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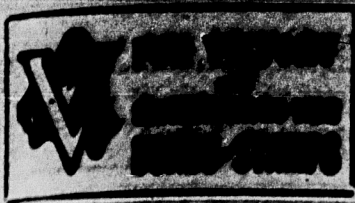
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Today's Campus

... Mistaken Identity

A twist of fate in the guise of a typographic error robbed Theta Chi Fred Walters, Detroit sophomore, of the girl of his dreams almost as soon as he had won her. Looking for the announcement of his pining of Peg Burke, Ypsilanti senior, the other morning, Walters, known to his friends as "Bud," discovered that he had been confused with fraternity brother Paul Walters, Buffalo, N. Y., sophomore, known as "Bucky." Climax of the confusion caused by the mistaken identity came when "Bucky" Walters received serenades and congratulations meant for "Bud."

... Just Listening

One badly frightened mouse provided the pre-lecture entertainment for the 150 students in Prof. O'Neal Mason's afternoon chem lecture. The mouse was climbing up the walls of the large lecture room when it fell, causing consternation among the almost entirely feminine class. Braving the glances of 150 pairs of eyes he climbed back up to the coping and there he remained for part of the period. After wearying of either the lecture or his position he climbed down the wall and left.

Robinson, Artist, Traveler, to Give Talk Today

Boardman Robinson, founder and director of the Colorado Springs fine arts center and famous artist and traveler, will give a talk today at 8 p. m. in the Music auditorium. His topic will be "Behind the Front in Russia and the Balkans in 1915."

Robinson, who is also well known as a cartoonist, will illustrate the lecture with slide projections of the dramatic drawings. These drawings were made for the Metropolitan magazine on his trip to Russia and the Balkans and will be the basis of his talk.

Robinson, among his other activities, has also illustrated books. His work was displayed at the last international watercolor exhibit at the Chicago Art Institute. Previous to World War I he was a newspaper cartoonist on the staff of the Morning Telegraph.

The current phase of Robinson's topic is presented in the lobby of the college library. There are shown various photographs portraying some of the results of the present war to the behind the front scenes in Russia.

New Play Cast Calls for Unusual Talent

Tryouts for the spring term play, "Letters to Lucerne," have come along "very satisfactorily so far," Don Buell, dramatics head, said yesterday.

One thing Buell emphasized is that there is a definite need for "college types" and that five or six different collegiate parts will be cast.

There are also one or two unusual character parts, Buell said, and he expressed the hope that students who have been to the tryouts before, in previous terms, would realize that the casting of each play is entirely different and calls for types which may not have been usable before.

Japs Seize Stretch of Burma Highway

Aircrew Group Gets Transfer to Gunnery

Carrying out the war department's new policy regarding the cancellation of the college training program, the first detachment to leave the 310th CTD received its orders yesterday. It was revealed by Lt. Col. Paul A. Johnson, commandant.

"The men transferred are still assigned to the army air forces," said Colonel Johnson. "On order from higher headquarters we have transferred a small number of aviation students to gunnery and technical training schools of the air force."

Colonel Johnson declared that the men selected met the special requirements posted by headquarters of the air forces. The men are being transferred according to Colonel Johnson, in order "to best fill the immediate need of the army air force."

Aviation students who will continue in the aircrew training program under the revised regulations will fall within four enlistment categories, the colonel continued.

These are: 1. Those who are former members of the army inductees.
2. Those who are voluntary air forces.
3. Cadets who were enlisted reservists.
4. AAF personnel who have returned from combat for the aircrew training.

As yet the status of men in other classified groups has not been clearly defined, the colonel said.

Easter Dawn Service to Present Sermon by Dr. Blackburn

"The job of the Christian in the world today," will be the Easter morning address which Dr. Cleo W. Blackburn will deliver at the daybreak service at Peoples church Sunday morning, according to Rev. N. A. McCune, pastor.

Blackburn, who received his bachelor of arts degree from Butler university and his master of arts degree from Fisk university at Nashville, Tenn., is at the present time superintendent of Flanner house, Negro social settlement in Indianapolis, Ind.

The early morning service, which will be held at 7, will include a group of organ selections, and a number of Easter anthems by the choir under the direction of William Sur, professor of music. Constance Huty, East Lansing freshman, will sing "Gloria," a song of glory, by Buzzi-Peccia.

Far Ranging American Bombers Hit Marshalls, Ponape, Wake Island

PEARL HARBOR, April 5 (AP)—Ponape, eastern outpost of Japan's Caroline island fortress of Truk, was the target of a low level strike Monday by Mitchell medium bombers for the seventh army air force, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said today in a press release.

The announcement also disclosed a raid on Wake island in which a small Japanese cargo ship was sunk at a dock.

Other far-ranging American planes dropped 60 tons of bombs on four enemy positions in the Marshall islands. All planes returned from these operations.

Rumania's Struggle Wanes Under Russian Onslaught



Map above shows danger area of Rumania and other Balkan states. With the Reds pounding hard against the edges, Germans are hastening to build up bulwarks.

LONDON, April 5 (AP)—Rumania's days as an effective fighting power appear ended now—under the onslaught of Russian armies and Allied bombers.

Premier Ion Antonescu, it is believed here, is finding it impossible to take Rumania formally out of the war since German troops hold all key points, but the people's will to fight is broken and Rumania now is in the same apathetic state as Italy.

Although Hitler's Balkan satellites are disintegrating under the burden of war, Allied military chiefs preparing the western front have small hope that a Balkan collapse would be of any immediate serious injury to the German war machine.

Rumania's will to fight flares only at the possibility of war with Hungary, and ever since the Germans started to retreat in Russia, Rumanian army morale has dwindled to sub-zero.

The Russians have advanced roughly 100 miles recently on a 400-mile front. Even if they are able to continue their rapid pace, it would take them two months to reach the Ploesti oil fields.

CDC Will Conduct Interest Survey

Four Red Cross branches will be offered to students at pre-registration Monday, when CDC members conduct a survey to determine the interests of students in procuring an official Red Cross unit on the campus. Chairman Vera Gardner, Albion senior, revealed yesterday. Registration will be held on the upper deck of the Union.

The branches offered, to be conducted by Lansing volunteer workers provided the college

Students must present their student receipts when purchasing tickets for the Grace Fields lecture. Tickets are now available at the cashier's office, according to John M. Kutt, cashier.

unit petition is approved, include nurses' aid, staff assistance, which trains workers for jobs in Red Cross centers, first aid and bandage rolling. Other branches will be added if the interest is sufficient to guarantee their success.

Defense representatives will hold a special meeting at 5 p. m. today in room 15, Union annex, to discuss the pre-registration and new course plans, Miss Gardner said.

Crown Prince Umberto to Begin New Duties

NAPLES, April 5 (AP)—Crown Prince Umberto said tonight he was prepared to act as deputy for his father, King Vittorio Emanuele, as king, thereby clearing the way for a coalition war government of all the major political parties.

In a 20-minute audience, Umberto, prince of Piedmont, confirmed reports of the king's proposal a fortnight ago to hand over his powers to his son as his lieutenant.

Action Threatens Allied Supply Line to Upper Burma

Forces Drive 15 Miles in Attempt to Sever Dimapur Rail Center

NEW DELHI, April 5 (AP)—Increasing their pressure along the entire 200-mile India invasion front, Japanese forces have seized a 15-mile stretch of the Imphal-Kohima highway and are thrusting their way within 60 miles of Dimapur, American army-operated lifeline into upper Burma.

Japanese units previously were reported to have cut the 60-mile road between Imphal, capital of Manipur state, and Kohima to the north, but today's advances gave the first indication they had firmly consolidated their hold on that supply link.

More alarming than this development, however, was the apparent evidence that the invaders were concentrating their main effort at the northern extremity of the front, where they were probing at the Manipur road leading into the rail junction of Dimapur.

Should the Japanese sever that line, upon which American and Chinese forces in northern Burma are dependent for the bulk of their supplies, they would have struck a blow far more damaging to the Allies than the capture of Imphal would represent. The railroad has been under operation of the U.S. army transportation corps since March 1.

An Allied officer, commenting on this phase of the invasion commented that a "sticky" situation might develop.

First Poetry Reading for Annual Contest to Be Held Today

With the first readings in Workshop theater, room 49 Auditorium, the preliminaries for the state annual prose and poetry contest will be held tonight from 4:10 to 5:30, Mollie Compere, speech instructor, said yesterday.

Participants in today's group, the poetry contest, will read a three or four-minute poem of their own choosing.

A first prize of \$10 will be given the winner of each division, with the stipulation that that person represents the college in the state final at Albion college May 5, and \$5 will be awarded second place. The prizes are offered by the speech department, Mrs. Compere said.

TIME TABLE

TODAY—	
Officers' club, 12 noon	Union sunporch
Town Girls' club, 12 noon	Town Girls' lounge
Orchestra, 4 p. m.	Dance studio, Women's gym
Fort Center tryouts, 4 p. m.	Faculty dining room
Special CDC, 5 p. m.	15 Union annex
Pan-Hellenic, 6:45 p. m.	Org. room 1, Union
Gamma Phi Beta, 7 p. m.	Faculty dining room
Christian Fellowship, 7 p. m.	111 Union annex
Tower Guard, 7:15 p. m.	Beaumont tower

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THE FACULTY VIEWS THE NEWS

By THOMAS H. OSGOOD

WHILE reading a popular magazine I came across this statement in a full page advertisement of a well known whisky: "Giant vacuum tubes will attract the virtually boundless energy of electrical storms . . . transmitting it to storage plants that will furnish fantastically cheap power to industry and whole cities. Already, pilot plants are being designed that will put into practice this progress of the future."

Now, ever since I learned to read I have been impressed by the power of the printed word. Children, at least until they grow to adolescence, take it for gospel. But when I see this power abused, I am angry.

Not that there is any very serious misstatement in the quotation—change the first will to can, omit the phrase "fantastically cheap," and it will survive the most searching tests for accuracy.

My objection is that the implication of the quotation—that the era of utilization of the electrical form of solar energy is at hand—is entirely misleading. Under such circumstance the proper use of words is to clarify, not to confuse.

It may be quite true that pilot plants are being designed for this purpose. Leonardo da Vinci, about the time that America was discovered by Columbus, designed a flying machine. The world had to wait more than 400 years for a machine which actually flew.

Trans-Atlantic dirigibles were planned a hundred years before the loss of the Hindenburg and the Macon showed that these ships were not truly airworthy. Nowhere is the energy of the tides yet utilized on a large scale. It is a long way from the design of a plant to its successful operation.

There is, nevertheless, no doubt that we are on the threshold of an age of technology. It is to be hoped that many inventions and developments which have been born of the emergencies of war will find wide applications in future peace-time living.

Changes will occur slowly. Scientific discoveries will not cause any sudden or radical change in our accepted way of life. We shall still believe like human beings. We shall have our ups and downs; we shall continue to work and play, to like and to dislike, to admire and to despise.

Only one thing is reasonably certain. We shall have to work harder than ever, not perhaps at manual labor, but at gaining an understanding of this world we live in, if peace is to endure.

This is not just a matter for a few of our leaders. They can probably arrive at some and just conditions of peace. But that is not enough to insure a continuation of peace. The whole world must help to maintain it.

This business of living successfully demands a personal

mixture of three ingredients—physical, sociological, and emotional. We need adequate warmth, shelter, and transportation. We must have pleasant relations with other people and an appreciation of community interests, large or small. We must have a healthy and satisfying mental and religious outlook.

The advance of applied science is directly concerned with only the first of these, though it has repercussions upon the other two. Our present civilization has been profoundly influenced by airplanes and by radio. The history of science, from its earliest days, has been inextricably bound up with religion. Adjustments must be made continually in our way of life under the impact of scientific discovery. How can these adjustments best be made?

It behooves us to look at the problem rationally. That is why I dislike the advertisement which I quoted. Perhaps my criticism should be directed not against the authors of such advertisements but against the gullibility of people who read them, and partially believe them. I can find no better example of the need for an understanding of the scientific method.

The scientific method is the method of science. It cannot be taught in the abstract any more than you can teach a man to be a carpenter without having him do some carpentering. Probably no two scientists could agree to the last detail as to what they mean by the scientific method. It is an attitude of mind, a way of looking at things.

It appears in its clearest outline in any careful analysis of a scientific problem. That is why some study of science is the quickest way to reach an appreciation of this attitude. But its application extends beyond the limits of the body of knowledge which is customarily called science.

In my own way of thinking, which may or may not be a good one, the scientific attitude involves an integration of acquired knowledge along the following lines. One must first possess knowledge in reasonable amounts; one must acquire the ability to make logical deductions from established facts. One must read and observe critically though not cynically; one must not pass final judgments upon matters which are beyond one's scope or the limits of one's knowledge. One must know how and where to find out about things, and how to assimilate new information.

I shall be told, I hope, that I have merely outlined the aims of a college education. By way of apology, let me say that sometimes it is helpful to be told where you are going, even though you will really find out what your destination is like only when you get there.

SPEAKING FOR MYSELF

By BARBARA DENNISON

POST-WAR fraternity life at Michigan State will be a little different from that of former days if the suggestions brought out at Tuesday's fraternity advisers' association meeting are any indication.

The desired trend seems to be for greater unity within the individual fraternities and a plan whereby cooperation and coordination will produce a better fraternity system than ever before, in a few years' time.

One suggestion which is apt to be received with more opposition than many of the others among the men themselves is that fraternities have housemothers or resident advisers. In the past only one fraternity on campus has had a housemother and regardless of what others might think she was certainly an asset to the group and was considered as much a part of the fraternity as possible.

It is conceivable that some would think it would seem a little effeminate for fraternities to have housemothers, as if the fellows needed someone to look after them, but that isn't the idea.

Regardless of whether they would admit it or not, many is the fraternity man who would like an older woman to talk to at times, and for college men away from home that is a hard thing to find at all times.

Perhaps the idea of a male resident adviser is more acceptable to some, and in certain respects it might be the better plan of the two since he would probably have even greater contact with the men than a housemother would have.

At least one fraternity on campus has had such a system in operation for the past several years, much to the advantage of the group financially as well as in other respects.

It is an accepted fact that a housemother is an essential part of a sorority, not only because the women have to keep hours but because she tends to planning of meals, ordering food, and other necessities.

There is no less reason why a housemother or resident adviser is not indispensable to a fraternity and would not serve as well in a group of men as with women. The idea is quite a new one to State's fraternities but promises to gain headway in the years to come.

OCTOBER 27 has long been known as official navy day but it wasn't until recently that an official army day was proclaimed by President Roosevelt. The day is today—April 6.

The proclamation announced that the day would be observed in honor of the "valiant soldiers" who have been welded by the fire of battle into "a mighty army of liberation."

Grin and Bear It . . . By Lichty



"Ahem, Miss Truffle . . . would you look up my unflinching policy on that question?"

— THE — WOMAN'S WORLD

By LEONE SEASTROM

TOWN GIRLS

Club elections and the method of petitioning for offices will be discussed at the Town Girls' business meeting today following the luncheon in the lounge on the fourth floor of the Union. Pres. Doris Bennett, Lansing senior, announced yesterday.

TOWER GUARD

Dean Elizabeth Conrad will speak at the regular meeting of Tower Guard tonight at 7:15 in the tower, according to Pres. Shirley Hammelink, Lansing sophomore.

PAN HELLENIC

Rushing rules for the coming year will be discussed at the PanHellenic meeting to be held today at 6:45 p. m. in organization room 2, Union; Pres. Jean McKerring, Flushing junior, announced yesterday.

ORCHESTRAS

Orchestra members will meet today from 4 to 6 p. m. in the dance studio in the women's gym to begin work on dance technique and composition for spring term, it was announced yesterday by Pres. Kay MacCormick, Iron River senior.

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

All women interested in petitioning for freshman orientation chairmen or discussion leaders must turn in their applications at the AWS office in the Union by Tuesday noon, according to AWS Pres. Pat Stone, Chicago senior.

Eden to Devote Time to Home Affairs in House of Commons

LONDON, April 4 (AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden is expected to resign this week so that he can devote full time to government leadership in the House of Commons, a step in accordance with the conservative party's program to groom him to succeed Prime Minister Churchill.

An immediate explanation for Eden's probable shift was that the Foreign Secretaryship and the House leadership together were too burdensome. But another reason goes deeper than that. The conservatives have been carefully building up Eden as Churchill's heir apparent, but because of his preoccupation with foreign affairs Eden has had little chance to keep acquainted fully with home affairs.

As a full-time house leader he would have an excellent opportunity to do so.

— ORPHEUM —

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Baseball Nine Begins Practice With 45 Diamond Candidates

Schedule Awaits Faculty Decision on Sports

At the time for a faculty review of intercollegiate athletics looms large, Spartan baseball players began practicing yesterday when about 25 men turned out for the first spring workout in Dem hall. Coach John Kobs reported that about 45 men had signed up to play.

No definite playing schedule has been arranged yet, Kobs said, but several teams have been written to inquire about games.

While Opponents
Among the teams Kobs listed possibilities are Grosse Pointe, Selridge field, and Custer. He said also that Johns and Jackson prisons also asked for exhibition games.

Kobs could make no prediction about the quality of the team since only a few of the players had ever played for State.

Only one varsity letter winner of last year will be able to play, Kobs said. He is Bill Kelly, first string catcher last year. He also caught for the CIO team that played the Spartans in an exhibition game last summer. Reserve team members from last year who are this year include Darrell Ely, pitcher, Lee Grunst, outfielder, and Howie Workman, baseman.

Daily Practice Held
Practice is being held each day from 4 to 6 in Dem hall. Uniforms are still being issued to those who wish to play. This team does play outside, it will be the first Spartan team to do so since last year's baseball team. Intercollegiate sports were suspended by intercollegiate request Aug. 11 and intramural football, swimming and basketball contests have been held since that time.

WAR to Broadcast Original Student Play

The radio workshop will present an original play over WKAR at 4 in the faculty lounge, director of the workshop announced today.

The play to be presented was written and will be directed by the Eyestone, Lansing junior, and the leading part will be played by Margaret Bradbury, junior, who played the part in the winter term play.

The program is being sponsored by Alpha Epsilon Rho, honorary, and is a part of regular classwork of the production class.

Coeds to Model Easter Clothes at Style Show

Approximately 75 coeds will model in the "Courturier Affair," style show to be presented by the TCRA majors of the Home Ec club tonight, according to General Chairman Alice Van Aken, Eaton Rapids senior.

Included in the style show will be articles made in millinery, tailoring, and several dress construction classes. General theme of the show will be the song, "Easter Parade," which will be sung by Pat Fisher, Evanston, Ill., junior. Music throughout the show will be furnished by pianist Barbara Quayle, Oxford sophomore.

In keeping with the theme, the show will include the early morning service with appropriate millinery, tailoring, and wool dresses. Following will be the late morning service with silk dresses and spring ensembles. Also included will be wear for the vesper service, sports wear, and a bride's trousseau.

Marilyn Wilson, Huntington Woods junior, will act as commentator and the script for the show was written by Marilyn Goodrich, Albion senior. The show will begin at 7:15 p. m. in the Little theater of the Home Ec building. All students and faculty members are invited to attend.

Sewage Sessions Close

The Michigan sewage works association is closing its 20th annual conference today. The meeting was preceded by two and a half days of school-centered on the chemistry and bacteriology of sewage works operation. Six of the 36 men attending the conference were graduated, having completed the required work by attending three successive meetings.

Student Council Meets

Student council members met for their first meeting of the term last night and formulated plans for the current term. A special meeting will be held next Wednesday. The place will be announced later.

Willkie Backs Out of '44 Campaign



WENDELL WILLKIE withdraws as candidate

OMAHA, April 5 (AP)—Wendell L. Willkie, who failed to gain a single pledged delegate in yesterday's Wisconsin primary election, announced tonight that he is withdrawing as a candidate for the Republican nomination for president and called on his friends "to desist from any activity toward that end."

Willkie inserted the announcement into his prepared address for delivery at the Omaha city auditorium tonight which was devoted primarily to sharp criticism of the administration's foreign policy.

"It has been my conviction that no Republican could be nominated for president unless he received at the convention the votes of some of the major mid-western states. For it is in this section of the country that the republican party has had its greatest resurgence," Willkie said.

"The result of the primary is naturally disappointing and doubly so since the candidate who led the poll for delegates is known as one active in organizations such as the America First, opposed to the beliefs which I entertain," he continued.

Willkie, in his address, accused the administration of pursuing a foreign policy that is causing delay and uncertainty in prosecution of the war and promoting "confusion, cynicism and distrust" on the home front.

American Chem Society Attracts Chem Profs

Dean R. C. Huston of the Applied Science division and several members of the chemistry department are attending a national meeting of the American Chemical society being held in Cleveland this week.

Those attending the meeting with Dean Huston are Prof. A. J. Clark, Dr. E. T. Wing, Prof. R. M. Warren, C. W. Carlson, B. H. Pringle and B. M. Robinson.

Prof. E. J. Miller, P. J. Schauble, E. J. Benne, C. Duncan and A. L. Neal were also at the meeting, representing the chemical experiment station.

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Unknown Planes Cause Raid Alert in Swiss Capital

BERN, Switzerland, April 4 (AP)—An air-raid alert sounded in Bern this afternoon while U. S. Minister Leland Harrison called on Foreign Minister Pilet Gotz to deliver the state department's official apology for the accidental bombing of Schaffhausen Saturday and assurances that every effort would be made to prevent a recurrence.

Warning signals sounded in a number of other sections of Switzerland also, but not in the Zurich - Schaffhausen district, where funerals were being held for 35 who died in the Schaffhausen accident.

The planes which caused the alerts were not yet identified.

Newspapers continued to condemn the bombing of Schaffhausen, apparently reflecting the official view that neither protests nor apologies are effective since the violation of the air of neutral territory continues.

Three minor fistcuffs involving Americans occurred over the weekend, although the Swiss people generally showed their characteristic restraint.

INFORMATION

HOLY WEEK

Holy week meditations will be held each morning in the chapel of Peoples church at 7:30 and 7:55. The Student Christian union is in charge of the services with Marian Penn, Detroit senior, as general chairman. A different student is in charge of each individual devotion. Eleanor Hammer is in charge Thursday morning. Gethsemane is the topic of the services for the week.

PI ALPHA

Members of Pi Alpha are requested to attend the Boardman Robinson lecture this evening. The lecture will take the place of the first regular meeting of spring term.

AVMA

Junior AVMA will hold a meeting tonight at 7:30 in room 311, Vet clinic. Prof. C. L. Cole will speak on "Relationship of the Veterinarian to the Livestock Producer."

Authorities Seek Elements Behind British Strikes

LONDON, April 5 (AP)—Scotland Yard, investigating possible subversive elements behind spreading "wildcat" strikes in Britain, raided Trotskyite offices in London today, and in a growing crisis the parent organization of British labor, the trades union congress, warned that a continuance of the stoppages would imperil victory.

The strikes already have hampered preparations for the invasion of western Europe, the TUC said, adding that if they are continued they "cannot fail to produce a major national disaster and imperil victory of the Allied cause."

The congress warned all workers against individuals and organizations which have been active in fomenting disturbances which now include strikes among coal miners, shipyard and aircraft workers and others. Bevin has promised government action in the next few days on the whole structure of industrial relations.

Men from Scotland Yard raided the London office of the "Fourth International," a Trotskyite organization, where they found pamphlets praising the "class spirit and solidarity" in the strikes. No arrests were made.

Jock Haston, who said he was national organizer of the revolutionary communist party, was quoted by the British press as saying, "If the government nationalized the mines and operated them under committees of workers and technicians, they should settle the problem in 24 hours."

Britain Cuts Off Fire from Phone Service

LONDON, Thursday, April 6 (AP)—The postmaster general announced today the closing of telephone service between Great Britain and all parts of Ireland immediately in a drastic new move to prevent leakage of military information on the coming invasion of Europe.

The order follows the recent ban on travel between the same countries on the ground that neutral fire might be used by the enemy to maintain contacts for information.

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Red Infantry Nabs Ukraine Rail Junction

Soviet Crescent Swings to Cut Escape Route of 200,000 Nazis

LONDON, April 5 (AP)—Red infantry and mechanized troops, aided by crack cavalry, captured the Ukraine rail junction of Razdelnaya today, cutting the main escape route of an estimated 200,000 Germans still grouped around Odessa as a fast-swinging Soviet crescent slashed further down.

Marshal Stalin announced capture of Razdelnaya in an order of the day, and tonight's Soviet communique added more than 130 other populated places to the list of liberated towns.

Razdelnaya, 40 miles northwest of Odessa, is astride the railway through Tiraspol to Rumania, and by taking it the speeding Russians forced the Germans to fall back on Black sea lanes or a combination rail and ferry route for escape from the Odessa region.

Flight by sea was unlikely, with the Soviet Black sea fleet in control of those waters, while the rail-ferry line crosses the wide Dniester river estuary close to the coast, under easy fire of the fleet.

For the second straight day the Russians were silent about the Rumanian front, where American airmen gave the Red army a direct hand by bombing the railway yards at Ploesti, the vital Rumanian oil-field center 190 miles southeast of the last battlefield.

The first Ukrainian army, 270 airline miles to the northwest, was winding up one of the bitterest individual campaigns of the war. The Russians were fighting through the streets of stubbornly-defended Tarnopol in a house-to-house combat.

The Russian communique itself said nothing of the Tarnopol area, where the Germans were fighting in their 11th day in a trap.

Ploesti Oil Center Smashed by Yank 15th Air Force

ALLIED HDQ., NAPLES, April 5 (AP)—The great oil center of Ploesti, Rumania, was raided again today by U. S. Fortresses and Liberators against heavy opposition and this time it was the town's rail yards rather than the oil fields which were the targets.

Aiding Red armies whose spearhead was approximately 200 miles to the northeast at last, the American bomber fleet and escort of fighters blasted Ploesti's two freight yards gorged with long strings of loaded cars, firing oil-filled tank cars and ripping tracks with explosives. Smoke rose more than three miles high.

The assault followed within 24 hours of the first American blow of the war at Bucharest, Rumania's capital 30 miles to the south, and obviously was part of a well-planned air campaign by the U. S. 15th air force to assist Russian ground forces pounding into the Balkans.

It was the fourth major American attack in seven days against Balkan communications centers. Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, received its latest blasting March 30 and the Bucharest bombing was preceded on Monday with two attacks on Budapest, capital of Hungary—by U. S. heavies in daylight and by the RAF at night.

One report in Italy was that Hitler had been visiting Hungary at the time of the raids on Budapest. Martial law was reported to have been declared there.

There were other reports that both Bucharest and Budapest were being evacuated, and that Hungarian soldiers were deserting.

Fifth Airforce Ruins 13 Japanese Planes in Raid on Wewak

ALLIED HDQ., S. W. PACIFIC, Thursday, April 6 (AP)—Swinging their aerial punches southeast of the blasted out Hollandia air base, the fifth airforce has destroyed 13 Japanese planes on the ground in a raid at Wewak, New Guinea, headquarters announced today.

Two hundred miles further southeast of Wewak, Australians moving slowly toward the Nipponese coastal base at Madang have pushed to within nine miles of Bogadjim. That defense outpost is 20 miles south of Madang.

Headquarters, amplifying a previous report of a raid Sunday by south Pacific bombers against Truk, said an additional 18 enemy fighters had been destroyed in that operation.

Tryouts for Service Show Will Be Held This Afternoon

Second tryout meeting for the spring CDC-sponsored service shows will be held tonight from 4 until 6 in the faculty dining room of the Union. Don Buell, director of entertainment for the CDC, announced yesterday.

The talent being assembled now will be used for programs at Percy Jones army hospital in Battle Creek, and at Fort Custer late in April and early in May.

The entire senior class will hold a meeting today at 5 p. m. in room 130 Merrill hall. The date has been changed from tomorrow to today.

May. Tonight the committee will interview prospects and make definite appointments for their performances.

In an announcement issued by Buell for women on campus he stated, "Here is a golden chance for the 'You-Are-My-Sunshine' gals, the guitarists, eccentric dancers, 'speakers-of-pieces,' plus a few outstanding standard acts—violinists, lyric sopranos, tap dancers."

Town girls and off-campus houses specifically will be heard today, and arrangements will be made for interviewing dormitory women in the lounges of the dormitories.

American Fighter Planes Pierce Deep into Berlin, Munich Airfield Zones

LONDON, April 5 (AP)—Squadrons of American fighter planes pierced deep into Germany today on a unique mission, gunning for Hitler's air forces in the Berlin and Munich areas, while Liberator bombers hammered again at Pas-de-Calais in northern France.

Long-range Mustangs of the eighth air force's fighter command whipped across Germany to the vicinity of Berlin, 600 miles distant, and also plunged into the Munich area, 375 miles from their bases, attacking enemy planes in the air and on the ground.

In addition, Thunderbolt and Lightning fighters also swept over the Reich in hunting forays and, like the Mustangs, machine-gunned various enemy airfields.

For the most part the German air force offered little resistance, a communique tonight said, but the U. S. fighters managed to shoot down five enemy craft in addition to destroying "several dozen" planes on the ground.

Eight of the eighth air force's fighters were lost, but all the Liberators returned safely.

Airfields Strafed

Fighters of the U. S. ninth (tactical) air force ranged far over France on missions of their

own, shooting up airfields Bourges, Tours, Laval and Chartres, destroying at least 10 planes and damaging many more at a cost of two American craft.

The penetration by the eighth air force's Mustangs was the first time that fighters had been permitted to go so far on their own responsibility and without acting as escorts for heavy bombers.

The fighters came down through clouds to strafe the airfields and caught many take-off and other planes exposed on runways. Heavy anti-aircraft fire was encountered at some points.

Radio Leaves Air

The U. S. air force headquarters announced the goals of the Liberator force were military objectives on the occupied French promontory near Great Britain and made no mention of any other operation.

The Berlin radio, however, reported that American planes flew over Germany on "massive raids."

U. S. government monitors said the Deutschlandsender, the key German home network station in Berlin, returned to the air today at 1:40 p. m. (EST) after having been off since 10 p. m.

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