

Standing Stone Extends Season

By DENNY MALICK

Standing Stone Playhouse at Neffs Mills, after a successful first summer under University auspices, is being prepared for an expanded 10-week season next year.

Dr. Walter H. Walters, head of the Department of Theatre Arts, said next summer's program will include more courses

Winners Named In Ten-Week Bridge Contest

The final winners in this semester's 10-week Bridge Tournament were Raymond Wiesen with 45 points in the undergraduate independent competition; Jacob Brinen and David Kates tied with 38 points in the graduate students competition; and Alpha Tau Omega in the fraternities and sororities division.

Other winners in the undergraduate students division were Frederick Scheinholz with 35 points and Dennison Fairchild with 31 1/2 points; in the graduate students competition Richard Goldberg and Craig Miller finished in a tie for second place with 33 1/2 points; and in the fraternities and sororities division Alpha Epsilon Pi and Zeta Beta Tau finished with 26 and 20 points respectively.

Last Wednesday a 1-section game with 50 persons playing finished out the semester.

In the North-South division the first place winners were John Neifert and Raymond Wiesen, finishing in second place were William Howeth and James Goodwin, and finishing in third place were Dr. Roger Saylor and Herman Zieger.

The East-West division produced the following winners: Samuel Camerengo and Dennison Fairchild, in second place finished David Kates and Jacob Brinen, and taking third place honors were Paul Nichols and George Lowe.

The next Bridge Tournament will begin early in the spring semester.

in acting and producing in addition to the two extra weeks of play productions.

The playhouse was obtained by the University early this year as a gift from Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Mateer, of State College, to be used as a laboratory and summer theatre for the theatre arts department.

Max Fischer, member of the staff of the American Theatre Wing in New York City, will be back to direct the Standing Stone plays. He will also teach an acting course during the mid session.

Six professional players, in addition to the director and stage manager, will form the nucleus for the summer plays. Neither the players nor the plays have been selected yet, Walters said.

The professional players are a great help to the theatre students, he said, since "they have a certain attitude with a backlog of experience to share with the students."

There will be eight plays presented in the 10 weeks, beginning June 22 and ending Aug. 29. Two shows will be given for two weeks each.

Walters said the plays with two-week runs will give the students much better experience. "It will give us a good chance to choose a better play and the students will be able to work on it much better than rushing one through in one week," he said.

Although no plays have been selected, Walters said that Miss Audrey Wood, agent for William Inge, is very willing and interested in having a play by one of her playwrights premiered at Standing Stone.

Inge, author of Picnic, which won a Pulitzer Prize in 1953, gave (Continued on page eight)

Prof Continues Effort to Shoo Gooney Birds

Perhaps not since the time of the Ancient Mariner has man had such trouble with the albatross.

Dr. Hubert W. Frings, professor of zoology, will return in January from the Midway Islands to continue his study of these huge birds, commonly known as gooney birds.

The gooney birds fly into landing aircraft, posing a serious threat to the crew and resulting in serious plane damage, often more than \$12,000 a plane.

In previous work with troublesome birds, Frings has taped and amplified the birds' distress call to frighten them from the desired areas. However, the gooney birds have no natural enemies and are practically fearless; therefore they have no distress call.

But Midway Island resounds all day from the peculiar whistling noises, screeching and constant clacking of beaks of the gooney birds, none of which when played back seems to alarm them.

One observation Frings has made is that when the whistling and beak clacking series is played to them, the gooney birds begin their courtship dance. This consists of each bird hopping up and down in a jerky, awkward fashion while lifting each wing slightly.

Experiments to chase the birds have included flapping table cloths and sheets at them. This, and with other experiments, proved unsuccessful.

Frings believes that streamers suspended from wires in the flight path of the birds beside the runways might cause them to fly up and over and thus out of the flight lane. Some success has been obtained with this method.

Pi Omega Pi Initiates

Bonnie Bailey, junior in division of counseling from Philipsburg, and Edward Schultes, sophomore in business education from Fullerton, have been presented official keys and initiated by Pi Omega Pi, business education honorary society.

Expansion Program Includes Few Lawns

By ELAINE MIELE

One thing the University will save money on in the future is "Keep Off The Grass" signs.

In the proposed expansion for 1970 there are few grass areas. The largest areas which will be kept intact are the lawn in front of Old Main and Hort Woods.

An increase in academic buildings, dormitories and parking areas will lessen the green areas especially on the center part of campus.

There will be lawns in front of the Hetzel Union Building and in back of the class building which will be erected where the Jordan Fertility Plots are now located.

Academic buildings and a new auditorium will be built on what is now the largest grassy expanse on the campus—the University golf course. The course will be moved to the east of where it now stands.

Lawn space will be provided for within each group of new dormitories. The new residential buildings will be east of Shortlidge Road next to Simmons and McElwain and at the northeast corner of the campus along Park Avenue.

Most of the new parking lots will lessen the amount of grass along the edge of the campus. They will be located near Park Avenue and behind the new Beaver Field at the north end of campus.

Academic buildings will be erected where the stadium grass now grows.

Open areas and walkways will be increased for students coming to and from classes. These will be free from automobile traffic.

Nittany 43 Wins In Yule Contest

Nittany 43 took first place in the combined outside and inside divisions of the Nittany Christmas decoration contest held Monday night.

First place for outside decorations went to Nittany 41. Nittany 30 took first place in the inside division.

An open house will be held in the Nittany residence halls for student, faculty members and townspeople from 7 to 9 tonight.

VanderMeer Appointed Advisor to Commission

Dr. Abram W. VanderMeer, professor of education and the associate dean of the College of Education, has been named an advisor to the Educational Policies Commission of the National Education Association for a 3-year term.

Advisors to the commission are selected from leaders in various interests and levels of education and are consulted by the Commission in planning its program and preparing studies and policy papers.

Wilder to Read 'A Christmas Carol'

Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," which has become a memorable classic of Christmas time, will be read at 8 tonight in 121 Sparks by Jon Barry Wilder, a speech and theatre arts major.

This season will be the 115th year that the traditional Christmas story will be read throughout the world. In fact the author, Charles Dickens, has become known as "the man who discovered Christmas."

Barry Wilder, who is an acting member of Players and has presented previous characterizations for the Intercollegiate Reading Festival group, will read a portion of the cutting used by Dickens himself when he read publicly.

The oral reading of "A Christmas Carol" originated with Dickens himself who, at the height of his career as England's greatest novelist, read before large audiences. Tickets were always in demand for his performances and "scalpers" were able to get as much as \$25 for one seat.

He read in England, Scotland, Ireland, Paris and America. Of his audiences, Dickens said, "They (the people) were seated about me on the platform, put into the doorway of the waiting room, squandered into every conceivable place and a multitude turned away."

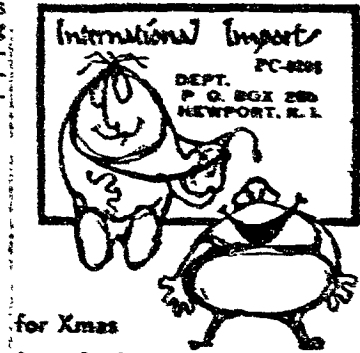
"A Christmas Carol" is prob-

ably Dickens most-read story. It was written in two months while he was occupied with the publication of "Martin Chuzzlewit."

The idea came to him when he was at a public meeting in Manchester and he developed it while walking the back streets of London, taking in 18 or 20 miles a night.

The story became a success almost immediately. Thackeray, a rival of Dickens, called the narrative a "national benefit." Robert Louis Stevenson, after reading it, stated that he would do anything to make the world a little better.

A similar reaction is usually witnessed in everyone who hears "A Christmas Carol." At any rate, no Christmas season is complete without hearing "Bah, humbug!" from selfish, cold-hearted Scrooge.



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To save time and possible confusion at the last minute, reservations will be appreciated

Post-holiday Schedule

We will meet all trains at Lewistown on Sunday, January 4th. 12:28 p.m. | 6:40 p.m. 4:10 p.m. | 9:51 p.m.

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