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JANE FONDA TO SPEAK

The newly formed Oakland Liberation Front with the help of S.C.T.C. is sponsoring an appearance by Jane Fonda this Thursday in the I.M. Building. Miss Fonda, who has been active



in various radical activities, is in Detroit to help with the Winter Soldier Investigation. The proceeds from her many speaking tours have gone to W.S.I.

The Winter Soldier Inves-

tigation is being conducted by Veterans against the war in Vietnam. Over 100 veterans are expected to testify during the three day hearings, which will take place at the Howard Johnson New Center Motor Lodge, West Grand Blvd. and Third Avenue in Detroit. The investigation will begin on Sunday, January 31st and continue through Tuesday, February 2nd, from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day. One interesting portion of the investigation will be the testimony of various Vietnamese victims of the war, who will speak on Tuesday afternoon via closed circuit television from Windsor. The U.S. government had denied them visas to enter the United States. The hearings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

Miss Fonda, as well as author Mark Lane, have been active in promoting the Winter Soldier Investigation. Much revenue is needed to pay transportation costs for the veterans who

will be flying in from all over the country. Also, the closed circuit hook-up with Howard Johnson's ballroom and Windsor will be costly. Michigan campuses have helped by engaging Miss Fonda to speak at their schools and various radical - liberal groups have held fund raising parties. One was recently held in Pontiac. Another will be held by the New Coalition of the 18th Congressional District, Friday, January

29, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, 2055 Telegraph in Southfield. For \$7.50, you can meet Jane Fonda, Mark Lane, Donald Sutherland, and Vietnam veterans.

Or you can come to hear Jane Fonda at Oakland on Thursday, January 28. The doors will open at 12 Noon, with the White Trash band playing before the program starts. Various Oakland women activists will share the platform with Miss Fonda, as well as a Viet-

nam veteran who will accompany her.

Miss Fonda's talk, entitled "Alternatives," will cover her work with anti-war G.I.s and the W.S.I., women's rights and "the people's peace treaty." This is the first project of the Oakland Liberation Front and we urge you to attend. Jane Fonda represents a viable activism that should become a goal of the Oakland Community.

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alaskan pipeline approved

By Randy Miller
and

Mike Hitchcock

Big business has won another battle against the environment with the federal government's approval of an 800 mile oil pipeline across Alaska. This same pipeline, running from the North Slope to Valdez, was rejected by the Alaska state legislature because of the possibility of environmental

damage. The government claims that it approved the pipeline for reasons of national security, though some observers believe the stockpile of pipe already accumulated and the possibility of a rival pipeline through Canada were more important factors.

The proposed pipeline is 4 feet in diameter, 4 times as large as any existing pipeline. It passes over 3 active earthquake zones, 3 major river valleys, and 2 mountain ranges. Approximately half of the pipe will be underground and half above ground, with both situations creating possibilities for destruction on a massive scale.

Should the pipeline break (a possibility which even the

oil companies admit is almost a certainty sooner or later) it would take nearly two days to stop the flow of oil due to the tremendous pressure build up. Oil from even a minor break could cover 50,000 acres of land. Should the oil get into one of the rivers it would be carried for its entire length, destroying land for hundreds of miles along its course. Breaks could be caused by any number of factors ranging from earth tremors to errant bullets from hunters. Already a "bathub ring" of oil is starting to form along the Arctic coast from the existing drilling activity. Full scale operation of the pipeline could result in the

Conspiracy Trial Begins

Yesterday the C.I.A. Conspiracy Trial of White Panthers John Sinclair, Pun Plamondon, and Jack Forrest began at the Federal Courthouse. This a public beheading where men are being prosecuted/persecuted not because they have committed a crime, but because they are active organizers of the youth that the ruling class is determined to destroy. They are our brothers and need our support. All of us must go there to demand justice for our brothers — for ourselves. We cannot stand by silently as they burn witches in our name, in our backyard.

The prosecution's chief witness is David Valler, Detroit acid-freak who sold out to the pigs for the rewards of a lighter sentence and revenge against the

White Panthers. While in prison, Valler's warped articles appeared in the *Detroit News* representing our culture as no more than a decadent, perverted group of raving, smack-shooting maniacs. The C.I.A.'s plot to crucify the White Panthers offered him an easy way to revenge the feuds that he had had with them before. The prosecution's only other evidence is based on illegally obtained wire taps, ordered by Attorney General John Mitchell, without the knowledge or consent of the judge.

This trial is particularly crucial to us as members of the youth culture, since it is not individuals, but our life that is on trial. The defense is demanding that the defendants be tried by a jury of peers, and now that

18 year olds have been "given" the vote, we must demand that our voices be heard in the courtroom and in the street.

We must not let them divide us and destroy the power of our solidarity. We must come out in the names of JOHN SINCLAIR, PUN PLAMONDON, JACK FORREST, BOBBY SEALE, ANGELA DAVIS, ERICA HUGGINS, THE BERRIGAN BROTHERS

After the article was written, the conspiracy trial was postponed until Thursday. The judge in the case refused to allow the wire-tap evidence to be used. Anyone interested in attending the trial or who can drive people down to the courthouse should call 651-0694 or 2117.



zen workshop

On January 20 and 30, Zen teacher, Phillip Kapleau, will be on the University of Michigan campus conducting a seminar workshop on Zen Buddhism.

Phillip Kapleau — Sensei, as he is called by his students — is an American who, after a successful career in business, became chief reporter for the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg and also covered the war-crimes



trials at Tokyo. The suffering he witnessed during the German and Japanese occupations gave him deep reason to question the cause of suffering and to

seek for a way to end it.

Following his return from Tokyo in 1950, he studied Buddhist philosophy at Columbia University. Academic study did not bring him any closer to a way to end human suffering, so in 1953 he retired from his company to go to Japan to devote himself to the practice of Zen Buddhism. He spent thirteen years disciplining himself under three masters. In 1956, he was told by Yasutani Roshi, "It is your destiny to carry Zen to the West . . . Don't quail or quit in spite of the pain and hardships." In 1964, Phillip Kapleau was ordained as a Zen teacher Dharma successor to Yasutani Roshi.

Shortly after the publication of his book, *The Three Pillars of Zen*, in 1966, he came to Rochester to found the Zen Meditation Center, where he is presently resident monk and spiritual director.

On Friday, January 29, at U. of M. in the multi-purpose room of the undergraduate library, Phillip Kapleau will give a talk commencing at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, January 30, in the Michigan Union Ballroom, he will conduct a seminar workshop beginning at 9:30 a.m. till 5 p.m. Here one can get first hand Zen experience. Phillip Kapleau will give a Zen talk with a question and answer period; there will also be guided Zazen (zen meditation) sitting postures and mind concentration techniques will be demonstrated. For the workshop there is a five dollar donation, which will be used by the Zen Meditation Center in accomodating the increasing number of people who are turning to Zen Buddhism as a viable religious practice through which they can transform their lives.



COMMUTERS

Look what you've already missed: Hopscotch and jacks on Monday, folksinging and free ski films on Tuesday, and if it's still Wednesday, there is a hockey game on Beer Lake. AND TOMORROW! Turtle races. Rent a turtle! This is your chance to be a winner. And you can win a Funk & Wagnalls! Outside, there will be a Raw Egg Toss.

All this commences in the Fireside Lounge at 12 Noon.

Finally on Friday, there will be a sledding party at 4 p.m. at the I.M. hill.

MEDITATION

Is it hard to be happy? In surveying the various techniques for improving the life and finding fulfillment, one is struck by the difficulty involved in each. Concentrating, holding or stilling the mind, uncomfortable postures, new diets and life-styles, no dope . . . What a shame that in the very name of comfort and enjoyment, we are asked to be uncomfortable!

There is one technique of self-improvement that stands out in its emphasis on ease, comfort, and spontaneity: Transcendental Meditation.

According to its teacher, Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, the most natural thing in the world is to be blissful. It is the nature of the mind to go in the direction of increasing happiness. By using this simple principle, Transcendental Meditation (or "TM" as its practioners call it) allows the attention to move from the normal conscious thinking level to finer and finer levels of thought. "Transcending" or going beyond the finest, the mind experiences pure consciousness, a reservoir of unbounded, creative energy, intelligence, and

happiness.

Because this field of pure consciousness is so subtle and intimate to our experience, it is easy to overlook; just as one might overlook the foundation of a house when it is busy and in good repair. But when cracks start appearing in the walls, one can be so overwhelmed by repairing the walls that he forgets to operate on the level of the foundation. According to Maharishi people are trying to solve their problems on the level of the problem, without giving direct attention to the foundation of life.

In Transcendental Meditation, by operating on the level of cause, one takes care of the problems without even thinking about it. As one grows in the value of restfulness, of creative intelligence and efficiency, he becomes naturally stronger and better able to fulfill his desires with less effort. Consequently, he becomes happier and more satisfied.

Why haven't other teachings picked up the ease and automaticity of improvement like TM?

"Seeing that the nature of the mind is to be still," says Maharishi, "they try to still the mind, to hold it. But this only puts stress on the nervous sytem, when really we should be removing the stresses and strains. In TM, we give the mind a natural vehicle for transcending; it happens naturally, easily, automatically. It's a beautiful thing."

Maharishi, who by the end of 1971 will have trained 4000 teachers of TM, emphasizes that one doesn't meditate just to meditate. Rather, by becoming more cognizant of one's own essential nature, the person acts more naturally and spontaneously, and begins making choices which support his life more fully. Meditators throughout the world seem to notice the immediate and cumulative effects of TM.

"It's beautiful," says one Oakland meditator, "you don't have to give up anything or change your life

On Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 3 p.m., in O.C. Lounge number 2, and at 8 p.m. in Vandenberg Lounge, two instructors of TM who have been personally trained by Maharishi, will give an introductory lecture on the technique.

Peace Corps

Brockport, New York, Jan. 4, 1971. — The State University of New York, College at Brockport is looking for students who want to earn college credit while preparing to teach mathematics and science as Peace Corps volunteers in Latin America. Peace Corps and college officials announced today that the unique Peace Corps/College Degree program at Brockport will be extended with the admission of a fifth group of candidates in June, 1971.

The decision by the Peace Corps to extend the four year old program was made after a comprehensive evaluation in which graduates of the program serving as Peace Corps volunteers in Peru, Colombia, El Salvador, Honduras and the Dominican Republic were interviewed along with their host country counterparts and overseas Peace Corps staff.

The program is open to students who are in good standing at any accredited college or university and who will have completed their sophomore or junior year by June, 1971.

Applications must be

made to the Peace Corps/College Degree Program; State University College at Brockport, Brockport, New York, 14420, by March 1.

The program is designed to fill the need for mathematics and science teachers in developing Latin American countries. It included one academic year flanked by two summers of fully subsidized and integrated academic courses and Peace Corps training.

Graduates receive either an A.B. or B.S. degree, secondary school teacher certification and an assignment overseas to a bi-national educational team as a Peace Corps volunteer.

Unique features of the program include: Academic credit for Peace Corps training; two fully-subsidized summer sessions totaling 30 credit hours; in-depth Peace Corps training which is fully synchronized with a liberal arts education; specialized professional preparation; individualized programs; intensive audio-lingual Spanish training in small classes;

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peace is coming...

On September 17, 1970, Madame Nguyen Thi Binh of the Provisional Revolutionary Government put forward in Paris a comprehensive eight point proposal for peace in Vietnam. As this peace initiative was being reduced to a wine and bottle joke by U.S. negotiator David Bruce, it was celebrated by other nations as a face saving device for Nixon and a document whose content probably had majority support in the United States.

Following Madame Binh's proposal, on September 27, the editor of Saigon's largest daily newspaper and a prominent member of the South Vietnamese National Assembly, Ngo Cong Duc, announced in Paris the demand for total, immediate withdrawal of all U. S. troops, and end to U.S. support of the Thieu-Ky-Khiem regime and the creation of a provisional coalition government which could organize free elections in South Vietnam. The significance of the Duc statement was that these treasonous words were immediately endorsed by powerful personalities and organizations inside South Vietnam's cities that President Thieu has until now needed to survive.

The Duc statement has been followed by the creation of a popular front, M.S.V.N., representing over 1000 national and regional organizations not affiliated with the N.L.F. who are now in open political struggle against the Thieu-Ky-Khiem government.

A delegation of 16 students, acting on a mandate from its 23rd National Congress, organized by the U.S. National Students Association recently traveled to Vietnam to investigate the feasibility of framing a treaty of peace between American and Vietnamese students. Because of the peace initiative of the P.R.G. and the new mass anti-war movement inside South Vietnam cities, the Vietnamese said that a separate peace treaty was necessary not only with American students, but with all people in this country. They strongly welcomed this initiative, coming at this dynamic moment in their own history, when American and Vietnamese coordination has the potential of ending the war.

Despite efforts by the Thieu-Ky-Khiem government to stop the student delegation from making contacts in South Vietnam, our delegate member was able to slip through Saigon's security net and engage representatives of non-N.L.F. student organizations in the drafting of the treaty. At the same time, student leaders from the D.R. V. and N.L.F. developed a treaty draft with the U.S. student delegation in Hanoi. The two documents were formally joined into one statement in Paris. The final document represents the hopes and demands of every respected Vietnamese leader in North and South Vietnam.

A conference has been planned for Ann Arbor the weekend of February 5-7 to plan concretely to implement the treaty. Students and faculty interested in supporting the treaty have planned a meeting for next Tuesday at 3:30 in room 125 O.C.

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extinction of the polar bear.

The portion of the pipe which is buried underground creates a hazard whose effects cannot even be determined. The oil in the pipeline will be at 176 degrees F., while the average temperatures in Alaska vary from 90 degrees above to 70 below. Much of the pipe will pass through the permanently frozen "permafrost" ground, the intense heat causing melting which cannot be controlled. Once a section of the permafrost has been thawed, the melting spreads outward, creating a bog. A single bulldozer cut in the ground can create a bog 11 miles wide.

The section of the pipeline which is above ground could cut off the migration routes of 600,000 caribou. If trapped on the south side, they would die in the summer, unable to escape from the swarms of mosquitoes. If they remain on the north side, they will freeze to death in winter. Either way, the caribou lose another round to the oil companies.

The government has scheduled hearings for February to reconsider the proposal, but the fact that the pipe has already been bought and is waiting to be put in place would take away any hope of significant

BROWN BAGGERS

The Oakland "lunch-hour" blues are over with the debut of the new Brown Bag Documentary Film Series, showing at 12 Noon in the Abstention. It is FREE and you are invited to bring your lunch (provided it's in a brown bag). It began last week with the showing of "Confrontation at Kent State," an insight by documentation of the situation which existed last year and almost brought the walls of the Ivory Tower crumbling to the ground.

In hopes of preserving what the system has left, the oppressors have found it necessary to run all of the media through a mill of censorship, bigotry, distortion, and lies. This results in an increasing apathy of the people to all media and their eventual reindoc-trination by the system.

This Series is intended to enlighten students with an insight into the true free world. It will show the "other side," the people who don't just hear about it, but feel it, fight it, and are suppressed in trying to present it to the people. It won't be a series of pessimistic films either, though; it is intermingled with hopes of presenting new esthetics and freedom.

Although some of these films have been around quite a while and some arguments are worn a little thin, it will probably be good for you to go back and view these films to destroy some of your mounting reactionary ideas. Granted, they're all not the most recent, but what the hell do you want, the bombing of the Enco refinery or the kidnapping of Kissinger by the Berrigan brothers on film?

change. There are ways of making the pipeline safer, but it does not appear that the oil companies will be forced to act on any of these suggestions. Placing cutoffs at every mile of pipe is one possibility, but the oil companies plan only 25 cutoffs for the entire length of the line. There are an estimated 50 billion barrels of oil lying under the North Slope which could be of great use to our oil burning society, but the companies which plan to profit from this resource should certainly be required to take adequate precautions to prevent the destruction of the state of Alaska.

INFORMATION

In this fancy, frilly, you-got-to-have-a-gimmick world, there is one group of people who operate under the assumption that straight answers are the best way to find things out. No, fans, I am not talking about the O.U. administration. Instead, I'm referring to the Student Advising and Information Center (S.A.I.C.).

This is a group of students who are employed as freshman student advisors and are available from 10 to 4 Monday thru Friday in office 60 in the O.C. (between Wu and the College reactionaries). Their extension is 3419.

They can tell you everything from what courses you need to graduate to why that masking tape was on the O.C. floor during elections.

Currently, at least one person occupies the office from 10 to 4 and will help you.

- 2-1-71 BULLDOZED AMERICA
- 2-8-71 SALT OF THE EARTH
- 2-15-71 YOU DON'T HAVE TO BUY WAR, MRS. SMITH
- 2-22-71 DR. SPOCK AND HIS BABIES
- 3-1-71 Film to be announced
- 3-8-71 OTHER VOICES
- 3-15-71 MEN IN CAGES
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