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MADRID (AP) — Two Basque guerrillas armed with submachine guns assassinated a 57-year-old mayor on his doorstep Monday, ending the infant regime of King Juan Carlos I into its first confrontation with the terrorism that plagued the last days of Gen. Francisco Franco.

The gunmen opened fire on Mayor Antonio Echeverria when he left his television set to answer the door at his home in Oyarzun, 12 miles from San Sebastian. They fled in a waiting car, and Echeverria, a bachelor, died in a hospital.

The nearby Spanish-French border, a frequent escape route for Basque guerrillas, was clamped under tight Spanish security immediately.

The mayor recently fired two city councilmen for joining a protest against the executions of five young terrorists, including two Basques, Sept. 27. The executions set off a wave of protest both at home and abroad.

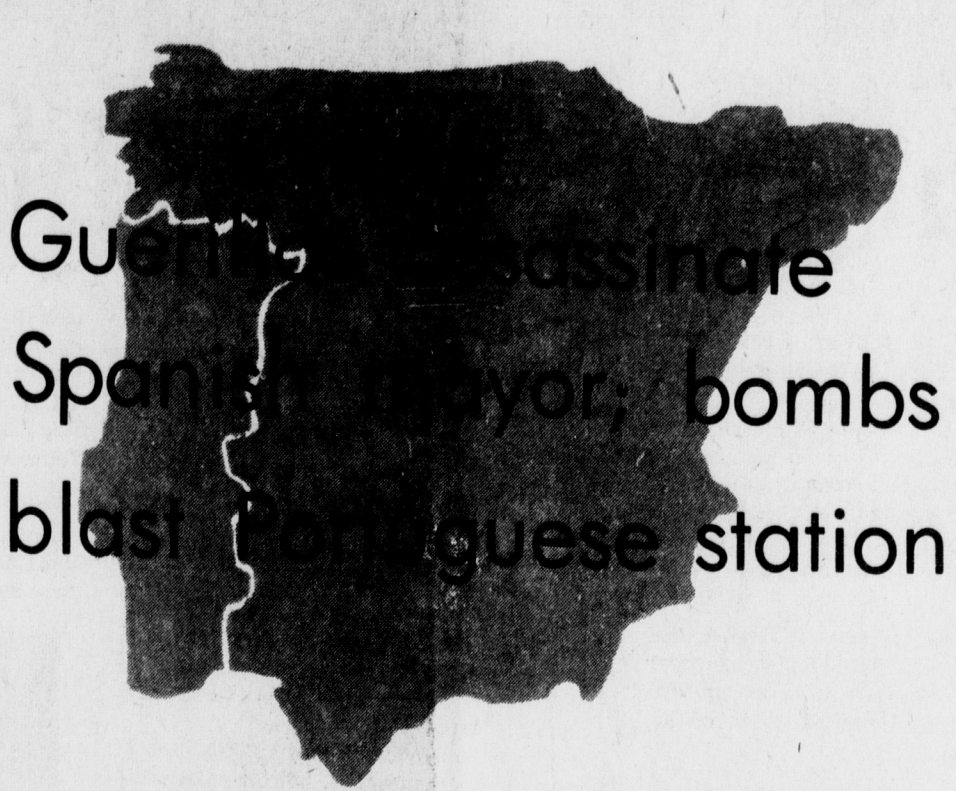
Police sources in San Sebastian said the assassins were members of ETA, the Basque movement that seeks autonomy for

Spain's four northern provinces and which warned more than a month ago it would begin killing mayors in those provinces unless they resigned.

ETA — which stands for Basque Land and Liberty — launched an assassination campaign last March against policemen, ambushing them one by one. The government responded by enacting a tough anti-terrorist law and executing the five young terrorists in September.

In his address to parliament Saturday, the new king pledged to act as "moderator, guardian of the constitutional system and promoter of justice," and indicated that those largely locked out of the political process for the last 36 years, including Basques, would be allowed greater freedom.

But he also said he viewed himself as "the first soldier of the nation" and vowed to "loyally guard the principles that formed the national Movement," Spain's only political organization and heir to the Fascist-style Falange that helped Franco to power in 1939.



LISBON (AP) — Two bombs, believed planted by rightist Portuguese exiles from Spain, blasted northern Portugal Monday destroying a relay station of the state radio system and blacking out communications in the region.

The first explosion hit the relay station at Chaves, less than three miles from Portugal's northern border with Spain. The second, a half hour later, destroyed a ceramic factory nearby. There were no casualties.

Police blamed rightist exiles, who are alleged to make frequent attacks of this kind from across the border. A number of rightists fled to Spain after the 1974 downfall of the long-time dictatorship and others last spring after a brief military uprising blamed on conservative officers.

In Lisbon, meanwhile, all factories in the capital's industrial belt were halted by a two-hour general strike called by the Communist-dominated "workers committee" of the trade union federation to show its opposition to the moderate government of Premier Jose Pinheiro de Azevedo.

No disorders were reported as the workers were instructed to stay in their plants and hold union meetings.

President Gen. Francisco da Costa Gomes called a meeting of the Revolutionary Council, the country's highest political body, to try and sort out the refusal of left-wing army officers in Lisbon to carry out a council order.

The council's action against Carvalho was taken to placate Azevedo, who took his center-moderate government of Socialists and Popular Democrats out on strike Thursday claiming that left-wingers like Carvalho were torpedoing the administration's efforts to bring stability to the country.

Nearly 50,000 people rallied in Lisbon Sunday, shouting "Freedom, Yes! Dictatorship, No!" in support of Azevedo's beleaguered government. The demonstration was organized by the Socialist party to counter a Communist-organized rally by 30,000 persons a week earlier.

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School offers blind students unique training

By FRED NEWTON
State News Staff Writer

Having the gift of sight is not all it is cracked up to be.

After all, think of how many things you have not done even though you have 20-20 vision.

Now imagine going to a school where sight is not a requirement for learning and the kids graduate with normal skills, and at times participate in more activities than their sighted counterparts.

The Michigan School for the Blind in Lansing is a place like that, and for those who have never been there it is truly like living in another world.

Operated by the state, it is for all practical purposes like any normal public school with only a few minor changes.

"Basically only the tools are different," said principal Fran Hetherington. "The kids behave no differently than any other kids who have good vision."

Located on a 48-acre campus, the 19 buildings — which include such things as dormitories, an elementary school building, a physical education building and a vocational trades building — is "school" for its 12 blind, partially blind or handicapped students.

It is not unusual for the students at the school to play basketball, roller skate, wrestle, swim or even snow ski — some things even the most well-rounded person with sight might not do.

Hetherington has worked at the school for the last 30 years, and like the school's 51 other teachers is responsible for students from kindergarten to high school.

"They come from all over the state and are usually referred to us by their local district or parents," said Hetherington. About 20 per cent commute daily while the rest usually go home on weekends."

Instruction at the school can only be explained in two words: specialization and education.

Specialization in that every student is trained according to his or her handicap and abilities, and dedication in that the instructors (many of whom are blind themselves) are patient and understanding.

In addition to the permanent staff, Hetherington noted that the help of many MSU student volunteers, along with the MSU teacher training program, has "made us especially indebted to the University for helping us with many of our special programs."

Typical of the instructors is Sheryl Lutz, graduate of Western Michigan University, education of the visually impaired.

Among the more common skills that students at the school acquire is to read and write braille. Jack Chard, below, a blind instructor at the Michigan School for the Blind in Lansing, attempts to determine the talent of an aspiring young accordion player who already knows how to play the piano.



In the morning she teaches a small group of eight, nine and ten-year-olds in a classroom one could find in any school.

However, all the lettering on the walls is large and there is an array of large-print and braille books, and a braille typewriter.

"The kids are great," she said. "But we have to deal with them as products of their home lives. Sometimes they are overprotected and when they come here know how to do nothing on their own."

Though her students are of various degrees of blindness, all are taught reading and writing skills to fit their handicap.

The school has a materials center that is utilized by school districts across the state. But while some material is published for blind students in braille and large print type, much is not, and additional tools are needed.

Instead of having a copy-producing machine, the school has a copy-enlarging machine that increases the size of the type by a third each time it is run through the machine.

For the totally blind there is also a thermo-form machine which reprints braille on paper. It works on the principle of a vacuum form and can also be used to reproduce images such as birds and fish so that students can recognize shapes.

The school also has a number of physical recreation programs that can only be described as unique.

In the gym, the basketball hoops have tickers behind the backboard so that the aspiring cager will know where to shoot the ball.

Many of the balls, called "audible balls," have bells in them so that they can be heard. There is even a football that buzzes

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Legislative proposals could curtail services

By BRAD MARTISIUS
State News Staff Writer

Two bills waiting quietly in committees in the Michigan legislature hold portents of reduced services to residents of East Lansing and other cities, according to city manager John Patriarche.

House Bill 4485 and Senate Bill 622 are intended to reduce property tax charges to property owners.

Property is presently assessed at 50 per cent of its true market value and the assessed figure is used to determine how much tax a property owner will pay. HB 4485 would reduce assessments from 50 per cent to 46 per cent and then to 40 per cent by stages over several years.

SB 622 reduces assessments by disallowing realtors' charges from the assessed value of property. Those charges account for about two per cent of tax charges.

Patriarche estimated that the bills would

reduce the total value of assessed property in East Lansing by \$1.4 million every year.

Both bills have passed the houses where they were introduced. They are scheduled to come up for final approval on Dec. 2.

Though the professed intent of the bills is to reduce taxes, Patriarche said they will not have that effect.

"If we are to maintain our present level of municipal services, we'll have to raise the millage rate to maintain our income," he said.

The present millage rate for East Lansing is 17.45, meaning that a property owner must pay \$174.50 for each \$10,000 of assessed property value.

Patriarche said the passage of the bills would force the city to push the millage rate closer to the 20 mill legal limit for Michigan's chartered cities.

"Once you get to 20 mills, you have to start cutting services," he said. "The

legislature is eroding our tax base and asking us to increase services at the same time.

"The legislature is not taking a realistic view of the tax problems we have."

Patriarche said the money lost through reduced property taxes would still have to come from somewhere.

"But I don't know where we'd get it," he said. "We've already considered city income taxes but those would cause more problems than they would solve because of the rapidly-moving student population."

Any money lost would affect only the general fund, which accounts for \$5 million of the city's \$10 million 1975-76 budget. About half of the general fund's revenue is raised with property taxes.

The general fund is used to cover the costs of city administration, elections, the courts, the police, parks and recreation and other services. All of those would be vulnerable in case of a cutback.

Thomas Dunn, director of the Ingham County Equalization Dept., which aids in assessing taxes, said the bills could push Michigan cities into problems similar to those faced by New York City.

"Local governments should have ascertain amount of authority over how they spend their money," Dunn said. "These bills could cause them to lose some of the authority to the state legislature."

He said attempts to reduce taxes have to be looked at more carefully.

"Otherwise, many of these reductions

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Stolz chosen to coach post-season bowl game

By PEGGY GOSSETT
State News Sports Writer

MSU head football coach Denny Stolz will be going to a post-season bowl game even though his team will not.

Stolz received confirmation Monday afternoon that he will be head coach at the American Bowl in Tampa, Fla., on Saturday, Jan. 10.

Two MSU football players will be selected by Stolz to accompany him and play in the American Bowl, standard procedures for each head coach of the bowl.

Stolz said Monday he is not positive which two players will go, though he agreed most likely it would be the two MSU co-captains, quarterback Charlie Baggett and defensive tackle Greg Schaum.

"Yeah, I'm pretty happy about it," Stolz said, mentioning that he had been contacted by the American Bowl committee two weeks ago.

At the same time, Stolz said a bowl invitation for the entire MSU team is out of the question.

"There won't be any invitation now, I'm sure," he said Monday.

Just after Saturday's victory over Iowa, however, Stolz admitted to the possibility of a bid from the Fiesta Bowl in Phoenix.

"You call up (Arizona State head coach Frank) Kush and tell him we're ready to play him," Stolz said. "There's nothing I'd like more than to take this team to a bowl game."

Nebraska, unfortunately, was chosen this weekend to face Arizona State in the Fiesta Bowl.

Stolz will be taking the two players, at least, to Tampa where his opposing coach will be Surg Jorden, head football coach of Auburn University.

Each coach will select two assistant coaches, not necessarily from their own college staff, while other players for the bowl will be selected within the next few weeks by an American Bowl Selection Committee.

Duffy Daugherty, Stolz' predecessor at MSU, coached the American Bowl in 1970 when backs Clifton Hardy, MSU '71, and Donald Highsmith, MSU '70, accompanied him to the bowl.

In all, seven MSU players have played in the American Bowl, all since Daugherty's coaching there. Others have included linebacker Michael Hogan, '71, defensive end Brian McConnell, '73, back Frank

Timmons, '73, and last year's two selections, tackle Jim Taubert and guard Charles Wilson.

The American Bowl is played at Tampa Stadium, which has a capacity of 47,000. The stadium is slated to house Tampa's new professional football team next year.

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"Women's" work? Who wants it? A man did, and claims he was discriminated against when he didn't get it. One page 3.

Worms. Ya can't eat 'em, they're ugly to look at and they squish with a hideous between-the-toes goo when ya step on 'em. What good are they? Find out...On page 12.

weather

Brill! No day to be outside, as wind will keep temperatures in the 20s. Snowfall will diminish to flurries by afternoon. Tonight: occasional snow, with a low of 13 degrees.



Judge releases jailed teachers

NEW HAVEN (AP) — Ninety teachers jailed a week or more for striking illegally were freed Monday after they agreed to end their walkout.

The teachers had to agree to stop their two-week strike and return to work today before Superior Court Judge George A. Saden would release them.

The teachers were jailed Monday and Tuesday of last week after they refused to obey a back-to-work court order.

They were among 800 of the city's 1,200 teachers who walked out Nov. 10 in a contract dispute.

Fromme's case in jury's lap

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme refused to plead her case Monday, and her own attorney later asked the jury to find her guilty of assault against President Ford.

In the unusual request, attorney John Virga asked the jury to reject a conviction on the more serious charge of attempting to assassinate the President, which carries a life sentence, but to convict his client for assault.

After Fromme refused to take the stand, both the defense and prosecution rested their cases and final arguments began.

Ban on drug ads challenged

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Dept. filed suit Monday to force the American Pharmaceutical Assn. to abandon its prohibition against advertising retail prices of prescription drugs.

The civil antitrust suit, filed in U.S. District Court in Grand Rapids, Mich., named the 50,000-member national association and the 3,400-member Michigan State Pharmaceutical Assn. as defendants.

The suit alleges that the two organizations violated a federal antitrust law by conspiring to prohibit their members from advertising prices.

Prison guards freed unharmed

NEW YORK (AP) — Five guards held hostage by rebellious inmates at Rikers Island city prison were freed unharmed Monday after officials agreed to demands for improved conditions at the overcrowded and isolated jail in the East River.

But a group of 100 bleary-eyed, unshaven guards who had been on emergency duty during the 17-hour takeover by inmates with homemade weapons refused to secure the prisoners back in their cells. Instead, the guards walked out of the prison shouting "Strike! Strike!"

Correction Dept. spokesman John Walsh, said, however, that "there are more than enough men on duty for an orderly return of the prisoners."

The uprising by 1,200 inmates awaiting trial, serving short terms or scheduled for transfer to state prisons started Sunday night.

Maryland governor indicted

BALTIMORE (AP) — Marvin Mandel, who succeeded Spiro T. Agnew as governor of Maryland in 1969, was named Monday in a 24-count federal indictment accusing him of engaging in a "corrupt relationship" with five other persons.

Indicted along with Mandel were W. Dale Hess, Harry W. Rodgers III, Irvin Kovens, William A. Rodgers, Harry Rodgers' brother, and Ernest N. Cory Jr., a Laurel, Md., attorney.

Mandel and the others allegedly devised and executed a scheme to defraud state agencies, according to a written statement issued by Jervis S. Finney, the U.S. attorney for Maryland.

Watchers of watchers hired

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The government is hiring more grain watchers to watch the grain watchers following scandalous disclosures in the grain trade.

David R. Gallant, head of the grain division of the Agriculture Dept.'s marketing service, said 25 new supervisors already have been hired and the number of inspectors of the inspectors may reach 200 by next summer.

Grain trade is governed by private inspectors who grade and weigh the commodities under license. However, abuses, including bribes, have been disclosed and the department was called upon by Congress to improve the grain inspection system.

Congress appropriated \$5 million to help finance a cleanup of the grain inspection system while longer range inspection reforms are attempted.



U.S. base agreements reached

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — The United States has agreed to close Korat Air Base and pull out the 4,500 American servicemen and 50 aircraft stationed there by the end of February, the Thai and U.S. military commands announced Monday.

The withdrawal from the base 325 miles north of Bangkok will leave fewer than 7,000 men and 100 aircraft at Utapao Air Base, on the south coast. All American forces are scheduled to be out of Thailand by March 20, but Thai leaders have said they would like the United States to maintain about 300 American military advisers in the country to train Thai military personnel.

Meanwhile, in Manila, a high government official assured the United States of continued use of military bases here even after the Philippines takes title and control of the U.S. installations.

Carey presses for tax hike

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Gov. Hugh Carey pressed the New York state legislature on Monday for approval of \$200 million in New York City tax increases to stave off default by the metropolis.

The tax increases, which various factions of the legislature have repeatedly blocked this past week, are a key element in Carey's plan to save the city from default with the help of the Ford administration.

Carey said he needs the taxes to impress the Ford administration with state efforts to impose fiscal responsibility on the city, and Ford has said he might make a decision on federal aid to the city early this week.

In New York City, thousands crowded into Times Square to demonstrate that they were united in support of the financially troubled city.

"We are here to tell all who are within earshot that this city is tough and determined and that we will not fold up under the economic pressures to which we have been subjected," Mayor Abraham Beame said.

"We are here to say that given the right that every American is entitled to — the right to help themselves — we will keep this city strong and vibrant, and a source of economic strength for the entire nation."

Police estimated that the crowd totaled 10,000. Carey had called for a New Yorkers United Day rally earlier this month after President Ford rejected the city's bid for federal guarantees of municipal bonds to avoid default.

In Albany, Carey promised to take personal responsibility for the wide-ranging tax hikes, which were stalled Saturday by a combination of black and Puerto Rican Democrats and Republican minority leader Perry Duryea.

Carey had hoped to get the tax bills quickly approved by the legislature, but his plans were foiled by fellow Democrats in the legislature who blocked a sales tax increase.

Carey developed a compromise package of new or increased taxes on income, estates, banks, cigarettes and various services. But approval of the compromise was held up when the Black and Puerto Rican Caucus demanded promises of no

cuts in welfare aid and minority representation on the state's Emergency Financial Control Board, which supervises the city's finances.

Carey turned to Duryea, leader of the 62 Republicans in the Assembly, for the necessary votes, but Duryea refused to help.

Carey's plan to avert default would require federal loan guarantees or other assistance of about \$2.5 billion to enable the city to make its "seasonal borrowing" or debt issued by all

governments to keep up a steady cash flow in the face of irregular tax payments.

To refinance the rest of the city's \$7 billion short-term debt, the Carey plan would combine city employee pension fund investments with bank rollovers and a moratorium on payment of holders of \$1.6 billion in city securities. The long-term bonds of the state's Municipal Assistance Corp. in exchange for their short-term notes.



Uncontrolled brush fires raged over the rural northern hillsides of Los Angeles Monday, driving hundreds from their homes and casting a choking, sooty cloud of smoke over the entire metropolitan area.

Officials said at least 40 structures, including expensive homes,

have suffered damage or gone up in flames since the fire started Saturday.

There were no reported deaths. The fire was tentatively blamed on an illegal campfire.

So far, the fire has burned over 25,000 acres.

'U' profs discuss New York default

By KAT BROWN

New York City's financial dilemma will not be alleviated by default, according to three MSU economics and accounting professors who offered their views on and solutions for the problem.

A tuition-free university, rent control, strong labor unions and high welfare payments were cited as some of the major factors contributing to New York's present financial crisis. "The best thing to do is let New York City go bankrupt," said John L. O'Donnell, professor of accounting and financial administration. "Then in those bank proceedings there will be an opportunity to get at the root of the problems."

O'Donnell said one of the side effects of the city's financial woes is that local governments are becoming more cautious about accepting bonds, and the bondholders more "careful" in buying them.

Mixed up budgets
"Legal provisions are needed to safeguard the public, because New York City has clearly been misrepresenting their finances and have mixed up the capital budget with the operating budget," he said. O'Donnell said that the bondholders have to accept some kind of sacrifice, the electorate has to pay higher taxes to provide the additional services they voted for and the labor unions have to either freeze salaries or lower them.

Though the government should help the city financially, O'Donnell said the solution would have to be suitable for any other city or state that may run into the same problems. "Why should we (the taxpayers) work and struggle to let the government bail out New York with our money," he said. "They have to have a painful solution — government help should be absolutely minimal so no other local government follows their example."

Not obligated to pay all bills
If New York City defaults, it would no longer be obligated to pay all of its outstanding bills. A court rule would then be appointed to establish a priority list of those to be paid first.

Milton Taylor, professor of economics, said that he recommends a federal guarantee in order to borrow money, but says that would only be a temporary solution. He takes the "radical" position that the government must attempt to solve unemployment, crime, inflation, alcoholism and other social ills before any permanent solution to the problems can be found.

"Economists come in three varieties. A conservative solution, like President Ford's or William Simon's, is to do nothing about it and let the system settle the problem, or let fate

settle it," Taylor said.

Cure is needed

"The liberal position is to patch things up with various kinds of intergovernmental instruments — federal revenue sharing, conditional grants and loan guarantees," he said. "It's like treating the sickness with medication but not curing the disease."

"The radical solution means changing the basic economic, political and social structures of society that gave rise to New York's problem, because it is symptomatic of the basic problems of our society," Taylor said.

Violence and crime started an exodus of middle and upper middle class population and businesses from the city, and Taylor said this, made New York City a haven for the poor minorities while increasing the city's welfare responsibilities. Thus, the city's expenses went up while the tax base remained the same or decreased.

"I don't think capitalism can deliver what is best for the majority of the people, whether they are black or white, poor or rich," he said. "I'm fed up with class and I want to remove the New Yorks of this country. I want a new society."

Yet another view
Mordechai E. Kreinin, professor of economics, presents that third view, which agrees with the recent congressional subcommittee decision on New York City. He feels that the government should guarantee \$5.6 billion in bonds without tax exemption.

"This guarantee should be offered on very strict conditions that New York would clean up their financial house," he said.

Kreinin said that the city university should be transferred to the state because many of their programs are remedial

For the mouse with good taste

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Any rodent that makes the unfortunate decision to nibble on a mousetrap designed by jeweler Sidney Mobell will at least go out in style.

The mousetrap is made of 14 carat gold and the bait contains diamonds in the shape of a cheese wedge.

It may not be a better mousetrap. But, with the price tag of \$3,000, it certainly is more expensive than most.

"I honestly feel every household should have a solid gold mousetrap," Mobell said Wednesday.

"It works. I'd use it in my own apartment, but I can't stand the sight of blood."

ones that could be handled by primary school teachers.

"If somebody doesn't know how to read and write, you don't need a university to teach them," he said. "That would save the city a fair amount of money."

Ford's position political
Kreinin said that President Ford took his position for political reasons. Ford perceives the public attitude outside of the state as anti-New York.

"I think the test of leadership is to anticipate what the people are going to think after the case, rather than before," he said. "But after New York goes bankrupt, and all those repercussions are felt throughout the country, these people are going to change their minds, though Ford can't."

Moynihan says he will continue as U.S. envoy to United Nations

NEW YORK (AP) — Daniel Patrick Moynihan said on his return from talks with President Ford Monday, "I have, of course, agreed" to stay on as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

Moynihan met with Ford for 40 minutes in Washington, then flew back to New York.

The White House declared after the meeting that Ford has "complete confidence" in Moynihan and that the President and Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger want him to continue speaking out "candidly and forcefully on major issues."

Moynihan's outspoken style had drawn some criticism by diplomats from friendly countries and he was reported on the verge of resigning last Friday.

Newsman in Washington noted that the White House statement made no reference to whether Moynihan would resign or spokesman Ron Nessen replied, "There's nothing in here about his leaving."

After a reporter pointed out that the statement made no reference to his staying either, Nessen said he had no reason to expect a resignation.

Moynihan told reporters before he saw Ford that he would be glad to talk to them afterward, adding that any arrangements for him to brief the press would be made by Nessen.

Asked why Moynihan left the White House without seeing newsmen, Nessen said, "Pat

indicated that he did not prefer to come down here" to the White House briefing room.

Ford and Moynihan conferred alone for 30 minutes, Nessen reported, then were joined by Kissinger for another 10 minutes.

The UN envoy was ready to resign Friday, sources said, but was talked out of an abrupt departure by Kissinger and Ford's staff chief, Richard B. Cheney.

The ambassador reportedly felt that Kissinger and others at the State Dept. were not supporting his outspoken and controversial positions at the UN.

The statement read by Nessen said:

"Both President Ford and Secretary Kissinger expressed their strong support for the effective job Ambassador Moynihan has been doing representing the United States at the United Nations. The President wants it clearly understood that Ambassador Moynihan has his complete confidence."

"The President and Secretary Kissinger encouraged Ambassador Moynihan to continue to speak out candidly and forcefully on major issues coming before the UN."

The statement began by saying that Ford and Moynihan met to "discuss a range of matters involving the United Nations."

When Nessen was pressed to fill in the obvious gap in the statement relating to Moynihan's future plans, he said several times that "this is the statement that the President wanted," and "I can't help you beyond the statement."

He did say, in response to a question, that no letters or other written communications had passed between Moynihan and the President, suggesting

that if Moynihan does plan to resign he has not submitted a letter to that effect.

Nessen also reported the Moynihan concurred in the White House statement that his conference with the President was by mutual desire.

"Both the President and I wanted a chance to get together and talk," Nessen said. Before Moynihan met with Ford, newsmen spotted him strolling around the White House grounds with Leonard Garment, a friend who serves as White House lawyer during President Richard M. Nixon's Administration.

Garment is now representative to the UN Human Rights Commission and serves as counselor to the U.S. delegation to the General Assembly.

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Male key puncher charges discrimination

CHARLEIGH HUTTON
State News Staff Writer

A cloud of employment discrimination now hovers over white male while the female for work under sunny according to Walter.

experienced key punch operator, Gourlay has filed complaints through the Michigan Dept. of Civil Rights against the state Treasury Dept.

and the State Police, both alleging employment discrimination based on his sex.

In a sworn affidavit stating his complaint against the Treasury Dept., Gourlay said that an unfavorable employment recommendation he received from his position as a data coding key punch operator is "an incorrect and malicious reference...causing me to miss out on permanent employment

opportunities."

Gourlay said that this recommendation, coupled with sex discrimination, is the reason he was not hired by the State Police.

He applied for one of four available positions, all of which later went to women with "less qualifications and lower civil service scores than mine."

Gourlay also points out that in the state of Michigan there

are 446 female data coding machine operators and only two males.

Among the points made against Gourlay in the Treasury Dept.'s negative reference were that he has a "weird personality," talked too much and failed to meet the required number of 11,000 key punch strokes per day.

In answer to these allegations, Gourlay said that he

"seriously doubts that all the women hit the required number of strokes."

In response to the claim of excessive talking, he contends that he worked with no one to either side of him and seldom conversed with the women elsewhere in the room because the setup did not encourage it.

In reference to the recommendation, Gourlay said that he felt it was "merely her (the

evaluating supervisor's) way of keeping me out of what has become a women's job classification."

"There were a lot of women who talked a lot more than me," he said. "I believe I was discriminated against because I was a man and for no other reason."

"In most men's jobs there are quotas for men and minorities," Gourlay said, "so it's only fair

that there be quotas to hire men for women's jobs as well."

"Women have all kinds of organizations to go to for help against employment discrimination, but men have nothing. We men should stick together and stick up for our rights. We don't get all the attention that women get."

The Michigan Dept. of Civil Rights is planning an investigation into the number of key

punch strokes hit by the average female data coding machine operator, as well as into the alleged discriminatory employment reference.

Gourlay said that a decision in his favor is inevitable if the facts are considered fairly.

"I was trained as a key punch operator in the service," he said, "but now that I'm out I can't find work because it's considered a woman's job."

Gourlay also said that he is a victim of society's "tendency to go overboard with policies."

STALKING THE TAMARIN MONKEY

Adventures into darkest Brazil

By JAMIE CONROY
State News Staff Writer

Land houses parasites, dragon flies and water has to be boiled and then in order to drink. This is part of the region near Amazon River in Brazil — a that makes the Mississippi like an irrigation ditch. Gary Dawson, assistant of the MSU museum, came back from that fascinated by the diverse plant and wildlife. Dawson, 27, spent 10 days at end of October and beginning of November in a village the Amazon setting between 50 and 57 traps for

Tamarin monkeys that are desperately needed for hepatitis research. Dawson managed to trap eight pairs of the barely one pound monkeys for the National Institute of Health (NIH).

So like a secret agent lusting for adventure, Dawson dropped everything and flew to Brazil. "Whipping down there left me with a lot of loose ends here," he said. "Opportunity costs were high and I lost the momentum of working on my doctorate thesis."

But there he was in Brazil — with a Portuguese interpreter and a worker from Delta Research, which is part of NIH.

"We first had to but supplies and \$200 worth of food," Dawson said. "Soon after we got to the village, though, the Delta Research person was put out of commission — he hit himself in the knee with a machete. And the interpreter wasn't much of a jungle person to begin with, but he started out as a good sport until he fell off a log into a black palm with huge thorns."

Working in the tropics was glamorous for the first week, but then the glamor faded. The work didn't, however.

Dawson, a sturdy, stocky man with light brown hair, was out of his cement house at 6 a.m. every morning, walking

across the mile of cleared land that separates the village from the jungle. Once in the jungle, he would check the traps and watch the behavior of the monkeys. He would walk from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the humidity and heat of the jungle, dressed in long-sleeved shirt and long pants tucked into Brazilian made rubber boots.

Besides the job of catching the Tamarins, Dawson and his two fellow travelers had the "monumental task of finishing 10 cases of beer."

"We didn't make it," he said. "Beer and coke were really the only things safe to drink, though."

As far as their lodgings went, however, Dawson said they lived in the best house in the village — the mayor's guest house.

"It was a screened house with a tower. It even had indoor plumbing, such as it was," he said. "The water wasn't filtered or treated, but it flowed which is something."

A native woman cooked for them and seasoned their diet of mostly beans, rice and fish with barks and herbs.

"We had stewed fish, boiled fish, broiled fish, fried fish," Dawson said. "If you like fish, it's a good place to go."

After writing up his notes there wasn't much else to do except sit around the table and talk and drink beer. Or scotch or gin and tonics.

"A lot of the native people

would come around and ask us for photos," Dawson said. "Native girls about 17 would peek inside the screen and ask to take our pictures."

Some villagers have a lot of Indian blood, but there are also European descendants living in the town of 1500. For a lot of people there the Amazon provides a livelihood from fishing. Over 1600 different species thrive in the river, including sharks and piranhas.

"The Amazon is just phenomenal. At places it is 200 feet deep and five miles across," Dawson said. "But no one goes in it."

But the river is the only way to get to the village and to the Tamarin monkeys living outside it, in the humid, mosquito-infested jungle referred to by city-dwelling Brazilians as "The Green Hell."

SO IF WE GO WITH DAWSON TO THE STATES WE WON'T BE CHASED BY THE BUGS.



Clinic gives career tips

Placement Services will be holding a workshop today to provide information on federal employment.

Lorraine New, college relations officer from the U.S. Civil Service Commission, will supervise the workshop which will feature a film and individualized information on federal civil service opportunities, employment procedures and testing.

New's presentation will include updated announcements on current job possibilities. She will explain the civil service's testing program, called the Professional and Administrative Career Examination (PACE), and indicate which careers require the test and which do not. New will also offer suggestions for government agencies not covered by PACE, special procedures involved with them and answer any questions.

The film to be shown, "What About Me?" consists of interview segments with four recent college graduates presently working for the government. They will discuss their jobs in their own words, without a narrator.

"I've seen the film and I wouldn't say it's propaganda. It may be touched up a little, of course," Tony Rogalski, an assistant director for Placement Services, said.

The workshop will be held at Placement Services in the Student Services Building and will begin at 10:30 a.m. Students are invited to drop in.

What's On Tonight?
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Blacks express dim view of Bicentennial celebration

By NANCY ROBERTS

With America's 200th birthday approaching, many find themselves pouring Log Cabin from a Bicentennial flask over their waffles as they watch Shell's Bicentennial minutes on television. As they sit down to eat, Bicentennial jingles in their pockets.

These flask-collecting Americans black or white? How do black Americans feel about all this fanfare?

"I think it's bullshit," said many of the black who questioned. Others just laughed and tried to voice an opinion.

Those who were willing to comment took a dim view of the Bicentennial.

"I even bother about the fact that America survived 200 years," said Harry Reed, black professor of history at MSU. "There are stories and states that have survived a much longer time and they didn't make a big deal of it. It's part of the American personality to note all that."

Reed said that as far as blacks are concerned, money spent on the Bicentennial promotions

is a waste of time as a social worker. I know blacks can't live on the welfare they get," he said. "People complain about welfare — about how it costs. Yet they don't seem to mind the money of the Bicentennial promotions."

Carl Taylor, asst. to the vice president of student affairs, said that black people have as much to be proud of as anybody else but the Bicentennial is not allowing them to express that.

Many blacks feel that the Bicentennial promotions are geared to the white, middle class and ignore the blacks' contribution to America.

"They depict the positive aspects of America. Injustice is ignored," said Arthur Webb, director of Black Affairs at MSU. "For example, Freedom Train in Detroit had nothing about

slavery as part of our heritage. The train was too commercialized. It was designed to make money."

Reed is disappointed with a Lansing radio broadcast that discusses each state of the union and its' contribution to America. He said that the week the station did Kentucky they talked about Daniel Boone and Abraham Lincoln, but neglected black Americans.

"William Wells Brown and Edward Biggs were both born in Kentucky. They were exciting, black, political activists just before the Civil War. A black person listening to this would think, 'come on, why no blacks?'"

Reed said that Americans, both black and white, contributed to the foundation of this country, but history chose to ignore them.

"Now the Bicentennial plans are well under way and, so far, they have not depicted the black Americans' role," he said. "The planning hasn't been organized enough to include blacks."

Stan Gardner, freshman, 203 Akers Hall, expressed the same opinion.

"So far, the Bicentennial has not focused on the black experience," he said. "Many aspects of America were founded on black work efforts but no enlightenment has been given to our contribution."

Patricia Blackmon, sophomore, 429 Holden Hall, said that all minorities should be included in the Bicentennial promotions.

"Everybody should have the opportunity to take part. Blacks, Indians, Chinese — all minorities."

The attitude of black Americans toward the Bicentennial reminds Reed of an incident in the 1870's.

"Frederick Douglass was asked to give a speech as part of a 4th of July celebration," he said. "Douglass got on the stage and attempted to instill guilt in the minds of the white public. In effect what he said was, 'what is there for black people to celebrate on your 4th of July?'"

No mail

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Postal Service will operate on a holiday schedule on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27, officials announced Saturday.

Free chicken a bum rap! Misprintitis hits Red Barn

There may be no such thing as a free lunch these days, but it seems some people never stop trying to get one. And in this case, you could hardly blame anyone.

An advertisement in Monday's State News announced a "Holiday Special," to "Save time and money this holiday" with a bucket of 21 pieces of Red Barn take-out chicken for \$0.00, a discount from the regular price of \$0.00. A real bargain.

"I just can't believe anyone would take that advertisement

seriously," said Bob Ogg, manager of the Red Barn restaurant, 1010 East Grand River Ave. "But I had a lot of people calling and coming in asking for their free chicken."

Ogg said some people would not believe him when he told them the ad was a misprint.

"This one kid came in expecting free chicken, and seemed really disappointed when I told him that it was a mistake," he said.

The State News Advertising Dept. said the mistake was

either overlooked by their department or the advertising agency for Red Barn. A spokesman explained that Red Barn, a national chain, sends out national advertisements with the price left blank so local franchises can fill in their own prices for specials.

The spokesman also said Red Barn would not be charged for Monday's advertisement. Additional ads will be run Tuesday and Wednesday, hopefully with the correct price of the special, \$6.99.

open thursday and friday nights until nine



Miss J longs for the holidays, so she can wear one of these beautiful bias-weave acrylic skirts, for party-going or giving. soft, wool-look A-line shapes that go so well with your holiday toppings. In 5-13 sizes.

A. Navy-ground plaid, back-wrap styled. \$28

B. Natural-hued ground, with aztec-stripe design. \$30

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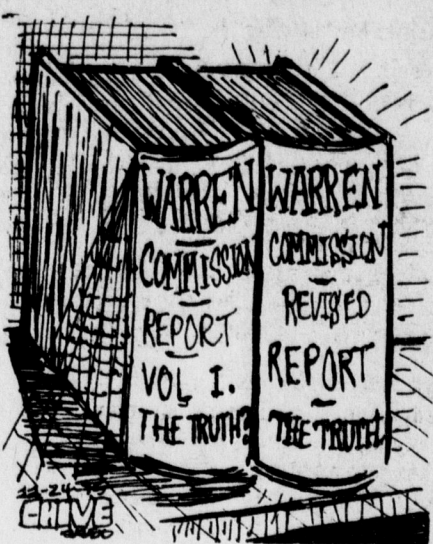
In recent years, the public has been confronted with a number of people claiming to possess the truth about the assassination of John Kennedy — a truth directly contrary to the findings of the Warren Commission.

At first, one was likely to cast aspersions on the intelligence of such people, or search for the fog which surrounded their perception.

However, recent history has been filled with revelations of cover-ups and CIA conspiracies. These reports have caused a second look at the views of those who propose the conspiracy theory as an answer to the events in Dallas.

Adding to, or perhaps the result of, the doubts in the public mind, David Belin — a counsel to the Warren Commission and the Rockefeller investigation of the CIA — has called for a reopening of the findings of the Warren Commission.

Hoping that Congress will investigate the matter, Belin believes an open investigation would vindicate the commission and "greatly contribute toward a rebirth of confidence and trust in



government."

Only a short time ago, it would have been inconceivable that a government investigation would hide from the American public a conspiracy to assassinate a president.

But these are strange times in our country, and people who have advocated this position present a strong case to a doubting public.

The allegations of cover-up and conspiracy are too strong to let them gnaw at the fiber of our political structure without investigating their validity.

If they are true, they must be admitted and exposed; if they are false, they must be refuted beyond all doubt.

Only a thorough investigation will clear the stuffy air which surrounds the tragedy in Dallas, and silence the nagging doubts of a suspicious public.

WJIM hearing may produce public good

WJIM-TV owner Harold Gross, a controversial Lansing figure, is fighting, well, not for his life — but for his station.

The fight, whose first round ended last week, is before a Federal Communications Commission hearing. Gross' principal opponent is the heavyweight American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).

The ACLU contends, among other charges, that WJIM-TV:

- Blacked out city and University personalities from the news.

- Carried inadequate amounts of public service programming.

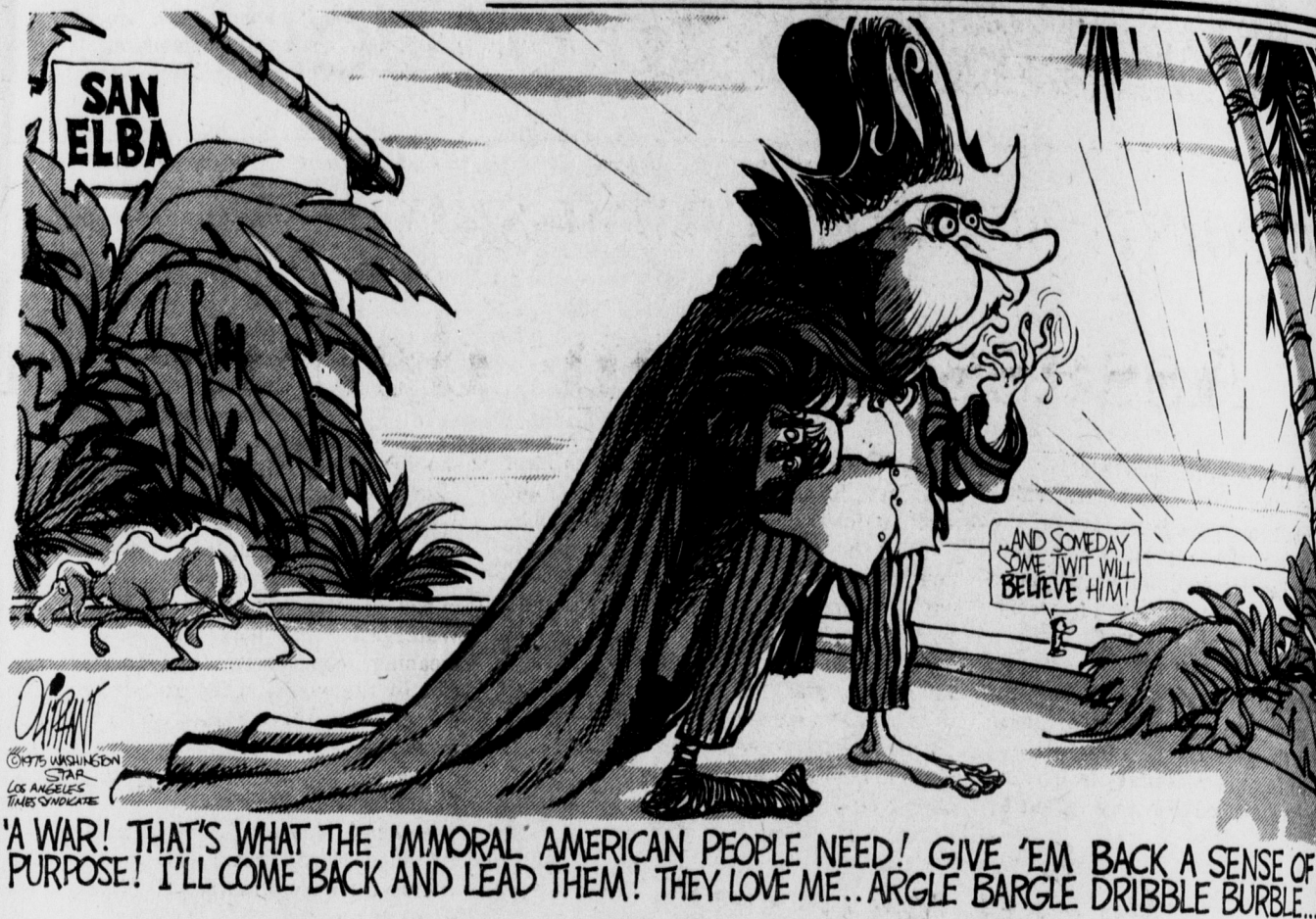
- Cut national advertising, substituted local advertising and charged for both.

- Showed weather reports late without informing the public of their lateness.

No determination has yet been made of the validity of the specific charges, though many responsible observers have been critical of WJIM-TV for years.

Unlike newspapers, broadcast media are responsible by law to the public interest. If a station were to commit the actions WJIM-TV is accused of, the license would be revoked.

Perhaps a better way of allocating airwaves can be found and perhaps the hearings process is unreasonably long, but in the meantime, station owners like Harold Gross should be held accountable to the citizenry.



Kissinger's back now against wall



Mary McGrory

Henry Kissinger, peerless negotiator and "lonesome cowboy," had maybe better ride up to Capitol Hill and do a little horse-trading for himself.

The vote by the House Select Committee on Intelligence, citing him for contempt for ignoring subpoenas for National Security Council documents, could be a rather sticky thing.

His reflex translation of personal embarrassment into national trauma — he saw it as evidence of "what this country is doing to itself" — may not suffice. Nor will his placing of the blame on Gerald Ford. Everybody knows who pulls the strings.

The evocation of "executive privilege" is futile. Republicans who spent two years at that Watergate shrine do not wish a return visit.

The problem for the secretary of state is that something more than his wonted compulsive secrecy is involved. This substance of the withheld documents relates to the major and crucial matter of reported Soviet violations of SALT I agreements. They also expose the anatomy of President Ford's recent shrouded shakeup exercise.

It was not, it appears, the lack of "elegance" that the secretary accused himself and former Defense Secretary James R. Schlesinger of displaying in their

Cabinet clashes. What was involved was a head-on collision over detente.

This is a unifying issue. The left condemns executive secrecy out of hand. The right generally applauds it, but not in the case of Soviet cheating. Since the Solzhenitsyn snub, they have been bristling with suspicion that Gerald Ford would do anything for detente. The issue is drawn for them in the contempt citation.

It was, in any case, no secret that Schlesinger was dubious about Soviet intentions and Soviet compliance. His doubts were echoed by such high-level doubters as Paul Nitze, Melvin R. Laird and Adm. Elmo Zumwalt, who will be called as a witness by the House Select Committee on Intelligence.

A letter Schlesinger cannot recall writing which specifies the violations has turned up missing in National Security Council files. Schlesinger may have been looking for and exaggerating Soviet violations, but Kissinger's alleged refusal even to consider them is a matter of concern for all citizens at the outset of SALT II negotiations.

The State Dept. over the weekend unleashed a "rolling thunder" barrage of outrage, calculated to push the House back into its customary fear and awe of the secretary. But their answers were technical

and off the mark.

The subpoenas were addressed to the wrong person, according to William Hyland, head of the State Dept.'s intelligence and research bureau. They should have been sent to the new post-shakeup NSC adviser, Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft.

Chairman Otis Pike of New York — under whose gavel the subpoenas were served or when the contempt was voted, and is, in point of fact, not now the officially sworn NSC adviser.

Hyland, in any case, may have been the wrong person to make the claim, since he is Kissinger's hand-picked successor as Scowcroft's deputy.

His cry that Kissinger should have been spared such indignity as such a critical hour — during the European economic summit, on the eve of the China visit — left Pike unmoved, too.

"I heard he was about to go somewhere, and if we could find a moment when he wasn't going somewhere, that would be a different thing," he remarked sardonically.

The committee action has been received calmly by his colleagues. It could be that the House was conditioned by a previous defiance, a subcommittee vote to hold Commerce Secretary Rogers Morton in contempt for failing to come up with an

Arab boycott list. Or it could be that Congress now regards Gerald Ford as weak and wounded. Whatever the reason, Pike not being shunned as the author of a sacrilege.

"People still speak to me on the elevator," he reported.

The full House vote will not be taken until after the Thanksgiving recess, during which members will have a chance to assess the consequences of taking on the "most admired American."

"What it's all about," says Pike, "Kissinger's need for secrecy against us right to know — unless you want to take the position that Congress is a useless appendage that can't be trusted and should not be told anything at all."

"On the question of compliance to the SALT agreements, we are dealing with the question of whether intelligence is in fact adjusted to major policy decisions which have already been made."

"Nobody," he insists, "wants to put Henry Kissinger or Rogers Morton in jail for their 10 cents. We just sort of think that in the job of running America, it is unhealthy for Congress to be kept in the dark — uninformed at best and misinformed at worst."

The Washington Star



Lack of concern

I am appalled at the seemingly total lack of concern shown by the editors and staff of the State News as well as the general student body on campus. What I am referring to is the absence of any article concerning the recent Bicentennial Symposium held on campus.

This coming year, 1976, is supposed to be the year of reckoning for the American people. The press is a vehicle in which propaganda of all sorts is brought before the public's eye. Obviously, the staff feels that the topic of "find a fuck" (note 5 or more articles concerning computer dating), is more relevant to the typical MSU student's mentality than the subject of who is controlling your very lives, government, etc.

The committee in charge of the three-day symposium took great pains to find excellent speakers on the subject, ranging from assassinsologists Mark Lane and Donald Freed, to freedom speakers Regina Dixon (AIM) and David Dubois (former black panther and eminent author and orator on black rights), among others. I feel that, though it was not earth-shattering news, it should have received more coverage and space than was given (or brought through advertising).

Furthermore, I am disgusted by the apathy running rampant on this campus. When smaller universities like Purdue and U-M can draw thousands of people each night to a similar symposium, and MSU with at least double the population of both can not draw more than a couple hundred a night, then I say something is wrong.

When government, CIA, FBI, corporations, etc. as infinitum completely overrun our lives, disregard our sacred constitutional

rights, you begin to ask, "how — how did this happen." I will simply answer "Stick it up your ass." It was already offered to your ears, hearts and minds.

Michael Jay Crane
218 Clifford St., Lansing
A total of four articles concerning the symposium appeared in the State News. — Ed.

Hoax admitted

I must say that I am quite flattered by the response my letter of Nov. 6 has received. I am also happy to say that my letter was able to arouse such interest, so much so as to warrant four replies. However, it is apparent to me that there still exists a great abundance of confusion concerning my letter. I would like to take this time now to clear it up, beginning with two general points.

First, all of the respondents are of the opinion that the views and arguments expressed in my letter are, to put it mildly, absurd. I agree one hundred per cent. Second, and as a consequence of the first, the respondents also seem to think I am a close-minded reactionary who blindly takes at face value anything the government says and does. To this I disagree — emphatically!

Having probably added more to the confusion I will now deal with specifics. First, the letter I wrote, which incidentally was submitted personally to their editorial office on Oct. 30, is not an expression of my own views and opinions. Second, my purpose in writing it was merely as an attempt to generate some interest and controversy in the Bicentennial Dilemma Symposium. Having been one of the

organizers of the Symposium, I was well aware of the State News' refusal to give our politically-relevant presentation any more coverage than they did. It seemed to me and to the others in our group that the best way to let people know of the Symposium, besides the use of posters and ads, would be to write a letter urging people not to go to it.

Unfortunately for us and the students of MSU, the State News chose to hold on to my letter for a week and then print it, conveniently after the Symposium was concluded. Before any indignant State News editorialists attempt to rebut this statement, I would like to add an interesting observation. Last Thursday, Nov. 13, I phoned the State News' editorial office and inquired as to how long it would take a letter submitted on that same day to be printed in the paper. I was assured that the letter would be in the paper the following Monday, five days after its submission and that it would take this long because of the weekend.

Remember, my letter took seven days to make the paper. To the gentleman who asked me why I urged people to boycott the Symposium after it had ended, that is my reason. I am of the opinion that my letter may have been deliberately withheld by the State News for reasons best known to themselves. I leave it up to you to formulate your own opinion.

At any rate, my only regret concerning my now infamous letter is NOT, I repeat, NOT that I wrote it, but that it was not printed any earlier than it was. For this I thank the State News. Oh, incidentally, keep the letters coming in.

Richard W. Mancino
620 North Wonders Hall

Mr. Mancino's letter was originally sent to the printer to be published the Tuesday of the symposium (election day). The day before, a candidate for city council formally requested space to rebut what he considered inaccurate slurs made against him in a Monday letter.

It was my judgement that information potentially useful to voters going to the polls that day should take precedence over

an admittedly "absurd" (Mr. Mancino's word) letter. Nevertheless, I apologize to Mr. Mancino for delaying the perpetration of his fraud. — Ed.

Folk dancing

I was disgusted by your music critic's supercilious attitude toward the Ozark folk performers.

It seemed to me to be a delightful breath of fresh air without the usual Madison Avenue show business gimmicks.

The people were completely natural — what would be found in any community — fat, thin, old, young, slow, fast, outgoing, shy, just themselves.

Every folk festival does not have to have square dancing. In fact there have been some communities where religious people frown on square dancing as well as social dancing.

The master of ceremonies showed his former teaching experience by informing the audience about much of the material presented. Many probably needed it.

If the enthusiasm of the large audience was any indication, then the program was a big success.

Perhaps you music critics should stick to Bach next time!

Edna Brookover
930 Huntington Road

Really, Ms. Tien

Really, Joseyenne Slade Tien! It's easy to see that you're an ATL professor. The way you use words reminds me of the famous quotation from Humpty Dumpty in "Alice in Wonderland": "The question is, which is to be master, that's all!" You're determined to be master — or perhaps I should more properly say "mistress" of Chinese studies and discussion at MSU and woe unto anyone who would approach the subject without a full genuflection in the direction

of Communist China.

What's wrong with having a series of programs devoted to Taiwan — or Tibet — or any other place? The question in an academic institution is one of content. As frankly, as far as I could see, there was nothing one-sided or propagandistic about the Taiwan symposium. Every point of view imaginable was included in the panel discussion and, as Professor William pointed out, the PRC was invited to send representatives and refused to do so. But its point of view was presented by Chinese professor from Wayne State University. So what are you kicking about?

Does the "fact," as you put it, that the PRC and the U.S. representatives who met at Shanghai agreed on the future of Taiwan (they didn't, by the way) mean that we commoners may not discuss the issue any more? It seems to me that this is what is called "democratic centralism" in the lexicon of Communist euphemisms. When the bosses decide, the little guys shut up and accept their dictum. Is that what you believe?

You say you believe in the principles of academic freedom. All right. We'll wait and see what your course on "American Images of China" next term contains. Presumably in tribute to those principles, you'll present a fair and objective treatment of the subject. Or will you, Mrs. Tien?

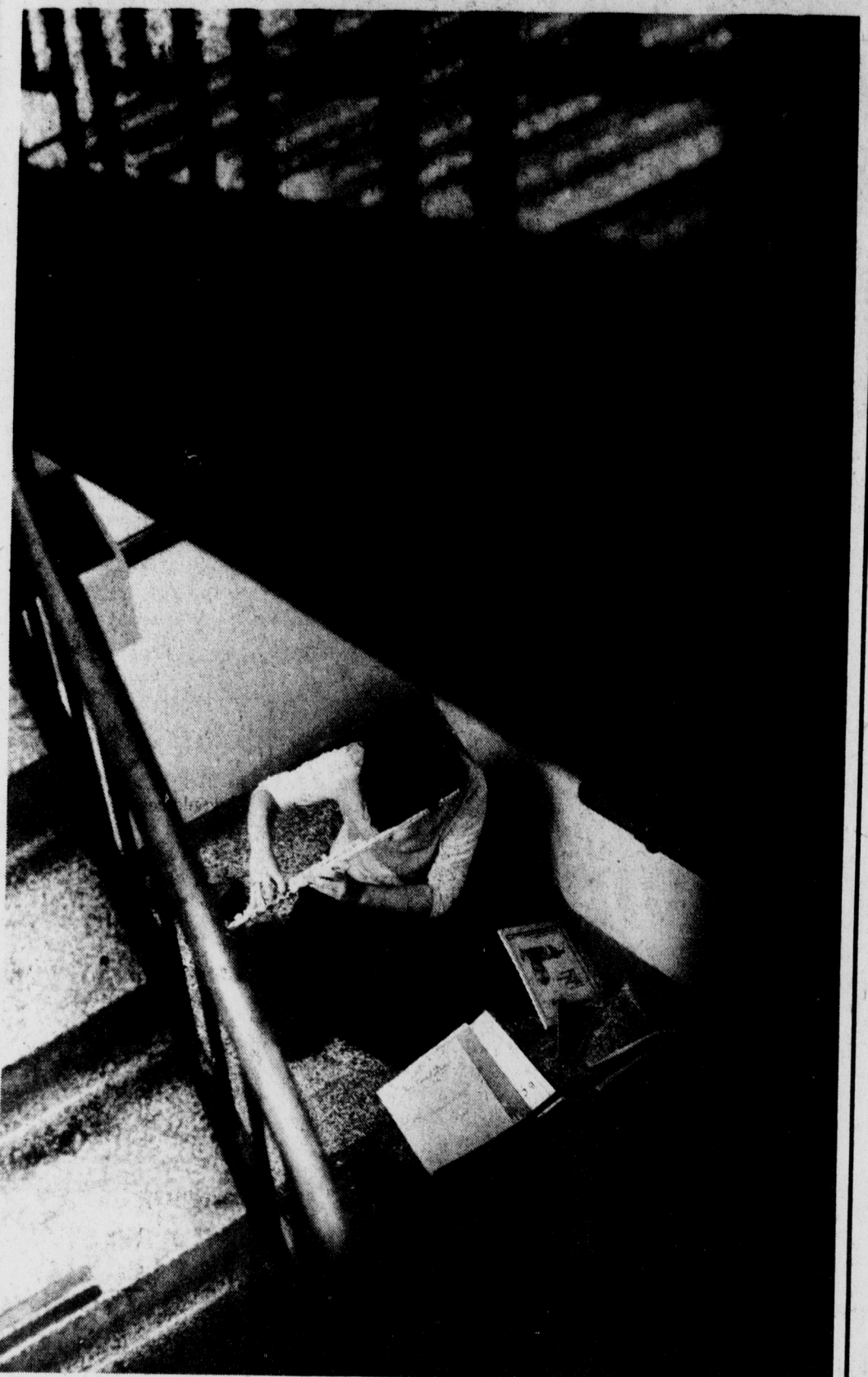
Darlene M. Briggs
422 S. Case Hall

Thanks for edit

Thanks for your editorial today (Nov. 10) "Mail ballots bad solution." As you suggest, it's a sorry commentary upon profs, whose minds are supposed to be open to new evidence, that they put so little value upon the possibility that they might learn something from hearing discussion before they vote.

Once again, you and your colleagues on the edit board of the State News show more sense than many of your elders with Ph.D.'s.

"Lash" Larwood
Professor of Economics



Stairwells are a flautists' secret. An appreciative audience, space for a sound to bloom, and for Kathy Koucky, a chance to be alone with music.

'Mahogany's' style proves wooden

By IRA ELLIOTT
State News Reviewer

"Mahogany" is a wonderful fashion show but not much of a movie. Diana Ross, who stars in the title role, designed the clothes for this, her second film, and most of the fashions are stunning, a feast for the eyes. Ross has said that she is excited about designing the wardrobes and about her dramatic role (in her previous film, "Lady Sings the Blues" she played blues great Billie Holiday). But there's really not much to be excited about because there's very little role and even less drama.

"Mahogany" is the story of Tracy, an ambitious young secretary from a black ghetto on Chicago's South Side. She falls in love with a socially-conscious lawyer-politician named Brian Walker (played by Billy Dee Williams) but leaves him to pursue a modeling career in Rome with a world-renowned photographer named Sean (Anthony Perkins).

When alderman elections in Chicago are over and Brian is defeated, he returns to Tracy, renamed Mahogany, in Rome, only to find her and her world a pretentious, glittering sham. Disgusted and self-righteous, he zips right back to Chicago.

When Mahogany finally gets to designing her own clothes, rather than modeling the designs of others, she realizes that, as Brian said, "Success isn't anything without someone you love to share it with." How profound.

She returns to him in a trite, compromising closing scene, promising to love, cherish and serve in his campaign (now for Congress) and in his life.

As you can see, this plot is about as fresh as last decade's career girl movies. It is merely a Doris Day film thinly disguised and updated for the 70s.

The working girl meets corruption, comes to the realization that everything that glitters isn't mahogany and returns to her man (how could a woman make it on her own?), seeing that he was right all along.

As Barry Gordy directs us down this stale course outlined by scriptwriter John Byrum, from a story by Toni Amber, certain questions come to mind.

Why isn't Diana Ross allowed to sing? Or even act? And why don't the characters make sense or seem real? Why was this movie made?

We know no more about Mahogany when the movie ends than when it begins. The character was weak in the script and neither Gordy nor Ross have enough dramatic

insight to bring improvement upon it. The relationship between Mahogany and Brian doesn't mean anything to the audience because viewers don't know them well enough to care and are not shown why they care about each other. After they meet in an oh-so-cute scene, they go to lunch and the next thing we know they're in

love. The other relationships are equally vague and out of whack, particularly the one with the photographer Sean, a stereotypical cropper-hair "artist." We find out he is a homosexual, or at least impotent, but it doesn't effect the movie because it doesn't seem to have any effect on Mahogany. Gordy

doesn't know how to link the "dramatic," "serious" parts of the movie with the Diana Ross fashion show.

But what is really frustrating about this movie is that Diana Ross is not allowed to do anything. She sings the main theme, her newest hit composed by Michael Musser, "Theme from Mahogany," but she has

no real acting, save smiling and crying, and no real singing, save the theme.

Without Diana Ross, "Mahogany" would have been an average, botched movie. With her as star, but not allowed to do anything, it is an infuriating experience. It now at the Spartan Theaters.

Young actors given chance to test wings

By ED ZDROJEWSKI
State News Reviewer

It is five minutes to curtain time. The 16-year-old actor, bedecked in costume and plastered in makeup, waits in the wings, shivering with terror. Will he forget his lines? Will the stage collapse? Will his pants fall down?

The curtain rises. The play begins. Almost hesitantly, the actor makes his entrance and begins reciting his lines. Gradually he forgets his stage fright and starts enjoying himself. By the end of the play, he is having the time of his life and is carried to the heights of ecstasy by waves of applause from the audience.

The Young Adult Theater (YAT) of Lansing provides such experiences for young people throughout the Lansing area.

"Our main purpose is to teach kids theater by doing theater," said Cristel Kenney, president of YAT. The group provides educational experiences for interested young people by putting on plays, directed by college-aged people.

YAT was started this summer as an outgrowth of the Lansing Civic Players. "The idea was originally to get more young people to come to Lansing Civic Players produc-

tions," Kenney said. The idea grew into getting more young people involved in theater.

The Lansing Civic Players is primarily an adult theater group and they also have a children's theater, Kenney said. "We wanted to provide a chance for junior high and high school students to get involved with area theater."

The YAT's first production, "The Hobbit," debuted recently at Partington Auditorium in West Junior High School in Lansing. "It was a great success for a first production," Kenney said. "We made \$850. We would have been happy to break even."

"We tried to build a show from literally nothing," Kenney said. "The Civic Players lent us the use of their facilities. We got some donations from area companies. We had no budget."

What's On Tonight?
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Monty Python and the Holy Grail
FROM CINEMA 5
Fri., Sat.: 7:15, 9:00
Mon. - Thurs.: 8:30
Sun.: 3:30, 5:05, 6:45, 8:30

Mahogany
MON. - THURS.: 8:00
FRI., SAT.: 7:30, 9:30
SUNDAY: 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00

Area theater groups thriving

The three community theater groups in the Lansing area provide mid-Michigan audiences with a multifaceted entertainment package.

Probably the finest company in mid-Michigan is The Community Circle Players which operates at the Okemos Barn Theatre. An extremely talented and versatile group, the company recently presented a glittering production of the long-running "Godspell."

The company's next production will be "Harvey," to be presented December 4, 5, 6 and 7. "Harvey" will be followed by "The Crucible" in February. Scheduled for the Spring is "Bus Stop."

The Lansing Civic Players, who promote current suc-

ses, will present a production of George Furth's "Twigs" December 5, 6, 12 and 13. Later in the year will be the musical "Applause," and Neil Simon's "The Sunshine Boys."

Last but certainly not least are the Boarshead Players formerly of Grand Ledge, who have moved productions to downtown Lansing. Unfortunately, at the time this article went to press, dates and particulars were not available.

If all comes to fruition for the Boarshead Players, there should be a glittering cachet of opening nights in the near future, beginning with "Canterbury Tales," "Savages" by

Christopher Hampton, the comedy "Born Yesterday," the Pulitzer Prize winner, "That Championship Season," George Bernard Shaw's "Misalliance," "Slow Dance on the Killing Ground" and the recent Broadway hit, "The Hot L Baltimore."

As Barry Gordy directs us down this stale course outlined by scriptwriter John Byrum, from a story by Toni Amber, certain questions come to mind.

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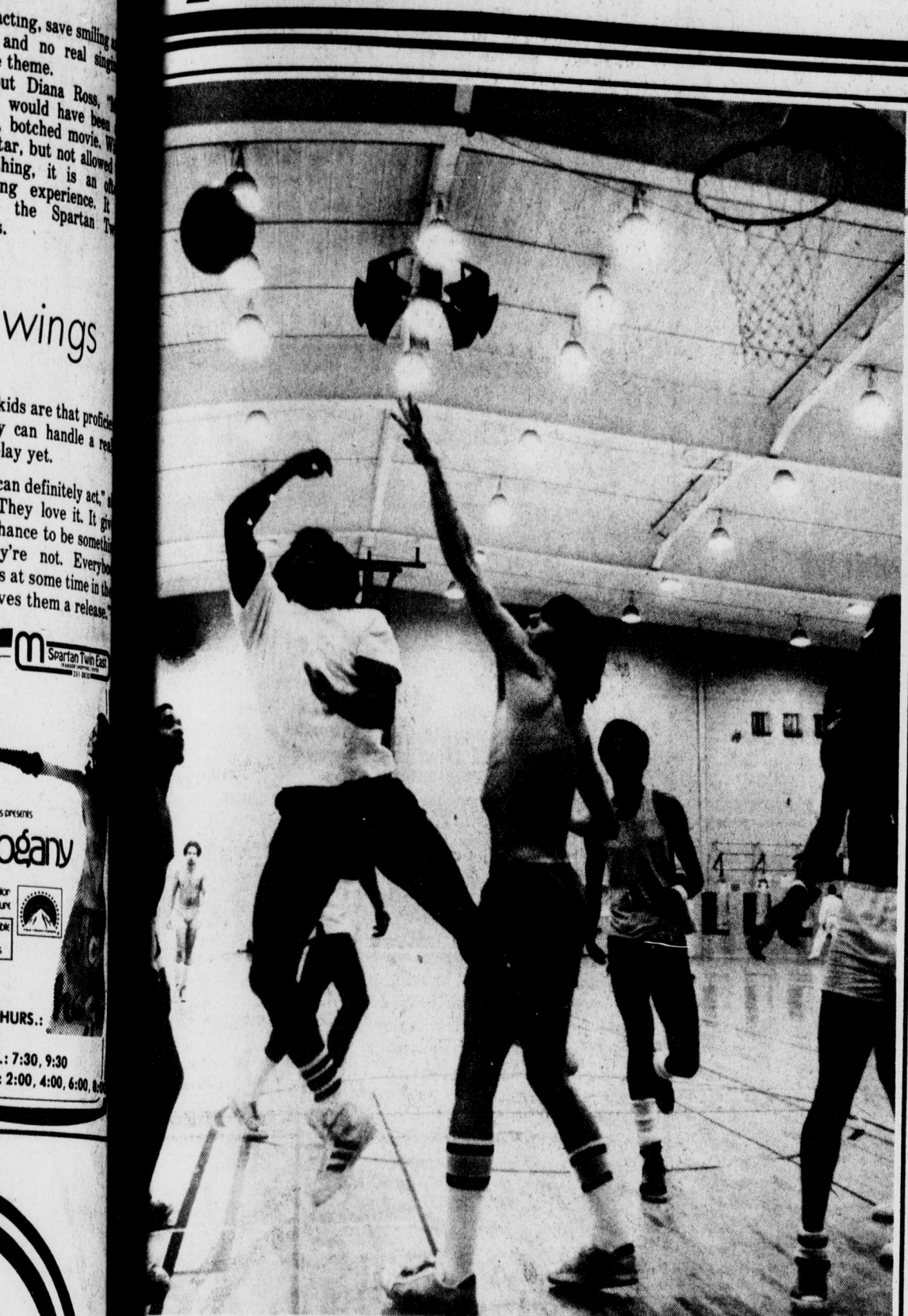
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55-45, while McDonel defeated Dubbard, 69-59. The BUF League, in its fifth year, had 27 teams competing in the independent and dorm divisions.

SN photo/Dan Shurt

Spikers miss taking regionals

By ANN WILLIAMSON
State News Sports Writer
Everything didn't come up roses last weekend for the MSU women's volleyball team at the Midwest Assn. of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (MAIAW) Regional Championships at the University of Dayton.

The Spartans entered the Regionals with a 33-1 record, the Big Ten and the state titles, but were forced to settle for a

third-place finish at Dayton, trailing champion Chicago Circle and Mt. St. Joseph College. The volleyball action began with pool play, and MSU was off to a flying start with wins over last year's Regional champions, Cleveland State, 15-5, 15-0, Purdue, 15-6, 15-8, and Shepherd College, 15-0, 15-5.

"I thought we did a real nice job in the pool games," coach Annelies Knoppers said. "We did our usual job, as you can

tell by our scores, like the two 15-0 games. We had played these teams before and I was afraid we might let up with them a little, but we didn't do that at all."

The Spartans then advanced to the quarter-finals, keeping their streak alive with a 15-3, 12-9 win over the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

But it was the semi-finals action that finally got the better of the Spartans, as a

tough Mt. St. Joseph team knocked off MSU, 11-9, 6-15, 9-13. The loss was only the Spartans' second defeat this season, with the other loss coming from Chicago Circle.

"We were relaxing a little bit in the second game of the quarter-finals, and did it again in the semi-finals, which let Mt. St. Joseph catch us off our guard," Knoppers said. "I think maybe we were feeling the pressure a little bit in the third game of the semi-finals, knowing that if we could win that final game, we'd be going to the Nationals. Mt. St. Joseph was hitting in our middle section of the court, and we haven't played against many teams that have done that. They caught our defense off guard."

To insure the third-place position, that Spartans had to compete against Northeastern Illinois, but had no trouble in the final match of the weekend, winning 14-12, 12-8.

"When we played Northeastern, we had just finished playing Mt. St. Joseph, so we didn't have much time to recover," Knoppers said. "I thought we did a real good job at coming back considering that."

Despite the fact that the Spartans were unable to win

the Regionals, all hope is not lost for MSU because the Spartans might be invited to compete in the AIAW Championships December 11 through 13. The Nationals invites 24 teams to participate in the contest, with 18 regional champions automatically qualified and six other teams from around the country selected to fill out the remaining positions.

Considering MSU's very strong record, the Big Ten crown and the state title, the Spartans are definitely one of the teams standing a good chance to make it to the Nationals via an invitation.

"I would really like to see us go—I think we're a good team and should be playing at the national level. But I don't have the final say on who goes, either," Knoppers said with a laugh.

Boos greet Marcel Dionne, Polonich holds him shotless

DETROIT (UPI) — Whenever he heard the boos, Dennis Polonich knew it was time to go back out on the ice.

The booing meant just one thing — Marcel Dionne was back on for another shift and it was time to do some hounding. The pesty Polonich did his job well, helping hold Dionne without a shot on goal, and even scored a goal himself Sunday night to help the Detroit Red Wings register a 4-1 victory over the Los Angeles Kings.

Walt McKechnie also got two goals, his 10th and 11th of the season, in the Red Wings' first win over the Kings since Jan. 12, 1974, a span of eight games.

Dionne was the target of the Detroit players and fans all night long, both remembering things the mercurial center said before he left the Red Wings at the end of last season.

He said there were only three or four players on the club capable of playing National League hockey, naming him-

self, Nick Libett and Mickey Redmond at the time. He also hated living in Detroit — and said so.

So a bad reception wasn't unexpected — and he got it. The boos exploded like an egg on the ice when Dionne came out with the Kings for a pregame skate and then during warmups just before the National Anthem.

Every time Dionne stepped on the ice throughout the game there were boos and at least four uncomplimentary banners hung from the balcony edges

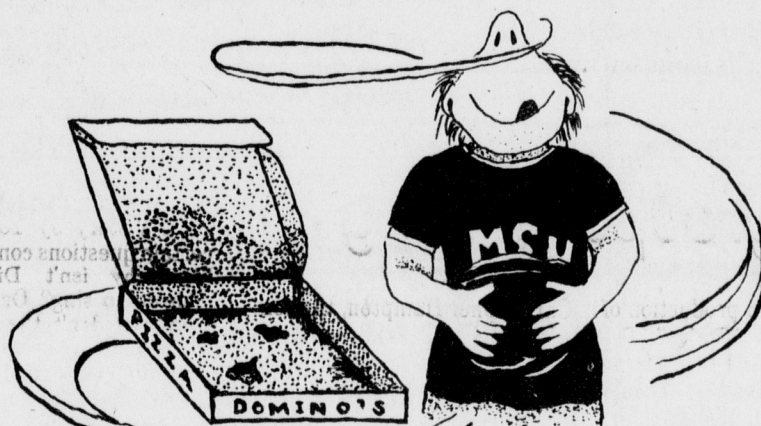
around Olympia Stadium.

"I understand their feelings," Coach Bob Pulford of Los Angeles said. "I know how they can feel like they do towards him, but I didn't expect anything like that."

"I don't know what happened over here but I can't understand the fans treating a player of his caliber like that," Pulford said.

In other NHL games, Boston and Toronto tied 3-3, Buffalo beat Kansas City 6-2, and New York's Rangers nipped California 3-2.

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MSU invitational goes over big

By ANN WILLIAMSON
State News Sports Writer

Coming from the enthusiasm of the crowd Thursday night, the MSU women's swim team was competing in the finals.

Nobody seemed bothered by the fact that there wasn't any scoring at the MSU Invitational Relay Meet either. Coach Parks commented before the meet that all six teams competing in the evening festivities were just planning on having fun, which is exactly what everyone did.

Expected, a strong Oakland team gave the Spartans the most competition of the evening, winning top honors in the 400 yard, the 300 butterfly relay, the 400 freestyle relay and the medley relay.

Between the two MSU teams, the "green" and the "white," Spartans edged out the Oakland squad in first place finishes, six of the 12 events, including both diving competitions, and placed in eight events.

U's Marilyn Medendorp, Becky Brevitz, Bobbi Fiedler and Kolon won the honors in the 400 breaststroke relay with a time of 5:15.3; Debbie Jacobs, Libby Cutler, Becky Hastings and Alden took the ladder freestyle relay event with a clocking of 4:45.3; Dottie Roberts, Fiedler, Marilyn Early and Cindy Knock took the 300 backstroke relay with a time of 3:28.7, while Jacobs, Early and Hastings took the 800 yard freestyle relay with a time of 8:45.3.

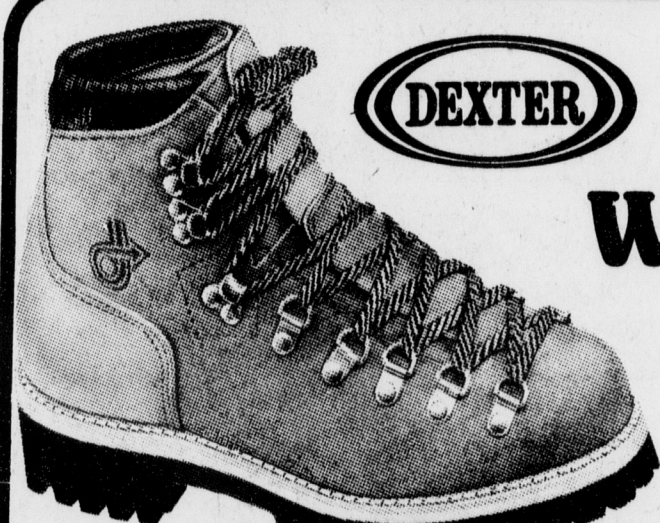
Winning both diving events for MSU were Karen Waite and Edwards on the one meter board with 136.95 points, while coach Jane Manchester and Betsy Jenkins grabbed the meter diving crown with 162.6 points.

Most of the performances were better than they were last

week, but we still need a lot of swimming and a lot of yards yet," Parks said. "We were a little tight tonight — some people need to smooth out a little, but I think that will come with even longer swimming than we're doing now."

The next contest for the Spartans will come in Pennsylvania when MSU battles several Eastern teams at the University of Pittsburgh Relays Dec. 6.

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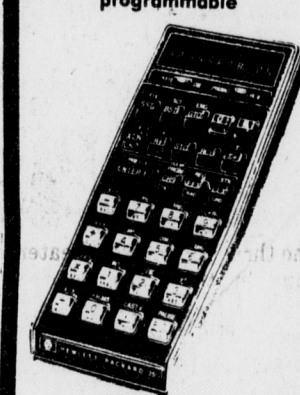
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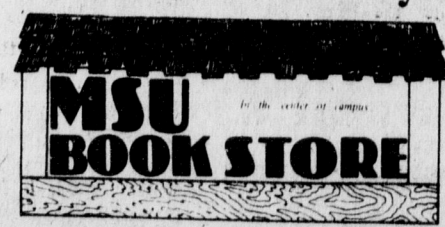
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Local group offers pets at low prices

By GREG LOEWENTHAL
East Lansing area residents interested in purchasing a pet dog or cat do not have to spend \$75 to \$300 at a pet shop.

The Lansing Humane Society, 1713 Sunset Ave., has 40 or 50 dogs and cats that can be adopted for a small fee.

Jim Garner, manager of the society, explained that when an individual leaves a pet for adoption, the charge is \$4 for a dog and \$3 for a cat. When the animal is adopted, the charge to the new owner is \$5 and up for dogs and \$3 and up for cats.

These fees are actually donations requested by the society. The Humane Society receives no support from any government agency. The non-profit organization receives its funds from fees charged and donations from the 1,000 regular Humane Society members.

The fees contribute \$20,000 toward the total annual operating costs of \$50,000 while donations are relied on to provide the remaining \$30,000. Garner said that there are approximately 10 cats and dogs born for every human born in

the United States. This provides some indication of the number of unwanted animals that are euthanized through Humane Society shelters throughout the country.

"We keep an animal here as long as we have room for it," Garner said. "The longest we have had an animal was 18 months."

When there is no longer room for an animal, due to overcrowding, the animal is euthanized.

Garner said that the majority of people who adopt pets are young families and young couples.

Bruce Howe, 23, of East Lansing, recently adopted a purebred Siberian husky from the society. He paid \$5 for the year-old male and received an American Kennel Club paper from the former owner.

Since the husky has been home and his own yard, Howe said, he has been a well-behaved, affectionate dog. While few of the dogs at Humane Society are purebred, they are all pets whose chance for survival is to be adopted by someone who can

Cut in taxes awaits action

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end up as increases," he said. Dennis Muchmore, legislative aide to SB 622's primary sponsor, Sen. John Bowman, D-Roseville, said the bill will not necessarily raise millage rates.

"But it will reduce taxes by eliminating real estate charges, which aren't a measure of a home's value," he said. "Right now, some people are being taxed right out of their houses."

A spokesman for Rep. Claude Trim, D-Davisburg, said HB 4485 was introduced to make tax bills more equitable.

"The bill would especially aid senior citizens," the spokesman said.

However, Dunn said that things must be considered tax bills.

"Assessments and budgets are the key issues," he said. "You still have to meet the budget if you reduce the amount taken in through assessment (property) taxes."

The East Lansing City Council agrees with the evaluation of the bills' impact and unanimously passed a resolution against them at week's council meeting.

The Lansing City Council was reported Monday to planning to adopt a similar resolution at its Monday session.

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In the vocational skills building, students learn how to do woodwork and repair small machines, working on such things as lawnmowers.

Skills are developed in touch, as some students have learned how to assemble the complex machines that sighted persons could not together.

The famous myth that blind people are musicians simply not so according to Hetherington, who said while there are many blind musicians, not all Stevie Wonders (who, for the of you who have not yet heard, attended the school).

"While our main objective to give these kids an education they should also develop independence and confidence," Hetherington.

In addition to teaching students how to help themselves, Hetherington added that education should make them aware of when to accept help and when not to.

"Students here become aware of what they can do," Hetherington said. "You know," Hetherington said, "we've had a lot of students go on to be lawyers and judges."

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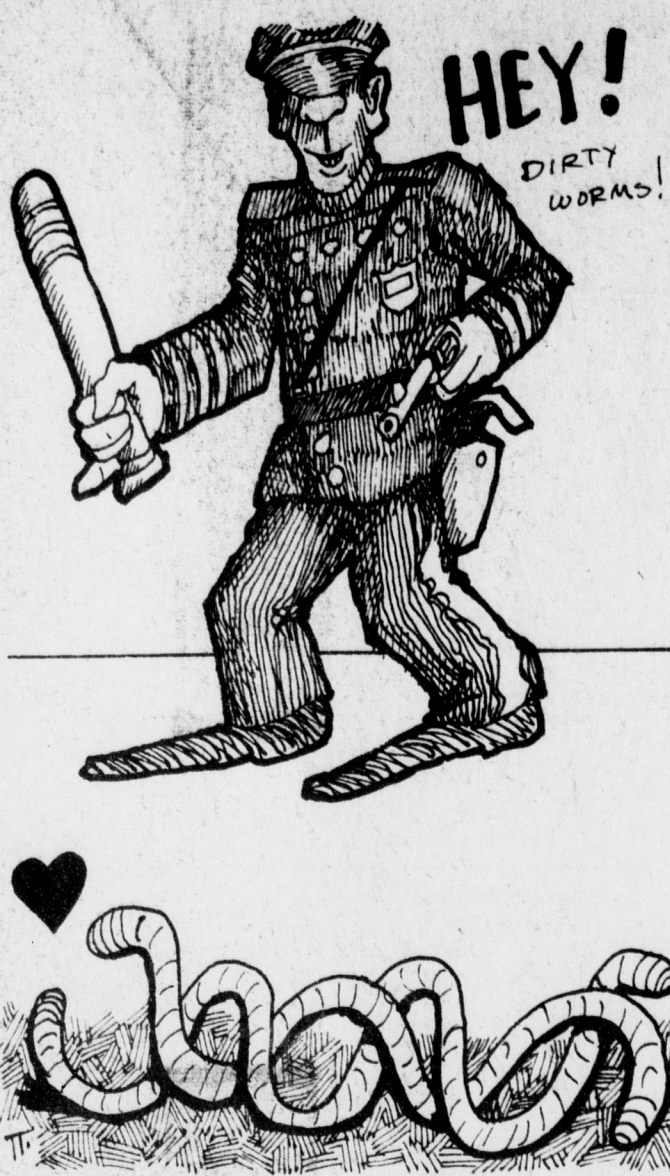
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Winter stifles mating act of...

Hermaphroditic bilateral invertebrates!

By CAROLYN FESSLER
State News Staff Writer

On a warm spring night, under a blanket of moist soil, they can be found performing what is probably the only pleasurable act in a dirt-eating existence.

The copulation method of the earthworm is as unique as the other aspects of its lifestyle, yet worms are often merely regarded as gooey creatures that wriggle on a fishhook or squash underfoot.

Hermaphroditic is what they are called, and though the term conjures a myriad of sexual connotations it means that each worm possesses male and female organs.

Thus, their mating act is one of cross-fertilization, with two worms placing their heads in opposite directions, overlapping their bodies and holding onto each other with the bands that encircle each body.

As winter approaches, however, there is no time for any hugging, any intertwining of bodies.

Instead of spending their winter vacation basking in the southern sun like their predators, the earthworm migrates downward into the earth. Safely below the frostline, which is about three feet in this area, they will burrow sluggishly into a state of near-hibernation.

The earthworm's presence will be missed by farmers and gardeners who see them as valuable fertilizers of soil. The worms movement through the soil facilitates drainage, and increases its fertility by drawing vegetable matter down into their burrows.

But other than exotic tidbits of vegetable matter, most of the worm's daily fare consists of raw, ungarbished dirt.

"Split open the body of an earthworm and you would find

its digestive tract full of dirt," Rollin Baker, MSU zoology professor said. "As the earthworm travels underground it passes the soil through its body and picks out the goodies, the nutrients it needs."

Little clumps of soil visible on plot of bare ground are the waste products or "castings" of the worm's digestive system.

"This method of feeding by bringing soil up from below and depositing the castings on the surface creates a good mixture of soils," Baker said. It is estimated that worms bring as much as 15 tons of soil per acre to the surface of rich meadowlands annually.

Can the earthworm do no wrong? Unfortunately, it is a link in a fatal chain when it eats decaying vegetables that have been sprayed with a pesticide,

according to Glenn Dudderar of the MSU Fisheries and Wildlife Dept.

"It's called biological magnification when a pesticide concentrates in the worm's body and another organism eats the worm," he said. Moles, shrew, fish and birds feast on the succulent earthworm, and the pesticide then becomes more concentrated in the predator's body. This concentration is passed on up the food chain to ultimately reach human beings.

The worm's role in pesticide poisoning is perhaps its way of getting revenge for being routed out of their burrows and pierced with a fish hook.

Though local sports stores do not stock live bait until the lakes and rivers have frozen over, their stock of red wigglers and night crawlers is sent in from large distributors, who in turn obtain the worms from worm ranches.

The worms are raised in open fields with food, such as corn meal, and moisture added to the natural environment. Col-

lecting is done by plowing or digging, and the type of worm determines where they are raised.

Earthworms, especially night crawlers, enjoy putting around on a golf course so much that they are sometimes a nuisance to linkers. On some courses, bait dealers have leased the rights to collect the worms, who apparently are hooked on the good sod, moisture, and abundant grass clippings.

Fishermen who prefer to select their own bait can most often find them during the warm months of the year with the aid of a shovel or flashlight. Often, the mere turning of a rock or board will expose a virtual orgy of earthworms below.

This weekend, however, instead of going underground, W.O.R.M.S. will be clumping together at its second annual convention in the Disneyland Hotel this weekend.

The Worms and Organic Ranch Materials Society is a club exclusively for worm ranchers who want to alert the

general public to the advantages of raising worms and benefits of using worms for organic fertilizers.

A worm contest will be a special feature of this convention. Each worm entrant will be judged on health and general appearance. First, second and third prizes will be awarded, as well as "Best of show."

It could be an earthworm day of glory.

Clarification

The State News reported in its story on Nov. 17 that an alteration in the board of trustees meeting out between members of the Young Socialist Alliance and the Progressive Party (PLP). The article between the YSA and the PLP, which is a coalition of persons in the Coalition Against Cutsback and Increases (CACTI).

In addition, it was the Coalition that voted to elect YSA from the group, not the PLP, which is a separate organization. That vote took place on Nov. 13.

The State News regrets these errors.

Alaskan pipeline project provides good money for hard, cold work

By CINDY GREEN

The Alaskan pipeline may well be on its way to becoming the world's largest back-scratcher.

So notes Jeffrey Ayres, 23, of Rochester, Mich., an MSU geology student, who spent the past year working on the pipeline. Ayres said that northern caribou and bears gather at the pipeline in treeless areas at frequent intervals to get a good back-scratch and temporary relief from a troublesome itch.

Ayres, who worked as a field engineer, was responsible for designing changes on the pipeline where necessary due to the soil conditions. Test holes are drilled for the pipes a mile apart and geologists must be on hand to assess the soil. The type of soil affects engineering and environmental decisions.

The pipeline is buried half underground with the other half about two feet above the ground. Some is above ground, Ayres said, because 89 per cent of Alaska is permafrost. Since

oil will be transported through the pipe at approximately 130-180 F degrees, the permafrost would thaw out and change the environment.

"If you put the pipe underground in a swampy frozen area tremendous erosions will occur in the summer," Ayres said. "In thaw-stable areas the pipe can be built underground. Originally the pipeline was to be buried completely, but luckily the Sierra Club averted that action."

Ayres said he considers the

pipe to be of safe environmental design. It has a 30-year life expectancy and is protected against such natural disasters as earthquakes, avalanches and floods. In an area prone to earthquakes, like Valdez in the southern part of Alaska, the pipeline is more heavily protected.

There are 17 to 18 different work camps stretching throughout the pipeline area. Ayres described one named Delta located approximately 100 miles south of Fairbanks. It consists of trailer-type barracks about 300 feet long, pipe storage yards, chowhalls, mechanic sheds, recreational halls and office buildings.

For fun, there is always foosball, ping pong and pool. Ayres said that movies are shown frequently, though often censored.

"On April Fool's Day the movie 'Deep Throat' was posted," Ayres said, his eyes twinkling behind wire-rimmed glasses. "Men came from surrounding camps 60 miles away by helicopter only to end up viewing 'Bambi'."

Out of approximately 1,400 employees at the Delta work camp, 40 were women. Women held the same jobs as men; running equipment and working on engineering and environmental problems. However, Ayres said there is also much prostitution apparent in the camps.

"Out of the 40 women working in the camp, probably half were doubling their income by some side work," Ayres said.

Ayres said another problem arising in Alaska besides prostitution is rising inflation.

"Inflation is horrendous. A house could cost \$900 to \$1200 a month to rent. Many people purchased houses, packed cots into a room, and rent out cots at \$40 a week."

The work is tough but the pay is good. Engineers earn between \$22,000 and \$28,000 a year plus room and board. Board frequently consists of

steak and lobster dinners. The hours are 12 to 14 per day, seven days a week for eight weeks, at which time the workers are given a two-week break.

Temperatures have reached 64 degrees Fahrenheit below zero in the winter, but with a dry humidity of five per cent. Ayres said a couple of sweaters and a parka is sufficient to keep warm.

Most of the work on the pipeline is done by floodlight since daylight lasts only a few hours in the winter.

"From November to March you can see the most fantastic Northern light shows," Ayres said.

"The country is just beautiful and very quiet. There is one person for every eight square miles of land."

Yet, the U.S. Army is responsible for certain areas of Alaska being spoiled, said Ayres.

"Everytime I would go out walking in the woods, I'd always find a pile of rusted GI food cans," he said.

Like the Gold Rush of the late 1800's, the pipeline has brought about resentment from the natives toward oil-state workers, especially the wealthy Texans and Oklahomians. There are constant petty problems with the unions. Ecological problems are always kept in sight, though there has been frequent "disposing" of animals that might become a "nuisance."

Construction can only be done during certain times of the year. Ayres said there are rigid stipulations concerning the nesting grounds for birds and spawning grounds for fish. When streams are frozen, for example, the pipeline has to be constructed over it.

Ayres said by the end of November about 50 per cent of the pipeline will be completed.

Counseling center assists students facing problems

By ALLAN LENGEL
State News Staff Writer

David's first few sexual experiences failed because of impotency and he fought off guilty feelings of homosexuality until he sought help from a psychologist at the MSU Counseling Center.

David is among over 1,500 students who seek help each month from one of the five branches of counseling centers on campus.

Imogen Bowers, coordinator of the main branch counseling center in the Student Services Building said that the college student faces some difficult times of adjusting to the young adult period and the responsibilities that go along with it.

"Sexuality becomes a very important issue for college students," she said. "Things like whether they should have sex or not, exploring homosexuality and doubts of masculinity are just some of the problems."

"Sometimes a man finds himself impotent or a woman finds herself unable to sexually respond so they come to us for help."

Bowers said that academic problems also lie in the forefront of the student's problems. Stress and anxiety brought on by exams and competition often

bring the person in for help, she said.

"There are some very bright people who find themselves inept in pressures situations such as exams, and this destroys their confidence in competency," Bowers said.

The other clinic locations include: Olin Health Center, Wonders Hall, Fee Hall and a clinic for minorities in Brody Complex.

Though Bower said the stress of college life is no harder today than in the past, the worries of whether students will get jobs when they graduate are more apparent.

"I think a lot more students today worry about whether college was worth anything and what the hell they're going to do when they leave," she said.

Bowers said that some students who request and are in need of some type of prescription drug to help their anxieties are referred to physicians who make the final decision.

Bowers said that though the psychologist may act as a friend in some situations, she hopes that the clinic provides a professional treatment.

"There's no longer any stigma attached to seeing a psychologist," she said. "Maybe 15 years ago there might have

been a lot of inhibitions, but that's no longer true."

A student who seeks help normally walks into one of the offices and tells the secretary whether their problem is academic or personal, but do not have to be specific.

After the person is interviewed, a committee of three determines which psychologist will best work on a one-to-one basis with that person.

Dr. Charles Bassos, a psychologist at the clinic said that they try to maintain a ratio of one doctor to every 1,000 students.

"But by winter quarter depression hits like crazy and there's a backup," Bassos said.

Bassos said that though students are taken by appointment the clinic maintains a 24 hour service for special emergency cases.

"In the winter term we assign the first person that comes up," he added. "But we don't worry because we have very good people."



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