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Registration Starts

semester will take place between Nov. 20 and Dec. 15, in accord with a new procedure announced by registrar Herbert Stoutenburg last week.

"By continuing registration over a period of a month, we hope to regulate the size of classes early enough for students to get the schedules they want," Stoutenburg explained.

Other advantages of the innovation pointed out by Stoutenburg are the opportunity for more individual counseling from advisers and the elimination of long lines and pocedural problems. With the new process, registration should not take more than 10 minutes, Stoutenburg estimated.

Students may see their advisors, complete registration materials, and enroll in courses any time between Nov. 20 and Dec. 15, eliminating the need to return early from Christmas vacation to register Dec. 29, as was originally anticipated. Win-

Movie Series Shows "Ikiru"

"Ikiru," a Japanese film, will be the next attraction for the MSUO Dramatic Arts Study Group, It will be presented Nov. 19 and Nov. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the tiered lecture

"Ikiru" is the story of a dying man's search for the meaning of life. The film was awarded the Best Film Award at the Stratford (Canada) International Film Festival in

Ingmar Bergman's film, "Brink of Life," was shown last Sunday and last Thursday. Four other foreign films are scheduled for two showings each in the next three months. They are "Blood of a Poet," (French), Dec. 3 and 7; "La Strada" (Italian), Jan. 14 and 17; "Richard III" (English), Feb. 4 and 7; "Ballad of a Soldier" (Russian), Feb. 25.

Faculty, staff and students accompanied by a member may attend a film presentation for a temporary membership fee of 75 cents.

ter semester classes will begin

Transfers and new students may register Dec. 29.

Resident students will no longer be discouraged from enrolling in evening sessions, Stoutenburg said. Courses available for the first time in the evening will include Introduction to Sociology; Introduction to China; India, Special Problems; French 115 (second semester, first year); freshman English (second semester).

Stoutenburg urged students to register early. "It's wise to get it done rather than wait until Dec. 15," he said.

Series Probes TV "Wastland"

By Bill Williamson

"A few network executives and advertising account men decide what 100 million American see every night in their homes, and these men disclaim responsibility for their selections," according to a statement made by MSUO's assistant dean of students Mary Ann Cusack regarding a recent radio series she has edited titled "Ethic for Broadcasting.'

Mrs. Cusack, the first woman in the country to earn a doctorate degree in radio and television, was awarded a grant for the series by the National Educational Television Radio Center - National Association of Educational Broadcasters (NETRC-NAEB). Written and edited by Mrs. Cusack, the series is being broadcast to 54 stations across the country. Six Michigan radio stations carry the program.

Michigan's Junior Senator Philip Hart, F.C.C. Chairman Newton Minnow, television commentator David Brinkley, columnist Marquis Childs, television producer David Susskind and newsman Mike Wallace are participating in the program.

Minnow calls television a "vast wasteland" and goes on to say, "You see a procession of game shows, formula comedies about totally unbelievable,

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Welsh Chairs **Code Committee During Inquiry**

A student committee formed at the suggestion of Dean of Students Duncan Sells will study the possibility of establishing a social code at MSUO.

Dave Welsh, chairman of the committee, explained that its purpose is to determine what a social code is, and whether or not MSUO needs one. The committee is not dedicated to the establishment of a code, Welsh

Six senators and six studentsat-large comprise the committee. Serving for the senate are Welsh, Shelby Lockamy, Lynne Smiley, Fred Pung, Bob Smith and Paul Turk.

Students-at-large on the committee are JoAnn Hill and Bob Deneweth, juniors; Jim Wolfe and Ruthann Matyunas, sophomores; Ken Renner and Freya Figas, freshmen.

Judiciary Tries First Case, Advises Action

MSUO's student judiciary last week tried its first case and recommended punishment to the faculty committee on student conduct. It was the first disciplinary action coordinated by the university and the judiciary.

Punitive measures recommended by the judiciary were reviewed and approved by the faculty committee, consisting of Dean of Students Duncan Sells, Dean of the University Donald O'Dowd, and Assistant Professor of Philosophy Richard Burke.

Because of difficulties in coordinating the schedules of judiciary members, the hearing was held six days after the incident occured. In the future, hearings will be held immediately after committment of the infraction, Chief Justice Jim Drummond said.

Commenting on student interest in attending the hearing, Drummond said, "If we are to insure the privacy of the individuals involved in a case,

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"A spade is a spade is a While the tree-planting conspade," and to Chancellor tinues in the background, Dr. Varner, working with one is O'Bear steals next month's

4,000 Harlan Trees Planted On Campus

More than 5,000 seedlings, donated by C .Allen Harlan, of Bloomfield Hills, were planted last Saturday on campus.

Student and faculty volunteers planted the trees in a morning-long session, aided by

TV Documentary Covers Campus

Michigan State University Oakland is the subject of a 30minute documentary film which will be shown at 4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 19 on WWJ-TV (channel

Moderated by newsman William Fyffe, the film examines the progress of the three-yearold university.

Persons who have been associated with MSUO since its founding, including James C. Zeder, retired Chrysler Corp: engineering vice-president; Mr. and Ms. Alfed G. Wilson, on whose Meadow Brook Farms estate the university has been Pontiac Press publishe and MSUO Foundation President Harold Fitzgerald; and Chancellor Varner, are featured in the film.

In a round-table discussion Fyffe explored the attitudes of five students on MSUO's curriculum, social life, and its goals and ideals. The students are Alan Higgins, Roger Finzel, Bill Hoke, Ingeborg Shultze, and Susan Bierstein.

An extracurricular class in the Chinese language, taught by Dr. Charles O. Hucker, is included in the film.

Also featured is an interview with Shelagh O'Rourke and Miss Bierstein about the campaign to convert the dairy barn into a theater.

a tree-planting device donated and operated by the Veterans'

Scotch and white pine and Norway spruce seedlings were placed along Walton Boulevard and Squirrel Road from Dean Sells' house to the main en-trance. Equipment lent by Harlan and workers prepared the ground before the planting.
During the operation, cof-

fee, hot chocolate and donuts were served to the volunteers.

Harlan is a member of the board of trustees.

AWS Begins Next Festival

"Culture Internationale" MSUO's second international cultural festival, will be held in the Oakland Center, Feb.

Sponsored by the Associated Women Students to promote interest in world cultures. The festival will feature fine art, craft and book displays, music, food and costumes from all areas of the world. Guest speakers, films and an interna tional entertainment show will also be part of the program. Some events will be planned for the preceding week.

"Expansion of the Oakland Center will enable us to improve and expand last year's program. Our goal is to have all countries represented in each area display," said Lauree Webb, student director of the festival. -

Members of the planning committee are Julie Becker, art: Dick Carlsen, display arrangements; Sally Shunck, food; Judy Simmons, decorations; Al Monettta, special guests; Jon Lohla, music; Jeff Nickora, purchasing and fin-

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Appleton's "Eternal Triangle" Sees Red China In U.N. Soon

Red China will be seated in the United Nations before President Kennedy's term ends, according to Dr. Sheldon Appleton, assistant professor of political science at Michigan State University Oakland and author of a new book "The Eternal Triangle?"

A council of librarians chose an article by Appleton in "Current History Magazine" on his book as one of the ten best magazine articles in Septem-

Appleton's predictions on China are based on scholarly research and statistical analysis of U.N. voting records and on 100 hitherto unpublished public opinion polls in 21 countries.

Indices for Appleton's predictions are the result of seven year's work and include discussion with most of the world leaders, who include: Former President Harry S. Truman, Senate Leader Mike Mansfield, Secretary of State Dean Rusk, delegates from all the Big Five Nations in the Security Council, members of each major bloc, and members of the U.N. Secretariat.

His first indice, the "Alliance Index" is based on nations having mutual defense treaties with the Eastern and Western blocs.

Current trade patterns of United Nations members is Appleton's second means of

analyzing trends in the U.N. Supporting his claim that the seating of Red China is one of the most misunderstood issues of the cold war, Appleton of-

fers these points: -voting of other nations will eventually force the U.S. into an undesirable vetoing

-the seating of Red China is not a moral but a political question.

-both former Secretary Generals advocated the admission of Red China.

—Appleton sees no two China solution. He thinks the U.S. should gently acqueise and see Red China admitted rather than take an eventual inevitable defeat.

Observations

Though our campus is assuming the proportions of a small metropolis, its four streets remain unnamed. No committee to take care of this? . . . The MSUO ID card may be more influential than its bearers realize. In Germany, students are admitted to cultural programs for half price with a student card. Miriam Friedmann, a freshman at MSUO last year, was admitted to a concert in Munich on her MSUO student card. Miriam plans to return to MSUO next fall. . . . Mr. Goodwin, director of food services, is offering a non-credit course in gastronomy to regular patrons of the cafeteria. Menus featuring shrimp (at six cent each), swordfish, swiss steak, cream puffs, apple and pear fritters, chocolate pancakes and such alliterative items as piquant potatoes and chicken cacciatore, are earning Mr. Goodwin the reputation of a four-star chef. . . . Corrections: An article in the last issue of the OBSERVER attributed a 97 per cent increase in enrollment to the Continuing Education program. The correct figure is 73 per cent. And Lynne Humphreys deserved credit for the story on Mr. Fitzsimmons in the same issue. The OBSERVER'S Statistical Information Editor and the Byline Editor are responsible for these errors, . . . The extension to the heating plant under construction in NFH will supply the campus buildings with 50 million BTU's of heat. . . . We're waiting for dotted yellow lines to be painted on the new sidewalks. The Barn Council has been quiet this fall, In fact, it hasn't met since last spring. But there are hints of action: Mr. Wilson has had the hay removed from the loft of the barn. There is considerable student interest in renovating the barn and in creating an active drama group. We think this interest should quickly be channeled and directed by the Barn Council. . . . A member of the male contingent has done some thinking about traditions at MSUO. At State, he explains, a girl becomes a coed when she is kissed at midnight under Beaumont Tower. At MSUO an excellent facility is available for a similar traditon; the water tower. Situated in one of the prettier areas of the campus, the tower, he says, supplies the ideal atmosphere. . . . The Great Book Push received gratifying support from the student body. If "Pushes" are the coming thing on the campus, the administration might formulate a push policy. Is it fair to require the approval of the county police for a bed push and not for a book push? Books can be as dangerous as beds. . . . If the campus seems in need of flora, take heart. Mr. Karas, director of the university physical plant, reports that there will be a peony patch somewhere on the grounds next spring. . . . Aug. 16 is the target date for completion of the Intramural Building. Contractors have said that this date is "not unrealistic." . . Comment from student entering Oakland Center lounge, where several snoring bodies were sprawled on several couches: "What's this, a mono ward". ward?". A small change machine is badly needed in Machini's (Italian restaurant) in the Oakland Center "lower level.". . . Father Hinsberg and Father Swastek, chaplains of the Newman Club, will be on the campus to counsel Roman Catholic students. Father Hinsberg will be in room 167 SFH every Tuesday from 11 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4, and Father Swastek will be in room 171 SFH every Friday from 1 p.m. to 4.

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Miller Replaces Long In SAC Presidency; Other Changes Made

Ronald Miller has replaced Janet Long as president of the Student Activities Council. Miss Long's resignation was accepted by the Board of Governors last week, and Miller, former special events chairman, was elected to the post.

A charter member of the Council, Miss Long was chairman of the special events committee, secretary and vice-president before she assumed the presidency last May.

In explaining her resignation, Miss Long stated that academic and other demands made it impossible for her to direct the SAC conscientiously.

Miller is also a charter member of the Council, Judy Noren succeeds Miller as chairman of the special events committee.

Lauree Webb was appointed temporary chairman of the student services committee following the resignation of Howard Hinkel from that position. Hinkel has been a member of the Board of Governors since September, 1960. He resigned in order to devote more time to his duties as Student Government president.

Other members of the Board of Governors are: Mary Stewart, vice president; Marge Swoboda, member-at-large; Jan Kelley, secretary; Jim Wolfe, social committee chairman; Paulette Kimball, member-at-large; Janice McClements, publicity committee chairman; and Joan Commerce, chairman of the cultural committee.

ENGLISH PROFESSOR PUBLISHES POEMS

Thomas Fitzsimmons, associate professor of English, has published poems in two journals. "Mutiny" volume 3 has two of Fitzsimmons' poems and "Midstream," a Jewish Quarterly, for winter 1961 has one poem by Fitzsimmon. Both Journals are available in the University Bookstore.

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Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

The book-box as it stands is a disappointing come-down from the architect's projected picture of it. The projection of the intramural building looks every bit as boxy and as bad. My last hopes for some aesthetically pleasing architecture at

In retaliation I would like to direct a withering blast at the various edifices here—preferably one that would level them. Their ruins would be more pleasing to these eyes.

MSUO have been shattered.

One thing I will concede that perhaps I should not be so critical, since I myself do not possess the creative genius that must have been required to plan so many different buildings using apparently no apparent element of design beyond the straight line. Big ones, little ones, thick ones, thin ones, long ones, short ones - where else can you find such a vast variety of lines combined in so many different . to produce nothing ways more than a set of blocks, modern, functional, simple, nice and aesthetically sterile.

Last year I had to take an arts course (UC 041) in one of them.

Alan Higgins

To the Editor of the Observer:

I was disappointed to note that the library will continue its short, unsatisfactory hours. Depite the opening of a new building. Considering the large amount of study and library research work required at MSUO, I had hoped for library use on Sunday and perhaps Friday night as well. And, now that the residence halls are finally open, I was confident that those hundred plus students would want to utilize the library on weekends. Finally, I thought of the many students who work part-time during the week; Sunday would be an excellent time for them to complete library work.

Yet the library remains open only seventy four and one quarter hours a week — only 44% of the time. It seems a shame to make such little use of the fine new library facilities.

Why isn't the library open? I am sure many students join me in wanting more weekend use. Surely the library staff is aware of this demand; that they

have not acted upon it implies

Student help should not be a problem. I know that many of the library assistants would enjoy working when there are no classes. This is not a factor.

Surely it is not the added wear and tear on the building, lighting and heating costs, etc. These costs should be proportionately quite small.

The last remaining factor is the professional library staff. This is certainly the most important one. There are four librarians under Mr. Wilder; apparently Mr. Wilder or the school administrators do not feel that they can ask this undermanned staff to stretch out their present work load.

I am sure serious students will agree that present library hours are inadequate. I know that the Senate library committee is aware of this problem. Perhaps the Senate body as a whole can find time to look into it. I hope that something can be done in the near future.

Tom Kershner

To The Editor:

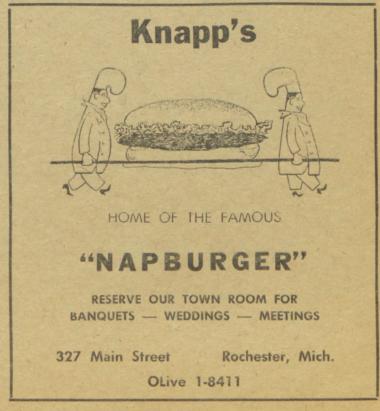
I should like to express my own personal thanks and that of the library staff to the entire MSUO community for the way in which it rallied around and cooperated with us in the move of the University Library to its new quarters in the Kresge Library building. Particularly, the moving of the books was done with a minimum of confusion, and a maximum of cooperation from everyone concerned.

Not only in the actual move itself, but in the consequent interruption in library service, we have been very appreciative of the understanding we have received. I hope that the community as a whole will find that our new quarters make this inconvenience worthwhile, and that the result of our move will be a real increase in the use of our facilities and service.

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List Concert Features Chopin And Schumann

By Dan Fullmer

Eugene List, concert pianist, performed Nov. 7 before a capacity audience at Pontiac Northern High School as the first off-campus event in the current Lecture-Concert Series sponsored by the MSUO-Community Arts Council.

List opened with Bach-Samaroff's "Fugue in G Minor" as a nod to custom. The gesture assured the audience that he was able to play with precision and delicacy.

Then, as an introduction to Chopin, he interjected into the program three delightful Scotch dances, Chopin's "Eccossaises, op. 72." An adept performance of Schumann's "Sonata in G Minor, Op. 22" climaxed the first half of the concert.

The highlight of the evening came directly after the intermission wen List played Chopin's "Sonata in B-flat minor, Op. 35." He proved to be a mature poet without being superficially emotional.

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The disappointment of the evening was List's subjection of the audience to the tastes of former President Truman. While List was in the army in World War II he was summoned to play at the Potsdam Conference and since then has frequently played at the White House. His most recent preformance there was Nov. 1 when President Kennedy entertained Truman, Regrettably List substituted the "president-al program" for the four remaining pieces on the planned program. "The Banjo" by Gottchalk was a lively and enjoyable piece, but it was not played with the necessary sharpness and excatness. List's encore "The Banana Tree", also by Gottchalk, conveyed a stronger conviction which "The Banjo" lacked. The audience then heard, as an anticlimax to the Chopin Sonata, two of his waltzes, neither-of which were developed to their deserved maturity. List redeemed himself with a warm and alert rendition of Debussy's "Fire-works." "Truman's Program" ended with an unbearably wornout A-flat major Polonaise by Chopin.

The next event in the Lecture-Concert Series will be a preformance by the University of Michigan Stanley String Quartet Nov. 30 at 8:15 p.m. in the Oakland Center.

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ance; Keith Bateman, cleanup; Gail Avery, costumes;
Shelagh O'Rourke, program and
Tom Kenney, publicity. A
chairman has not yet been
selected for the book display
committee.

Students interested in working on any of these committees may contact the committee chairman or register on the sign outside the Dean of Students' office.

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(Continued from Page 1) we cannot allow an open hearing."

Sells added, "It is not the purpose of the university or of the student judiciary to make public spectacle of the individuals involved."

Members of the judiciary, appointed last year by the Student Senate, are Alan Higgins, Barbara Osborne, John Berquist, Judy Noren, Tom Kenney, and Drummond.

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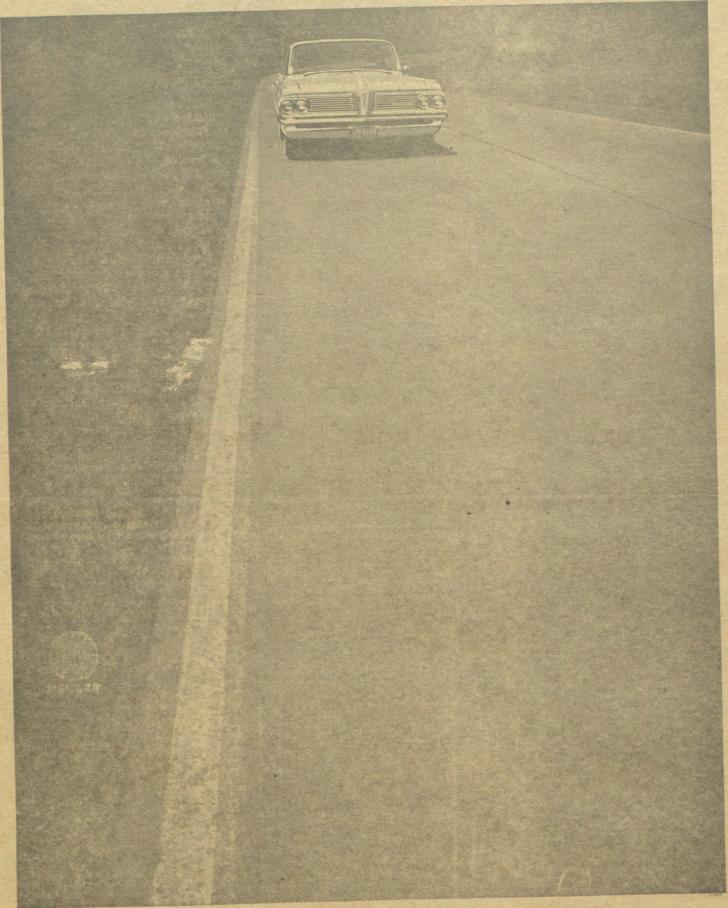
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