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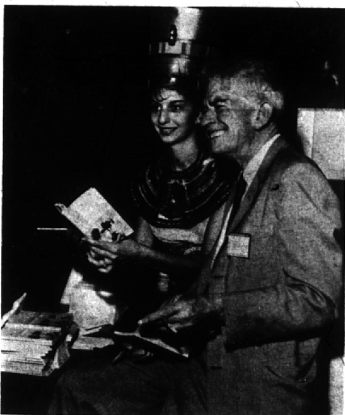


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## BUSINESS BRIEFS



### Author Creates Impression

W. Wilson Burden, 730 Randall Court, Birmingham, industrial advertising specialist with Howell & Young Advertising, Inc. of Royal Oak, was honored at the recent Machine Tool Exposition in Chicago with an autograph signing session for his new book entitled

### Moran Appointed Confab Chairman

Arthur O. Moran, Jr., A.I.A., 6835 Cedarbrook drive, Bloomfield township, Detroit architect, has been selected as general chairman of the Michigan Society of Architects 47th annual convention. Moran announced the formation of a committee to assist in the planning of the convention and appointed A. Robert Bliven, 1284 Ruffner, Birmingham, a member of the committee.

### Company Relocates

Herman Hirt, 17416 Kinross, Beverly Hills, secretary-treasurer of the Radio Specialties company of Detroit, recently celebrated the grand opening of the firm's new store, warehouse and general offices in Detroit.

### Assessments Not Deductible on Parking Lots

Assessments paid by property owners to Birmingham for parking improvements cannot be deducted as business expenses from income taxes, the city commission was informed last week.

Commissioners received notice of this ruling by the U.S. treasury department from the city's legal counsel.

The directive is contrary, it was pointed out, to a letter of determination issued by the district director of internal revenue in Detroit several years ago.

ON THE other hand, any part of such assessment which is properly allocated to maintenance of interest charges is deductible, according to the treasury department ruling.

Local payments were made deductible three years ago by the district director after similar relief was asked and obtained in a North Dakota city.

That ruling now has been reversed by the treasury department, which has made its decision binding on all district directors and internal revenue agents.

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### MSUO Board Okays Budget For 1960-61

A budget of \$1,788,300 for the 1961-62 academic year for Michigan State University Oakland was approved by the Board of trustees recently. Based on an estimated enrollment of 1,400, the budget figure represents an increase of \$500,480 over the current budget. This year's enrollment is 908.

A state appropriation account for \$1,429,900 of the budget and the remainder would be student fee income. Most of the increase, \$381,995 would provide for new positions.

Total equipment budget for 1961-62 would be \$239,320 with \$110,000 going for library equipment and most of the rest for a new science program. The proposed budget also provides for an average 10 per cent salary increase.

for expansion of the Oakland student center. The university will also seek gifts and federal loans for four dormitory units, housing 48-52 students each at a total cost of \$600,000 for these self-liquidating units, Chancellor D. E. Varner said. The request goes to Governor G. Mennen Williams and the budget bureau, before going to the legislature in January.

### WEDDING Invitations



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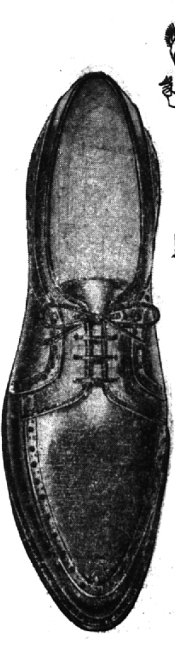
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