

chamber music experience on
both the flute and piano. Re-
cently, he has played the harp-
sichord with the Detroit Sym-
phony Orchestra.

Miss Dow, a teacher at the
Birmingham Conservatory of
Music, has studied at Wayne
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