

French film to show at Kern

"La Ronde," a film based on short stories about love and sex by Arthur Schnitzler, will be shown at 7 and 9 tonight in Kern Auditorium. Directed by Max Ophuls in 1950, the film follows 10 relationships in turn-of-the-century Vienna. Stories from

this same period by Schnitzler now are being dramatized in the Masterpiece Theatre series, "Vienna 1900." Ophuls, one of France's leading directors, was known for his romantic films. He also directed the American films, "Letter from an Unknown Woman" with Joan Fontaine and Louis Jordan and "Caught" with Barbara Bel Geddes, James Mason and Robert Ryan, around the time he made "La Ronde." "La Ronde" stars some of France's leading screen actors, including Simone Signoret, Jean-Louis Barrault, Danielle Darrieux and Simone Simon. The film will be shown in French with English subtitles.

Troops, police kill Chad leader

PARIS (UPI)—Rebellious troops and police yesterday overthrew and killed President Francois Ngarba Tombalbaye of the Central African republic of Chad, French radio reports said. The reports, quoting Radio Chad, said Tombalbaye, 56, was mortally wounded in a dawn machine gun and cannon attack on his official residence. He died later in the day. The reports said several other persons also were killed or wounded in the coup. The new rulers, not immediately identified, quickly restored calm after a brief, fierce struggle with Tombalbaye loyalists and imposed a dusk-to-dawn curfew. Tombalbaye had been the country's leader since it gained independence from France in 1960, first as prime

minister and for the past 13 years as president. The French ambassador said in a telephone call to Paris the 4,000 foreign residents in the capital N'Djamena, called Fort Lamy when the country was a French colony, were unharmed. The 3,000-man French 6th Overseas Infantry regiment remained in its barracks, Radio Chad said. Chad, four-fifths the size of Alaska with a population of four million, is an arid, landlocked land on vast, shallow and muddy Lake Chad. Born to a tribe of converted Protestants, Tombalbaye's face bore tribal markings. Of medium height and moderate politics, he sought to mediate among feuding Moslems, Christians and animists in his poverty and drought-

ridden country. Chad is one of six African countries in the so-called Sahel belt hardest hit by a recent eight-year drought. In normal times, cotton, meat, leather, dried fish and sodium carbonate are its main exports. Tombalbaye had been the target of frequent coup attempts. In 1968, he called in the French army to restore order but lost much prestige with fellow Africans as a result. He also used French troops to quell a rebellion by Arab nomads in the north-eastern part of his country in the early 1970s. The Arab rebels had been armed and financed by neighboring Libya but Libya stopped the aid after Chad broke off diplomatic relations with Israel in 1973.

Open house today at women's center

The Women's Resource Center of Centre County will celebrate its Grand Opening with an open house from noon to 9 p.m. today. The center officially opened March 31 and has been operating an information and referral service for women and men in the community. Personal support groups for women and possibly men now are being formed,

according to a spokeswoman for the center. The center is run by a volunteer staff of community and University women and serves as a meeting place for support groups, workshops and existing women's organizations. The center is located at 108 W. Beaver Ave. and is open from noon to 6 p.m. on weekdays and from noon to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

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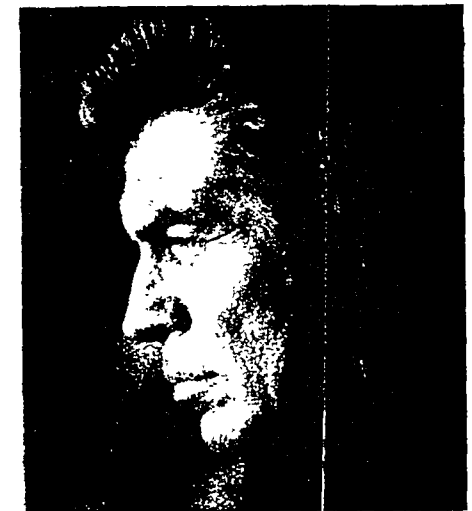
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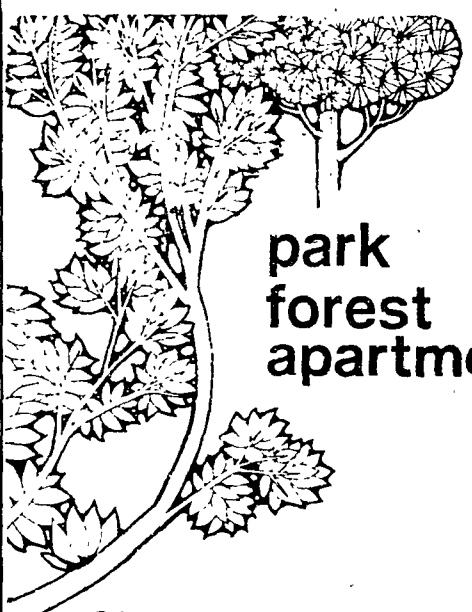
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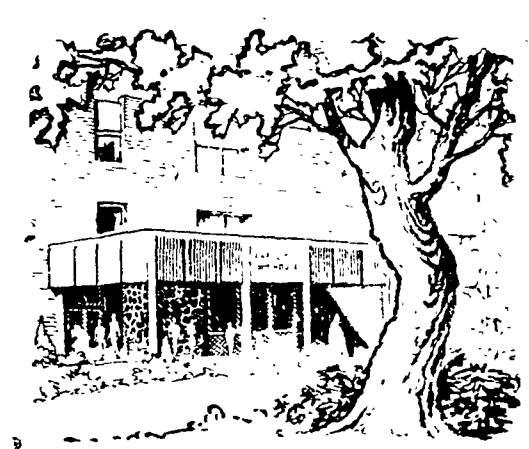


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