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ZPG SHOWING A FILM

The university community is invited to a meeting of the Greater Oakland chapter of Zero Population Growth, which is scheduled to be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday in 195 Hannah Hall. In the event that Hannah Hall is closed, an alternate meeting place will be posted on the doors. An outstanding environmental film, "The Time of Man," is to be shown. The film, produced with the sponsorship of the American Museum of Natural History, is an exposition of man's capacity to alter, interfere with, or maintain his physical environment and the life in it.

PAK VISITS EUROPE

Moon J. Pak (biological sciences) participated recently in scientific meetings in Munich, Germany, and Birmingham, England. At the 25th International Congress of Physiological Sciences in Munich he gave a paper entitled "Effect of Emetine on the electromechanical properties of heart muscle." And at the Fast and Slow Muscle Symposium in Birmingham he spoke on "Electromechanical properties of toadfish sonic muscle."

WHAT'S WITH YOU?

The "OU," official newspaper for Oakland University, welcomes news items from the entire community. Brief items may be phoned in (ext. 2217); larger ones should be typed and delivered to the Office of University Relations, 122 NFH.

Editor's note: Because of a mid-week publication deadline and likelihood of late-breaking developments, the reader is cautioned that this account of the faculty strike may not be entirely timely. More up-to-date information, as it becomes available, will be disseminated to members of the university community by memo or publication of "Campus Issues."

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Negotiations between the AAUP and administration were at a temporary standstill late last week as the university remained officially closed because of a faculty strike.

The AAUP announced its decision to strike on Tuesday morning, first day of classes, and President O'Dowd announced a postponement of the start of the semester at noon. His decision was based on a classroom check indicating that faculty members had not met their classes.

Subsequent developments included a clearing of the dormitories of students and a securing of all university buildings.

Students left the dorms in a steady flow all day Wednesday at the request of the administration. President O'Dowd said he took the action "with deep regret" but with the conviction that it was in the best interest of the students and the university for them to leave until classes could be held. The Office of Student Affairs reported that no disturbances accompanied the exodus.

Two resident students, with assistance from the Legal Aid Society, sought an injunction from Oakland County Circuit Court to bar the university from closing the dormitories. Their request was denied, however, and a hearing on their suit was scheduled for 9 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15.

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Faculty were advised in a letter from Frederick W. Obear, vice president for academic affairs and provost, last Wednesday that all financial commitments between the university and faculty were temporarily suspended effective Sept. 7. The faculty decision to strike, Obear wrote, "necessarily abrogates all current contractual agreements and the university, as a consequence of the faculty's decision and collective action, must reluctantly prohibit faculty members from using the facilities of the institution."

An AAUP general membership meeting was scheduled to be held last Saturday to consider future action in regard to the strike and negotiations. The AAUP declined an offer from "OU" to publish in the newspaper a statement of its position or arguments. Speaking for the AAUP, Robert Williamson (physics) said he believed pending developments would make such a statement out-dated by the time the newspaper was published.

Meanwhile the state official serving as mediator in the negotiations, Lee Cadwell of the State Labor Mediation Board, called for both sides in the bargaining to meet last Friday, Sept. 10.

In a "Campus Issues" distributed throughout the university community earlier in the week, President O'Dowd said: "We are in the dilemma of having demands made upon us which cannot be met due to lack of funds, complicated by the wage-price freeze. We can only hope that

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Fall Sports Set to Open

Oakland's cross country and soccer squads swing into action this week to open the school's athletic competition.

The harriers will be under a new coach as Charles Pollard succeeds Henry Kennedy, who has left the university to take a new faculty position at Florida Tech. Pollard, a former hurdles champion at Michigan State, assisted Kennedy with the cross country team last year as well as serving as coach of the indoor track team.

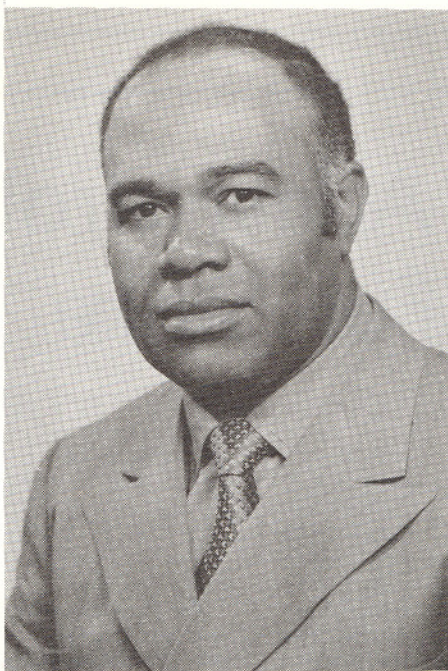
The soccer squad will be under John Motzer of Utica, who took over in mid-season last year and completed the year's competition without a loss. Motzer is a former professional soccer player in Hungary, Austria and the United States, and was a member of the 1961 Detroit Kickers which won the American Amateur Championship, the Michigan Cup and the Michigan-Ontario Championship.

Cross country activity begins Saturday with an intrasquad Gold-White meet at home. In all, the harriers have eight running dates, two at home including the OU Invitational College Cross Country Meet on October 23.

Soccer competition also opens Saturday with a game against Calvin College at Grand Rapids.

Lettermen runners on the cross country team include Dennis Tibbetts, Rochester senior; Dan Sibears, St. Clair Shores sophomore and Darryl Williams, Detroit sophomore.

Headlining the list of 12 returning lettermen on the soccer squad is Paul Neeson, Ferndale senior, who was the leading scorer last season. The other veterans are Paul Axinn, Luciano Maldonado, Eugene Jackson and Paul Moga, all of Detroit; Sherman Dickson and Miguel Garcia, both of Pontiac; John Bouza, Farmington; David Dinsmore, Royal Oak; John Magiera, Warren; Mohamad Safai, Tehran, Iran, and Donald Tosh, Spencerport, N.Y.



HEADS STAFF--Gene Boldon has been named acting director of the physical education department this semester, in place of Hollie Lepley, who has returned to campus duties on a part-time basis after being hospitalized early in the summer. Boldon, recently named associate professor of education, coaches basketball and baseball. He received his bachelor's degree from Wayne State University, where he was a rebounding star on the basketball team, and a master's degree from the University of Michigan. Corey Van Fleet, who shares with Boldon the title of assistant director of physical education, is on a leave of absence this year serving as assistant swimming coach and pursuing doctoral studies at Florida State University in Tallahassee.

POEAT:

The Mission Is Love

The Pontiac-Oakland Educational Assistance Team (POEAT) is a tutorial project between the students of Oakland University and the Pontiac school system. Its twofold purpose is (1) to provide an environment for pupils selected from participating Pontiac schools so they may more easily and enjoyably acquire the basic skills necessary for productive and satisfying work in the classroom, while at the same time developing in each pupil a more positive self-image, and (2) to increase the participating Oakland University students' awareness of, and sensitivity to, one of the most significant problems facing the educational system of contemporary American society (i.e., lack of basic academic skills and motivation of inner-city youth).

Membership in the team is open to everyone with the ability to work with youth and with the desire to assist them. No ethnic, cultural, or economic barriers prohibit membership.

POEAT was started in 1965 by 20 students and several Oakland University faculty members. At that time POEAT did not expound any political or social ideology and, for that matter, neither does it expound any political or social ideology today. An excerpt from the POEAT Tutor's Manual reads: "POEAT does not push any particular ideology on the children. Integration or separation within the system or outside of it are irrelevant working points to tutoring. Don't try to sell your view."

Student director Earl Johnson, Jr., adds his personal postscript: "POEAT is open to all students, both white and black; all you need to join is love for children and a desire to help them academically. If you can accept our philosophy, then POEAT needs you as a tutor. Peace and love."

S.E.T. TO REVIVE 'JIMMY SHINE'

Providence and strike conditions willing, the Student Entrance Theatre will present a return engagement of its summer production of "Jimmy Shine" this week at the Barn Theatre. The comedy is by Murray Schisgal, author of "Luv."

The story, written as a stage vehicle for Dustin Hoffman, traces through fantasies and flashbacks the life and struggles of a Greenwich Village painter,

bumbling, unsuccessful, but somehow appealing. He is a 30-year-old nonconformist "freak" who hops from a beatnik pad in San Francisco, a job in a fish market, and eventually to his loft in the Village. Performance times, subject to change as a result of the faculty strike and subsequent closing of the university, are listed in the Campus Calendar.

Auditions for the next production of S.E.T., Bertolt Brecht's

"Threepenny Opera," will be held in the Barn Theatre Sept. 20, 21 and 22 from 6 to 9 p.m. Actors need not be able to sing. If interested in any phase of the production, drop in at those hours or call ext. 3556.

ADA Lists Play Dates

The Studio Company of the Academy of Dramatic Art will try something new this year--an original musical romp now being penned by ADA faculty member Paul Lee.

Called "Roaring Twenties Revue," the musical will be loosely in the style of two current Broadway hits, "No, No Nanette" and "Company." Lee, a charter member of the ADA faculty, formerly was a contract television writer and theatre director in England. He was a senior tutor and director of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, 1956-66, and a lecturer in film scripting at London Polytechnic.

The Studio Company's new season will open Oct. 7 in the Studio Theatre with Harold Pinter's "The Caretaker," directed by an ADA alumnus, Pat Freni. The tentative schedule includes five productions to be presented in the campus theatre, and two of them to be taken on tour of area schools.

The full schedule (subject to change):

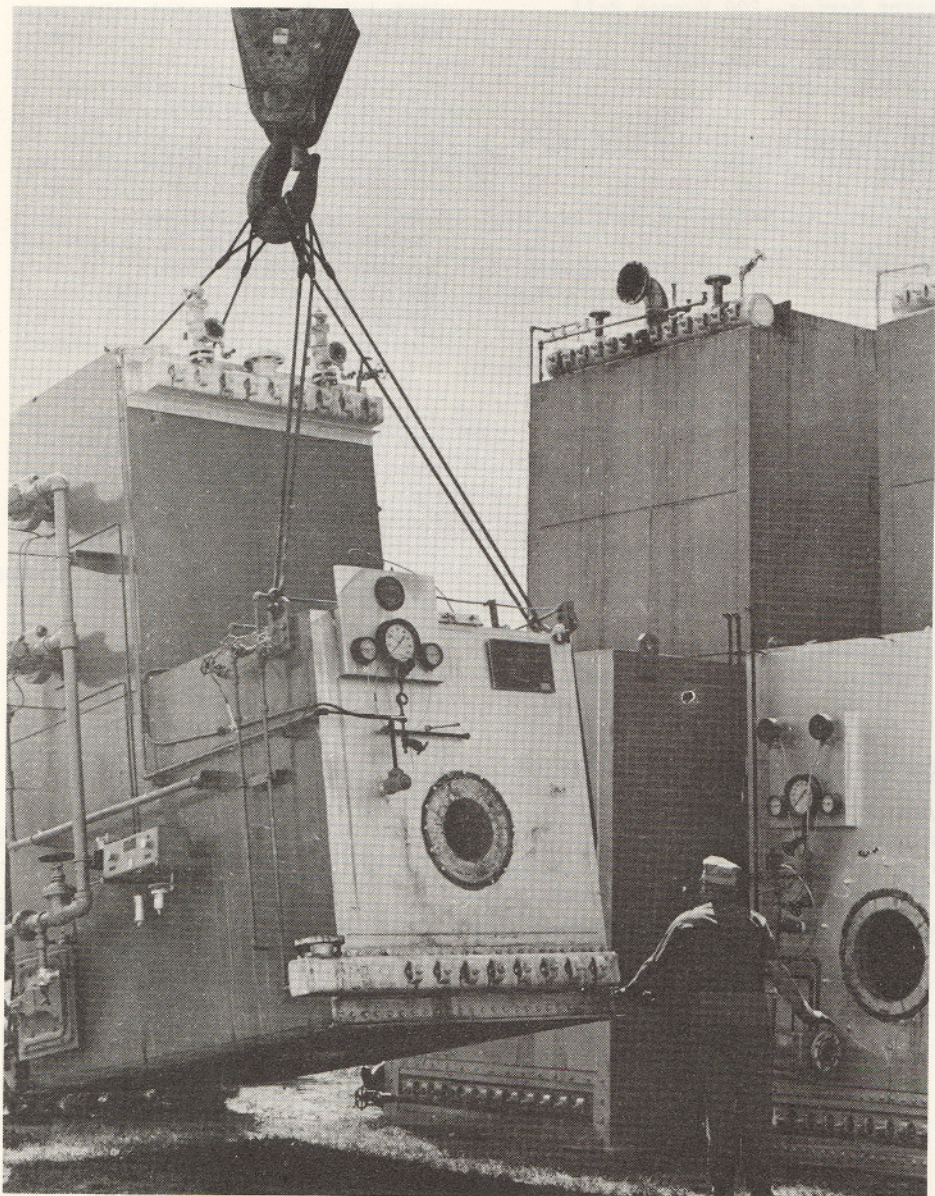
"The Caretaker" by Harold Pinter--Oct. 7-9 and 13-16.

"Roaring Twenties Revue" by Paul Lee--Nov. 30, Dec. 1-2 and 10-12 (on tour weekdays Dec. 3-15).

Modern play to be selected -- Feb. 3-5 and 17-19.

"The Man of Mode," a restoration comedy by George Etherege--Feb. 9-13.

"Romeo and Juliet" by Shakespeare--April 6-8 and 12-15 (on tour weekdays March 17-30).



MOVING DAY--A workman gingerly guides a monster crane in setting down one of the huge furnace units which were moved recently from the basement of North Foundation Hall to the new Central Heating Plant. The final hoop-ups of heat and electric power lines were done during August.



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The following scheduled events and activities are listed on the assumption that a settlement will be reached in the faculty strike under way at the time of publication of this newspaper. The reader is warned, however, that any of these events may be subject to cancellation.

<i>Tuesday</i>	7:00 p.m.	<i>Classic Film Series, films by Clair, Eisenstein and Leger--201 Dodge (reshown at 9:30)</i>
<i>September 14</i>	8:00 p.m.	<i>Zero Population Growth meeting, film "The Time of Man"--195 Hannah Hall</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	3:00 p.m.	<i>Lecture/Concert Series--200 Varner Hall</i>
<i>September 15</i>	7:00 p.m.	<i>Classic Film Series, "Storm Over Asia"--201 Dodge Hall (reshown at 9:30)</i>
	7:30 p.m.	<i>War Resisters League meeting, film "Sons and Daughters"--The Abstention</i>
<i>Friday</i>	8:30 p.m.	<i>S.E.T. play, "Jimmy Shine"--Barn Theatre</i>
<i>September 17</i>	8:30 p.m.	<i>Weekend Film Series, "2001: A Space Odyssey" and "Flash Gordon III"--201 Dodge (reshown at 10)</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	1:30 p.m.	<i>Cross country, Gold/White intrasquad meet (here)</i>
<i>September 18</i>	2:00 p.m.	<i>Soccer, Calvin College (away)</i>
	8:00 p.m.	<i>Underground Film Series, "Guns of the Trees"--201 Dodge (reshown at 10)</i>
	8:30 p.m.	<i>S.E.T. play, "Jimmy Shine"--Barn Theatre</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	7:30 p.m.	<i>S.E.T. play, "Jimmy Shine"--Barn Theatre</i>
<i>September 19</i>	8:00 p.m.	<i>Weekend Film Series, "2001: A Space Odyssey" and "Flash Gordon III"--201 Dodge (reshown at 10)</i>

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the faculty will understand these limitations and agree both to return to work and to continue at the bargaining table."

According to the president's statement, the AAUP bargaining team has been insisting on a salary and fringe benefit package increase of approximately 18 per cent. O'Dowd indicated that the university has not received its appropriation from the state for the new fiscal year, which began last July 1, and cannot make any binding commitment at this time.

The appropriation currently awaiting action by Governor Milliken provides funds for an average compensation increase for all employees, including fringe benefits, of 6.5 per cent. O'Dowd further stated that the university has over-extended itself "in a strenuous effort to provide an eminently fair amount above this figure, within the limitations of its budget."

The president on last Thursday denied a report, published in at least one newspaper and broadcast over radio, that he has considered canceling the fall semester if the strike were not settled within a certain period of time. His formal clarification to the press was as follows:

"There has been considerable speculation, both on campus and in the press, regarding the possibility of canceling the fall semester because of the faculty strike. To set the record straight, we have given no consideration to canceling the semester because of the strike.

"Our goal is to end the strike as quickly as possible and to operate a full semester. It is true, of course, that the academic calendar is relatively inflexible and the longer the strike lasts the fewer the options are to the university.

"We must emphasize, however, that we have not made any plans to cancel the semester. All our efforts to date have been to resolve the strike, and our efforts will continue in this direction."