



### Center of Extracurricularities

The MSUO Student center, pictured here, was dedicated Dec. 14. The 34,000-square-foot building was built at a cost of approximately \$15 per square foot, has a cafeteria with a 410-person seating capacity, offices for student publications, student govern-

ment, book store, a recreation area, a student lounge, and a private dining room. The \$700,000 building was named Oakland—in honor of the Oakland county board of supervisors whose allocations of \$30,000 per year financed its construction.

### Another Tradition Broken At MSU-O

ROCHESTER — Michigan State University-Oakland is reversing the rising cost trend of higher education. Chancellor D. B. Varner told an audience at the dedication of the institution's new Oakland Student center that MSUO's budget request for the 1960-61 school year represents a reduction of eight per cent per student.

The current year's budget of \$550,000 is \$965 per student. "Next year, the Chancellor said, "we honestly believe we can do the job ahead of us for \$588. In other words, we believe that for \$17 less per student we can continue and extend the high level of education which we have begun this year."

Next year's budget request is for \$1,095,000 for 1,200 students.

### Elect Officers —For the Time Being, Anyway

The Dec. 14 Meeting of Air Explorer Troop B-38, held with sponsoring Norman Lyle Squadron, AFA resulted in a decision to elect interim officers for a 90-day period.

This would serve the purpose of immediate organization and planning as an Explorer Post permitting the Explorers to become familiar with the program and special abilities of individual members.

The meeting was conducted by Mr. Tom Pinson who outlined the suggested program and training scheduled to start Jan. 11th with Aerospace Medicine planned as the first phase. This plan received enthusiastic endorsement from those who attended.

Election of interim officers was held.

Officers are president, Neal Reynolds; vice president, Tim Stoughton; secretary, Gary Smith; and treasurer, Paul Brown.

Also present were Mike Blodgett, Dick Ostrowski and Bob Seastad.

A new color film on approved resuscitation technique was shown by Tim Stoughton's dad and the educational benefits were well received by the Air Explorer and AFA members present.

Any troop members, 14-18 years old, interested in Aviation or Aerospace have been invited to attend the next meeting at the Community House, Jan. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

The Norman Lyle squadron program which followed was an abbreviated business meeting involving old business, appointment of a Nominating committee and a brief report by Commander Saltzman and Harold Seastad on the AFA Regional meeting which they attended in Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 12.

The next regular meeting of the Norman Lyle Squadron will be at the Community House, Jan. 18, at 8 p.m. and an invitation has been extended to anyone interested in the AFA program.

### One or Other—Not Both, Chiefs Warn

Members of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police are worried these days about motorists who drink and then drive.

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"because of increased utilization of the physical plant and reductions in the budget allocations to the administrative operation of this university."

Varner said that all expenditures "not absolutely essential to the support of a first-class educational program" are now, and shall in the future be minimized. MSUO's classroom and administration structures, for example, have no rugs, curtains or draperies. They are of cinder block and brick and cost only \$14 per square foot.

WARNER'S OFFICE is the smallest of any college president, measuring ten feet by twelve. "On the other hand," he said, "we shall fight just as diligently to increase faculty salaries, to expand the library and to contribute in every other way to legitimate educational pursuits for our students."

"For example, we have included in the budget request an item of nine per cent for increasing faculty salaries. We hope it may be more than this because we recognize that the faculty shall in the long run make the university."

MSUO, A NEW departure in state universities, is also reversing the trend in higher education academically. It is abandoning the trend to professional training to produce intellectuals. It requires every student, no matter what his interests, to take at least half his work in the liberal arts.

The student center was given the name Oakland in honor of the Oakland county board of Supervisors, who have made the building possible with annual appropriations of \$30,000 a year. This money has been financing the \$700,000 cost of construction.

Delos Hamilton, chairman of the board, unveiled the plaques in the student center lobby. He said the Board recognized the community's obligation to help along this university as well as the development of the community and the nation.

Responses for the State of Michigan and for the community were made by L. Harvey State Senator for Oakland county, and by Harold A. Fitzgerald, publisher of The Pontiac Press and chairman of the MSUO foundation.

Gary Wright of Auburn Heights, chairman of university Student Government Exploratory Committee, responded for the student body to thank the supervisors for their generosity.

The center contains 34,000 square feet with a cafeteria with a seating capacity of 410 and a feeding capacity of 1,200; offices for the various departments; a government, book store, a recreation area, a student lounge and a private dining room seating 70 persons. It cost approximately \$15 per square foot.

"HOWEVER, less than 50 per cent of the people under 40 years of age in Oakland county have had Salk shots," said Mr. Hodgson. "So goal has been set for the 1960 March of Dimes but the chairman said that if the county is to continue to care for its own polio victims and do its fair share toward supporting national research programs, \$178,000 must be raised.

A year-long headache for enforcement officials, the problem was especially acute during the year-end holiday season. And it's not the saturated drunk that the police are most concerned about, it's the social drinker who fails to realize that a "couple" of cocktails with his friends can impair his judgment, perception, alertness or physical coordination.

POLICE SHORTHAND designates these drivers as BBD, that means they "had been drinking."

The Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police "Unwanted Driver" posters that went up last week all over Michigan call such drivers "Drunk-ards."

The reason they're "unwanted" is obvious when it's considered that at least 291 were killed, 4,428 injured in Michigan last year because of the Drunkard and his jar. That's the known record, and probably the minimum danger. The actual danger may be far greater.

Fatal one-car accidents from 1950 to 1957 were studied in Westchester County, New York. Out of 83 drivers involved, 73 per cent had some alcohol in their blood; 49 per cent had 0.15 per cent or more alcohol in their blood (considered an indication that a person is "under the influence" of alcohol).

WHILE IT IS the alcohol in the brain that determines how "drunk" a driver is, the amount of alcohol in certain body substances is in direct proportion to the amount in the brain. Breath or body fluid tests, can determine just how much alcohol "under the influence" a driver or pedestrian may be.

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