

# Dr. McShine Recounts African Journey

(Editor's Note: Dr. J. Orville McShine, associate professor of foreign languages at Northern Michigan University, participated in a West African safari during this past summer. As a result of his trip, he will be heading up a new course at NMU next semester - West Africa and French Colonization. He also has set up three weekly exhibitions entitled "West African Panorama," the first of which opened last Monday, with others to follow on Nov. 16 and 23, all located in the University Center near the Alumni Office. Here, Dr. McShine tells how his safari came into being, his impressions of the trip, and how he plans to use the knowledge he gained.)

*Books are a world in themselves, But they are not the only world. The world itself is a place much larger Than all the libraries contained in it.*

Certain writers win our admiration because we readily believe that great minds think alike, even though some may think faster than others! Our ability to identify ourselves with certain characters or views prompts us to attribute to kindred spirits such qualities as greatness, understanding and perspicacity. It is thus easy to endorse the individual or his opinion.

A truism? Perhaps, but in relation to my African safari the analogy needs to be made explicit.

A perennial believer that a language is intimately linked with the culture of the people or peoples who speak it in the metropolitan area or even in distant lands, I am naturally curious to observe the impact of the French language and culture on alien soil, be it in French-

speaking Canada, the Caribbean or Africa.

Thus, when the brochure of the American Forum for International Studies with its 1970 summer program (Francophone Africa: Paris-Abidjan) was casually brought to my attention, I could not but be impressed on reading: "For too long, the French language and literature as taught in American colleges and high schools has dealt only with literature of Metropolitan France, overlooking the vital literature written by Black African and Caribbean writers in French."

Was that an indictment against me? Or, more likely, a verbal expression of my own innermost sentiments and personal convictions?

A teacher of French, was I not born in the Caribbean of African parentage? Surely, the American Forum could not be so naive as to attempt to make a proselyte of an ardent believer! However, between passive conviction and active participation, there was a "slight" problem of a pecuniary nature.

The Forum, providing the impetus by offering me a small scholarship, made it possible to arrive at a gentleman's agreement with North-

ern Michigan University. In return for partial financial assistance, I would pledge to communicate subsequently such acquired knowledge in a formal course.

The stage was set for a rendezvous with other participants in Paris, but I decided to make an early entrance through a back-door. The flight from Boston to Frankfurt was as swift as it was smooth. Nature, however, would not be defeated. In spite of our vertiginous speed of travel, on arrival the mantle of darkness which had already enveloped the city confounded that chromometric illusion that it was only 3 p.m.

It seemed only natural for our group to pay homage first to Paris, that intellectual Mecca, and so to drink deep of the fountains of learning. It was hoped that famed cosmopolitan city would once more perform its traditional miracle by molding our heterogeneous group, hailing from different colleges and universities and representing the two faces of America, into a homogeneous spiritual entity, transcending superficial differences.

Equally important, the Forum, with remarkable powers of discernment, decided to tap the intellectual

resources of that section of the African intelligentsia, residents of Paris.

The program was well organized with daily lectures, conferences and discussions covering an extremely wide range of topics relating to the culture and civilization of French-speaking West Africa. The choice of lecturers, all specialists in their respective fields, was excellent and a high quality of standard instruction was constantly maintained. In addition, intellectual honesty was the order of the day - rather throughout the week. The lecturers were able to express themselves sincerely, unhampered by any political considerations requiring words to be carefully weighed.

The Paris phase was indeed a rich experience, but we all looked forward eagerly to the exciting trip which would give us a glimpse of that vast so-called "dark continent."

It was most significant that we had reservations on a non-stop night flight, Paris to Abidjan, capital of the Ivory Coast. That night flight would be the swan-like end of so many myths, fabricated by the western world, destined to be dispelled in the light of a new day.

At the announcement to board the Air Afrique plane, varied were the emotions—mine even traumatic.

At long last I would be privileged to behold the land of my maternal ancestors; or had the inexorable fates decreed that I should forfeit that honor on account of prolonged absence from my ancestral home?

For a brief moment, which seemed like an eternity, I stood petrified and got little consolation from evoking Voltaire's *Candide* that it is virtually impossible to undertake an extensive voyage without succumbing to some mishap. Allah is great (five times), otherwise what possible explanation for the fortuitous return, in the nick of time, of my passport and airline ticket which had stealthily disappeared from my pocket?

Though brainwashed into expecting the worst, yet, on arrival in the Ivory Coast, we were to be most favorably impressed.

Hotel Ivoire, far from offering primitive accommodation, proved to be a most elegant and picturesque hotel with every amenity.

In place of the hot sultry weather with tropical downpours and terr-

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## Ralph Abernathy To Lecture Nov. 18 In Hedgcock Gym

Reverend Ralph Abernathy will speak Wednesday evening, November 18, in the Hedgcock Fieldhouse at 8:15. The featured speaker of the Northern Michigan University Lecture-Concert Series for November, Reverend Abernathy has chosen *Promises and Realities* as his lecture topic.

Ralph David Abernathy rose to national prominence when he and other young Negro leaders, including Martin Luther King, Jr., led the famous Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott of 1955-56. It was this boycott which acquainted the world with the practice of non-violent direct action against the cruelties and hardships of segregation and discrimination in this nation. Dr. Abernathy has been jailed many times and has endured constant abuse and threats against his non-violent protest activities.

Successor of the late Dr. King as President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Dr. Abernathy is the chief administrative officer of the 100-plus S.C.L.C. staff-members scattered across the country. Prior to becoming President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, he was chief financial and budgetary officer of S.C.L.C.

As an internationally known Civil Rights leader, Dr. Abernathy is in great demand for speeches, lectures, and sermons. He also is constantly called upon for advice in organizing and directing Civil Rights programs since he is one of the leading spokesmen for the Freedom Move-



One of the leading spokesmen for the Freedom Movement and the Black people, Reverend Ralph Abernathy will speak on "Promises and Realities" Wednesday, Nov. 18, in the Hedgcock Gymnasium at 8:15.

ment and the Negro people.

Besides his many duties, Reverend Abernathy continues as Pastor of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church of Atlanta, Georgia, where he has served since 1961. This church is a member of the American Baptist Convention.

The Reverend Abernathy served two years in Demopolis, Alabama, and ten years as Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Montgomery.

In addition to his civil rights fame, Dr. Abernathy has received national recognition as an opponent of the Indo-China war.

Reverend Abernathy's lecture will be the final one in Northern's 1970 Fall Fine Arts Series. Three concerts and an appearance by the National Shakespeare Company are what remain on the Fall schedule.

## Lampi Reverses Decision

# GRIES RESIDENTS SUPPORT COLGROVE, FORCE REHIRING

By Eric Larson  
NEWS Associate Editor

Larry Colgrove, a Resident Assistant in Gries Hall, received a letter, dated November 3, 1970, from Gries Resident Advisor Phillip Lampi, the letter of notification expressed dissatisfaction with Colgrove's performance as an R.A., and the letter also dismissed Colgrove from his position of Resident Assistant. After a meeting of the Gries Hall Council and a

## Symposium, Ball Highlight NMU Black Culture Week

Black Culture Week at Northern Michigan University, which will run from Monday through Saturday, Nov. 16-21, will be highlighted by a symposium and Black Culture Week ball.

The program opens at 7 p.m. Monday when the play, "Johnnas," will be performed in room 104 of the IF building. The play is being directed by Ozel Brazil, a senior from Detroit.

Prior to the play performance, Michael Boggs, a junior from Detroit, will introduce the Black Culture Week program to the audience.

From 7 to 11 p.m. Tuesday, in IF 104, performances by modern and Afro dance groups will be presented.

At 8 p.m. Wednesday, a panel discussion on Black culture will be held in IF 103.

A talent show will highlight Thursday's activities, running from 7 to 10 p.m. in the Michigan and Ontario Rooms of the University Center.

On Friday, a flea market and a symposium on art work will be offered in the Erie and Huron Rooms of the University Center from noon to 3 p.m. That evening, a dance featuring live music will be featured in the Michigan Room, beginning at 8.

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mass meeting by the students of Gries, Colgrove was subsequently rehired as Resident Assistant.

In his letter, Lampi stated: "After a week and four days I feel that you have not even begun to start a change. I therefore, can see no reason to continue your employment." He then goes on, stating specific reasons for the dismissal. Those reasons included: 1) "... I feel that your residents have little or no respect of me representing the university"; 2) "... sources of feed-back reinforce my belief that you do not support me in my dealings with students"; 3) "Under stimulating enthusiastically the area of programming, I still see that you have not developed any programs"; 4) "I also see that specific areas under the student code have not been followed in your house. I have received no action from you on the following: a. Violation of quiet hours; b. Water fights in the hallway; c. Use of your study room as a social lounge. Even if all of your residents agree that it is a social lounge, they still leave it messy."

On Thursday evening, November 5, an emergency meeting of the Gries Hall Council convened in which Robert Maust and Andrew Waslewski, representatives of the Residence Hall Programming Office were present. In addition, approximately 200 students of Gries Hall attended in support of Mr. Colgrove's performance as Resident Assistant; the students wanted reasons for the dismissal, and many possessed copies of the aforementioned letter.

Following that meeting, Colgrove, Lampi, and Dean Maust convened for a closed discussion, in which they decided to rehire Colgrove with the condition that he should show marked improvement.

In an interview with the Northern News, Dean Maust said that Gries students never threatened any

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Loans Up To \$10,000

# VA Will Now Finance Mobile Homes

The Veterans Administration announced recently it will finance mobile homes for veterans and servicemen starting Dec. 22.

Administrator of Veterans Affairs, Donald E. Johnson, said President Nixon signed PL-91-506 on Oct. 23, authorizing VA to guarantee or make direct loans for mobile home financing to "low and moderate income veterans."

The law, which provides financing for mobile homes for the first time, also restores expired G.I. loan benefits to some 8.9 million World War II and Korean Conflict vets. The law also preserves these benefits for all veterans who served after

Jan. 31, 1955, until they are actually used.

Another provision eliminates the half of one percent funding fee VA formerly required post-Korean veterans to pay on guaranteed and direct home loans. It was emphasized this provision does not affect loans made before Oct. 23, the date the bill was signed.

The law also makes direct loans for specially adapted housing available to seriously disabled veterans in all parts of the country.

The VA Administrator noted that the law provides that the VA may approve loans up to a maximum of \$10,000 for a mobile home, and up

to \$17,500 where a suitable lot to place the mobile home on is purchased.

The law also provides that the VA may guarantee up to 30 percent of the loan for a mobile home, but use of this guaranteed or direct loan benefit does not reduce the veteran's or serviceman's \$12,500 guaranty entitlement.

However, if a veteran or serviceman uses his mobile home loan entitlement, he may not otherwise use his \$12,500 home loan entitlement until he has repaid the mobile home loan in full.

While emphasizing VA has not had experience in loans for mobile homes, officials expect about 13,000 loans to be made during the first year of the new program.

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# BLACK VOICES

by Rose Marie Fuller

Monday is the beginning of Black Culture Week. For those who do not know what Black Culture Week is, it is a time when the black students on campus are going to introduce "our" culture to all those who would like to learn about it. The theme is "Now is the time to intensify the struggle." The week will be full of beautiful black people doing beautiful black things. The events are as follows:

**Monday, November 16** — The play *Johanna* directed by Ozel Brazil — three speakers from Michigan State.

**Tuesday, November 17** — A movie, *Modern and African Dances*, directed by Cassandra Wardlaw and Gayle Woodley.

**Wednesday, November 18** — Ralph Abernathy — Panel Discussion.

**Thursday, November 19** — Talent Show.

**Friday, November 20** — Symposium and Dance

**Saturday, November 21** — Fashion Show and Luncheon — Ball with band and performance Group.

It will definitely be a week to remember, so be there.

Congratulations to the Socky Dogs and Court for a real together dinner and dance.

**Upcoming Events:** "You are now entering Queland." The men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. present *Queland*.

**Friday, November 20th** at Cliff's Ridge, the Ques will present the Sweethearts of Omega Psi Phi and the Brotherhood. 9-1.

**Saturday, November 21st** the Brothers of Omega Psi Phi will give their 4th Annual Sweethearts Ball, "Purple Haze" at the Chalet Ballrooms, U.S. 41, 9-2 (rides will be provided to both events)

**Friday, November 20th** the men of Kappa Alpha Psi will give a dance at the University Center. 9-12.

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## Northern Hosts U.P. Boy Scouts At Game

Approximately 1,200 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Explorers and their leaders of the Hiawathaland Council, Boy Scouts of America, were guests of Northern Michigan University during Saturday's football game with Eastern Illinois University.

Hosted by the NMU Athletic Department, athletic director and head football coach Rollie Dotsch was first approached with a request to host Cub Pack from Marquette.

Dotsch, in giving his support to the request, added that he felt we should really honor "all the Boy Scout units in the Upper Peninsula, to show our

appreciation for the many fine projects and programs they are carrying out."

And so, what started out as a guest list of 12, soon blossomed into well over 1,200 U. P. representatives of the Boy Scouts.

In addition to being in attendance at the game, and offering their vocal support to the NMU football team's cause, three of the scouts, along with NMU President John X. Jamrich, led the crowd on hand in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to the start of the game.

## Fashion Show, Lunch Slated For Saturday

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Two separate programs will bring the week to a close on Saturday. The first is a luncheon and fashion show, which will run from 2:30 to 5 p.m., in the Michigan and Ontario Rooms of the University Center.

At 8 that evening, the Black Culture Week ball will be held in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center, again featuring live music as well as a special appearance by "The Last Poets," a group of three Black poets from New York who relate to the Black man's struggle through their poetry.

The public is cordially invited to attend any of the programs listed above. Tickets for the Friday night dance and the luncheon and fashion show on Saturday may be purchased at the door for \$1.00 per person, while admission to the Black Culture week ball is set at \$2.00 per person, also payable at the door.

## Student Pressure Was Felt In This Case: Dean Maust

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action verbally or in written form as to what they would do if the dismissal were not reversed. "They took a very positive stance," stated Maust; "we cannot play games by saying that we didn't feel student pressure in this case."

Stated Lampi, "It gave a clearer insight into the situation; had I thought he would still not be able to handle his job, I would have upheld his dismissal."

## Labor Department Warns Of Surplus Of Teachers

The Labor Department says young people, especially women, planning on becoming teachers in the 1970's should think instead about jobs in other fields.

In a once-in-a-decade forecast released this week, the department noted the dwindling demand in education, a field entered by two out of three women college graduates in the past, and warned those who pursue that aim could wind up in unemployment lines.

But, the report said, state and local governments will offer 52 per cent more jobs by 1980, services and professions 40 per cent more, construction 35 per cent, finance, insurance and real estate 34 per cent, trade 23 per cent, manufacturing 11 per cent, and transportation, communication, and public utilities and the federal government 10 per cent each.

Mining jobs will fall 9 per cent and agriculture 23 per cent.

The document said the elementary and secondary teacher job decline will bottom out by 1973. But it stressed that applications could increase even as jobs dwindle unless young people recognize the slackening demand in these areas.

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2. **Q. What should I serve when the boys drop over?**

**A.** The perfect beverage for moments of celebration and good fellowship like this is Pabst Blue Ribbon beer. Its good old-time flavor helps break the ice and get the party rolling.



3. **Q. Who are these guys?**

**A.** This is a group photo of our bowling team. It was taken in 1893, the year Pabst won the Blue Ribbon as America's best beer. We still brew our beer the old-time premium way. Our bowling team hasn't changed much either.

# Everything You've Always Wanted to Know About Beer

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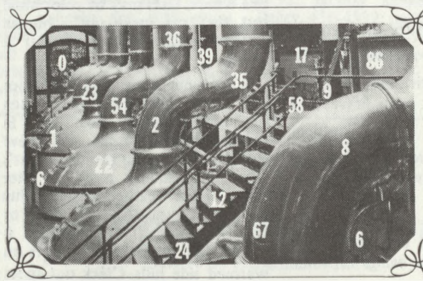
**Q. What'll you have?**

**A.** Pabst Blue Ribbon, because it has something no other beer has... good old-time flavor. And if perchance we have not covered everything you've always wanted to know about beer but were afraid to ask... quell those fears. You'll find the answers to all your questions inside an ice-cold bottle or can of Pabst. On second thought, why not buy a 6-pack? It's our "refresher" course.



4. **Q. What are these horses trying to pull?**

**A.** They're pulling one day's production of Pabst beer. This often caused traffic jams outside the brewery. These tieups were the results of efforts to supply the increasing demand for Pabst. A demand that has remained unquenched to the present day.



5.

**Q. How is Pabst brewed?**

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# More Taxation?

On Tuesday of this past week, on-campus students went to the polls to either voice their support for or opposition to the proposed \$1 taxing of all on-campus students. The proposal passed by a vote of 1,650 - Yes to 430 - No.

The fact that the proposal passed is some indication that students will not mind being slapped with another tax. But quite frankly, we also have to think about the 430 and more that do not wish to face another tax. Perhaps these students are fed up with the never-ending barrage of so-called "worthwhile" taxes that are so "essential" to the progress of the student body.

Let's take a look at the taxes we already have on our hands. Upon entering Northern Michigan University in the fall and spring semesters, we are faced with a \$.50 "head tax" which ALL students are required to pay. Next, before on-campus students are able to enter the dormitories, they are faced with a \$5.00 dorm "fee" which is again required in order to live in the dormitory. And now the \$1 tax which plagues us.

We reiterate once again our complete support for the student run, carrier-current radio station. However, we pose the following question: Were all avenues of financing thoroughly searched before deciding on the taxation proposal?

After obtaining monetary commitments ranging in the hundreds of dollars from most of the dorms, is this \$1 taxation not double taxation?? But, you probably never thought of that, now did you?

# Hasty Decision

During this past week, we witnessed what could be called "one of the biggest errors in judgment" of the semester thus far; an error which should not be permitted to happen again. The firing of Larry Colgrove, a Resident Assistant in Gries Hall, by Phil Lampi, Resident Advisor in Gries is a prime case of what can happen when a hasty decision is made, when one permits his emotions to rule, and when personal conflicts are allowed to enter into the picture.

Larry Colgrove is, perhaps, one of the finest Resident Assistants on this campus. He has come up the hard way in Gries Hall, having started as an Alternate Resident Assistant, desk receptionist, and now Resident Assistant. He has a good working knowledge of what Gries Hall is all about.

Lampi certainly did not use his best judgment when he made this hasty decision to fire Colgrove. We hope that this unfortunate situation serves as an example to all those concerned with residence halls and their effective functioning. And we rejoice with the knowledge that Colgrove has been rehired. (See front page)

# Vote Wednesday

On Wednesday, November 18, students will be going to the polls again to choose three people to represent them on the Governing Board of the ASNMU.

In view of the \$1 tax that was proposed and passed by student leaders such as these, there is nothing so crucial as your vote for the right people to put on this Governing Board.

The polls will be open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., with voting taking place in the IF Building. Your vote for the right people will help to insure responsible representation for YOU. Vote on November 18!

## — Quotable Quotes —

An ambassador is an honest man sent to lie abroad for the commonwealth.  
 — Sir Henry Wotton

There are three marks of a superior man: being virtuous, he is free from anxiety; being wise, he is free from perplexity; being brave, he is free from fear.  
 — Confucius

To have the reputation of possessing the most perfect social tact, talk to every woman as if you loved her, and to every man as if he bored you.  
 — Wilde

Doctors are men who prescribe medicine of which they know little, to cure diseases of which they know less, to human beings of whom they know nothing.  
 — Voltaire

Among the attributes of God, although they are all equal, mercy shines with even more brilliancy than justice.  
 — Cervantes

# What's With The Meters?

Of late, the cry from the masses has been for conservation. Automobiles and industry seem to be the main targets of pollution-conscious people. They voice their opinions and ask that other less conscious persons and firms take heed of the growing need for conservation. I agree with their attitudes wholeheartedly. But what is being done about pollution in other areas? What, specifically, is Northern doing? It appears that NMU is following any course of action but conservation.

After having spent three years here, I feel I know the campus relatively well. I've had much time to observe the changes that have

taken place over the years. (I feel like an old man.) At any rate, time marches on, (plagiarism) and so does progress, (I think.)

Progress comes in many forms. It has come to Northern, among other ways, in the form of liberalized (but not yet liberal enough) open house

LARRY COLGROVE

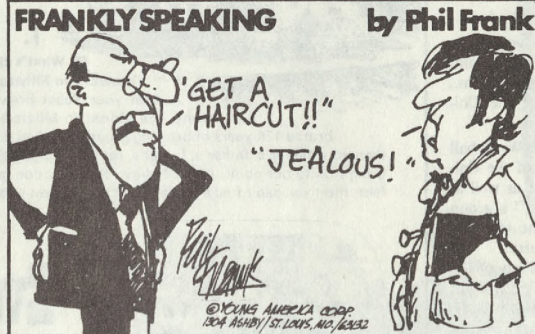
policies, the vacation of Kaye Hall, and the construction of the IF building. (It's appellation stems from the wonder of many "if" construction would ever be completed.) However, in the midst of modernizing, upgrading, and ex-

panding the campus, a few small details have been overlooked.

Trees are a primary example. To the best of my knowledge (or eyesight, for that matter) there are no trees surrounding or even within the relative vicinity of the West Science Building, or the IF Building, (Did I ever tell you why it's called that?) There simply are no trees or plants save a shrub or two and an occasional tumbleweed. That's sad. That's really sad. Trees create an atmosphere but unfortunately, we here at Northern have grown completely modern only to replace conventional trees with those new, tall aluminum ones that light up when it gets dark.

It has also come to my attention someone has installed slot machines (you may know them better as parking meters) along Seventh Street by Gries Hall. Why do we need meters? Everyone was satisfied without them. . .well, everyone except the person who had them put in.

It's a sad situation indeed when one will more readily dig a hole to plant something artificial rather than something living. Maybe the people of NMU can learn something from one of the more sophisticated magazines published. . . Mad. So, to those people who prefer such petty things as the "slot machine" over the mighty Oak, I quote Mad: "Plant trees, not meters."



## NORTHERN WOODS AND WATERS

# For Best Deer Hunting Results Think And Keep Your Eyes Open

By Butch Sapp  
 NEWS Outdoor Writer

The big day is Sunday, although this year's deer opener promises to be less big than former years. With the deer herd down and no prospects for taking a redeeming doe, many old time deer hunters aren't even bothering to take their rifles off the rack.

NMU students are further hampered by university firearms restrictions. Hopefully, the Security Dept. will have enough foresight to man the gun closet all night Saturday. Most student-hunters will need their arms between three and four in the morning.

There are a few tricks to help you beat the odds this season. Foremost among them is to be on your stand well before shooting time begins at 7 a.m. Once you're on your stand, don't move. I don't mean not to move off your post, that stands to reason, but also don't move an eyelash. Kick the leaves out from under you so no sounds will be heard if you shift position to aim. Sit down behind a brush screen, get comfortable, and make like a rock. Deer may be color blind but they can make out a human outline quick, even quicker if it moves.

When your bones ache and your lips won't move, say around ten or eleven o'clock, most deer in lightly hunted areas will have stopped moving for the day. That's when you should move in after them. If the weather is rough Sunday, still hunt the tag alder or cedar swamps. If the weather is good, hunt the balsam thickets on warmed side hills. Chick out spots where frost didn't form Sunday morning. These places are warmed by air currents and vegetation and are preferred bedding grounds for bucks. Deer at this time of day will

be watching their backtrails and sniffing the wind every few seconds, especially if they've been shot at or disturbed by distant canonades. They'll also have an escape route planned. If you know the country and their escape paths, you'll be one up on your buck.

The secret of successful still hunting is not so much silence as slowness. Even deer make noise and are not frightened by what seems to another approaching deer. So, a deer hunter should pace his movements and actions with the movements and actions of his quarry. In other words, in order to sneak up on a bedded deer, move in ways that imitate a deer; slow, pausing each step or two to browse (you don't really have to eat the same stuff deer do), watch your back trail, scope out each bush ahead of you for possible shots, then take another step. As a rule of thumb, count off a minute for each step you take. If you move more than a mile in an afternoon of still hunting, you're moving too fast. Follow the natural deer trails, just like the deer you are imitating would do. Don't be afraid to crawl on your hands and knees or even on your belly if it means getting into a likely spot. Never, ever, rush through cover, no matter how unpromising it appears.

I was once charging through an open cranberry bog within a hundred yards of camp when a fat eight pointer jumped up not ten yards away. How the low bushes ever covered him I've still to figure out. At any rate, he took off for the nearest cover about sixty yards away, running broadside and just loping along. I fired four times and never touched a hair. I was too winded and surprised to take any kind of accurate aim. Moral: those damn deer can be anyplace, so

expect them.

Wool clothing makes a more natural sound rubbing against brush than tightly woven poplin or nylon outfits so common today. The scratching and scraping of hard fabrics against twigs and branches will drive deer out of the county before you can get a shot. Wool, on the other hand, makes noises not dissimilar to the sound another deer would make. If you must wear hard fabrics, you'd probably see more deer by spending the whole day on post. In heavily hunted areas, even wool-clad hunters stand a better chance by letting other hunters roam around all day while they calmly wait for disturbed deer to use the runway they're watching.

A couple of hours before last shooting light, you should be back on your stand anyway. Deer should be moving into feeding areas then. If a group of deer passes you then, check out the last one to appear especially close. If there is a buck in that group, he's likely to be the rear guard.

All of this is basic deer hunting savvy, the kind that should be followed if you expect skill to help bring home venison instead of a fluke or luck. It's surprising, though, how many hunters you'll see stomping through the prime cover in the half-light of dawn, scaring anything they might have seen had they sat their bodies down and let the bucks make the first, often fatal, move. These same hunters are the ones who walk or drive the roads in the afternoon, usually at full speed, expecting to spot deer that are certainly bedded down in the most inaccessible patch of misery possible. These hunters make up the 80% who don't take a Michigan deer each fall. You can be one of the 20% who scores each year, if you play by the rules.



Tuesday, December 1

# Young People's Concert, Evening Show To Be Presented By Detroit Symphony

The Detroit Symphony, under its newly appointed conductor Pierre Hetu, is returning to Northern Michigan for two concerts on Tuesday, December 1.

This symphonic orchestra made its first appearance in the Upper Peninsula during NMU's 1969-70 Fine Arts Series, presenting two performances before sell-out audiences last March.

Their appearance this fall is being co-sponsored by NMU's 1970 Fall Fine Arts program and the Marquette County Council for the Arts.

The orchestra will again present two programs — a Young People's Concert at 3 p.m. and an evening concert at 8:15.

The afternoon concert will be based on a format resembling the Leonard Bernstein "Young People's

Concerts." In this, Hetu will introduce and explain the entire program, using the music of the orchestra as his illustration. Admission for this program is \$1.00 per person.

The evening concert will be a full-scale performance with admission set at \$2.50 per person.

Due to the closing of Kaye Auditorium to public use, the performances by the Detroit Symphony will be held in the C. B. Hedgecock Fieldhouse, which seats 4,000.

With the added seating capacity provided for in the switch of sites, Dr. Harold Wright, head of NMU's

department of music, noted that this year's performance can be offered to students and adults from throughout the U.P.

Ticket reservations for the concerts may be made now by writing to John Major, Learning Resources Building, Northern Michigan University, Marquette, Michigan 49855. To allow time for tickets to be returned to those making reservations, all orders must be received by Friday, November 20.

Checks should be made payable to Northern Michigan University. For further information call John Major at 227-2782.

## 'Three Sisters' Starts Nov. 19

*The Three Sisters*, Anton Chekhov's world-famous drama, will be presented at the Marquette Community Center beginning Thursday, Nov. 19, and playing for four performances through Sunday, Nov. 22.

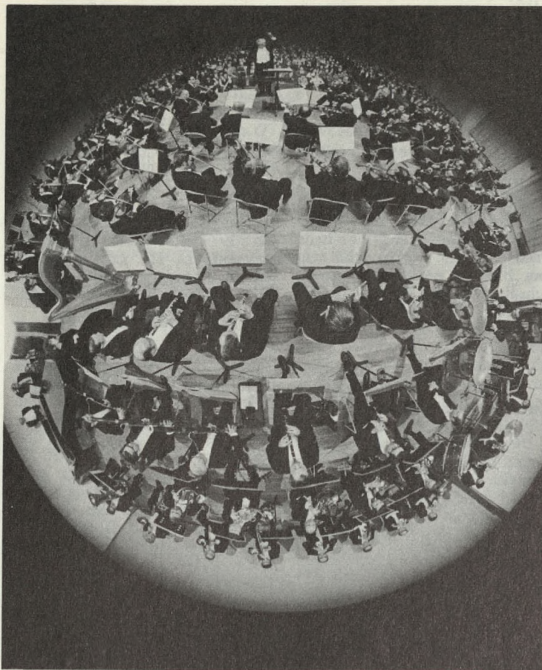
This play, the affecting story of three sisters and a weakening brother betrayed by their snobbery and self-delusions, will be Northern Michigan University's Drama Department's second major production of the season.

Director P. Gibson Ralph has

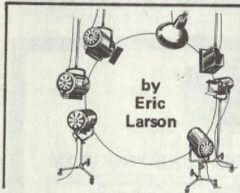
undertaken the task of combining the humor and compassion of this play to comment on the languishing frustrations found in Russia at the end of the last century.

Tickets for *The Three Sisters*, at \$1.50 for adults and \$.50 for students, went on sale last Monday at the box office of the Forest Roberts Theater.

The box office hours are from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Phone reservations can be made by calling 227-3533.



The Detroit Symphony will return to the Northern Michigan University campus on December 1. Once again the 101 member Symphony will perform a Young People's Concert in the afternoon and an evening program as well. Their performances here in March of this year drew plaudits from every quarter.



## CENTER STAGE

The Roberts Theater Box Office is now open with ticket sales for the upcoming NMU Drama production, *The Three Sisters*, to be performed in the Marquette Community Center on November 19, 20, 21 and 22.

Box office hours are 10 - 12; 1 - 4 p.m. daily. Admission for the reserved seating is \$1.50, general, and \$.50 students. For further information, call 227-3533 at the Forest Roberts Theater.

Anton Chekhov's superb rendition of decaying turn-of-the-century Russian society explores three young women's longing to escape their petty lives and the assortment of friends, admirers, and tormentors who surround them.

*Hamlet*, the comedy that evolves around those characters in *Hamlet*. Acclaimed as the 'Best Play of 1968,' the production will open on December 9th with a student preview. Tickets for *R. and G.* will go on sale for a two-week period beginning November 30th.

The Premiere Presentation of Hallmark Hall of Fame's 20th Anniversary season *Hamlet*, starring Richard Chamberlain, is now, in the words of producer George LeMaire, "completed and ready for broadcast. The Shakespearean play will be presented on the NBC-TV network on November 17th from 9 to 11 p.m.

**Thought For Today:** "If God had wanted us to go to concerts and plays, He would have given everyone season tickets."

Rehearsals are now in session for and December stagings of Tom Stoppard's *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*.

## Economics Club Hears Speech On Power Shortage

The Economics Club of Northern Michigan University sponsored a program on Investment in Energy last Thursday evening.

The program consisted of a speech given by L. Wallace Bruce, manager of the Marquette office of Paine, Weber Stockbrokers.

Bruce told his audience that "today we are experiencing a severe energy shortage, which will develop into a crisis over the next two to three years, unless corrective steps are taken.

"Under the present circumstances, manufacturers of electrical equipment will be the prime beneficiaries of this power shortage."

The program, attended by over 100 people from the university and surrounding area, was followed by a question and answer period.

## Delta Zeta Girls To Conduct Food Drive For Needy

Members of Northern Michigan University's Delta Zeta social sorority will conduct a food drive for two needy families in the Marquette area Saturday, Nov. 21.

Forty girls, breaking up into eight groups of five, will canvas Marquette from 9:30 to 11 a.m., asking residents to donate canned goods for the two needy families.

Items the girls will be looking for include canned fruits, vegetables, juices, soups, meat, peanut butter, pancake and cake mixes, instant desserts, dried milk, and bread.

Delta Zeta is one of seven social sororities at Northern.

## ASNMU Board Selects Areas To Be Studied

Members of the ASNMU Governing Board, in response to a recent action plan adopted by the legislative body, have picked areas of major concern to NMU students to study. When studies are completed and proposals drafted and approved by the Governing Board, the proposals will be forwarded to the administration for action.

However, working members of the Governing Board number only nine. While willing and able to research campus problems as much as possible, these persons need help in order to complete their studies as soon as possible. This means student involvement in student affairs.

Persons interested in researching the below listed problems should call the Governing Board members next to the subject.

Dorm washers and dryers: Fred Pentz, phone 7-3118; married student housing: Don MacMahon; Better parking on campus: Barb Allen phone 7-0253; food service: Denise Couturier, 7-0855; grading system: Barb Allen or Paul Peterson, 486-8192; faculty advisement, Stan Bailey, 456-4532; security policies: Wayne Brady, 475-9029; faculty evaluations: Bill Clancy, 226-8115; and commuter parking: Pattie Bickler, 226-9756.

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# 'Cats Defeat Eastern Illinois, 35-22

By Marty Fox  
NEWS Sports Writer

Northern Michigan upped their record to 7-2 last Saturday with a mistake-filled 35-22 win over spunky Eastern Illinois.

The mistakes were prevalent right from the beginning as EIU's Gary Hunter fumbled the opening kickoff at his own ten. The Panthers could not move and punted to the EIU 43 where the Wildcats wasted

no time going to work.

On the first play, quarterback Marty Brenner hit Dave Ripmaster with a pass good for a 21 yard gain. After an illegal procedure penalty, Freshman Andy Andrade, playing in place of the injured Garry Scutt, took a pitchout and ran ten yards to the EIU 14. On the next play Brenner kept the ball and took it 11 yards to the three. Two plays later, Ripmaster bulled over from

the one. Gene Grady's kick made it 7-0 with 10:38 left in the first quarter.

EIU came right back with quarterback Ron Gustafson and tailback Ken Werner doing most of the work. When Gustafson wasn't throwing, Werner was running and the Panthers found themselves with a first down on the NMU 27. After Werner gained two, Ray Bray intercepted a pass at the 25 and returned it to the 50 to stop the drive.

The 'Cats didn't want the ball either as Brenner's pass was intercepted by Hunter at the EIU 31. Werner and Gustafson again went to work, steadily moving the ball up the field. After Gustafson gained one on a sneak, Werner again took the ball and fumbled at the ten where it was recovered by an alert Ken McLean. The quarter ended with Northern leading 7-0.

On the first play of the second quarter, a Brenner pitchout went astray with Hunter recovering for EIU at the NMU 18. On the first play from scrimmage, Werner again fumbled, with a startled Tom Bush recovering at the 18.

Later in the quarter, with Gustafson and Werner again doing most of the work, the Panthers went 52 yards in ten plays to tie.

After the kickoff, the 'Cats proceeded to drive 70 yards in 16 plays. Freshman Dominic Sicchio, replacing the injured Dave Ripmaster in the second quarter, carried seven times for 27 yards in the drive. The big play was a 20 yard pass from Brenner to Tommie Davis which put the ball on the one. Sicchio went over for the TD a

play later. Grady's kick was wide to the right and the score stood 13-7 at the half.

NMU took the second half kickoff and began another march, this time going 78 yards in 16 plays. Sicchio, Davis, and Andrade punched out the yardage with help from Brenner as the 'Cats stayed exclusively on the ground. The TD came with 7:26 left in the Quarter, with Davis going in from the one. Brenner, behind a key block from Bob Schaut, ran for the two point conversion to make it 21-7.

In the fourth quarter the game really opened up. Andrade fumbled on the NMU 41 where it was recovered by Ralph Fulton. Six plays later Gustafson found Walters in the end zone for the TD. Heintz added the point to make it 21-14.

On the first play from scrimmage following the TD, a Brenner pitchout again went astray at the 15, bouncing and rolling into the end zone where EIU's Mike Grier fell on it for a touchdown. Gustafson passed to a wide open Willie White, and with 9:11 left in the game the Panthers led 22-21.

Bob Kroll quickly put the 'Cats back on the right track. Taking the kickoff at the nine, he rambled 63 yards to the EIU 28.

Tommie Davis personally accounted for the last 28 yards carrying five straight times. The

TD came with 7:14 left with Davis going in from six yards out. Brenner added a two point conversion and the 'Cats led 29-22.

Following the kickoff, Bud Rowley picked off a Gustafson aerial at the 39 and returned it for an apparent TD. The score was nullified by a clipping penalty but the 'Cats still had the ball at the Panther 30.

Davis carried twice for 12 yards and Freshman Rich Redd gained eight to the EIU ten. A personal foul against the Panthers put the ball at the five from where Sicchio broke three tackles and went in for his second TD with 5:34 left. The PAT failed and the 'Cats led 35-22.

An EIU drive late in the game was killed when Kroll made a leaping interception at the five and returned it 44 yards to the 49 from where the 'Cats killed the clock. The game ended with tempers flaring and several minor scuffles.



## FOX TALES

By Marty Fox

Modern day football has become quite a complicated sport. Teams today have as many different types of offense as Marquette has inches of snow in the winter. Northern Michigan's football team is no exception. To run today's offense it takes a smart quarterback. The 'Cats Marty Brenner is no exception.

Brenner, a 5-10, 180, junior from Martinsburg, West Virginia is without a doubt the most underrated player on this year's team.

Brenner is not the spectacular quarterback Rich McCarthy was. He doesn't have to be. With this year's crop of fine runners, Northern has stayed primarily on the ground. When Brenner does throw, he does it well. He has completed 35 of 49 passes for 451 yards and four touchdowns. Statistics such as this are not as impressive as say, Eastern Illinois Ron Gustafson, but then they don't have to be.

The important thing is that Marty gets the job done and of this there can be little doubt. Stop and think for a minute. It's Saturday afternoon and you are sitting in the stands watching the game. Davis, Ripmaster, Scutt and the rest are eating up the yardage. But for these men to gain yards they must have the ball and Brenner is the one who sees to that. In addition he throws a key block here and there. It's all part of his job.

Brenner runs the option as well as anyone around. Many times he is all but down when he pitches back to one of his backs for a big gain. And just as often Marty keeps it himself for a few yards. These are just little things but they add up.

The aspect of Brenner's game which gets the least amount of credit is his passing. Many people feel he is poor as a passer but they are sadly mistaken. One has only to look at the statistics to prove the point. Who was it that hit Mike Weigandt with a picture perfect pass between two defenders on third down against Quantic? The answer is Brenner and that pass kept NMU's spectacular 80 yard drive for the winning touchdown alive. And who was it who hit Tommie Davis with another perfect pass on third down against Eastern Illinois? The answer is Brenner again and to refresh your memory, the play came in the second quarter with the score tied 7-7.

The instances above are just two of many that could be mentioned here. The picture should be pretty clear by now.

It's easy to get down on a guy when things aren't going right. The quarterback usually bears the brunt of the harassment. Brenner is no exception here either. More than once he has withstood verbal abuse by the fans and gone back out to do his job and do it well.

By the same token people begin to realize as the season goes on just how valuable a man is to his team. This is probably the reason 3500 people groaned when Brenner left the Quantic game, with an ankle injury. He was back a play later, sore ankle and all, to lead his team to victory amid 3500 cheers. It's called guts.

The reasons for the success of this year's Wildcat team are many. Good coaching is one. Teamwork is another. There are many others, but one of the biggest reasons is spelled M-A-R-T-Y B-R-E-N-N-E-R.

## Deer Hunters Contest Held By Intramurals

The NMU Intramural Sports Division is again conducting a deer hunting contest for all NMU students. Trophies will be awarded for: (1) the first buck reported to the supervisor at Hedgcock Fieldhouse, (2) the biggest buck shot, and (3) the buck with the largest rack.

Please report and bring your buck to the Fieldhouse (east double door) for identification and weighing on Sunday, Nov. 15, between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. for "first buck" competition. Mr. Bob Sherwood will be supervising.

These hours remain in effect

until the first buck is reported.

The weigh-in for the "biggest buck" will be at the Fieldhouse east door. Last year's biggest buck weighed 215 pounds dressed.

Large racks should be tagged and delivered to HPER number 5 between 3 and 5 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 1. Racks will be judged by four area sportsmen and a winner will be announced December 2. Last year's winner was a 10 point rack with an 18½" spread.

Weigh-in times on weekdays during the season will be 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. and from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

## FOCUS

by Mark Kelly  
NEWS Sports Editor

The Northmen of Northwood Institute will be out for revenge tomorrow when they host Northern Michigan in Midland.

Northwood has absorbed drubbings of 63-0 and 55-7 in the two years the schools have played, and Jack Finn's charges will be fired up to change that tradition.

Northwood comes into the contest with a 5-4 record, and need a victory to stay above the .500 level. The Northmen are fresh from a victory over hapless Olivet, a school that has nine straight losses this season.

Sophomore Sam DeGrate, 5-10, 185, leads the rushing attack with a 4.0 yards-per-carry average. DeGrate carries most of the ground load, having rushed nearly twice as many times as second leading rusher Mike Green, a 5-11, 194 lb. fullback who, like DeGrate, is a sophomore. Other capable backs are Sylvester Figures, a 5-10, 170 lb. junior, and Paul English, a sophomore, at 6-0, 195. Thus it becomes apparent that Finn is working the younger members of the squad into positions where they pick up plenty of game experience.

That theory runs true at quarterback, where freshman Ray Coomer, 6-0, 185, from Walled Lake, has been the number one man. A prospect recruited by four Big Ten schools, Coomer is Finn's answer to future signal-calling problems. Backing up Coomer is another yearling, freshman Frank Petruziello, 5-9, 160, from Cleveland, Ohio.

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## Meet The Wildcats

Tommie Davis, the 180 lb., 6' sophomore halfback from Danville, Ill., has supplied most of the finesse to this season's excellent Wildcat running game.

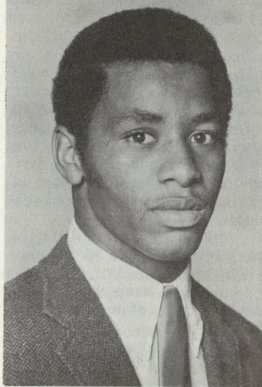
With Dave Ripmaster and Garry Scutt supplying the power running, Tommie has been able to call on his quickness, deceptive speed, and ex-

cellent balance to power out the yards for Northern. Last week's 101 yards and two touchdowns against Eastern Illinois was his best performance of the season.

Tommie came to Northern Michigan because "I didn't want to go to a real big school or a real small school" and "I didn't want to be

that close to home."

A high school all-stater and leading scorer in Illinois his senior year,



Tommie Davis

## Intramurals

The Associated Women Students of NMU will be sponsoring a pool party for all campus women on Thursday, Nov. 19, from 7 to 11 p.m. The party will feature planned activities in the gymnasium, field house and pool. Refreshments will be served.

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A six-week Slimnastics course is being sponsored by the Women's Residence Halls and the Intramural Department. The groups will meet each Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the recreation rooms of West, Magers-Meyland and Spaulding Halls.

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Larry Wanic won the all-campus golf singles tournament with a score of 77 on 18 holes. The golf meet was held at the Marquette Golf and Country Club.

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## Tommie Davis

Davis points to contact as one of the biggest differences between prep and collegiate football. "Also, practice sessions are more intense," he says. "The job you have is clarified more. There's more expected of you."

Looking back on his brief two year career, Davis points to the Central Michigan game as the contest he got the most satisfaction from winning.

Asked to name the team that hit the hardest, Tommie recalled, "Tampa hit pretty hard."

Davis is enthused with the difference between this year's squad and that of 1969. "The attitude is much better," he says. "The guys seem more loyal and ready to do the job."

A business administration major, Davis is undecided as to what lies in store for him after graduation.

But graduation is two years off, and in the meantime, you can look for Tommie Davis to be eating up the yards in jersey number 25 for the Northern Michigan University Wildcats.

## Tankers Prepare For Tough Year

By Michael J. Swiderik  
NEWS Sports Writer

The Northern Michigan swimming Watercats have been holding practice sessions since the second week of September in order to get ready for the 1970-71 season.

Coach Trost has set up a training and conditioning program which includes calisthenics twice a week, use of the universal weight machine three times a week and swimming. Trost has 13 returning lettermen from his squad of last year, which includes seven NCAA place winners. The watercats had a 12-3 dual record last year and were tenth in the NCAA.

The seven NCAA place winners include Fred Eisenhardt (Brighton) who placed third in the 200 butterfly and sixth in the 100 butterfly, George Eisenhardt (Brighton) who placed sixth in the Three-Meter diving, Terry Travis (Royal Oak) sixth in the 100 butterfly, Steve Gilbert (Shorewood, Wisconsin) tenth in the 100 butterfly, Tom Schwab (Waukegan, Ill.) eleventh Three-Meter diving, Jim Donnelly (Royal Oak) twelfth in the 400 Ind. Medley.

Two freshmen Coach Trost is high on are Steve Bacherik (Dearborn), who placed third in the state last year in the breaststroke, and Dave Cummings (Waukesha,

Wis.), who set records in free style swimming at Waukesha.

Asked what his outlook on the coming season is, Coach Trost replied: "I'm very optimistic as to our chances of improving on last year. The attitude of the team is exceptional. Last year our goal was to be among the top ten in the NCAA ratings, this year we're really pointing to an NCAA swim and diving championship since we aren't in any conference. Our goal is to be among the top five in the NCAA division this year."

Asked why the team is better than that of a year ago, Trost said: "We are stronger in the butterfly, sprints, and middle distances. The fact that we have 13 returning lettermen is another indication of the kind of season we can have."

The Watercats have a tough schedule facing them, but according to Coach Trost the most important meet of the season, is the one with Eastern Michigan University, three time NAIA champions. Asked why he picked this particular meet as the most important, Trost said: "All of our meets will be challenging, but the meet with Eastern will be our biggest meet of the season. How well we do in this will have some bearing on how successful we are this year. If we beat Eastern, we should have no problems in our other meets."

## The Campus IN BRIEF

A recital of duo-piano music will be presented by Ruth Matthews and Harold Wright, members of the NMU music department, in IF 102 on Thursday, Nov. 19. The recital will start at 8:15 p.m. The public is invited.

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Last week, the brothers of Alpha Phi Omega collected over \$100 in a door-to-door collection for Muscular Dystrophy. The student collection wasn't quite as successful, but was greatly appreciated. Those who gave are giving the gift of hope to many handicapped children. Student participation in charitable drives such as this help to improve college/community relations.

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The music department of NMU will present the Brass Ensemble and Arts Chorale in a varied program of music on Sunday, Nov. 15, in IF 102 at 8:15 p.m. The public is invited, with no admission charge.

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The University Financial Aids Office is still taking applications for National Defense Student Loans for the '70-'71 school year. Students should apply before Dec. 1.

The on-campus radio taxation proposal has passed. The vote totals are: Yes - 1,650; No - 430. This vote now authorizes all on-campus students to be taxed \$1.00, which will be used to finance the carrier-current, student-run radio station.

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The 1970 Theta Chi fraternity pledge class is undertaking a community project which consists of guarding the University parking lots against vandalism. They are working in accordance with the Security Department and will be on duty from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. This project began on Wednesday, Nov. 11, and will last for four weeks.

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The ASNMU Governing Board election will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 18, with voting from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. On-campus students will be voting for two representatives, while commuters will vote for one representative on the Governing Board. Balloting will take place in the Instructional Facilities Building. All students are encouraged to vote!

## 'Magnificent Seven' Wins Campus Flag Football Title

By Erin O'Brien  
NEWS Sports Writer

An independent team known as "The Magnificent Seven" has won the final championship in all campus flag football as they defeated the Residence Hall Champs from Hunt Hall's Shepard House, 14-0.

In earlier competition, the "Seven" downed the champions of fraternity flag football, Delta Sigma Phi, in a 20-14 contest.

Scoring in final competition for

the Independents' were: Glenn Call with a TD complete with extra point, Paul Wicker with one touchdown and Dave Erickson adding an extra point.

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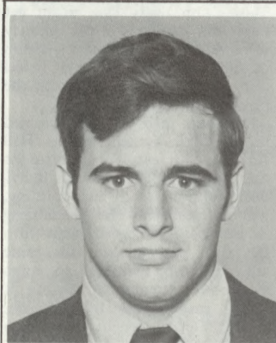
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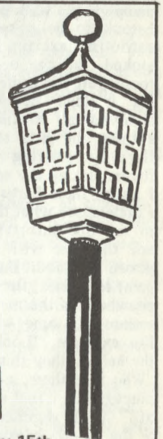
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Shown with some of the African pieces he collected during his West African safari this past summer is Dr. J. Orville McShine, Northern Michigan University associate professor of foreign languages. These items — a tapestry showing turtles pursuing fish, a Baoule mask used by chiefs in ceremonies and with royal streaks on the forehead and identification marks for ethnic group and village on the cheeks, and an African shirt used in casual dress with fine embroidery on collar and sleeves — are among a number of objects he will have on display at the university during the next three weeks. (NMU photo)

## West African Safari

# Old Questions Answered, New Asked

— Cont'd from Front Page —

fying thunderstorms, in that month of August nature provided us with endless days of brilliant sunshine and balmy weather.

Instead of semi-nude cannibalistic savages, like howling dogs, forever on the war-path, the Ivoirians were good-mannered, soft-spoken, sincere and thoroughly honest. Friendly to all foreigners, one would be sadly mistaken to believe they suffer from any inferiority complex — the Ivoirians could give many a lesson in good comportment and racial tolerance.

In Abidjan, lectures and discussions were comparable and complementary to those in Paris, and thereby completed a comprehensive program of 60 hours of instruction.

The organizers could have overcome one notable weakness by arranging informal meetings with a cross-section of the Ivoirian society, since the initiative was not taken by local groups. However, a field-trip lasting a week in the interior of the country was very revealing and a fitting climax to a profitable and enjoyable study-program.

The interior impressed us with the vastness of the country. If the capital enabled us to behold a fast developing economy, the interior seemed to be at the cross-roads between ancient Africa with its customs, traditions, and superstitions and modern Africa, striving to enter into the mainstream of 20th century civilization.

Is a synthesis possible?

At Gouessesso, we stayed in most comfortably cool rustic huts built in the traditional cone-shaped thatched-roof style, but with showers, hot and cold water.

Similar thoughts of a paradoxical nature still preoccupy my mind.

In a predominantly Islamic community, will the modern African girl accept the polygamous rights of her husband?

How much longer will the one-party political system, necessary in emergent nations fighting to throw off the shackles of colonialism, be condoned by young Africans? In practice, is such a political system less democratic than many self-styled democracies?

Can the ever increasing deteriorating terms of trade, with attendant increases of ghettos, be halted?

Finally, does the solution to Africa's basic problem lie in democracy, communism or pan-Africanism? Or perhaps, a unique combination of all?

To obtain a broader perspective for the course I shall soon be initiating at Northern on "West Africa and French Colonization," I made brief visits to Liberia, which takes pride in having escaped the colonial yoke; Senegal, the seat of *negritude*, that concept of black cultural awareness developed by the poet-president Leopold Senghor; and Morocco, a leading Moslem community with its inspiring mosques of exquisite mosaic. The course, for which the only prerequisites are interest and industry, is a socio-cultural study of a people whose values and concepts have been distorted, denied and even despised. Equally important is the impact of French colonization (a mixed blessing), giving rise to a cultural reaction, political independence, neo-colonialism, economic frustration and future uncertainty.

Finally, in Northern's University (near the Alumni office), there will

be three consecutive weekly exhibitions, "West African Panorama," starting November 9, 16 and 23.

The first one is a display of books, illustrations, photos, brochures and documents relating to those French-speaking West African territories.

The second exhibition will be devoted to various traditional art forms — statuettes, authentic masks, "tam tam."

The "West African Panorama" will climax with a beautiful display of different African fashions for men and women, as well as other apparel, "rich but not gaudy."

## Chapter Formed For Exceptional Children At NMU

A newly-formed organization on the Northern Michigan University campus is the Student Chapter, Council for Exceptional Children. The chapter is an affiliation of the National Chapter, Council for Exceptional Children.

The first planned activity of S.C.E.C. was a Halloween party and dance, held on Thursday, October 29, for exceptional children of the Marquette area. Future plans call for an interdenominational religious service and a possible Christmas party.

The purposes of the NMU chapter include: promotion of high standards and improved preparation of teachers and personnel to exceptional; development of feelings of unity among those interested in Special Education; and promotion of the welfare, education, and service to exceptional persons on campus and in the community.

Any interested persons may contact the chapter advisor, Dr. Marjorie McKee at 227-2145.

# Form Of Self Expression Meets With Anonymous Notes, Paint

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At one of our first House Meetings (Aurora House, Magers) it was suggested that we decorate the doors to our rooms, not just to brighten the halls but also as a form of self expression. Several girls did decide to decorate their doors, for fun and as an outlet for expressing themselves.

On one door there appeared a flag—an American flag. It covered nearly the entire door and one can clearly see that it took much time and effort to paint it. I noticed many people walk by and, in what I took to be a sudden surge of patriotism, exclaim how "great" it looked. But the occupants of the room were not quite finished painting it (and neither were some anonymous contributors!). One evening the girls completed their flag by painting bright orange flames licking the edge of it. Since I know these "artists," I felt that I understood what they were trying to say but unfortunately this was not the case with everyone who passed that door. Before the orange paint had dried, fires were kindling elsewhere—in the minds, voices, and actions of some who passed by. For example, "Look at that—who the hell do they think they are" . . . "Who lives there, a bunch of Communists?" . . . "that really pisses me off." These comments poured out of the mouths of such "concerned, patriotic, American citizens!" To me, they were saying, "I love America, she's so great that her problems don't need to be pointed out. . . they'll solve themselves

sooner or later, especially if I ignore them."

Actually, by their painting, the girls mean "change America NOW or lose it!" but no one bothered to stop and request an explanation. Instead, during the night some person (or persons) proceeded to express themselves by smearing black paint all over the flag and shoving such quaint little notes, under the door as, "Since when do we burn the American flag?" and, "If you don't like this country why don't you leave? No one wants you here. So start saving your pennies and take the first boat out." Such are the views of some upstanding Americans who feel that their right to self expression (i.e. through black paint!) is more important than respecting the rights of others. If one doesn't happen to agree with them, well he can just pack his bags and leave!

What did the girls mean to say by painting a burning flag on their door? "We're not trying to say we are Communist or anti-American. We care about America and are concerned about its future. The burning flag is symbolic of our opinion—that the country is gonna burn if the people don't get their minds grouped in a more positive direction. In other words, America is gonna have to get itself together and unite against internal strife as well as such worldwide problems as pollution and war."

Of the girls living in the room, one named Lisa is the most outspoken concerning the matter. She

went on to add, "Whoever smeared the black paint on our door proved our point that even on a small scale such as this, people turn to violence instead of talk. It shows how brainwashed people can become."

"I think," Lisa said, "that if we had painted, instead, a dollar bill with Washington giving the finger, we would've gotten laughs in place of black paint. Nearly everybody has a dirty mind and would hahaha at such a painting but burning a flag is different. No-nothing people suddenly get very excited about it. Those who really care might get upset but would have the decency to come and discuss our views with us. All I can say is that I feel sorry for whoever visited with the black paint—such ignorance!"

My own feelings were summed up by Mrs. Yaorch, Magers Hall Advisor. She feels it is unfortunate that one cannot express his individual opinion, as in this painting, without someone else vandalizing. A lot of hard work went into the flag painting and for some self righteous person(s) to come along and attempt to destroy it was a rather poor thing to do. Mrs. Yaorch concluded by saying, "I didn't care if others disagreed with the painting but I feel they should've come and discussed their different opinions. By smearing the flag with black paint, they simply proved the girls' point."

As for the marred painting, Lisa says they intend to leave it on the door and anyone who would like to discuss the matter with them is welcome.

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