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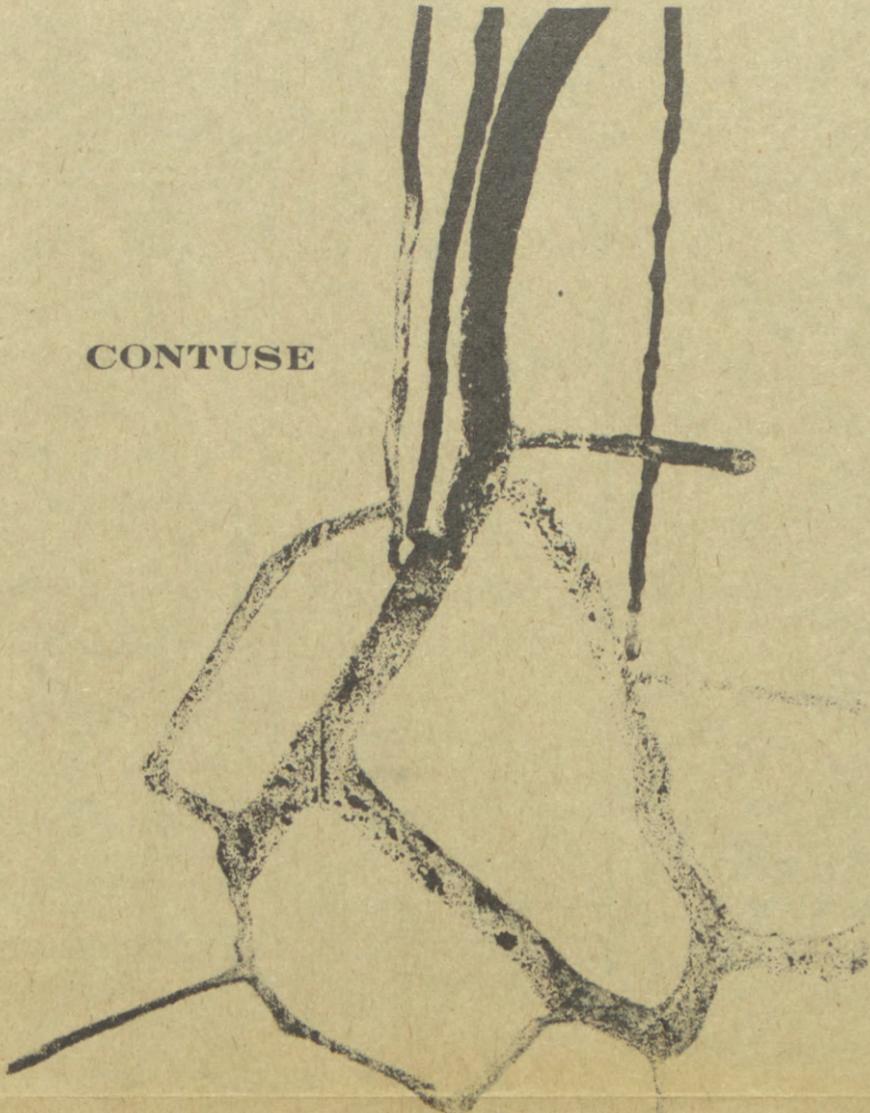
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## CONTUSE



## Freshmen Orientation Begun This Week

MSUO welcome approximately 130 incoming freshmen to the first two sessions of five scheduled orientation programs to be held before the beginning of the fall semester.

The orientation sessions are

planned in order to provide freshmen with an opportunity to "become acquainted with MSUO, inspect the curriculum and plan schedules," according to the Dean of Students office.

The Freshmen were addressed by Chancellor Varnier before beginning two days of testing and placement. The new students later had lunch with upper classmen and University officials.

Each new freshman met with a member of the faculty in his area of interest and discussed the curriculum.

The remaining three orientation sessions will be held on July 31-August 1, August 2-August 3, and September 4-September 5.

## Contuse Available!

Original short stories, essays and poems, all the work of Michigan State University Oakland students, today were published as MSUO's first literary magazine, Contuse.

The magazine, which contains the writings of 12 students in its 40 pages, was initiated, edited and produced by a student group. Editors are Nancy Kelly, 23, 114 E. Howard, Pontiac, and William Hoke, 23, of 444 Berwyn, Birmingham.

Cover design and illustrations for the magazine were done by Mary Stewart, 21, 1930 Hamlin, Rochester.

Contributors to Contuse are Alberta Peoples (Mrs. Robert J.), 4215 Bald Eagle Rd., Holly; Kenneth Renner, 19, 9105 Vicksburg, El Paso, Tex.; John Gillespie, 19, 27750 Lahser, Southfield; Dorothy Silvonlen (Mrs. John E.), 7522 Pontiac Lake Road, and Bill Williamson, 19, 2890 Mapleleaf, Pontiac; Keith Schall, 20, 209 E. Cherokee, Milwaukee, Wis.; Donald Johnson, 20, 323 E. 13 Mile rd., and Norman Kurilik, 20, 2433 N. Wilson, Royal Oak; Lance Eastman, 19, 1680 N. Lakeview, Sebring, Fla.; and Mary J. Alterkruse (Mrs. Max L.), 26025 Carol, Franklin.

## Hope & Bearcats

It's the Baroque Bearcats (and a kitten)! Yes, the Bearcats will perform again, and this time in connection with Project Hope.

The Project Hope foundation is planning an informal gettogether on Thursday, July 26, at 8 p.m. in the Anibal House lounge which will feature the Baroque Chamber Quartet ("the Bearcats"), Miss Ruth Rockey, publicity chairman for Project Hope said this week.

Also included on the program will be a showing of the award winning film, "Project Hope".

## EDITORIAL

## Publications, "Welcome"

Two new student publications made their appearance on the MSUO campus this week: a newsletter and a literary magazine.

Both are good signs—they manifest student interest in university life and literature.

The Outcry, a two page newsletter published by six students appeared Monday morning. Featuring comment on campus life, cultural events in the area, jokes, and editorials, The Outcry will be published weekly.

"Contuse," MSUO's first literary magazine, features 40 pages of poems, essays and short stories. It has been an entirely independent student effort.

These are good signs, healthy signs, and we welcome these two publications.

## Summer Theatre Class To Present "Mrs. McThing"

The old barn back of the Science Building is ringing with the lines of the comedy play, "Mrs. McThing," as students of MSUO's first summer Theatre School polish their first production.

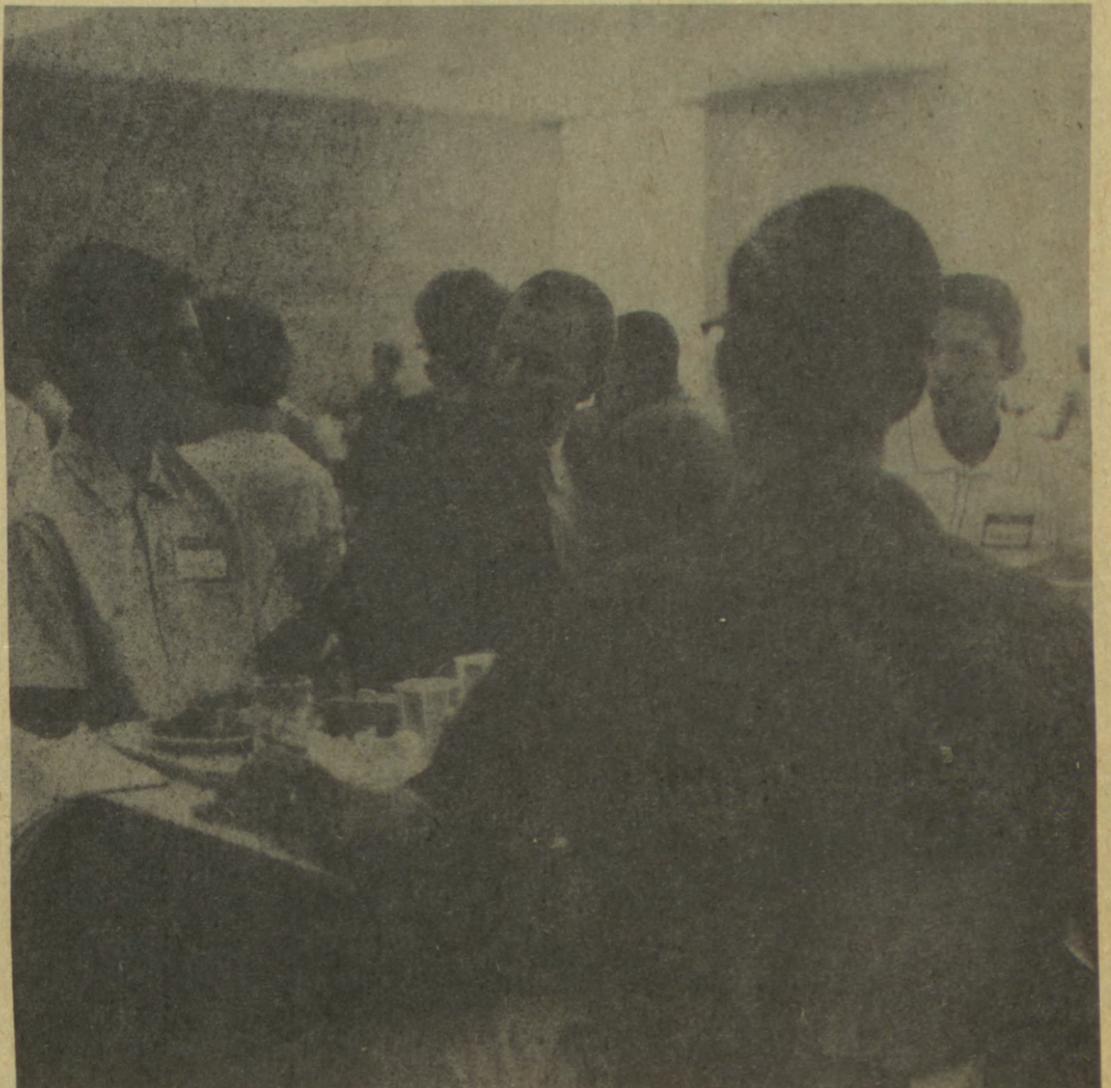
"Mrs. McThing" will be presented at five performances, Tuesday through Saturday, July 31 to August 4 in the Gold Room of the Oakland Center. Curtain time will be 8:00 p.m. and tickets may be reserved by calling 338-7211, ext. 2147. Admission is 50 cents.

William Merrill, former producer-director and owner of Will-O-Way Playhouse, is director of the MSUO Theatre School, as well as of the production. His son Bill who has studied technical theatre production at the State University of Iowa is instructing another group of Theatre School stu-

dents in the design and construction of scenery, lighting and props for the play.

"Mrs. McThing" is a whimsical comedy by Mary Chase, the talented playwright who created the six foot rabbit "harvey" and later the wonderful teenage comedy "Beradine." In "Mrs. McThing" she is at her best with a hilarious plot that appeals to all ages. Merrill selected "Mrs. McThing" for the Theatre School production because it is good summer family entertainment. Its combination of juvenile and adult parts was particularly suited to the make-up of the Theatre School whose enrollment was open to teenagers as well as adults.

The Theatre is operated under the non-credit program of MSUO's Division of Continuing Education.



ROBERT HOLMES, assistant dean of students, is shown listening to an incoming freshman explain his expectations of MSUO and the four years he will be spending here. Other fresh-

men join the conversation after finishing lunch and their first morning of orientation sessions, Tuesday morning.

**New Office**

Robert Holmes, assistant professor of music and assistant dean of students, has recently moved to his new office in room 160, NFH. Holmes' new phone number is 2145.

**SFUC Hears Press**

The Student Faculty University council met again Tuesday evening and listened to a statement given by Bruce Plaxton, news editor of the Oakland Observer, on why the Observer feels that the Council should allow press coverage of their meetings.

Following the presentation of the Observer's statement, Plaxton answered questions from both student and faculty members of the Council.

According to the understanding the Observer obtained from Council members Keith Bateman and Neil Smith, the Council will decide at its next meeting to be held on July 31 whether or not to allow press coverage.

The Council also released the following statement regarding their discussion for the evening.

"A recommendation will be presented to the Faculty Senate that they consider for their agenda a discussion of the Great Issues course dropped some time ago as a UC course in the present curriculum."

Smith explained that the Council was not asking that the course again be listed as a University requirement but that it be offered for those students who had the time and the desire to take it.

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**I Petition For A New Student Government**

To the editor:  
To all students interestet in student government.

This is an open letter because I know of no other way of contacting you. It would seem that I think you are a somewhat larger group than the editor of our beloved scandal sheet does. As I see it, each of us is concerned about anything. We have no way to make our views known, no way to find out who agrees with us and who thinks things should be done the way they are being done now. We have no way of finding out why things are being done the way they are.

It is true, I suppose, that I could spend about half of my time each semester running from office to office and find out what is going on. This could give me as much information as I could get through a good newspaper on what the university stand is on issues and why it takes that stand, I would have no chance of getting that stand reversed. I would like to see some of the stands reversed, or reconsidered. A student government could do these things.

I would rather, for instance, there weren't so many university courses. I suspect there are some other students and some faculty members who agree with me. It could be that we could change this—but it seems

unlikely that we can do it without a student government.

And then I would like a student court—a real one. The last one was even called an advisory group. All of its decisions should be publicized. It could be overruled, but not just ignored. It might even be possible to have a court that wasn't supposed to punish people, but to keep things as close to normal as possible as possible. The idea could be to correct mis-

takes not to take revenge on the people who make them.

Is there anyone on campus who isn't sincerely interested in student government? It could do so much.

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