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NEW NAME, 'OAKLAND UNIVERSITY' GIVEN TO CAMPUS BY TRUSTEES

Michigan State University Oakland this week became Oakland University.

Chancellor D. B. Varner announced to students, faculty and staff on Monday that the Board of Trustees had approved the request for a name change Feb. 9. Announcement was withheld until the proposal could be discussed with Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson in Scottsdale, Arizona, and announced to faculty and students. Mrs. Wilson was donor of her estate, Meadow Brook Farms, for the university campus, as well as \$2 million for the first academic buildings.

"The name was changed in order to help Oakland establish its own clear and separate identity," Varner emphasized.

NAME CHANGE INVOLVES SIGNS, LETTERHEADS, CATALOGS AND MORE

By Wolf Metzger

50,000 new letterheads and 10,000 envelopes are among immediate changes necessitated by last week's surprise action of the MSU Board of Trustees in East Lansing which changed the university name Saturday.

After a special session of Oakland University administrators Tuesday, officials disclosed that about \$500 will be needed to complete the change.

Loren Pope, director of university relations, and Dr. John C. Galloway, professor of art, were appointed to design the new letter headings. The new stationery will be here for office use within the next week. According to Varner, the present supply of stationery is low and will be used for inter-office memorandum pads.

The big Michigan State University Oakland sign at the five-points intersection will be removed as soon as possible, and George Karas, director of the physical plant, will be responsible for constructing a new one. Other signs denoting the former name will also be removed, though not replaced immediately, Varner said.

For the time being, file cards will accompany official university correspondence, giving notification of the name change. Varner also said that the remaining 1,600 copies of the current university catalog will receive new covers until the publication of a new catalog in July. Two other informational brochures are to be replaced shortly.

CONTUSE II AVAILABLE IN MARCH

Contuse II, Oakland University's literary magazine, will be available in early March. Co-editors Joel Levinson and John Gillespie have been putting the magazine into final form the past few weeks.

Dr. Richard Quaintance, assistant professor of English, and Dr. John Galloway, professor of art, have served as advisors to Contuse.

The 20-page magazine, to be distributed free of charge, is printed to demonstrate the writing ability of OU students.

FACULTY WOMEN MEET WEDNESDAY

The University Women's club will meet Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 1 p.m. at the home of Teddy Mabley, 2585 Stoddleigh Dr., Rochester. Judith Brown will give a talk on child psychology.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS PROVIDED BY CHORUS STRAVINSKY CONCERT

Music scholarship funds will be realized with Oakland University's share of the proceeds of the proceeds of the University Chorus performance with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Saturday, Feb. 23 at Ford Auditorium.

The 120-voice group, largest student organization on campus, will perform Igor Stravinsky's "Symphony of Psalms" with orchestra. Also on the concert program will be Beethoven's Egmont Overture and the Fourth Symphony of Brahms.

Werner Torkanowsky, current guest conductor of the symphony, has rehearsed the chorus once, and will conduct a final rehearsal at noon Thursday.

Scholarship funds realized from the project will go to gifted music students to assist them with training in their performance specialties.

Dr. Walter S. Collins, Conductor of the Chorus, Dr. David DiChiera and Robert Facko, of the Oakland music department, will present a discussion and analysis of the music to be performed at the concert at noon Wednesday, 156 NFH. The discussion will be for the benefit of the university community, and is open to all those interested.

Dormitory student requiring ticket and transport information should see either Max Rice or Linda Elkins.

The university is responsible for the sale of 2,000 tickets to the concert. Oakland's Music Committee along with members of the Oakland Foundation, are selling tickets in the community, and organizing auditorium excursions for various groups.

Mrs. Stephen Dubrul of Oxford, a member of the committee, was instrumental in obtaining the donation of 400 yards of white polished cotton cloth from a Detroit department store. Presently, 90 volunteers from three women's clubs in Rochester are busy sewing 70 floor-length evening dresses in the latest fashions for the girls of the chorus.

The group's 50 men, under the direction of Dr. Walter S. Collins, associate professor of music and faculty hockey star, must needs be satisfied with last year's tuxedos, according to Mrs. June Matthews, executive secretary of the MSUO Foundation.

Tickets for the occasion are \$2 (general admission) and \$3 (reserved.)

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PLANS LAID

Twelve members of the senior class have agreed to form a committee of the whole to study the question of establishing an alumni association for Oakland University's Charter Class.

The committee is supposed to be the nucleus of a future alumni council with the primary task of maintaining communication between the University and 1963 graduates.

Other purposes, as outlined by Dr. Lowell Eklund, associate dean for continuing education, will include, ultimately: representation of the University in the community; image building for Oakland University; recruitment of new students, and money raising in the form of donations, grants, etc.

Eklund added that alumni may be represented on the Oakland Foundation, and may also be advisors to the institution on academic affairs.

He emphasized, however, that these are long-range projects and stressed the importance of setting a precedent as the immediate task.

EDITORIAL

STATISTICS ARE NOT STORIES

Michael Collins was buried Monday. Jim Chase was buried yesterday. Two weekend tragedies. Newspapers reported a traffic accident and an accidental fall, with a listing of names. In the university community, two distinct personalities are missing. Two familiar faces are no longer seen.

Accidental death among the young is a statistic to most, newspaper reports about someone, some impersonal "other," and on a large campus, such events might well have happened with little notice, and affected only a small portion of the community. Oakland is still small. Small enough to sadden and quiet us all.

EDITORIAL

MSUO? -- WHAT'S THAT?

Official noise was heard in January, rumbling about a possible name change for this institution. That same official noise later disclosed that no change was to be made. Said noise was confirmed by the Chancellor. We said, in effect, "rats."

We now have a new name. Indeed, the time for action was now. We're overjoyed to see that action taken.

EDITORIAL

HOWLS, HOOPLA AND HARMONY

Saturday night's songfest was one of the very best shows in four years of campus concerts and activities. Our own octet joined with the Psurfs (University of Michigan law students), U of M's famous Friars, the Grunions (a businessmen's group from Detroit,) and the Distaffs (a quartet of Grunion wives,) to bring an evening of songs, buffoonery and parody to the campus.

The show was not designed for an audience, although the public was welcome. The Gold Room was almost filled. Very little publicity had been distributed, no push for attendance had been made.

Perhaps the crowd came in the basis of a previous local performance by the Friars. Or, perhaps they thought an evening of harmony might be relaxing. No relaxation was permitted---the show was too funny for that. The evening's songfest could well start a tradition here. It would be hard to do better.

PARKING SITUATION PROMPTS

READER LETTER COMMENT

To the Editor:

I believe I am among a majority of Oakland students who use the road along the north side of the Oakland Center to reach various points on campus...the dorms, the ski hill, and the intramural building. Any student, visitor, or faculty member who has attempted to use this road has at one time or another met head on with another car only to have to back up again in order that one may pass. Why should the majority of the students suffer inconvenience and possible damage to their cars because a small group of students feel they are not subject to laws set up on this campus? I do not know whether or not this campus' roads are under state jurisdiction, but if so maybe the college should invite a state police officer to pass out a few tickets towards his daily quota for a few days until this problem is cleared up

Paul E. Garland

P.S. I do not think there is a law in existence which is any clearer than that stating very simply:

NO PARKING

SANDY SPECTACULAR IS 'LAWRENCE'

By Paul Turk

Four hours of sun, sand, camels and gunpowder. It's almost like an eastern western, except for the plot. The good guy still wears the white hat, though.

"Lawrence of Arabia" is the latest and loudest spectacular to appear locally, this time at the Madison Theater. Despite the publicity hoopla, the picture is actually artistic --in spots.

Anthony Quinn plays Anthony Quinn, and only incidentally portrays an Arab mercenary. Hollywood all the way. Peter O'Toole, Irish actor, who portrays Lawrence, is forced to work with an impossible characterization, and may be excused.

Quality acting was to be seen only in the performances of the incomparable Alec Guinness, as Prince Feisal, and Anthony Quayle, as Colonel Brighton.

Overshadowing all the acting (decent or otherwise) and any other aspect of the production, for that matter, was the spectacular camera work, which somehow made mirages look natural, provided a true desert sun, and sent the audience stampeding to the drinking fountain.

During the intermission, one woman, leaning against the foyer wall, said, "I can't make it acroll that desert another time." But it's worth the first frip.

GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE AT WORK

A 10-student committee has been working for the past three weeks on a student assembly constitution, to replace the now-inactive student government.

The main difficulty in formation of a workable plan, according to the committee and its advisors, Deans of Students Duncan Sells and Robert Holmes, is the trimester system, which prevents use of the traditional four-class structure as a representative base.

Several changes from the previous constitution are carried in the new document, including a change in the old class structure. The new class system will be based on a credit-hour division. The entering class will be defined as those students who have earned 0-27 credits, the intermediate class as those credited with 28-89 hours, and the graduating class as those with 90 or more credit hours.

Representation, under the new plan, calls for a 16-member legislative body, with representation proportional to the number of students in each class.

The student assembly discussions, and the proposed constitution emerging from those discussions, are designed to provide a limited replacement of the old student government, which has been under a self-imposed moratorium since April, 1962.

ANIBAL HOURS, RULES ALTERED

An effort by the Rules Committee of Anibal House to codify the existing dormitory regulations has resulted in a basic revision of the house rules. The most important changes affect the sign-in-hours.

All women residents except first-semester freshmen will have new hours; Sunday-Thursday, midnight, and Friday-Saturday, 2 a.m.

First-semester freshmen and all resident women on probation will keep the same hours as are now in effect, but with a 1 a.m. limit on Saturday.

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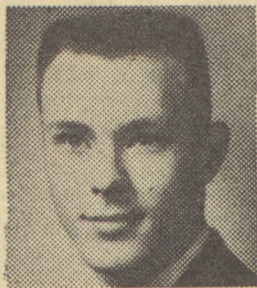
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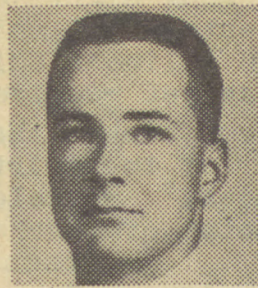
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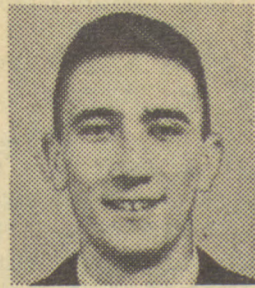
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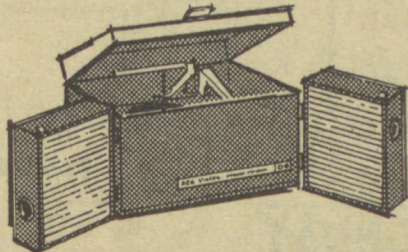
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Oakland University Debaters won eight of twelve contests at last week's Western Illinois Debate Tournament, held at Western Illinois University. "Although we haven't as yet received our official ranking, we feel confident that we're among the top three or four of the thirty competing colleges and universities," revealed Mr. Peter Evarts, assistant director of teacher education, and coach of the team.

Facing such universities as Brigham Young, University of Missouri, and University of Illinois in their first tournament, both the affirmative and the negative teams won three out of four contests. Debating affirmative were Kenneth Wilson and Margaret Ruggers, while Carole Hane and Donald Roe handled the negative.

Miss Hane received a rating of "excellent" given by judges to the top five debaters among the 240 competing students.

A third team argued both negatively and affirmatively and won two of its four contests. Members were Richard Swain, and Elaine Evans.

SKI CLUB TAKES ONTARIO TRIP

Twenty five students and faculty members will leave this afternoon for a week end of skiing in Collingwood, Ont.

Sponsored by the Ski Club, the Georgian Bay excursion is the third trip slated this year. "Although this is our last official trip this season, we may go to Briar Hill in March if the weather is good," John Van Camp, club president disclosed.

The trip to Briar Hill would enable several club members to compete for membership on the National Ski Patrol. Those skiers trying for a position include Phil Cleven, Bill Mordaunt, John Van Camp, and Bob Ward. These students along with other advanced skiers from the club are presently on Lakland's ski slope. Other patrolers include Isle Werzer, Walter Klein, and Dick Jackson.

Skiing lessons are offered every Tuesday afternoon by the club sponsor, Mr. Karl E. Odwarka, German instructor. Mr. Odwarka is a Senior Patrol Leader of the National Ski Patrol.

NEW HISTORY CLUB MEETS SUNDAY

Oakland's newly-formed History Club will hold its first meeting Sunday, Feb. 17, at 2 p.m. at the home of Dr. George Matthews, professor of history.

Dr. Gerald Straka, assistant professor of history, announced that the meeting would be a discussion of Herbert Muller's Uses of the Past which is available in the Book Center for 50¢. "If you're too broke to buy it, come and discuss anyway," Straka added.

Matthews' home is located in the faculty subdivision at 2900 Heidelberg Drive.

WOODS, POET, TO READ MONDAY

A program of poetic readings will be presented Monday, at 8:15 p.m. in the Gold Room by John Woods, associate professor of English at Western Michigan University, has written for Saturday Review, The Chicago Review, and other publications. He has also recorded for the Library of Congress. Author of two collections of poetry--

The Deaths at Paragon and On the Morning of Color--Woods' work has been described by Robert Huff as reflecting a "painful giving up of youth and an ironical acceptance of a world which no longer presents itself to the continual glory of the senses."

LOCAL AAUP COMMENTS ON SHAPIRO

Following is a statement by the Oakland University Chapter of the American Association of University Professors, released Monday.

"Contrary to some press reports, the national office of the American association of University Professors has decided not to investigate the matter of Professor Samuel Shapiro's non-retention; the Oakland Chapter, having found no evidence of violation of academic freedom, concurs in this decision.

The non-retention of Professor Shapiro was initially recommended by the tenured members of his department. The procedure that was followed thus conforms to the AAUP's principle of faculty participation in personnel decisions.

The chapter is critical, however, of several subsequent and collateral actions by the administration. Some of these actions have contributed to an unfortunate public discussion of the case, in which inaccuracy has damaged the reputations of both Professor Shapiro and the university."

The administration has indicated its willingness to discuss with representatives of the chapter improvements in personnel procedures."

LOCAL COUPLE GIVES SCHOLARSHIP

"We just wanted to do something for MSUO...", and the campus scholarship fund has a new \$5,000 endowment. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wilson of Pontiac made the offer last week, to be built from investments.

Monthly installments of \$50 will be invested until the sum of \$5,000 is reached, in approximately eight years. After that time, yearly scholarships of \$200 will be available from the interest on the investments.

No specific provisions for the scholarship award have been formulated, and stringent regulations are not foreseen.

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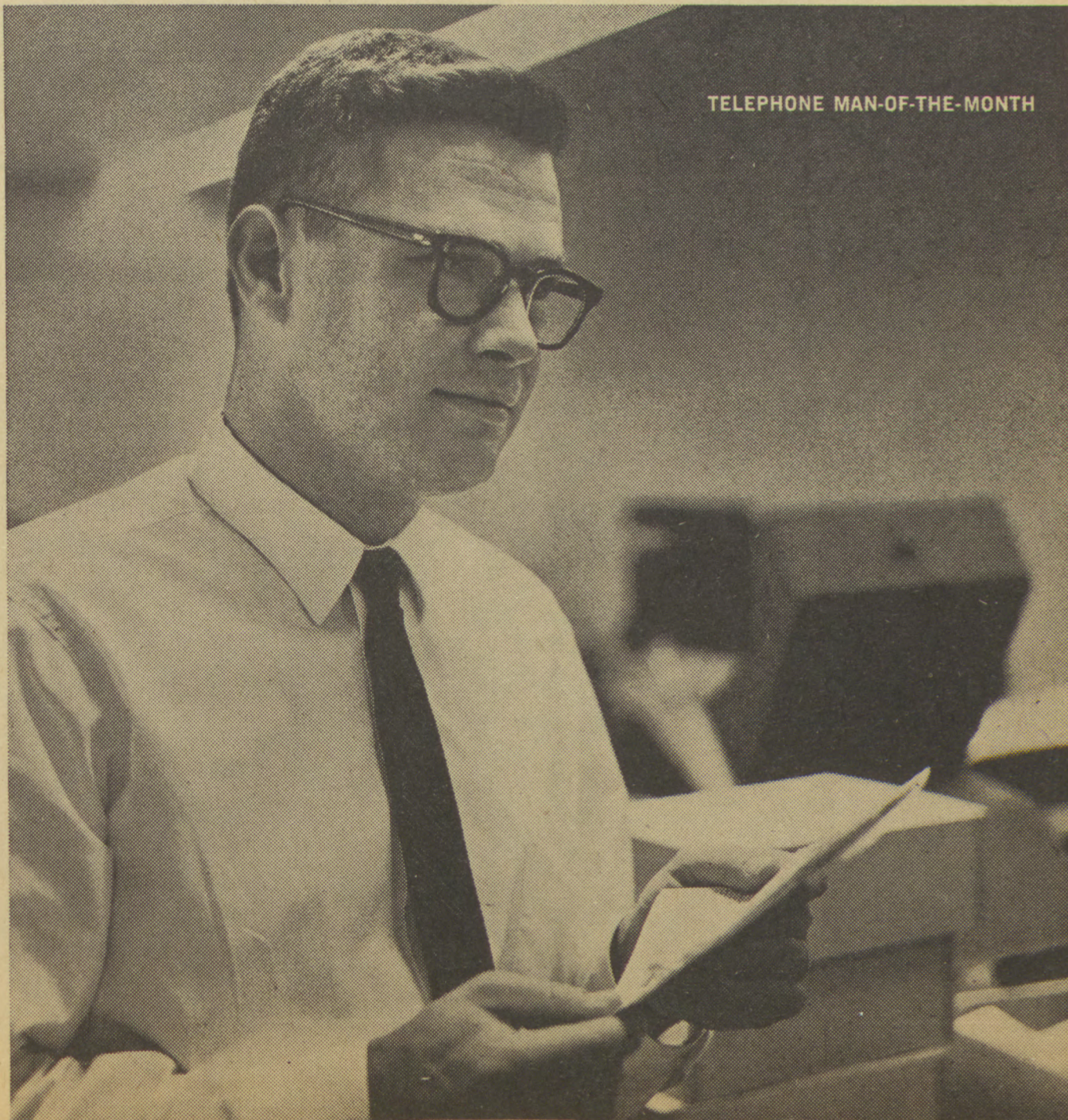
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