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'Clowns' To Open July 18

By Richard McKinney

Herb Gardner's "A Thousand Clowns" will be the summer University Playhouse production, according to Dr. C. L. Pope, head, Speech-Drama Department and director of the play.

The production will open Thursday, July 18, with performances at 8 o'clock nightly through Monday, July 22. Tickets are \$1, and reservations should be made in advance at the Playhouse box office, or by calling 468-2669, he said.

According to Dr. Pope, the play "captures the real spirit of comedy." The central plot of the play deals with an idealistic television writer who becomes disgusted with "the

SUMMER IN TEXAS wouldn't be complete without children digging into slices of watermelon. Julie Johnston takes fork in hand at the SAB melon fest held Thursday, June 27, on the Student Center east lawn.

system" and tries to drop out.

Problems arise when social workers attempt to remove the writer's nephew from his custody, saying that he is a bad influence on the boy.

Pope explains that the play is funny "because the play is not a farce or an escape piece, but because we laugh at the mirror of ourselves. This play points an accusing finger at a little bit of everybody."

Pope has conceived the play to present the characters realistically. "The writer is the complete idealist," Pope said. "But he eventually realizes he must compromise with the system in order to live."

Other characters within the play represent the stereotype of successful business people—"worshippers of the Almighty Dollar," Pope explained.

"The social workers will portray the embodiment of every stuffed-shirt, cliché-academic, do-gooders who have all the textbook answers that don't work in real life," he said.

Pope commented that "A Thousand Clowns" is the first play he has directed since "The Time of Your Life" that has deeply excited him. "It is not the same kind of show as 'The Time of Your Life,' but has all the essence of good theater. Another reason that I'm so excited is the cast. It is an almost entirely professional cast."

Heading the cast is Grady James, speech faculty, as the writer, Murray Burns. Portraying the young nephew

is Commerce sixth-grader Dan Crawford, son of ET golf coach Boley Crawford.

Other members of the cast include B. J. Theus, Dallas graduate student, as Albert Amundson; Jan Whitaker, Hillsboro senior, Sandra Markowitz; Doug Hoppock, Temple graduate student, Arnold Burns; and Gary Goodgion, speech faculty, Leo Herman.

ET audiences will see a different kind of staging for "A Thousand Clowns," according to Pope. "In addition to the set which will be constructed on the main stage floor, we have removed the seating from the audience area left of the stage and placed our second set there," Pope explained. "This will give us variety in staging, as well as save time during performance. Its an innovation I have long wanted to try."

Joe Mack Asberry, Commerce graduate student, is scenic designer for the production, and costumer for the play is Tyler senior Tom Grant.

Daniel Files Complaint

Weldon R. Daniel, former employe of the ET Library, filed a civil complaint against the university Thursday, June 20, in a Dallas Federal Court. Daniel claims that ET discriminates against Caucasian men in favor of minority groups and women.

Daniel, a 1972 graduate of ET, worked in the library as a student assistant in the book bindery. He said that his application for promotion to program adviser and graphic design technician were turned down in favor of less qualified applicants because of his race and sex.

Daniel also applied for a job as librarian upon his graduation, but was turned down.

The petition will be heard in December by U. S. District Judge Sarah T. Hughes, according to a story in the Commerce Journal. Daniel has asked the court to enjoin ET from any discriminatory practices and to rehire him with back pay.

PROTHRO SAYS

Americans Still Confident in Gov't.

By Mary Lou Hazal

Calling Watergate "the most serious set of scandals to ever afflict the presidency of the United States," Dr. James W. Prothro, political scientist, said here Tuesday that although many Americans may have a "negative attitude" toward President Nixon, they are still committed to the American way of life and to government generally.

Therefore, President Nixon's argument that to discredit his presidency by the impeachment process is to discredit and weaken the U. S. presidency permanently is not valid, Dr. Prothro, political scientist faculty, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, said.

These and other findings are the

results of two surveys of 606 sophomore students at the University of North Carolina conducted in 1973 and this year by Dr. Prothro.

"Rejecting the view that the American political system could not withstand the impeachment process, Dr. Prothro, who received the Ph.D. from Princeton University, said that if the system could not withstand impeachment, it should be destroyed.

"We (the American people) don't exist for the political system; it exists for us," he commented.

Author of seven books and 237 articles, Dr. Prothro predicted that President Nixon will be impeached, but he will probably not be convicted by the Senate and removed from office.

During the senate trial perhaps a majority of senators would vote for conviction, but there would not be the two-thirds vote necessary for removal, he continued.

If that were to happen, Prothro said Republican conservatives such as John Tower and Barry Goldwater could possibly be instrumental in persuading Nixon to resign.

Findings from the student surveys showed that the students could restrict their negative views of government to President Nixon and could further discriminate to approve of Nixon's foreign policy while disagreeing with his domestic policy, Prothro explained.

The surveys also showed a "massive change" in party identification

with an increase in students classifying themselves as independents in the second survey, he added.

Regarding what is an impeachable offense, Dr. Prothro said President Nixon's view that an impeachable offense is limited to an indictable offense, one in which he could be sent to jail, is not what the Founders meant by "treason, bribery, high crimes and misdemeanors."

Explaining this would mean a president could not be impeached unless caught committing a criminal act, he said it was his view that maladministration of the presidency should be an impeachable offense.

Presidential responsibility for the actions of his subordinates was cited by Prothro as an example of maladministration.

CAMPUS SCOPE

Veterans Pre-Certification Set

Veterans pre-certification will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, July 23-25, in the Veterans Office, Student Affairs Building, according to Dalee Little, secretary.

A veteran must register that he is attending college to receive a check by fall registration, she said.

Applications Being Taken

Applications for student teaching during the 1974-75 academic year are now being accepted in the Student Teaching Office, Education North Building, Room 205.

An application may be obtained at the Student Teaching Office and must be completed by a student who plans to student teach either in the fall or spring semester.

A student who applies for the fall semester should also submit a copy of his transcript.

Library Gets Volume

The ET Library has received a bound volume of transcribed Presidential tapes relating to the Watergate break-in, according to Jo Williams, assistant librarian. Published by the U.S. Government Printing Office, the 1,308 page volume is available in the depository library on the second floor.

Parris Receives Grant

Stephen Parris, Cumby graduate student, has been awarded a \$8,609

Pre-Registration Deadline Announced for 2nd Term

A student who pre-registered for the second summer term must pick up pre-registration materials and must pay fees by 11 a.m. Saturday, July 6, in the Bluebonnet Room of the Student Center, according to Kenneth Wallace, associate director for Admissions.

All pre-registered schedules will be cancelled after 11 a.m.

worth of grants which TP&L awards to college students each year.

Students to Attend Meeting

ET students Mike Sampson, Mary Beth Sampson, Alma Chaney and Tonya Carroll will represent the 400-member ET chapter of the Texas Student Education Association at the

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Press Box To Be Improved

By Barbara Eickenhorst

ET's Memorial Stadium press box and guest area is undergoing \$30,400 worth of improvements this summer, according to ET President F.H. McDowell.

Over half of the allotted funds will be used to convert the present visiting scouts and reserved box seat area into a glass-enclosed visitor's box that will accommodate 44 persons.

President McDowell said that the idea for the changes were his and that the \$16,356 box will be used for public relations and entertaining university guests.

"We are trying to improve our image from the public relations standpoint."

McDowell added that the changes were for the benefit of the whole campus and not just for the athletic program.

The visitor's box will include in-

door-outdoor carpet, a serving area and refrigerator, a restroom, central air conditioning and heating, and auditorium type seating.

The remainder of the appropriated funds will be divided between a new reserved box seat area, a visiting scout area, and an enclosed space for television and movie cameras.

At each end of the visitor's box the reserved box seats will be constructed to seat 24 persons at each side.

The visiting scouts area will be located at the north end of the second tier of the press box and the space for the cameras will be created on the roof.

A manually operated hoist will be installed on the west side of the roof to provide for the lifting of the cameras.

Contractors for the remodeling are B and B Enterprises of Commerce.

Institutional Scholarships

Deadline Slated August 1

Application deadline for institutional scholarships will be Thursday, Aug. 1, according to Kermit Parks, Financial Aids Office. To qualify an undergraduate student must have a minimum 2.5 grade point average cumulative and for the last semester enrolled and must demonstrate financial need.

Awards will be made to students with a combination of highest grade-point average and financial need. Texas resident awards are \$125 per semester and \$90 for non-residents.

MACH III Funded for '75

By Barbara Eickenhorst

MACH III, the federally funded program which provides assistance with financial, personal and academic problems to handicapped students and students from low-income families, has received word from the Dallas office of HEW that the program will be fully funded for the 1974-75 school year.

Between 800-900 students on the ET campus could qualify for assistance by MACH III, according to Clarice Allen, MACH III director. Located on the third floor of the Student Services Building, the MACH III staff of five full time counselor-instructors, five graduate assistants, and three undergraduate tutors is recruiting students who qualify to join the program, Mrs. Allen said.

During the past year 315 students participated in the program, with 34 out of the 85 students enrolled in

MACH III last summer earning a 3.0 grade point average or above.

Many students and faculty still think MACH III is just a tutoring program, Eddie Garcia, graduate assistant in MACH III said. This is not true, Garcia said, explaining that MACH III gives its participants a hand with personal and financial problems in addition to academic tutoring in political science, biology, English, Spanish history, mathematics, computer science, sociology, physical education and statistics.

The program is becoming an extracurricular focal point for its participants, according to Garcia, by sponsoring activities such as dances and field trips.

In April MRCH III took 80 of its students on a free trip to Austin and San Antonio to visit historical and political sites including the Sate Capitol, the LBJ Library, and the Alamo.

EDITORIAL

Do Students Realize Value of Campus Press?

It is safe to say that most students on the ET campus are familiar with The East Texan. Many students criticize it, some ignore it and others take it for granted. Many do not realize its value or its purpose.

The role of any newspaper is to inform its readers. It should report fairly and impartially all that is happening, not just give one side of an issue, but all sides.

The East Texan performs an important function on this campus. It serves as the primary vehicle for informing students of administrative decisions, area news events and gives notice of the campus organizations' meetings and functions. It is of special value in an area without a radio station or a daily newspaper.

The value of the East Texan lies in the fact that it does present an impartial view of campus events. It does not take sides. Students deserve the right to pick up a copy and read an accurate account of what is going on, not an account slanted by biased student writers, nor an account biased by administrative pressures.

No member of the administration, faculty or campus organization has ever had control over what is printed in The East Texan. Its staff members are given the freedom to choose what is run and what is not. ET students have freedom of the press with the accompanying responsibilities. To students at many universities this freedom is a luxury they do not enjoy.

If it is to be of value The East Texan must continue to inform the university community honestly and impartially. No member of the student body, administration or faculty should take it for granted. The purpose it serves is too important, its value too great.

—MLC

City Okays Road Work

The Commerce City Commission approved plans submitted by Henningson, Durham and Richardson, Dallas engineering consultants, for the proposed resurfacing of Knight Street, in its regular meeting Tuesday night.

The plans call for an asphalt road 24 feet wide to be built from State Highway 11 to the railroad tracks on the southeast side of Commerce. It will provide access to a new housing development and the new plant to be built by Pioneer Rubber Manufacturing Co. Commissioner K. C. Smith said that the new road will also be valuable to future industries which may be located on the site of the old Commerce golf course. Smith said that the land has been set aside for development by industry.

James Faires, city attorney, told the commission that a permit from the Texas Highway Department must be obtained in order to build an entrance for the street to Highway 11. The commission agreed that after a permit was obtained an ordinance advertising for bids on the construction will be adopted. Certificates of obligation will be issued to pay for the work.

The commission upheld a ruling by the Planning and Zoning Commission that denied the rezoning of three lots in the College Heights Addition north of the ET Bookstore from residential to general business. The commission also called a public hearing, to be held on the date of its next regular meeting, to consider the rezoning of a tract of land adjacent to the Ford Motor Co. west of Commerce from agricultural to heavy commercial.

In other business the commission approved the payment of monthly bills, approved supplements and credits to the tax rolls, and appointed Mrs. A. C. Hughes, of 2564 Washington, to fill the unexpired term of Jess R. King on the Commerce Water Board.

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THIS WEEK IN AUSTIN

Convention Set for Final Vote

By Richard McKinney

The Texas Constitutional Convention delegates are taking a long Independence Day weekend following final approval of the controversial General Provisions and Judicial articles of the proposed state constitution. The Convention has only to approve a resolution submitting the proposals to the voters before being completely finished.

The mandatory deadline for completion of all Convention business is July 30.

Convention President Price Daniel Jr., believes that he will round up the necessary 121 votes required to submit the proposed charter before July 15. If approved, the Constitutional Ratification Referendum will occur in November.

Charter Faces Labor Opposition

Despite Daniel's confident predictions of passage, and ultimate voter approval in November, the proposed state constitution faces strong opposition from the Texas AFL-CIO.

The labor group has announced it will fight any constitution recommendation that includes the so-called "right-to-work" provision, even as a separate submission item.

(Right-to-work laws prevent industries from hiring exclusively union members, although all employees, whether union or non-union, will re-

ceive the same pay and fringe benefits.)

The convention approved, with little dissention, to submit the right-to-work issue to the voters as a separate item.

'Separate Submission' Item Proposed

In addition to the right-to-work proposal, the convention has also submitted proposals dealing with legislative pay, limited home-rule for counties and undedicated refinery taxes to the voters as separate items from the new constitution.

A separate submission item, if approved, will become part of the current constitution if the convention-recommended draft is defeated. If the proposed constitution is approved, then all separate submission items that won voter favor will be included in the new constitution.

Legislative Pay Options Given

Voters will be given a choice on how legislators will be paid. The proposed constitution's legislative Article provides for a legislative salary commission of nine members to be appointed by several state officials. The members will serve staggered six-year terms.

As written, the commission will be required to recommend to the legislature what the maximum pay level for all legislators and state officers will be.

In the separate submission item, the voters can opt for a constitu-

tional maximum annual pay of \$8,750, plus per-diem expenses. If this is approved, it will replace the salary commission provision in the main body of the new constitution, or raise legislative pay levels under the current Constitution.

Counties May Get Organizational Leeway

In another separate submission proposal, the constitution will give voters a chance to allow individual counties a limited amount of freedom to organize more efficiently for local situations. Under current law, counties must organize along lines laid out by the constitution without any variation, unless authorized by constitutional amendment.

If the proposal is approved, the counties will have a local option to provide for more commissioners, and to combine or expand certain county officers, provided all county officers remain publicly elected.

Refinery Tax Approved

In a compromise measure, the legislator - delegates overwhelmingly approved the deletion of a proposed constitutional ceiling on the gasoline tax. The tax, which is now dedicated to the State Highway Fund and the Available School Fund, will remain dedicated to these funds, but no maximum amount of tax will be defined in the proposed constitution.

Instead, the convention will submit separately a proposal that will give the legislature authority to impose a "refinery" tax—or a tax on the per-gallon output of petroleum refinery—which would be undedicated revenue.

Proponents of the tax, say that revenue has an annual potential of as much as \$1 billion, and that since Texas exports much of its petroleum, products, more than 70 per cent will be paid by out-of-state users. If approved, this proposal will amend a current constitutional provision that allows a refinery tax, but dedicated its revenue to the Highway Fund.

If the refinery tax and the new constitution are both approved, the proposal will become part of the Finance Article.

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Ideas for Improving Campus Goal of 'Operation Input'

A suggestion box has been placed in the ground floor lobby of the Student Services Building by the Dean of Student Life Robert D. Butler, who hopes to get a wide base of support among students for "Operation Input."

According to Debbie Staub, graduate assistant to Dr. Butler, this program is aimed at getting practical student ideas on specific ways the campus and campus life can be improved.

The suggestion box will be checked

Activities Scheduled To End 1st Session

Children's Night Out, Jackson Station Trade Day, and the movie Rio Bravo will end the Student Activity Board's first summer session of events, according to Janette Mehl, SAB summer program coordinator.

Children's Night Out, to be held from 7-10 p.m. Monday, July 8, in the American and Texas Ballrooms, Student Center, will provide an opportunity for parents to have a free night to study for finals.

Children, age 2 to 11, are eligible for the activities which will include cartoons, games, coloring, and refreshments of popcorn and cola drinks.

Interested persons must pre-register at the activities desk by 5 p.m. Monday, July 8, with admission set at one cent per pound of the child.

Jackson Station Trade Day will be held from 2-8 p.m. Monday, July 8, on the east lawn of the Student Center.

The trade day, similar to Canton's First Monday, was named in tribute to Jackson Station, the original name for Commerce.

There will be no charge for the tables, and pre-registration is encouraged but not required, Mrs. Mehl said.

At 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 7, in the American Ballroom, the movie Rio Bravo will be shown starring John Wayne.

daily; a record of each suggestion will be made and each will be referred to the appropriate office or department for action if possible; and all suggestions which are signed will be specifically answered by the dean's office, Ms. Staub said. She added that the suggestions need not be signed to get action.

Ms. Staub also said that since the box was placed in the building during the last week of June, some good suggestions have already been received. One student suggested that more live oak trees ought to be planted on campus and that this could best be done by soliciting the money to buy the trees from local businessmen and asking campus organizations to supply the labor to plant them.

Even gripes of a personal nature put in the suggestion box will be recorded, Ms. Staub said, but the dean is really looking for constructive, practical suggestions for improving the campus physically, organizationally, and administratively, she added.

The office administers the Counseling Center, Student Development, Student Center, Housing, Traffic and Security, and Testing and Orientation. If a student sees a better way of doing things in any of these areas of campus life or any others, he should make an effort to put his suggestion in the box. "Just griping doesn't do any good; we thought that the student should have a chance to be a part of changing the university for the better," Ms. Staub said.

Security Recovers Stereo

ET Security has recovered one of two eight-track tape players stolen from two cars parked outside of Hubbell Hall Sunday, June 30.

The theft of the two tape players, each valued at \$60, is still under investigation by Security, according to Sgt. Michael Miller.

Two cases of telephone harassment in campus housing reported last week are also under investigation by Security, Miller said.

New Tennis Courts Scheduled by Fall

Students returning to ET this fall will find eight new tennis courts and the present six courts resurfaced, according to Dr. Bill Crabtree, health and physical education faculty.

Dr. Crabtree, who estimated the completion of the additional courts before the fall term begins, said that four of the courts would be adjacent to the present courts and that the other four courts would be located south of Hubbell Hall.

He added that the resurfacing should be completed in a few weeks depending upon weather conditions that could affect the drying of the new surfaces.

The ET tennis coach said that the tennis facilities improvement should help his recruitment program.

B and B Enterprises of Commerce are the contractors for the court improvements.

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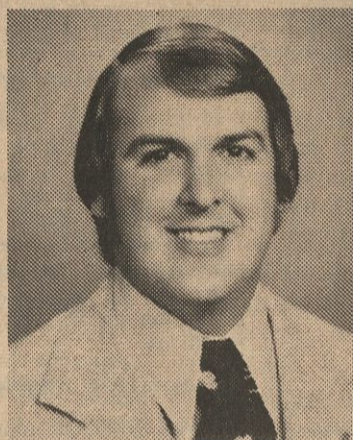
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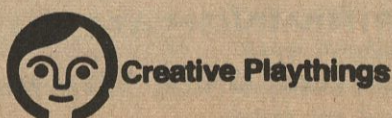
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11 Receive Ed Honors



WATERMELON MOUTHFUL — Nine-year old Gloria Sanchez of Commerce found a cool place to eat her slice of watermelon beneath the Student Center ramp last Thursday night. The program, part of the "Summer Here in Texas" program sponsored by the SAB, was held on the east lawn of the Student Center. Free soft drinks and entertainment by the Paris Municipal Band were also offered. (Photo by Susie Biehler)

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Wimberly Convention slated Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, July 17-19.

A planning committee meeting was held June 20 to make plans for the TSEA District Convention scheduled Friday and Saturday, Nov. 8-9, on the ET campus.

Test Registration Set

Registration for the Speech Proficiency Test will be held Wednesday, July 24-Tuesday, July 30, in the Speech Building with the tests to be conducted Wednesday, July 31-Friday, Aug. 2, according to Anthony Buckley, speech faculty.

The test is a requirement for entrance into the Teacher's Training Program.

Art Exhibit Slated

An art exhibit of works by Buffalo Kaplinski will be on display in the Main Hall and Founders Lounge of the Student Center July 5-22.

Kaplinski's exhibit, entitled "Impressions of the Southwest," features desert landscapes and interpretations of Navaho and Hopi reservations.

Deadline Set for Theses

Jerry Morris, graduate school dean, has announced that 4 p.m. Thursday, July 25, is the deadline for turning in theses and dissertations to the graduate school office.

Dean Morris has also advised department heads that July 25 is the last day for reporting results of final examination of theses and dissertations.

Students Win Awards

Works by ET art students earned three of the seven major awards in the Student/School Competition for 1974 of the Dallas-Fort Worth Society of Visual Communications.

"Best in Show" went to David Wallin of Dallas for an illustration, and first places were awarded to Carey Earle of Fort Worth for a black and white series and to Jim Casabona of Los Angeles, Calif., for a black and white photo series.

"Awards of merit" went to Wallin, Ms. Earle, Chris Hill of Bonham, Matt Watson of Tyler, Denise Bryant of Big Spring, Sheri Avery of Fort Worth, Gary Hackney of Greenville and Rick Reeves of Bryan.

Eleven members of the ET faculty and administrative staff have been selected as Outstanding Educators of America for 1974.

Those selected are Dr. Ruth Ann White, vice president for Student Affairs; Dr. Della Pepper Todd, head, Special Education Department; Joe Helton, director of Testing, Orientation and School Relations; Jack Ingram, general business faculty; Dr. Frank Barchard, history faculty; Dr.

Neill Humfeld, music faculty; Gene Lockhart, music faculty; and Dr. Harold Murphy, student personnel and guidance faculty; Dr. William Harvey and Dr. Charles Linck, literature and languages faculty; and Dr. Wendell Edwards, accounting faculty.

The complete biographical sketches of those selected will be featured in the annual awards volume, "Outstanding Educators of America."

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Norris CC Makes Awards

Five ET students and faculty members were among those honored Wednesday, June 26, by the Norris Community Club during its Awards Banquet in the Student Center.

Billy Reed, chairman of the NCC and a founder of the organization, was presented the club's highest award, the Distinguished Service Award. MacArthur Evans, Chicago, senior and ET security officer, received the Outstanding Member Award.

Appreciation awards went to Ivory Moore, coordinator of Minority Affairs; Steve Favors, assistant director of Student Development; Dr. David Talbot, personnel-guidance faculty; Larry Matthews, Paris senior

and ET security officer, and Foye Reed and Opel Pannel of Commerce.

ET President F. H. McDowell and Commerce Mayor Thomas Young were invited as "distinguished guests" along with Mrs. P. E. Fletcher of the Norris Community. Leo Gossett of the allas office of HUD was the principal speaker.

Boren Accepts New Post

Allen Boren, head football coach at Sam Houston, resigned May 30 to become athletic director for the Klein School District.

The Bearkats finished 5-6 and 2-8 in their two seasons under Boren.

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