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Signature drive nears goal to put mall issue on ballot

By NUNZIO M. LUPO
State News Staff Writer
A drive for a Livable Community is set to announce Thursday that they accumulated the required 5000 signatures on a petition to put the Dayton mall rezoning issue on the ballot. The group will hold a press conference at 10 a.m. in Room 603 of the Capital Savings Loan Building in Lansing to report on progress of the petition drive.

Coordinator Jim Anderson would announce Tuesday whether the group has enough signatures. However, he added the drive is "very close. We're darned close."

The drive does not necessarily mean the rezoning will be filed with East Lansing City Council. Groups sponsoring the drive in the past that the drive will not reach the required 5,000 signatures.

Spokespersons have said, they expect to collect more than the required signatures so the petition will still be valid if some of them are determined not valid by City Council. The petition does not have to be submitted until February 3.

If the petition is turned in, it will raise the issue of the right to have a referendum on any legislative decision.

The petition drive began in August, after City Council's approval of the rezoning. City Attorney Dennis Ginty announced at a City Council meeting that certain Michigan Supreme Court decisions rule out referenda in rezoning cases.

These decisions conflict with the East Lansing city charter, which stipulates that referenda are guaranteed in any instance. Ginty had prepared a motion for a

declaratory judgement to be filed with Ingham County Circuit Court Judge James T. Kallman if the success of the petition drive was imminent.

At the Nov. 1 council meeting, however, he announced that representatives of the Dayton Hudson corporation would file the motion for a declaratory judgment, thereby freeing the city of involvement in the issue.

Kallman's decision may not be the last word on the issue. CLK Attorney John Pirich has also cited a U.S. Supreme Court decision which states that the right to a referendum is guaranteed on any issue.

The whole issue began when East Lansing City Council voted on Aug. 3 to rezone 86 acres of property in northwest East Lansing owned by the Minneapolis-based firm.

The mall would be a 100-acre two-level shopping center which would contain 100 stores. Only 86 acres of the mall lie in East Lansing while the remaining 24 are part of Lansing Township.

The City of East Lansing has requested that the Michigan Boundry Commission annex that portion of land to the city so the mall would not lie in two jurisdictions. No decision has been reached on the annexation.

The mall, to be called "The Cedars," would be built at a cost of \$16 million and would open in mid-1981.

Opponents of the mall feel it will have a serious environmental impact in terms of

urban sprawl, energy costs, traffic congestion and air pollution. Backers of the mall feel it will be

beneficial because of the potential short- and long-term employment, increased goods and services and tax revenues.

Coach Rogers to stay at MSU

By MICHAEL KLOCKE
State News Staff Writer
"There is no way I'm leaving MSU. It's as simple as that," MSU head football coach Darryl Rogers said Tuesday about reports that he is considering another head coaching job.

Tuesday's Detroit Free Press reported that Rogers is currently talking to officials from the University of California at Berkeley about the vacant coaching job. The Free Press also reported that Rogers turned down an offer to coach the University of Missouri.

"It would seem that if they are going to

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— MSU head football coach Darryl Rogers.*

report an article like this, they should at least talk to the person who the article is about," Rogers said.

The Free Press stated Rogers was unavailable for comment since he was attending a banquet in Grand Rapids.

"You didn't see them quote me anywhere did you?" Rogers asked. "I'm sure they tried to get in touch with me, but as a whole, the article was very unfounded."

Rogers is reportedly one of three main candidates for the California post, along with former Kansas City Chiefs coach Paul Wiggin and former University of Tennessee coach Bill Battle.

John McCasey, sports information director at California, said Tuesday there are several other prime candidates for the job, though he would not name them.

"There are certainly more than three candidates for the job," McCasey said. "Dave Maggard (California athletic director) has contacted Darryl and they plan to discuss the opening."

Maggard was enroute to New York and was unavailable for comment Tuesday.

But Rogers did say he agreed to talk with Maggard, though he told Maggard he was not interested in the job.

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East Complex residents examine posters in Conrad Hall Monday in an RHA-sponsored sale which has become an annual event.



Ice spreads like cancer over the untroubled surface of the Red Cedar River. Beneath, life still teems: the river flows immortal from its remote source; fish cruise sluggishly through murky waters; frogs hibernate under a blanket of mud, awaiting the return of warmth and sunlight. All is oblivious to the swarming masses of humanity passing it by with monotonous regularity. All is secure under a frigid skin. For the ice is like the cold skin of the iguana.

Brzezinski 'creating barriers' to U.S.-Cuban ties — Castro

HAVANA (AP) — President Carter's national security adviser is creating artificial barriers between the United States and Cuba by focusing attention on Cuban troops in Africa, a clearly upset Cuban official Fidel Castro said Tuesday.

"Why did (Zbigniew) Brzezinski magnify the problem?" Castro proclaimed to five reporters in an informal post-midnight session in his office.

He was referring to the Carter aide's message to reporters three weeks ago of new intelligence studies of Cuban forces in Africa that estimated that Castro had 100,000 troops there, mostly in Angola, and that only 15,000 in April.

Carter has repeatedly cited the Cuban presence in Africa as a stumbling block to restoring normal diplomatic relations with Cuba after an almost 17-year break. He told two congressmen last week before they left for a Cuban tour to tell Castro to "get out of Africa."

But Carter also said that he would consider it a step forward if Castro would agree to just discuss a withdrawal.

After a 3 1/2-hour session in which Reps. Frederick W. Richmond, D-N.Y., and Richard Nolan, D-Minn., delivered the message, Castro told reporters, "Our relations with Africa, that we cannot discuss, that we cannot negotiate."

"I don't think today that important difficulties exist for better relations. Steps have been taken," he continued. But then, cigar in hand and rubbing his forehead as he

paced, he asked, "Who gave that story to the reporters?"

Told it was Brzezinski, he shook his head and continued: "Why did he do that? That cannot become an issue."

Almost an hour later, he came back to it: "I cannot understand these people who want to create a problem artificially. It has nothing to do with Carter. It has nothing to do with the United States."

He repeated that the Cuban-African ties stem from the economic help that the communist and socialist nations gave the Cubans after a full U.S. trade embargo was imposed in 1962.

"They are our friends. They asked for our help, and we came . . . Our mission is to defend them against any foreign aggression," he said.

"If it becomes an issue, it's going to become an impediment . . ." Castro said.

COMPANY TACTICS CONFUSING

Insurance fazes students besieged by phone calls

By DANIEL HERMAN
State News Staff Writer
EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of articles examining life insurance policies for students.

Prior to graduation, many seniors are besieged by phone calls for life insurance. Students at MSU are no exception.

Of the multitude of policy types available, most college policies sold are on a "deferred premium basis," an official from the Bureau

consumer issues

"If they (the student) try to drop the policy, they find either part or all of the debt is due immediately," said Linda Joy, executive director of the Michigan Consumer's Council.

Joy said, however, that "this sounds like a free year of insurance to many students."

One official from the Insurance Bureau commented that every year, "a legion of students complain about such policies."

"The bulk of our complaints usually come two or three years after a transaction has occurred, usually after the promissory note comes due," said an official of the Consumer Complaint Division of the Insurance Bureau.

The official explained that "the complaints usually occur after either the student goes home and tells his parents about the policy and they are dissatisfied, or a student is talked out of a policy by the family insurance agent who thought he had the business in the bag."

"The big problem is that these agents are just dealing with immature kids. They build up their egos by telling students they are big men now."

He added that even though the obligations are presented by insurance company representatives, "the students still don't

know what they are getting into."

The two companies which receive the most complaints according to the official, are College Life Insurance Company of America and Fidelity Union Life Insurance Company, both of which sell insurance only to students.

Jerry Meagher, a representative of the East Lansing office of College Life, said "If there are any complaints, we don't see them here. We have a renewal rate of 93 percent."

He explained the frequent use of "deferred premiums" as an extension of credit.

"We live in an age of credit," he said. "The emphasis is toward credit in everything. In our business, we couldn't survive without credit — most college students

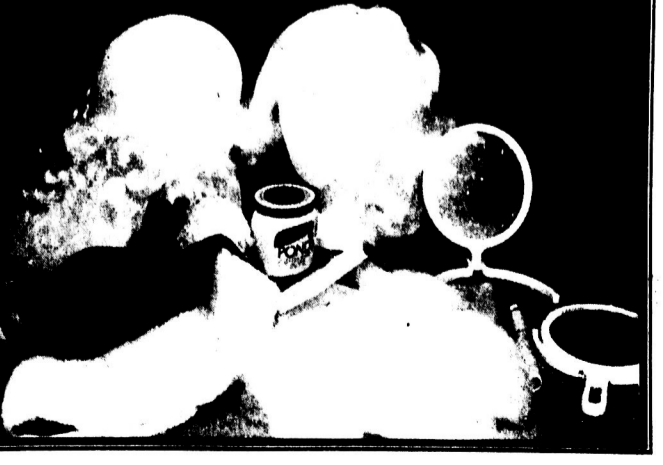
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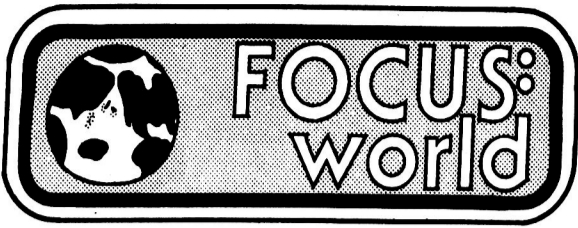
couldn't afford life insurance without this type of credit."

Meagher explained that "Today we've cleaned up our house. We couldn't survive today with the things that used to happen."

"If anybody is disenchanted with our policies, send him to me and I'll enchant him," he said.

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Santy Clause arrives in East Lansing. See page 7.
weather
It will be partly cloudy today with a chance of snow showers. The high should reach 20, and the low should dip to 10.





Begin recovering from stomach ailment

LONDON (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin was recovering Tuesday night from a bout of stomach trouble that his doctor said probably was caused by food poisoning.

Begin was well enough to see some officials of London's Herut Movement political group in his suite at the Carlton Tower Hotel in fashionable Knightsbridge. But Dr. Basil Lewis, a cardiologist from the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem

who is traveling with Begin, advised him to take things easy, so he did not attempt to attend a reception given in his honor by the Herut officials.

"He's receiving the standard treatment for gastroenteritis," Lewis said. Gastroenteritis is an illness marked by inflammation of the stomach and intestines.

"The reason for his illness is probably food poisoning," Lewis said.

Saudi Arabia may continue aid to Egypt

JIDDA, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Saudi Arabia was reported likely Tuesday to continue its massive economic aid to Egypt despite misgivings over President Anwar Sadat's peace initiative with Israel.

Diplomatic sources said they expect the oil-rich kingdom to attempt to mend the present split in Arab ranks before considering a reassessment of its foreign policy.

The oil-rich Saudis are providing the bulk of the \$3 billion in aid promised Sadat by Arab Gulf states. The Saudis have also promised to underwrite Egypt's

military purchases over the next five years.

In keeping with its reticence over Sadat's peace moves, the Saudi government withheld public comment on Egypt's decision to sever diplomatic relations with Syria and four hardline Arab states that participated in an anti-Sadat summit at Tripoli, Libya.

Saudi officials consider Sadat's unilateral mission to Israel to have been a tactical blunder, one source said. But, he added, "what is done is done. The kingdom will have to try to make the best of it."



Union leader seeks bolder program

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The head of the nation's largest union of public employees said Tuesday the still-evolving White House urban policy is "a modest battle plan in a crisis that calls for an all-out assault." He called for city leaders to join with labor in seeking a bolder program.

Jerry Wurf, head of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, spoke to members of the National League of Cities. Minutes later, several influential Democratic mayors

praised Carter's urban record.

The mayors signaled that they were not yet ready to join the chorus of skepticism concerning the urban plan when Henry Maier of Milwaukee said, "I don't think that with the kinds of things on his desk, we can expect a lot more."

In praising Carter, Richard Hatcher of Gary, Ind., head of the Conference of Democratic Mayors, nevertheless called for more emphasis on job programs. Outgoing New York Mayor Abraham Beame agreed.

Vance criticizes Mideast commentary

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Cyrus R. Vance Tuesday criticized recent Soviet political commentary on the Middle East and said the Russians "have raised questions about what their ultimate objectives are."

In a reproachful tone, Vance told a news conference that while he believes the Soviets still seek an overall Middle East settlement, "some of their statements in recent days have not been helpful." Vance's criticism came while he

was discussing the Middle East trip he will begin this weekend.

A principal objective of that trip, now expanded to include Syria, is to try to heal the rift between the Arabs prompted by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's diplomatic overtures to Israel.

Although Syria supported the anti-Sadat forces by attending the conference of Arab "rejectionists" in Libya, Vance said the Syrians have not yet closed the door to an overall Arab settlement with Israel.

Welfare committee votes to set standards

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House special welfare subcommittee gave President Carter his first victory on the proposed welfare revision Tuesday by voting to have the federal government set national standards defining who is eligible for welfare programs.

Currently, the states determine who is eligible for many of the federally subsidized welfare programs.

The subcommittee began voting on Carter's \$30.2-billion welfare program

Tuesday after more than two months of hearings.

It approved overwhelmingly Carter's proposal to provide federal cash assistance to all needy families and individuals "through a single, consolidated cash program with nationally uniform eligibility rules."

The subcommittee left for further votes, however, the issue of whether the government should continue to provide some level of food stamps for poor families in addition to the cash benefits.

Abortion deadlock 'touch and go'

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Majority Leader Jim Wright predicted Tuesday that an effort to break the congressional deadlock over abortion payments for the poor and to ensure that 240,000 federal employees would get their pre-Christmas paychecks, would be "touch and go."

Majority Whip John Brademas, D-Ind., said the outcome of a vote on the issue depends largely upon absenteeism by House members.

Both men told reporters they would support new language on abortion payments that was to be offered later

today by Rep. Bob Michel, R-Ill. Michel's proposal is more restrictive than provisions previously endorsed by the Senate, but it was suggested in hopes of winning enough votes to end the 4-month-long disagreement.

The abortion question has blocked passage of a \$60.2-billion funding bill for the departments of Labor and Health, Education and Welfare. Unless the dispute is resolved by Thursday, the agencies' 240,000 employees face the prospect of one week's pay instead of two in their pre-Christmas checks.

HOUSE SENATE COMPROMISE

Agreement on energy bill near

WASHINGTON (AP) — House and Senate energy conferees are near an agreement on the general outlines of a compromise national energy bill, congressional and administration sources said Tuesday.

However, congressional leaders raised doubts that work on the energy bill could be finished until early next year.

Although energy conferees remained publicly stalemated and leaders said no overall deals had yet been fashioned, sources said that considerable progress has been made toward agreement in a series of behind-the-scenes negotiating sessions.

Rex Granum, deputy White House press secretary, said Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., the top Senate tax conferee, and

Rep. Thomas Ashley, D-Ohio, the leading House negotiator, met with Energy Secretary James Schlesinger on Saturday for "a rather extensive discussion . . . of what sort of concessions we might be willing to make."

Granum indicated during the daily White House news briefing that the meeting included discussion of the possibility of Schlesinger allowing newly produced oil to be sold at world market prices.

Ashley said on Capitol Hill that "there's movement. Both sides want a bill, want to do their utmost to develop a bill . . . We're exploring several areas of possible agreement."

But, Ashley added, "it's going to be very difficult to get a

bill this year."

Interviews with key energy conferees, and congressional and administration energy aides pointed toward a compromise bill that would contain the following elements:

•Approval of the crude oil tax, as proposed by Carter and passed by the House, with its revenues to be used as rebates for consumers in 1978 as the administration wants.

•Senate abandonment of its proposal to use revenues from the tax for a trust fund aimed at encouraging the oil and gas industry to develop exotic or difficult-to-produce forms of energy.

•Administration concessions that would lead to higher profits for U.S. oil producers—including steps to allow larger quantities of oil from older wells to qualify for higher prices and to permit newly produced oil to command world market prices sooner than the 1980 date envisioned by the original Carter energy bill.

•Continuation of federal price controls on natural gas and extension of these controls to gas used in producing states, although at a slightly higher level than the \$1.75 per 1,000 cubic feet sought by the administration.

Sources said many details remain to be worked out and it is still possible that such a compromise could collapse.

Much reportedly depends on what Long will insist on in exchange for his support for the crude oil tax, which the administration claims is the centerpiece of its energy program.

The tax is aimed at conserv-

ing energy by making domestic oil as expensive as imported oil over a three-year period, through a tax that would add 7 cents a gallon to gasoline and other petroleum products.

The Senate rejected the tax in favor of more than \$40 billion in tax credits for energy production and conservation and also voted that if such a tax were approved, some of its revenues should be earmarked for a trust fund to encourage development of new energy sources.

Reportedly, the administration is willing to make accommodations to the Senate's in-

tention on more production incentives for the oil and gas industry to win Long's support of the crude oil tax.

These accommodations would be in the form of higher prices for domestic produced oil.

But Long denied Tuesday that he had made any such deals during the meeting with Schlesinger.

"Nobody has made any deals during the meeting with Schlesinger. We're searching for answers and so far we haven't found them," Long said.

Carter plan would help steel industry

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Carter disclosed on Tuesday a program to increase production and employment in the hard-pressed American steel industry by protecting it from unfair competition from foreign imports.

It was estimated the program could increase current steel employment in the United States by between 18,000 and 35,000 jobs.

The program would establish prices below which most imports would not be allowed to sell at unless a special tariff is imposed. It also would provide loan guarantees and other financial help to assist steel producers in modernizing and keeping their plants open.

The administration did not rule out the possibility that the program could result in upward pressure on domestic prices, but said domestic steel producers could hurt their own cause if they substantially raise prices.

"The precise level of import reduction will . . . depend upon the price behavior of the domestic steel companies. The more sharply the domestic firms raise prices, the smaller will be their recapture of the market," said a report to the president by an inter-agency task force.

The 35-page task force report was prepared by Treasury Undersecretary Anthony Solomon.

Strike deprives miners of Xmas season wages

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — Dismal cold and snow over much of the nation marked the first day of the nationwide coal strike Tuesday as 160,000 miners began the last weeks before Christmas without salaries or medical insurance.

From Virginia to Utah, from Alabama to Illinois, members of the United Mine Workers union struck the Bituminous Coal Operators' Association, demanding restored health and pension benefits, higher wages, and the right to local strikes.

UMW President Arnold Miller said the strike would bring "hardships and human tragedy" and said the BCOA was to blame. "It is now obvious that they never wanted an agreement and that they're trying to break this union," Miller said.

He began a tour of the coal fields in his home state of West Virginia, "to be with our members."

Although about half of the nation's coal production ceased with the expiration at 12:01 a.m. of the UMW-BCOA contract, no shortages were expected. Major utilities and steel producers reported stockpiles sufficient for about 100 days. Miller has said a three-month strike was likely.

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VOTES TODAY ON DOCUMENT

Council to decide on selection process

By PAM WEAR
State News Staff Writer
Because Academic Council did not vote at Tuesday's meeting on whether to adopt the proposed presidential search-and-selection document, another meeting will be held today.

that a decision can be presented to the MSU Board of Trustees at the boards monthly meeting Thursday and Friday.

The search and selection document, developed by an ad hoc committee of the Academic Council, was first submitted to the council for general discussion at last week's meeting.

Debate at Tuesday's meeting centered around amendments submitted in writing by council members to the ad hoc committee since last week.

A substitute search and selection procedure document

was presented to the council early in the meeting by Denise Gordon, undergraduate representative to the steering committee and a member of the ad hoc committee.

Gordon said she prepared the minority report because she did not want to go on record as agreeing with the final document devised by the ad hoc committee.

Basically, Gordon's report shortened and reworded portions of the original document. She added some new provisions, including criteria for membership on the advisory committee.

Gordon asked the council not to debate on her proposal due to the limited amount of meeting time. The substitute proposal was voted down by the council.

Discussion of the amendments began, as did last week's debate with questions about the role of the trustees in the presidential selection process.

Criminal justice professor Zolton Ferency moved that no trustee be allowed to sit on the final search-and-selection committee. His motion was overwhelmingly voted down by the council.

Ferency expressed concern at both Tuesday's and last week's meeting that the board's presence on the committee would influence the committee's actions. The board will ultimately choose the new University president from a list compiled by the search-and-selection committee.

But communications professor Gerald Miller noted that it would be better to compromise on this issue to encourage cooperation between the council and trustees and thus speed up the selection process.

The council did vote, however, to approve an amendment which would allow the search-and-selection committee to select its own chairperson from among elected faculty members of the committee.

The document originally provided that the Board of Trustees would choose the committee chairperson.

Labor and industrial relations professor Jack Stieber, who introduced the motion, said he did not mean to detract from the power of the Board of Trustees in suggesting such a move.

Instead, he said, he felt the committee should select its own chairpersons and the provision for faculty leadership more acceptable to the academic community.

The council voted down another Stieber amendment which would have enabled the committee to indicate their top choices from the names on the final list of candidates submitted to the board.

The document currently provides that the committee can only indicate a preference of the names if requested to do so by the board.

Debate was also begun on amendments which would make provisions of how to include women and minorities in the search-and-selection committee.

In other action, the council approved the report of the university curriculum committee and a resolution expressing gratitude to MSU President Clifton R. Wharton, Jr. for his service and leadership during his years at the University.

TO CONNECT CEDAR AND LOGAN

Road construction OK'd

By THERESA BESANT
Final plans for construction of a four-lane thoroughfare between South Cedar Street

and South Logan Street were accepted and approved by the Lansing City Council Monday night.

Citizens filed before the council to voice both their support and opposition on the Edgewood Boulevard project.

The major opponents of the plans are residents and managers of two low-income housing cooperatives located on Edgewood Boulevard, Highland and Woodbridge Commons. The proposed thoroughfare would pass through these cooperatives. Residents said the increased traffic flow will endanger their children as well as lower the aesthetic appeal of the entire neighborhood.

The boulevard, designed to handle some 20,000 cars a day, will run parallel to the 30,000 car capacity I-69 expressway.

Construction of the \$2.9 million project, expected to begin May 15, 1979, will include pedestrian overpasses. It will be funded by the city of Lansing and the federal government.

Dick Neller, of Walter Neller Corp., a Lansing area real estate firm, said he favors construction of the boulevard because it will connect with land he owns. He said he is planning to build a shopping mall on the land.

Richard Baker, an opponent to the plans, suggested the council obtain another environmental impact statement to re-examine the project's effects on the community. His suggestion was overruled by the council because of the cost of an additional statement. The original statement cost the city \$60,000.

"I don't care to create any roads to destroy any neighborhood," Baker said. "There should be ways to preserve both."

Miller Road residents said they favored the plans because the boulevard would divert traffic away from their area, which is now heavily traveled.

In other council action: The council denied the rezoning request by Disabled

American Veterans for construction of a hall on the 6900 block of South Washington Ave. The building would have provided a hall for receptions and other gatherings for the veterans.

Citizens told the council their signatures on a petition supporting the rezoning were falsely obtained by the veterans. They claimed the veterans originally said there would be no alcoholic beverages served at the hall, but later the veterans said they would serve liquor.

English tongue defies de-sexing

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — The Fargo School District administrator on trying to de-sex the English language.

"After struggling for a couple of years to de-sex or neuter the English language . . . I'm throwing in the towel and returning to the use of the

masculine gender when referring to all persons of both sexes," Ed Raymond said in a memo to the school board.

Raymond said the pronouns "he-she," often used together to remove discrimination, remind him "of a character who wears jockey shorts and a Christian Dior blouse."

Allocation results posted Friday

The Student Media Appropriations Board will complete decisions on 1978 allocations Thursday. Results will be posted at noon Friday on SMAB's door, 307 Student Services Bldg. SMAB members originally

planned to announce their decisions Wednesday, but postponed the date so they would have more time to examine the requests, ASMSU Comptroller Rick Lehrter said. SMAB is an ASMSU

board which sponsors several alternative student publications through taxes collected at student registration. Media groups which meet SMAB's guidelines may apply for funding. Organizations which ap-

plied for funding but did not receive money may appeal to the board. Information on applying for funding and on the appeals process is available in 307 Student Services Building.

Clifton Wharton to give commencement address at Saturday ceremony

MSU President Clifton R. Wharton Jr. will deliver the commencement address in ceremonies for 1,622 degree candi-

dates at 3 p.m. Saturday in the MSU Auditorium.

Wharton, who has served as president of MSU since 1970, will assume his new position as Chancellor of the State University of New York early next year.

Honorary degrees will be awarded to Sarah Caldwell, director of the Opera Company of Boston; and two MSU alumni, James H. Quello and Dr. LeMoine Snyder.

Caldwell, who will be awarded a doctor of fine arts degree, developed the opera workshop at Boston University into a department of musical theatre.

She is a former artistic director of the American National Opera Company, has conducted the New York Philharmonic and the Metropolitan Opera Company, and has premiered several new operas.

Quello, who became the first Michigan member of the Federal Communications Commission in 1974, will receive an honorary doctor of humanities degree.

He served as an editor of the State News and was WKAR's first newscaster. From 1947 to 1972, Quello was associated



Sarah Caldwell

with WJR radio and Capital Cities Broadcasting Corporation in Detroit.

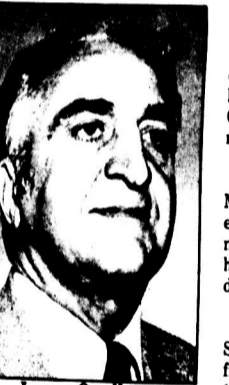
Snyder, founder of the MSU School of Criminal Justice and the Michigan Crime Laboratory and co-founder of the Court of Last Resort, will receive the honorary doctor of laws degree.

He was trained as a surgeon, and later studied law and became a member of the Michigan Bar. Snyder studied legal medicine at the University of Vienna. He is the son of former MSU president Jonathan L. Snyder.

Separate ceremonies for the awarding of advanced degrees will be conducted by Wharton at 10 a.m. in the Auditorium.



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On MGM's yellow brick road

The Making of The Wizard of Oz
by Aljean Harmetz
with an introduction by Margaret Hamilton
Illustrated with color and black-and-white photographs.
Alfred A. Knopf.
\$12.95

Byron Baker
In her conception of **The Making of The Wizard of Oz**, author Aljean Harmetz has undertaken two ambitious tasks. First, the writer means to explain and describe the activity of the creative elements behind the production of one of the best-loved motion pictures ever made.

Second, Harmetz attempts to tell the story of **The Wizard's** making in terms of the studio structure and operating procedures of Hollywood's glossiest picture mill, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer — in 1939, clearly in its heyday.

Her efforts to research the events of the film's production must have been exhaustive, and indeed, seem almost authoritative. Parties interested in aspects of the writing (ten scenarists worked on the project for varying lengths of time, including Ogden Nash and Citizen Kane's Herman J. Mankiewicz), direction (four producers toiled at different points), music, superb cast or other production eccentricities (Harmetz devotes an entire chapter to the Munchkins) of **The Wizard** are advised to consult this tome.

Unfortunately, Harmetz's worthy attempts to put the making of **The Wizard** to a perspective overview of how MGM functioned in 1939 — a year Metro released 41 feature films — seem notably successful. **The Wizard**, for one thing, conceived as a prestige picture — a film signed less to make money (which, interestingly, the film failed to do until a release and subsequent special TV airing in the 60s) than to be a class act for the studio.

It cost over \$2.7 million (the studio's most expensive picture of the year — **Gone With the Wind**, it will be remembered, was only partly financed by Metro), and was 22

weeks shooting. By concentrating on **The Wizard's** admittedly extraordinary production circumstances as an example of MGM's inner workings, the author fails to do much justice to the way in which the studio turned out its more usual kinds of audience fodder.

Worse, Harmetz's concern with delineating the studio's ways and means has possibly caused her to miss opportunities to answer the question which the amount of information she has accumulated tends to pose: where did it all go right? Her flow of truths regarding the film seems almost endless, but she shares little insight as to why the film has proven so memorable over the years. The author seems content to collect and properly collate facts and selected observations of others about **The Wizard** — a laudable act, but as conveyed in book form in her characteristically chummy prose, somehow lacking in substance.

Still, the book, which includes an introduction by Wicked Witch Margaret Hamilton and appendices dealing with the life of Oz author L. Frank Baum and the famous sale of the ruby slippers at the 1970 MGM auction, serves as a positive clearing house of Oz related tidbits.

In its pages, you can learn, for instance, how the Metro special effects department utilized a 35-foot muslin sock — and many thousand dollars — to create a Kansas tornado. Included are: the real facts behind Buddy Ebsen's sudden removal from the role of the Tin Woodsman (Jack Haley replaced him — and yes, they did change the make-up), the story of the elaborate "Jitter Bug" number cut from the picture, the mostly downbeat reviews the picture received at its opening, and, the almost unbelievable story of how the MGM wardrobe department found a coat for actor Frank Morgan (who played the dual role of the Wizard and Professor Marvel) in a Los Angeles secondhand shop — a coat, which upon examination, turned out to have once been owned by L. Frank Baum.

There is more, and the facts make for often fascinating reading.



A plate from L. Frank Baum's first book, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, illustrates W.W. Denslow's decorative style.

Visit to the magical Kingdom

The Oz Scrapbook
By David L. Greene and Dick Martin
Random House Books
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By John Neilson

The degree to which the fantasyland of Oz has become absorbed into American culture is truly amazing. Thanks largely to the 1939 screen version of **The Wizard of Oz**, the places and characters created by L. Frank Baum are household words almost 80 years after their creation.

While the screen version of Baum's first Oz fantasy shows no signs of a decrease in popularity (its frequent TV showings have made it one of the most-watched movies of all time), much other Oz lore is slowly being forgotten. Even ardent lovers of **The Wizard of Oz** may be unaware of the volumes of books, toys, games, movies, and stage presentations that had their roots in the magic kingdom.

For these people, **The Oz Scrapbook** is a must. Younger readers especially will find this book to be a fascinating introduction to a new and very different Oz.

The Oz Scrapbook was written by David L. Greene, chairman of the English department at Georgia's Piedmont College, and Dick Martin, who was the illustrator of several of the later Oz books. The two authors present a fairly straight-forward account of the spread of the Oz phenomenon, from Baum's pre-Oz fantasy tales up through the present. Because of the wide variation in quality of the books in the Oz series, though, they do not hesitate to offer their opinion of the relative worth of each book.

The first and most famous of the Oz stories was written in 1900 by Baum, the job-hopping son of a rich oilman. It received favorable reviews and sold moderately well, but it was bankruptcy rather than popular demand that led Baum to write a sequel four years later.

Fame soon caught up with Baum and his books. The author was eventually persuaded to write 12 more tales of the land of Oz. These books began a book-a-year Christmas tradition which became institutionalized into many American households.

Baum populated his imaginary land with a bizarre array of unique and fabulous creatures that did not appear in the original book. Among these were the mechanical Tik-Tok Man, the aptly-named Jack Pumpkinhead, and Professor H.M. Woggle-Bug, T.E. (whose initials stood for Highly-Magnified and Thoroughly-Educated, respectively).

After Baum's death in 1919, his publishers chose several other authors to continue the yearly output of Oz books, extending the series eventually to 39 stories. (All 14 of Baum's original stories are still in print.)

The Oz Scrapbook discusses the most important of the books in the series, and also introduces us to the various authors and illustrators who created them.

There is also a chapter on the many stage and screen adaptations of Oz, from the earliest plays and silent movies to the recent Tony-award winning black musical, **The Wiz**. A survey of the many Oz toys and novelties helps to round out the book.

While the text is interesting and well-researched, perhaps the main attraction of **The Oz Scrapbook** is the collection of over 250 pictures and illustrations spread generously throughout the book. Many original book-jackets, posters, and paintings are presented in a full-color section. Included also are fan letters, newsletters, and advertisements, which serve to tie in Ozmania with the rest of early 20th-century American life.

Whether it is considered as an introductory book on Oz, or as a guide for more serious fans and collectors, **The Oz Scrapbook** is well worth purchasing. The pictures alone will make it a welcome Christmas gift for any **Wizard of Oz** fan.

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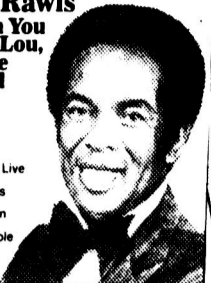


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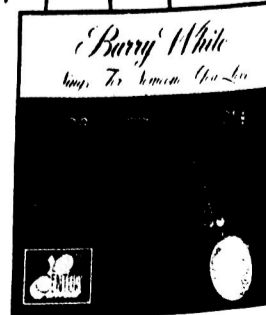
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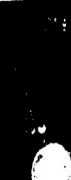
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Remember? Your parents had built it up for days, filling your head with stories about some crazy man who lived up in the snow with a bunch of little elves and eight tiny reindeer. You never even noticed the smiles exchanged over your head. They told you this guy worked all year making toys for all the kids in the world. The only catch was he had the power to tell if you had been good or not. If he decided you had been bad, then it was no toys for you.

The fateful night finally arrived. You walked through the parking mall clutching your parents' hands for dear life. Your Mom and Dad looked down at you and asked, "Are you ready to go tell Santa what you want for Christmas?" You nodded your head wordlessly. Your eyes wide with a mixture of fear and anticipation. What if he could really tell if you had been good or not? You weren't even sure what you had been. Your moment of judgement approached.

You stood fidgeting in the line, your fear rising and falling. You wanted to run to the safety of your parents' arms; but every time you decided to flee, images of the toys you had seen on TV would bolster your courage.

Your turn finally came. Only three red carpeted steps separated you from the massive red-and-white judge. His wild white head almost hiding the smile on his lips and the laughter in his eyes.

Stockings, sleighs and siblings; Santa fills 'em with toys 'n joys

Rick Doyle, an MSU senior majoring in advertising, continues this noble illusion everytime he dons his big red suit for the kids who come to visit his perch in the Lansing Mall.

Doyle is a natural. His physique is ample, and he is usually a smile on his bearded face. His eyes really do seem to twinkle. It is a twinkle in his eyes when he talks about the job that lets you know he really enjoys what he does.

Though this is his first year in mall duty, he got his start as the bearded factor in his hometown of Pontiac. He would go to grade schools in that area to play Santa, which led to invitations to be Santa at private parties.

Doyle put away his Santa suit after he graduated from MSU, but resurrected it after he lost

his regular job in November. His fiance saw a classified newspaper ad requesting prospective Santas come and interview at the Mall.

Doyle was hired over 25 other applicants. He shares his duties with a woman and a veteran Santa of 20 years.

The mall provided classes for the Santas where the do's and don'ts of the job were laid out. One don't was to never ask children if they have been good or bad, but to always phrase the question so it is assumed they have been good.

"The thing that separates the good Santas from bad ones is that the good Santa will come up with an answer for any question a kid may ask," Doyle said.

"That can be a problem sometimes," Doyle said. "I remember one little girl,

about five years old, who came up and asked me for a full-length fur coat. I didn't know whether to just say OK or give her a lecture on why she shouldn't want a fur coat."

Most of the questions aren't that taxing, but the job does call for a quick wit and above all, sincerity. The job does have its drawbacks but Doyle has yet to suffer what all Santas fear . . . the overly excited kid.

"Every once in a while it will happen. The kid will be so excited about seeing Santa that he will forget his training and piss all over your leg. I've been lucky so far but I've heard the stories from the veterans," Doyle said.

Santa duty may not always be fun and games, but for Rick Doyle, ho-ho-ing is a great way to earn that extra Christmas shopping money.



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entertainment



Dan Fogelberg picks one of his mellow Colorado folk pieces in the MSU Auditorium Monday evening,

accompanied by surprise guest star, flautist extraordinaire, Tim Weisberg.

Fogelberg goes with flow

By BILL HOLDSHIP
State News Reviewer
*I hear you've taken on a husband and child
And live somewhere in Pennsylvania
So let the ashes fall
And lay where they will
Just say that once
You used to know me.*

DAN FOGELBERG, "THE LAST NAIL"

The first woman I ever really flipped over was Michelle, a lifeguard I met one summer in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, though she'll probably never, ever know it. Michelle was one of those women so nice that the average male feels like a fool around her, and since I was only going to be in Pittsburgh a month, I decided it wasn't worth the risk. The one thing I remember about Michelle is that she played guitar and she was in love with Dan Fogelberg.

So it was back to Michigan after another of those corny summer infatuations, and autumn came with its falling leaves, and I began to feel existentially depressed. So I drowned my sorrows in Dan Fogelberg's *Captured Angel* LP, which lyrically gave me every right to feel sorry for myself. But soon I forgot about Michelle and gave up Dan Fogelberg to return to Neil, Jackson, and Punk. Hell, if she wanted Dan, she could have him! I wasn't in the least bit jealous!

DECEMBER 7, 1977: "The snow gods" have invaded MSU. It is winter again, freezing cold and depressing. What's needed here is a good shot of rock 'n' roll, so my roommate and I head to the MSU Auditorium to see Dan Fogelberg in concert. Dan opens with two acoustic numbers, and then announces, "No rock 'n' roll tonight. Just me." (DRAG! I think. This means no appearance by Fool's Gold, his rock band, or surprise appearances by The Eagles like last summer at Pine Knob.) The audience still goes wild. For a lot of people, he could do no wrong Monday night.

Dan plays the rambling man tonight. He is the quintessential singer-songwriter troubador traveling around the country to get his head together. He is the ultimate backwoods, outdoor-down-home, Colorado picture-of-good-health folkie. He sits under blue spotlight in front of a Rocky Mountain backdrop alternating between guitar and piano. He is the ultimate of MELL-LLOW, to give the appearance of night, and Dan is into another song. Pretty melody, excellent musicianship, and MELL-LLOW. My roommate nudges me, "Wake up," he whispers.

Dan tells some corny jokes to accompany his down-home of rock 'n' roll," he says. (rock? roll? where?) "Someday maybe '60s?" he asks. The audience applauds. Dan does an acoustic version of "Eleanor Rigby." (The '60s for some, maybe.) Excellent musicianship and MELL-LLOW. I nudge my roommate, "Wake up," I whisper.

Dan announces that he is going to record an LP in February with flutist extraordinaire, Tim Weisberg. He introduces a song from the album in which he hums Tim's part, dispelling all pre-conceived rumors that Weisberg is going to make a surprise visit. Dan finishes the song, and introduces his "good friend, Tim Weisberg. SURPRISE!! The three women behind us sound like they're going to swoon. Tim is sincerely happy to be back at MSU. He performs an excellent solo jam on a five-foot-long flute. Dan returns and the jam together. Weisberg exits. The audience goes wild! Everyone is happy. We're both awake!

Dan plays solos again. Pretty melodies, excellent musicianship and MELL-LLOW. I fall asleep and dream of Jimmy Thudpucker skiing, yogurt, and transcendental meditation. I wake up and begin to write notes on why I don't like this concert. First, Dan MELL-LLOWER non-rock numbers tend to get boring without heavy orchestrations found on his albums. Also, he never has really let it rock out like the other singer-songwriters. Instead of optimism about optimism (which is often nauseating enough itself) or the romantic decadence usually associated with the genre, Dan is associated with, he gives us a lot of whining and crying, both lyrically and vocally. No optimism at all! (ZZZZZZZZZZ)

Secondly, this show should've been advertised as a complete acoustic show. Although Weisberg's appearance was a great surprise, a good billing for the show might have been "An Evening With Dan Fogelberg and Tim Weisberg." Myself, I would have preferred a 45-minute acoustic set, and then a 45-minute electric set. It's nice to be MELL-LLOW and all, but two hours of it is mighty BORING. Even Neil and Jackson don't have the nerve to pull a stunt like that. But we must remember that there's a lot more \$\$ involved when the performer doesn't have to pay a band, an even backwoods, outdoor, down-home, Colorado picture-of-good-health folkies need their chauffeur-driven limousines.

But no rock 'n' roll, Dan? Hey, it's cold outside! After the concert we walked back out into Michigan's arctic weather. We gave a scream to release all that pent-up energy that came from two hours of being MELL-LLOW, and I wondered whatever happened to Michelle.

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It Can't Happen Here: or Cheap Thrills
By Andy Scheiber

It's 1985. The United States' trade deficit has reached astronomical proportions. Collective labor demands and industry indigence have sent most American manufacturers into bankruptcy or government receivership. We are forced to import the materials of our lifestyle — cars, radios, even raw materials. Government institutions are overburdened and staggering under the weight of their own inefficiency and incompetence. There are no jobs, especially for the young.

All authority, civil or otherwise, is a joke, and in their anger and frustration small bands of jobless youth haunt the ruins of the once-plush disco bars, their bitterness erupting in jerky, spasmodic dance routines that are shot through with undercurrents of violence and sado-masochism.

Meanwhile, another industrial nation enjoys a healthy economy. There are jobs, social programs, cheap public education — all the trappings of a high lifestyle. But the youth of this country cast a jealous eye towards their American counterparts, envying them their defiance of social mores, their righteous indignance and anger, their professed contempt of, and independence from, responsibility in any form. It seems to them an attractive and liberating mode of behavior, and so they strike the American pose, their affluence supporting the

clothing, record companies, and saloon proprietors who feed their nihilistic fantasy. The bars in this country begin to resemble those in the U.S., except that the sado-masochism hinted at in the dance routines seems to lack a certain conviction, at least at first.

American Apocalypse becomes the "in" style in clothing, music, and interpersonal relationships; the desperation and rage American youth feel at the collapse of their economic and social order becomes a kind of bourgeois chic for the youth of the second country — cheap, vicarious, safe thrills, a form of cultural and psychological slumming.

Rock 'n' roll has always been a source of cheap thrills for its fans. We always demand more of our artists in terms of pain and suffering than we would ever take upon ourselves (who would even suggest that a critic should have to "pay his dues"?). The most unforgivable thing a rock 'n' roll artist can do is grow old and gray, and as much as some of us moaned about Elvis' early demise, I think we were a little relieved as well.

We expect others to take the risks for us, to flirt with the O.D.'s and addictions and sexual overindulgences so that our own lives are intensified, even if only vicariously. Rock 'n' roll is a spectator sport, and like the lions-vs.-Christians spectacles, it's perfectly safe for everyone but the performer.

New Wave British music is not a music of cheap thrills. The Sex Pistols' bitter paean to Queen Elizabeth is not an art song but an anthem, inviting an active emotional participation in the feelings it expresses. But the anger and bitterness it taps are indigenous to Britain and its present economic and social disintegration. The only perspective from which an American listener can experience this song is that of an auteur. Any more active participation would be as inappropriate as a Briton's passionate intonation of Phil Ochs' "Here's To the State of Richard Nixon." Anger, outrage, and rebellion must be defined and localized in cultural and political contexts in order to justify themselves as something more than revolutionary or nihilistic chic. The attitudes embraced by Britain's New Wavers are culture-specific and non-transferable.

The American Punk scene finds itself at this impasse. The fact is, middle- and upper-class youths enjoy the act of pretending

bitterness and professing their alienation. So once again, as with indigenous American Negro blues, authentic emotional responses to a specific cultural milieu have been transformed into cheap thrills for those who can afford the price of the conversion.

The anger and frustration of the poor and the disenfranchised becomes the plaything of the privileged. It is one thing for the young Briton, faced with the stark portrait of his own rapidly disintegrating future, to turn to despair and violence; but when this attitude is assumed by the kid from a comfortable suburban home in Grosse Pointe or Van Nuys, it becomes self-indulgent and dangerous.

The American Punk scene, if there is to be one that has any meaning, must be responsible for developing a valid core around which to crystallize its anger. Otherwise it is doomed to self-parody and even self-hatred. If the New Wave professes anything, it is hatred of those who are comfortable with their existence. In America, this music and the trappings that go with it are imported commodities, something to be sampled at leisure by those who have the money and the time to do so. Ultimately, American Punks are in the position of embracing a movement that at its root detests them to begin with. The potential consequences of protracting such a conflicted allegiance are disturbing.

This is not to say there is no room for outrage in our affluent society; but false posturing and the assumption of a misplaced indignance are not the answer. We cannot live on borrowed anger. We are by historical origin a nation of rebels and discontents, but lately our angry men, like James Dean, have been supplied by the media, and elevated to capital-generating cult status. More cheap thrills.

What we need is a real outrage based on real awareness, one that cannot be hammered down into a salable commodity, and which expresses the authentic needs of the people that embrace it. The discovery of sources for a valid anger should be the goal of the American Punk Scene, and must be its goal if it is to be anything but a phenomenon of the affluence it professes to hate.

What America watches

NEW YORK (AP) — For the fifth time in six weeks, ABC's Tuesday night comedy hit, *Laverne and Shirley*, had a bigger audience than any other TV program, and the network continued to dominate the ratings race, A.C. Nielsen figures show.

In fact, ABC had three of the top five programs during the week ending Dec. 4, including *Happy Days*, on the air just before *Laverne and Shirley*, and *Three's Company*, telecast right after the leader. *Happy Days* was No. 2, *Three's Company* No. 5.

ABC's overall rating for the week was 21. Nielsen says that means in an average prime-time minute during the week, 21 percent of the homes in the country with television were watching ABC.

Laverne and Shirley's rating was 34, which represents an estimated 24.8 million homes. CBS' Christmas special featuring the late Bing Crosby was seen in an estimated 22.4 million homes.

The Top 10 programs for the week:
Laverne and Shirley, a 34 rating representing 24.8 million homes, and *Happy Days*, 33.4 or 24.3 million, both ABC; *Bing Crosby's Christmas*, 30.7 or 22.4 million, and *Tribute to Elizabeth Taylor*, 29.4 or 21.4 million, both CBS; *Three's Company*, 29.1 or 21.1 million, ABC; *Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer*, 28.7 or 21 million, All in the Family, 27.4 or 20 million, *Johanny Cash Christmas Show*, 26.8 or 19.5 million, *Rhoda*, 25.5 or 18.6 million, and *On Our Own*, 25.4 or 18.5 million, all CBS.

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By JANET HALFMANN
State News Staff Writer

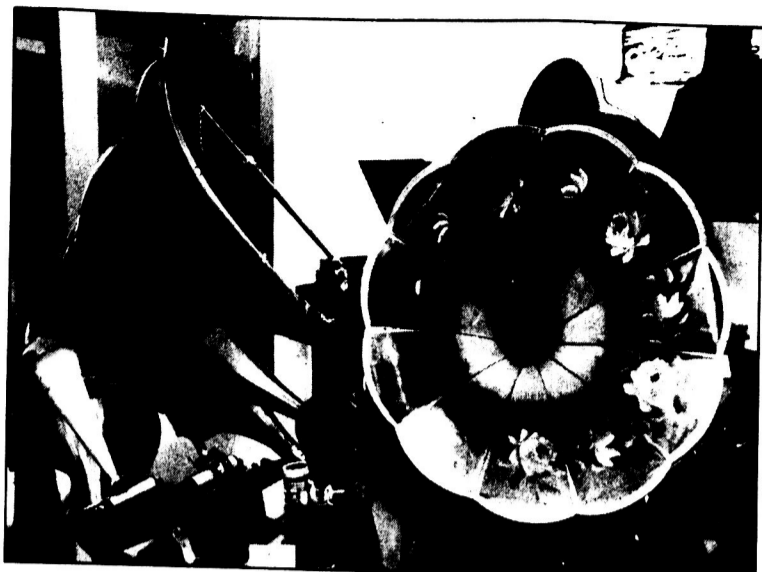
Recorded sound has come a long way since Thomas Edison called "Mary Had a Little Lamb" into one of the brass tubes of the tinfoil phonograph he invented 100 years ago today.

A replica of Edison's first talking machine and many others which trace the phonograph's development are on display now through the end of December in the MSU Museum.

Edison's invention of the phonograph grew out of his work on the repeating telegraph. He then neglected its development for 11 years while working on other projects of more immediate importance such as the electric light.

But others such as Chichester Bell and Sumner Tainter, members of The American Graphophone Company (later the Columbia Phonograph Company) set about improving Edison's phonograph. They replaced the tinfoil cylinder of Edison's machine with a wax-coated cardboard cylinder and also used an improved stylus. They called their machine a graphophone. A number of these machines are included in the Museum display.

Much of the Victor Talking Machine Company's success resulted from tremendous sales campaigns which pictured the fox terrier Nipper listening with head cocked to "His Master's Voice."



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This Edison cylinder machine with a morning-glory horn is one of 50 talking machines on display at the MSU Museum through the end of this month.

In 1887, Emile Berliner entered the talking machine competition, with his invention of the gramophone which used zinc discs for recording. The Berliner interests were eventually incorporated into the Victor Talking Machine Company's which led in volume sales almost from its beginning in 1901. Much of the Victor Talking Machine Company's success resulted from tremendous sales campaigns which pictured the fox terrier Nipper listening with head cocked to "His Master's Voice."

In addition to talking machines which tell the story of the three dominant companies, Columbia, Victor and Edison, some unusual machines are also on display.

One of these is a duplex twin-horn machine made in Kalamazoo in 1906. Others include a 1925 machine shaped like a fringed lamp with the amplification horn in the base, a 1920 German machine with a colorful blue and green trumpet, and an Edison phonograph used to record dictation.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Michigan Antique Phonograph Society which came into existence about a year ago. The purpose of the organization is to provide information and entertainment for individuals interested in collecting and restoring antique phonographs, music boxes and records.

The legislature has passed a resolution designating Dec. 4 through Dec. 10 as Michigan Antique Phonograph Week, according to Dale Monroe-Cook, secretary-treasurer of the phonograph society.

The week was set aside both to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the invention of the phonograph and to honor Edison, who lived in Michigan for 10 years as a youngster, he said.

Dramatics coming

Ron Banks and other band members will be appearing at Discount Records for an afternoon autograph session, and will be interviewed on the Taking Care of Business (TCB) show tomorrow, according to Ebony Productions director David Brown.

The autograph session featuring Banks will begin at 1 p.m. and will be followed by an interview with TCB host Earle Robinson at 4 p.m. on WKAR 870 AM.

The interview and autograph session will be part of a preview of tonight's Dramatics Brainstorm concert. The preview will also take Banks around campus before going to Discount Records and the TCB show.

While Banks and the Dramatics are signing autographs, Brainstorm will be appearing on the

Earle Robinson show and WMSN 640 AM at 3 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Brainstorm and the Dramatics are both Detroit-based groups, with Brainstorm being relatively new to concert goers although they have played with Marvin Gaye, Boots Collins, Johnny Guitar Watson, the Brothers Johnson, the Jacksons, Brass Construction and Jimmy Castor.

The Dramatics got their big break while touring with James Brown in the late '60s. They developed their style from the Temptations, Spinners and Four Tops. They will be demonstrating their harmonic intricate vocalizations tonight at the MSU Auditorium.

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MSU back on home ice

By JOE CENTERS
State News Sports Writer

After seven road games, the MSU hockey team has found out just how tough life can be.

But life on the road has been tough for everyone in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) so far this season. In the five series last weekend, the home teams won eight games while dropping only two.

"It makes you believe we're a bunch of homers," coach Amo Bessone said.

And the 18 goals that the Spartans gave up while dropping both ends of their series to Minnesota-Duluth — well, that also seems to be the new trend in the WCHA. Again from the five series played last weekend, the three teams that swept their series — Michigan, Denver and Duluth — all scored 18 goals in their games.

Bessone said that the 18 goals given up by the Spartans last weekend were due to a "lack of defense by the whole team." He said the Spartans are getting too many three-on-two breaks against them, and the opposition's power play is hurting them.

"We're giving up too many bad goals on the power play," Bessone said. "They (Duluth) got a couple of cheap rebounding goals, but they all count."

Even though there was a high number of goals scored against MSU, Bessone still has high praise for his two goalies. Senior Dave Versical started both games of the series for the first time this season. Previously, Versical and Mark Mazzoleni had been splitting the series, but Versical got the call both nights and he was bombarded by the Bulldogs. Bessone said last week that Versical was playing his best hockey at MSU in his three years and he still

feels he has got two of the best goalies in the WCHA.

Now that the Spartans are sitting on a five-game losing streak, Bessone is most worried about the attitudes of his players.

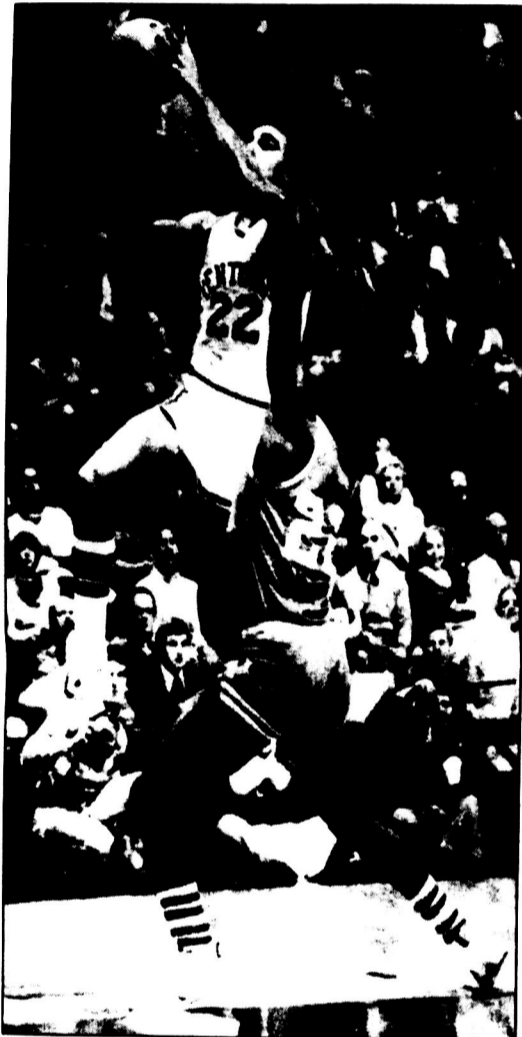
"We're in our January slump early," Bessone said. "We've got to bounce back."

He said that the only bright spot of last weekend, besides the play of Versical, was the play of the Jim Johnson, Mark DeCenzo and Joe Campbell line. The line scored five of the MSU's 11 goals.

MSU's opponent this weekend will be defending WCHA and NCAA champion Wisconsin who also got a beating last weekend. The Badgers dropped 11-3 and 7-3 decisions to Michigan.

"They're going to come with blood in their eyes," Bessone said about Wisconsin.

But the Spartans will have the Badgers at Munn Ice Arena, so if the home ice advantage holds true to form, this weekend may be the time for MSU to end their losing skid.



AP Wirephoto

Kentucky remained unbeaten to retain its national No. 1 ranking by defeating Indiana, a traditional rival, 78-64 Monday before 23,000 fans at Lexington, Ky. Kentucky's Truman Claytor (22) tries to score on a drive to the basket over Indiana's Wayne Radford.

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Purdue falls to 14th

NEW YORK (UPI) — North Carolina is off and running with four straight victories but Kentucky, winner of one game, is the choice of the UPI Board of Coaches as the No. 1 college basketball team in the country.

North Carolina and Kentucky were tied in the pre-season ratings of the coaches, and the former sports an impressive 4-0 record. But Kentucky, which walloped Southern Methodist 110-86 in its only game, took over the No. 1 spot in the weekly ratings by a margin of 320 points to 298.

Kentucky received 20 first-place votes with 10 going to North Carolina, two to Marquette, the defending NCAA champion, and one each to Arkansas and Indiana State.

Ranking in order behind Kentucky and North Carolina in the ratings were Notre Dame with 251 points, Marquette with 212, UCLA with 172, Arkansas with 100, Cincinnati with 91, Indiana State with 59, San Francisco with 52 and Syracuse with 42.

Rounding out the top 20 were Michigan, Maryland, Utah, Purdue, St. John's and Kansas tied for No. 15, No. 17 Providence, Louisville and Holy Cross tied for No. 18 and No. 20 New Mexico.

The United Press International Board of Coaches' college basketball ratings with

won-lost records through games of Sunday, Dec. 4, and number of first-place votes in parentheses:

- 1. Kentucky 1-0
- 2. North Carolina 4-0
- 3. Notre Dame 3-0
- 4. Marquette 2-0
- 5. UCLA 4-0
- 6. Arkansas 4-0
- 7. Cincinnati 3-0
- 8. Indiana State 4-0
- 9. San Francisco 2-1
- 10. Syracuse 4-1
- 11. Michigan 3-0
- 12. Maryland 4-0
- 13. Utah 2-0
- 14. Purdue 2-1
- 15. (tie) St. John's 4-0
- 15. (tie) Kansas 3-0
- 17. Providence 3-0
- 18. (tie) Louisville 1-1
- 18. (tie) Holy Cross 2-0
- 20. New Mexico 3-0

Others receiving votes: Kansas State, Alabama, Virginia, Houston, Dayton, DePaul, Creighton, Arizona, Vermont, Utah State, North Carolina State and Nevada-Reno.

Note: By agreement with the American Basketball Coaches Association, teams on probation by the NCAA are ineligible for top 20 and national championship consideration by the UPI Board of Coaches. Those teams currently on probation for 1977 are: Centenary, Clemson, Hawaii, Minnesota, Nevada-Las Vegas, Western Carolina.

White Sox not dead; get Bonds

By FRED MCMANE
UPI Sports Writer

HONOLULU (UPI) — Cancel that order for a tombstone. The Chicago White Sox aren't dead yet. Not by any means.

Their future — which looked so bleak only last month after they lost their two top power-hitters, Oscar Gamble and Richie Zisk, in the free-agent draft — suddenly has turned bright again with the acquisition of slugging outfielder Bobby Bonds from the California Angels in a six-player trade.

Remember, they also signed free agents Ron Blomberg and Junior Moore; and they're not finished yet.

Now they're shopping for a pitcher, and if they get him they expect to challenge for the division title in the American League West again next season.

They're offering outfielder Ralph Garr and second baseman Jorge Orta for a starting pitcher. Among the availables are Bert Blyleven of Texas, Jim Barr of San Francisco and Rudy May of Baltimore. The only trouble is that those pitchers are also being sought by other clubs.

Next to the Bonds' trade, the biggest news was made by Montreal, which signed free-

agent, left-handed pitcher Ross Grimsley to a six-year contract for \$1.1 million. Grimsley won 14 games for Baltimore last year and was hotly pursued by several clubs.

"It was a tough decision, but the deciding factor was the city and the fact that my wife and I know many people on the club," said Grimsley. "I'm looking forward to going back to the National League again."

To get the 31-year-old Bonds, the White Sox gave up 24-year-

old right-hander Chris Knapp, catcher Brian Downing and 25-year-old pitcher Dave Frost. But Chicago got a bonus in addition to Bonds in 21-year-old outfielder Thad Bosley and 18-year-old pitching prospect Dick Dotson.

It was the first major trade of the annual winter baseball meetings.

"It's difficult to give up a player of Bonds' ability, but he had indicated to us that he was going to become a free agent, so

we felt we had to trade him," said Angels' General Manager Buzzie Bavasi. "We had a couple of voids to fill and we think we've filled them."

While the Bonds trade was expected to trigger other major deals, only two other trades were completed during the rest of Monday's proceedings.

Houston sent outfielder Leon Roberts to Seattle for infielder Jim Sexton, and the Cleveland Indians acquired infielder Dave Rosello from the Chicago Cubs.

MSU men's swimming squad win two early season meets

MSU's men's swim team started off the early portion of its winter season with two wins over the weekend. The Spartans have the majority of their season winter term, but warmed up with a 66-47 win over Eastern Michigan Friday and an 83-29 win Saturday over Oakland.

MSU distance swimmer Jim Dauw took two wins Friday in the 1,000 and 500-yard freestyle, and another win Saturday in the 200-yard freestyle.

Mike Rado, a Big Ten champion for MSU last year, had two wins Saturday in the 500-yard freestyle and 200-yard intermediate medley and was on the winning 400 medley relay team.

Shawn Elkins won the 1,000-yard freestyle Saturday as MSU took 11 firsts out of the 18 events.

MSU All-American diver Jesse Griffin won the one-meter diving event both days and teammate Kevin Macherer won the three-meter even both days also.

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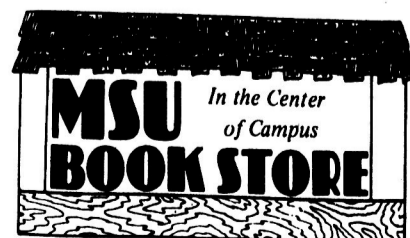
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PROGRAM CATERS TO GRADE-SCHOOLERS

Youths learn foreign languages

by TERRY PRZYBYLSKI
State News Staff Writer

Marilyn Deussen said she has thought learning a foreign language would be an enjoyable and educationally valuable experience for children of grade-school age. But public schools do not provide foreign language instruction to children that age, she decided to provide it herself.

Deussen is the founder and director of Foreign Language Youngsters, a private, non-profit educational corporation that taught French, Spanish, Italian and Latin to 60 East Lansing youngsters this fall. A number of children will continue this winter.

Deussen said she got the idea of the language school from seeing a school from which she had just returned with her husband, who is an archaeologist, and her own three youngsters. "I couldn't communicate with anybody in the other languages," she said. "I got to thinking, 'Wouldn't it be great if kids could learn a foreign language at home and then use it when they went abroad?'"

But, foreign language classes in elementary schools are almost non-existent,

because few elementary school teachers are certified to teach a foreign language.

"The instruction is just not available to small children in the public schools, so it has to be done on the community level," Deussen said.

Foreign Language for Youngsters actually began last summer, when Deussen hired teaching assistants from MSU to instruct the youngsters, and rented school facilities.

She said the resultant costs make it necessary to charge the children's families a small fee for the instruction. However, she is hopeful that she will be able to get government grants as soon as the organization qualifies legally as a non-profit educational corporation.

Despite the financial difficulties and the problems in finding enough qualified teachers, the language school has offered instruction to over 100 children. Though most are between the ages of 6 and 11, Deussen said some have been even younger.

"I had some parents wanting to sign up their five-year-olds for the classes, and I was a little hesitant at first," she said.

"But they're all doing fine and they're very enthusiastic about

the classes. They're even conjugating verbs already."

Instruction in the school, Deussen said, concentrates primarily on developing conversational skills, with only a minimum of reading and writing.

"We teach the children the foreign names for their body parts, clothes, colors and other simple things at first," she said.

Deussen said that the East Lansing Public Schools have also begun to show interest in

her programs. Superintendent Docking has invited Deussen to discuss the project. Plans are being made beginning in January to videotape the German class and broadcast it on the educational access TV channel, she said.

Registration starts soon for non-credit courses

Winter registration for MSU Evening College courses will begin Monday, Dec. 12, in the main lobby of Kellogg Center and continue until classes begin in early January.

The 53 non-credit courses offered cover a wide range of topics including business, investment, interpersonal relations, literature, music, art, hobbies, languages, history, public affairs and career involvement.

Among the 17 new titles offered for the first time winter term will be Anglo-American

Folk Music, Enjoying the Art of Dance, Sixty-Minute Myths, Charisma and Leadership, Electrical Estimating, How to Be Your Own Doctor — Sometimes, Transition in Widowhood and Divorce, Introduction to Law and Cross-Country Skiing.

Popular repeats include American Antiques, Piano for Adults, Rapid Reading, What Every Supervisor Must Know, Mindplay and Water Babies.

About 1,200 people enrolled in the university-level courses this past term. Classes are held

on campus, usually meeting one night a week. They are taught by university faculty and guest lecturers.

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There are pesticides that can kill the bugs, but they are also poisonous to humans, and li-

braries must be closed while the chemical is working.

Dr. Charles Remington, a Yale entomologist, had been freezing insects for study for several years and suggested the librarians try it.

Last June, 167 rare books damaged by a boring beetle were carted into a walk-in freezer in the Beinecke basement similar to those used in large restaurants.

Since then, thousands more

have received the freeze.

Associate Director Kenneth M. Nesheim estimates it will take until mid-1979 for the library to freeze the 37,000 volumes stored on the floor where the beetles were found.

The damage at Beinecke is relatively small. Although the librarians found evidence of the beetles in 167 volumes, all the damaged books can be repaired.

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SICK PAY NO, SENIORITY YES Pregnancy issue decided

WASHINGTON (AP) — Employers may deny pregnant workers sick pay but cannot deny them seniority benefits during their pregnancy leave, the Supreme Court ruled Tuesday.

In its second major decision on pregnancy in a year, the court relied heavily on its prior ruling that denied women workers the right to have pregnancy benefits included in an employer's health insurance program.

But the justices drew a distinction over seniority benefits, citing a difference in "benefits" and "burdens."

"Here, by comparison, the Nashville Gas Co. has not merely refused to extend to women a benefit that men cannot and do not receive, but has imposed on women a substantial burden that men need not suffer," Justice William H. Rehnquist said for the court.

Tennessee and the other from California.

While the action won unanimous approval by the nine justices, four of them voiced concern over the court's finding

that the woman in the Tennessee case failed to prove an initial case of discrimination against her employer's sick-leave policy.

The women in the two cases

decided Tuesday had won victories in lower courts. Those victories were upheld as far as seniority benefits are concerned but now appear in jeopardy over their sick-leave claims.

Nora Satty had worked for the Nashville Gas Co. for more than three years when she became pregnant in 1972. She did not receive sick-leave benefits during her maternity leave because company policy excluded pregnancy as an "illness" covered by the plan.

When Satty was able to return to work, she learned that her job had been abolished and that she had lost seniority rights to bid for another job within the company.

Sonja Lynn Berg was a teacher in Richmond, Calif., and the sole support of her family when she became pregnant. She challenged the school board's authority to tell her at what stage in her pregnancy she would no longer be able to work and she also sued to collect sick pay.

Rehnquist, referring to the court's decision last Dec. 7 in a case involving the General Electric Co., said the "policy of not awarding sick-leave pay to pregnant employees is legally indistinguishable from the disability insurance program upheld" in the GE case.

In the GE case, the justices voted 6-3 that pregnancy discrimination is not necessarily illegal discrimination based on sex.

That decision, like Tuesday's, was based on the court's interpretation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and other federal laws concerning job discrimination.

"It is difficult to perceive how exclusion of pregnancy from a disability insurance plan or sick-leave compensation program deprives an individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affects his status as an employee," Rehnquist said in analyzing the policies in light of federal law.

Justices Lewis F. Powell Jr., Thurgood Marshall, John Paul Stevens and William J. Brennan Jr. joined in the judgment and concurred in Rehnquist's statements about seniority benefits.

Many feminists had conceded when the pair of sex discrimination cases were argued in October that the prospects of a court victory were dim in the wake of the GE decision.

In September, however, the Senate approved a bill that would require employers to include pregnancy benefits in any workers' disability programs they offer — health insurance and sick-pay plans.

Doctor to discuss PBB and impact

"PBB—The Poisoning of Michigan", a medical and sociological overview of the PBB impact on the people of Michigan, will be discussed at noon today by Dr. William B. Weil Jr., Chairman of Pediatrics for the MSU College of Human Medicine.

The program will not be a discussion of the British documentary film titled "The Poisoning of Michigan."

Dr. Weil conducted tests of contaminated and non-contaminated children in Michigan and reported tentative results at a November meeting of the Michigan State Medical Society.

The discussion, one of a series of fall term symposiums sponsored by the medical school, will be given in the Life Sciences Building auditorium (Room A-133) located at Bogue Street and Service Road.



Accused "Son of Sam" slayer David Berkowitz sleeps in his cell at Kings County Hospital prison ward in New York. The New York Post reported Monday that Berkowitz, who has spent the past four months in an isolation cell at the hospital, has totally withdrawn from reality.

FOCUS ON GRANTS AND ARTICLES

Writing workshop today

A workshop to aid faculty members and graduate students in writing grants and articles will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 today in B108 Wells Hall.

Titled "Writing for Funding and Higher Education," the workshop is sponsored by the Faculty Women's Association.

It will consist of three presentations by MSU faculty. One concerns grant-writing for the social sciences and will be taught by Paul Dressel, professor of University Research, and Jean Gullahorn, professor of psychology.

Another presentation will focus on writing articles on higher education taught by Anne Garrison, professor emerita of business law, and Mary Busby, assistant professor of business law.

Ellie Wilbur, professor of humanities, said that the MSU community has "an acute in-

terest" in writing for higher education publications and grants.

"As scholars we produce knowledge. One of the important functions of producing knowledge is to show it," she

said.

"If we cannot put it into form, the chance of sharing it is remote."

It follows, she continued, that gaining knowledge is dependent on getting the money to

fund it. Receiving funding is dependent on grants.

The workshops will be open to all undergraduate students as well as graduate students and faculty, Wilbur said.

Farmers plan 'tractorcade' to Capitol

HOLT (UPI) — Farmers enraged by federal agricultural policy say they plan a "tractorcade" to the state Capitol in Lansing Saturday — with or without a parade permit — to protest low farm prices.

The farmers also plan a grain burning to further dramatize their dissatisfaction, one of the organizers of the protest said Tuesday.

"We just thought that if we could get a pile of grain, a couple of thousand bushels, and burn it, we could make a big demonstration," said Alex Boegner.

"Some guys are against it," he said. "They think it might hurt our image. But most of us think it's something we have to do as a first step."

Boegner said. "We're going to be down there with everything we can muster from all over the state."

Boegner said organizers hoped to get as many as 2,000 tractors to take part in the parade and could "guarantee over 300-400 right now."

The protest plans grew out of a meeting Monday night by

about 150 farmers facing financial ruin without federal support, Boegner said. The group is demanding 100 percent parity and a voice in creating national farm policy.

"We can not survive unless we get some of our demands met," said Louis Akers, another protest leader.

Riegle to lecture today

Sen. Donald W. Riegle, Jr., will speak on "contemporary issues" at 12:30 p.m. today in 110 Anthony Hall.

Riegle, who is completing his first year of a six-year term as one of Michigan's U.S. senators,

is expected to give a short opening speech followed by a general question-and-answer session.

Riegle recently traveled to Panama with a six-member Senate delegation. He will speak on the visit and the Panama Canal situation, as well as the energy shortage and Carter's first year as president.

An aide at his Lansing office said that Riegle's main concern today will be to exchange ideas with students and faculty.

Riegle has authored a bill that would set up a federal emergency task force to handle

chemical contamination cases. The bill came as a response to PBB contamination of Michigan cattle.

The program, which is sponsored by the Department of Political Science and the College of Urban and Metropolitan Studies, is open to the public.

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Pregnant woman dies before fetus can be delivered

NEW YORK (AP) — A comatose Brooklyn woman, whose life doctors were hoping to save until her 5-month-old unborn baby could be delivered, died Tuesday at Victory Memorial Hospital.

The fetus also died, doctors said.

The office of Brooklyn District Attorney Eugene Gold said Rosemarie Maniscalco, 27, died at 12:34 p.m.

Her heart stopped in the morning and doctors could not get it started again, the hospital said.

Maniscalco fell unconscious while eating dinner the day before Thanksgiving and suffered respiratory failure when she was brought to a hospital emergency room. She had been unconscious since then, and her doctors said Monday that she had developed pneumonia and was in "very poor" condition.

Gold's office has been conducting an investigation into the circumstances of Maniscalco's seizure, with reports circulating that she was a victim of wife-beating. Her husband John denied the charge, which was said to have been made by a neighbor.

Maniscalco's mother, Marie Guaraci, and two other relatives were questioned Monday at the district attorney's office.

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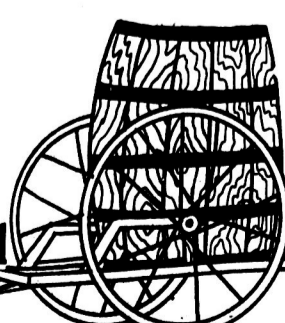
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By NANCY CAROL Jane, an MSU student, contacted her father for help. She did some research, and her friend at the time, a student at MSU, helped her. At 2 a.m. she was oxygen-starved and looked out her window. At 6 a.m. Jane was at the health center, but she was not admitted. Annually, hundreds of students — three of them — with conditions make the doctor's office. Charles Creighton, a student, said "No one ever to the effects of contact lenses." Creighton said he is not a doctor or an optometrist. He has read about eye problems in the other day. He handles all the patients, but with some as well. "When you stare at the eye you can see the eye's movement of the eye. Creighton explained.

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Contact lenses may cause problems for wearers unattentive to lens care

By NANCY OSTRANDER CAROL GENEVE

Jane, an MSU senior, got up at 6 a.m. and popped in her contact lenses before she brushed her teeth. She jammed for two tests before noon, did some afternoon reading, and celebrated with her boyfriend at Dooley's that night.

At 2 a.m. she gave relief to her oxygen-starved eyes when she took out her contacts. At 6 a.m. Jane was led to Olin Health Center, both eyes swollen shut. Annually, hundreds of MSU students — three to four every day — with contact lens problems make the dawn trek to see Dr. Charles Creighton at Olin. "No one ever told them about the effects contact lenses have on eyes," Creighton said.

Though he is not an optometrist or an ophthalmologist, Creighton has more information about eye problems than any of the other doctors at Olin. He handles all eye cases. He said he is not only concerned with treating the students, but with educating them as well. "When you slam a contact lens on the eye you cut off 94 percent of the eye's oxygen," Creighton explained.

"The white part of your eye has red blood cells to supply it with oxygen, but your cornea, the brown or blue part, doesn't."

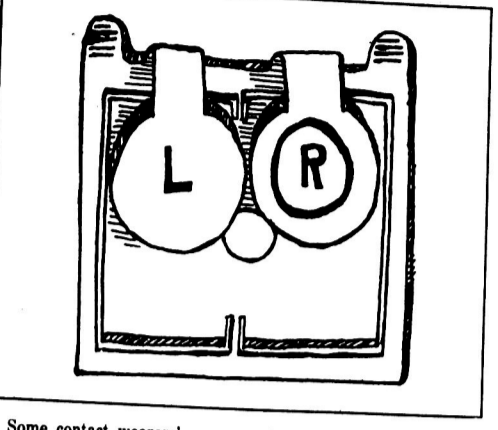
wear their contacts irregularly. "Your eyeball is used to a full supply of oxygen. When you suddenly slam your contacts in, after not wearing them for 25

students, but there are thousands of Michigan students who wear contacts. According to a recent article in The New York Times Magazine, about 1.5 million Americans buy contacts each year and more than a third of the wearers are students.

Ruth Bonney, office manager for three East Lansing ophthalmologists, said most of their contact lens patients are students from MSU and local high schools. "We fit seven to ten pairs of soft lenses each week and about the same number for hard lenses," she said. "Most people interested in contact lenses seem to be in the vanity years, or ages 12 to 25."

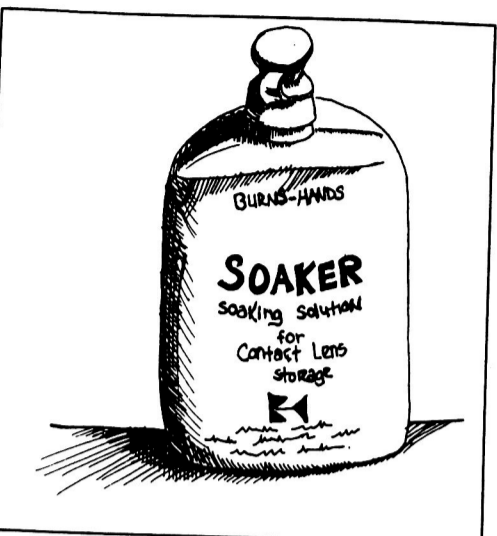
There are fewer dangers with soft lenses than hard, she added. "The major danger with soft lenses is if the patient does not keep the lens clean," she said. "With hard lenses, the danger is in the patient lacerating an eye with the lens."

"We have also had some cases of eye infection with the hard lenses, but none with the soft," Bonney added. Almost six million Americans are now wearing contact lenses. The New York Times said. Currently, half of the people



Some contact wearers' eyes are so badly swollen that when he opens them up for examination, water squirts four or five inches out of the eye, he said. "The irritation is usually due to wearing the contacts for too long," Creighton said. "It is not the big danger, but an infection could result if the patient doesn't get antibiotics."

or 30 hours, irritation begins," Creighton said. He recommends wearing contacts a few hours at a time to get the eye readjusted to less oxygen. "If you have an exam in the morning and are going out that night, take your contact lenses out at dinner time for an hour to give your eyes a rest," he advised. Creighton only sees MSU



fitted for contacts each year get soft lenses. Soft lenses, available in America since 1970, hug the cornea much more closely than a hard lens, and cover a larger portion of the eye. Experts say this helps keep dust from slipping between the eye and the lens, a hard lens problem which can be painful to the wearer.

She agreed with Creighton that students are especially vulnerable to fluctuating wearing times. "A lot of students decide to leave their contacts out for the weekend and then come back and do the opposite—overwear them—to study," she said. "They usually leave them in with both eyes swollen shut."

Before a prospective contact wearer can decide on hard or soft lenses, he or she must decide whether to consult an ophthalmologist or an optometrist. Ophthalmologists are medical doctors specializing in diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases and who perform eye surgery. They also measure the eye's optical faults and prescribe eyeglasses and contact lenses.

In Michigan, ophthalmologists are required to renew licenses yearly. The state Board of Medicine requires proof of at least 50 hours of continuing medical education each year. Optometrists are state-licensed professionals who diagnose optical defects and prescribe corrective devices. They are trained to detect eye diseases, but are not licensed to treat with medicines or surgery.

They must have at least two years of college and four years at a school of optometry. Optometrists practicing in Michigan are also required to have their licenses renewed yearly and complete at least 12 hours of educational seminars each year.



"Fluffy" is one of two rabbits housed in the third-grade classroom at Gates School in Grand Island, Neb., as part of an "animals in the classroom" project. Tom Mudloff and his fellow classmates are

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Explanation: Change would allow department representatives or officers to serve on University committees.
- Article VI part B #1 shall read as follows:** "The elections shall be held during the second to the last regularly scheduled Spring Term meeting."

Explanation: The change would put time of elections in agreement with other organizations.
- Article X part C shall read as follows:** "Officers of COGS, department representatives and committee representatives shall receive compensation only if authorized by unanimous vote of the Council during a regularly scheduled meeting."

Explanation: Changes allow Council to consider compensation for officers.
- An additional fifty cents (50¢) per term refundable tax shall be collected beginning Spring 1978.**

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NATIONWIDE MURDER AND EXTORTION CHARGED

FBI agent calls gang case most significant yet

CLEVELAND (AP) — The FBI, outlining its case against nine alleged Cosa Nostra members charged in two car-bomb murders, unfolds a tapestry of crime whose threads of extortion, murder, loan-sharking and gambling reach across the nation.

FBI agent Joseph E. Griffin Jr. describes the case as "the most significant action that has been made to date against any single organized crime family in the United States."

Among the nine indicted Monday by the Cuyahoga County grand jury was 73-year-old James T. Licavoli, described by the FBI affidavit as the Cosa Nostra capo or boss in Cleveland. Specifically, the affidavit filed in federal court accused Licavoli of ordering the assassination of John Nardi, identified as a former Cosa Nostra member, and his associate Daniel J. "Danny" Greene, during a power struggle.

The nine were indicted on charges of conspiracy to commit murder, aggravated murder for hire, aggravated arson and engaging in organized crime.

Three of the men — Licavoli, Angelo Lonardo, 66, and Thomas J. Sinito, 39 — entered innocent pleas Tuesday in Common Pleas Court.

A fourth man, John Calandra, 66, suffered a heart attack after his arrest and was in intensive care at St. Vincent Charity Hospital.

The affidavit signed by FBI agent E. Michael Kahoe details an "organized crime conspiracy which is controlled nationally by a membership which is exclusively Italian." The organization is variously referred to as "The Outfit," "La Cosa Nostra" or "our

thing," the statement said.

Kahoe said the affidavit was based on information from confidential sources, including one Cosa Nostra member. It gives details of the struggle for control of the rackets in northeastern Ohio, where police have said the organization rakes in millions of dollars.

The affidavit says that in 1973, two years before the death of former Cosa Nostra boss John Scalish, Nardi "appeared to be making a play for leadership in the Cleveland... family."

A Cosa Nostra leader was quoted in the affidavit as saying that Nardi, a nephew of Cosa Nostra underboss Anthony Milano, "had five criminal associates who were killing people by putting bombs in their cars."

In 1976, after he had taken over as capo in Cleveland, Licavoli "learned that four Cleveland family members, who were not further identified, had aligned themselves with the 'Irish mob' headed by Danny Greene, the affidavit said.

Kahoe quoted one of his sources as saying Licavoli called the Irish mob "a tightly knit group who were utilizing explosives and other sophisticated weapons to attempt to gain control of criminal activities in Cleveland."

Licavoli decided that Nardi and Greene had to be killed, the affidavit said, but the statement identified a West Coast Cosa

Nostra member, James "The Weasel" Fratianno, as the man who made the first contact with accused bomber Raymond Ferritto, of Erie, Pa.

Ferritto, charged last month in the Greene killing, was quoted in the affidavit as giving details of the organization's efforts to kill the two men, but said he was not involved in the Nardi bombing.

Nardi was killed May 17 and Greene Oct. 6, both by bombs that had been placed in cars parked next to the cars they were in and which were detonated by remote control.

Licavoli, a cousin of one-time Detroit racket figures Peter and Thomas "Yonnie" Licavoli, came to Cleveland in 1940 after being paroled on a blackmail conviction in Toledo in the late 1940s.

Kahoe's affidavit says the Cosa Nostra is made of a group of families, each with its own geographical area, and gives the organizational structure of the families — from the capo down to the caporegima, or captain, who is said to control "various members of the family," reporting directly to the capo.

He says the national organization is controlled by "a political group known as the 'commission'," made up of "the various heads of the families."

Some investigators said they thought the federal roundup based on information from someone within the organization, had a devastating effect on the local operation.

Crackdown on shoplifters proposed

LANSING (UPI) — Rep. Dennis Hertel, D-Detroit, said Monday he plans to introduce legislation cracking down on shoplifting, which he said costs Michigan consumers three cents on every dollar they spend.

Hertel said current law makes it almost impossible for retailers to apprehend and convict shoplifters.

"In the Detroit area it is estimated that \$165 million a year is lost to shoplifters. In the long run, this money is coming out of the pockets of all Detroit shoppers," Hertel said.

Hertel's proposal would give retailers the right to detain a suspect on or off the business premises and make a "reasonable inquiry" as to the suspect's possession of unpurchased merchandise.

It would also allow the merchant to request identification from the suspect.

Conviction of retail theft under \$150 would be a misdemeanor, while anything over

that amount would be a felony. Hertel said the bill was patterned after an Illinois law

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FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

Probe of Amin activity asked

Five Nordic countries introduced a resolution here Tuesday calling for investigation of repeated gross violations of basic human rights of individuals in President Idi Amin's Uganda.

The resolution, sponsored by Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden, was the first proposal in the General Assembly demanding action against Amin's government.

The United Nations has not spoken out or acted against the Amin regime so far despite appeals from international human rights groups, condemnations by the British Commonwealth, church organizations and others.

"We've waited long enough," Swedish Ambassador Anders Thunborg told The Associated Press. "I really hope we could have this resolution adopted."

The resolution, introduced in the assembly's social committee, would have the assembly take note of "the accumulated evidence of continued massive violations of basic human rights" in Uganda.

It would also recall that the Commonwealth heads of government at their meeting in London in June expressed the view that these "excesses were so gross as to warrant the world's concern and to evoke condemnation in strong and unequivocal terms."

The resolution would express the hope that the relevant organs of the Organization of African Unity "give appropriate consideration to these violations with a view to their cessation."

Finally, it would request the Geneva-based Human Rights Commission to look into the human rights situation in Uganda.

Soviet dissident to face charges

MOSCOW (AP) — Alexander Podrabinek, one of Moscow's youngest dissidents, declared today he would remain in the Soviet Union despite what he said was an ultimatum from the KGB: emigrate or face criminal charges.

The 24-year-old ambulance medic, who wrote an underground book on detention of dissenters in Soviet mental hospitals, said he viewed the choice given him by the secret police as "open blackmail."

Podrabinek told Western reporters at a news conference that the KGB had instructed him to apply to emigrate to Israel. He is listed as a Jew on his Soviet passport because of his family background, but has said he does not consider himself Jewish.

Last week, Podrabinek said the KGB has told him that he and his older brother Kirill, another dissident activist, probably would be prosecuted unless they and their father left the country within 20 days.

"At the KGB, they insistently advised me to use this chance, which they described as a 'humane action of the Soviet government,'" Podrabinek said today. "I consider this proposal as open blackmail."

"I do not want to sit behind bars, but I don't fear a prison camp. I value my freedom, just as the freedom of my brother, but I am not selling it. I will not be blackmailed."

"I was born in Russia. It is my country, I should stay in it," Podrabinek said. "As much as I can, I will try in the future to defend those whose rights are being so crudely trampled down in our country."

"That is my answer. I am staying."

Podrabinek's decision contrasted with that of Tatyana Khodorovich another Moscow dissident, who when confronted with a similar choice this fall opted to leave the country.

Nobel Prize-winning physicist Andrei D. Sakharov, a dissident leader, attended the news conference and said: "The worst thing is this system of blackmail—that people are not allowed to decide their own fate" but are pressured through threats to their relatives.

Podrabinek said the KGB agents did not specify what charges he would face if he stayed. But, he said he has been threatened previously with prosecution for "anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda," a crime that carries a maximum labor camp term of seven years.

Earlier this year, Podrabinek smuggled to the West a book on alleged abuse of psychiatric treatment for political reasons in the Soviet Union. Much of his material came from a trip he made through Siberia last year, visiting prisoners on behalf of a Moscow dissident group concerned with psychiatric matters.

Podrabinek was held by police for 15 days in July for attending an unauthorized Baptist prayer meeting and was seized for several hours of interrogation in October.



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Planning group will meet tonight

The East Lansing Planning Commission will meet tonight in the conference room of City Hall, 410 Abbott Rd., to discuss the distribution of \$2,040,000 in community development funds.

three-year allocation from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to be used to primarily benefit moderate- and low-income families. The commission is expected to approve a proposal by Dec.

14 before sending it to the City Council for a public hearing and subsequent approval. The planning commission held a public hearing on the Department of Housing, Plan-

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Common Cause knocks secret meetings

LANSING (UPI) — Common Cause, the political reform lobby behind passage of Michigan's new Open Meetings Act, has called on Gov. William G. Milliken to veto legislation that would allow county boards of commissioners to hold secret party caucuses.

"Passage of this legislation is a step back toward the bad old days of secret government," said Common Cause Chairperson Jan Elmsan. "It's now up to the governor to keep county governments open to Michigan citizens."

"We ask Governor Milliken

to veto this legislation in the same spirit in which he signed Michigan's historic Open Meetings Act just over a year ago."

The bill to exempt party caucuses of county boards passed both houses of the legislature and is on the gover-

nor's desk. He has until next Tuesday to veto it.

Supporters of the measure said county board members should be allowed to hold party caucuses in private since state lawmakers are permitted to hold their caucuses behind closed doors.

Legislation is pending, however, to force legislative meetings into the open as well. "The way to resolve the

disparity between state legislature caucuses and county caucuses is simple," Elmsan said. "It is to provide more openness and less secrecy — to remove exemptions, not add them. The way to end the hypocrisy of open meetings at one level of government and closed meetings at another is to bring everyone into the sunshine by closing the state legislature's own loophole."

Coach Darryl Rogers to stay at MSU

(continued from page 1)
"He (Maggard) was going to be in Chicago the same time I would be there for a banquet," Rogers said. "I told him I would talk to him. But I made it clear that I am happy here and there is no way I'm leaving MSU."

Rogers was recently named Big Ten coach of the year after guiding the Spartans to a 7-3-1 overall record and a 6-1-1 third-place finish in the conference. It was Rogers' second year at MSU — which is also the second year of MSU's NCAA probation.

California, which finished the year 7-4, recently fired Mike

White, who had been the coach there for six years.

Rumors have persisted that Rogers is unhappy in Michigan and that he wants to return to California to coach. Rogers coached at San Jose State and

Fresno State before coming to MSU.

Rogers was quoted as saying MSU has a much better football program than California, and that if he wanted to live in California, he would have stayed there.

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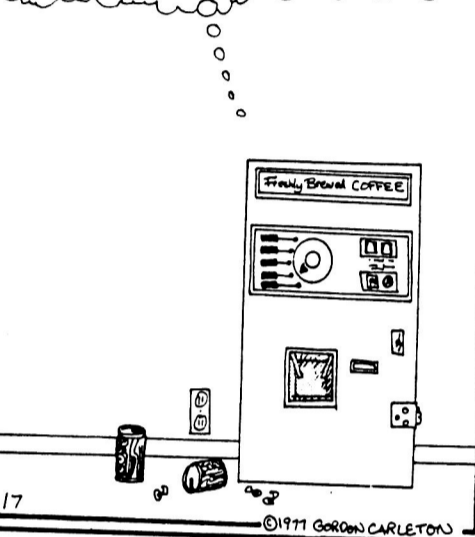
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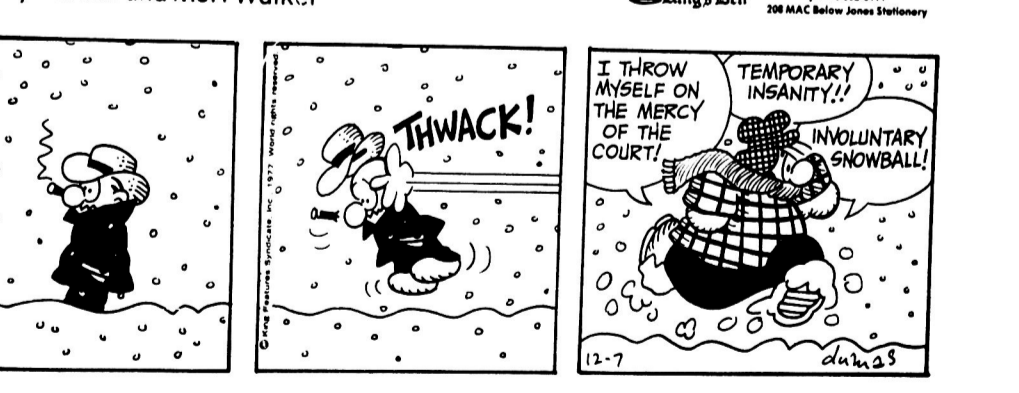
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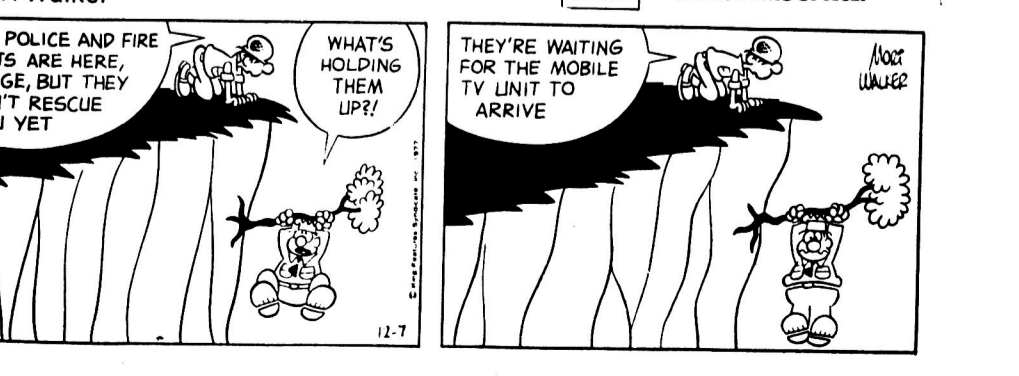
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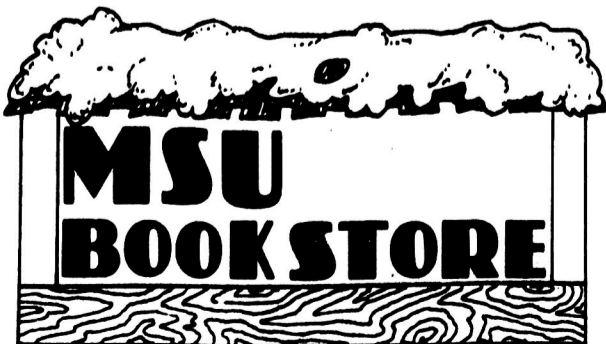
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