As Guenevere, Sandy Phillips sings of the "simple joys of maidenhood" in Kosmet Klub's production of Camelot.

Color, talented cast found in "Camelot"

Review by Susie Jenkins
Nebraskan Staff Writer

Billed as "the largest amateur stage production in Nebrska and the midwest," Kosmet Klub's production last weekend of "Camelot" lived up to its advance publicity as a presentation of color and extravagance.

Producer-director-designer Dean Tschetter created scenes of astonishing beauty, working with a book that provides little ready-made assistance for the performers. Tschetter led his tallented cast and coordinated the production with agility.

Tschetter's ingredients were a well-prepared cast, who played with grace. Sandy Phillips as Guenevere was a beautiful and relaxed heroine. She played her role extremely well, and her soprano voice coalesced every scene in which she appeared.

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ALTHOUGH his voice is not meant for musicals, Andy Backer talked and sang his King Arthur role as a man who was truly perplexed at the difference betweeen his emotion and his duty. Backer played Arthur with a Lear-like quality, as a king who is pleased when he discovers that he has made wise decisions as ruler of Camelot.

Scene-stealing honors go to Bruce Borin and Skip Lundby, who played Pellinore and Mordred. Borin's gaffing, clownish portrayal of Pellinore was complete, all the way to his whiskey-red nose. Lundby cackled and lurked around the Pershing stage as the bastard son Mordred who didn't need his Basic Black costume to convince the world that he was Evil Personified.

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JEFF SAYRE was a combination of the Cheerios Kid and Dudley Do-Right as Lancelot. Surrounded by some of the finest stage talent in the area, Sayre held his place on stage, jousting along in his maxi-length tunic, Fighting for Right. His handsome voice was a good vehicle for the famous solos awarded to Lancelot by the writers Lerner and Loewe.

Kosmet Klub's $20 thousand production was doubly a challenge due to the great exposure the play has suffered on stage and on film. The quality of the full cast production numbers wavered from scene to scene. The "Maying" sequence was joyous and lively, tied together by a long May vine. On the other hand, the near burning of Guenevere was slow to the point of frustration due to lack of movement and undistinguishable lyrics.

Music Director Paul Surface prepared his orchestra and chorus very well, and was a masterful director during the performance. Jan Tice's interpretations of Camelot choreography were interesting and bouncy, with the exception of the fairy nymphs scene in which some seemed to have a little trouble coordinating their chiffon with their tutus.

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THE LIGHTING was excellent and the New York costumes were rich, but were overshadowed by the really powerful sets, which were strikingly stark yet intricate.

This brings up the main problem with the entire production. It is ridiculous to subject national or local performers to a completely inadequate sound system. The distracting crackle of microphones and the unavoidable imbalance between speakers and orchestra are quite frustrating to the audience and surely to the players. Certainly Lincoln can afford either a new auditorium or at least a new sound reproduction system.

A special note of appreciation should go to John McCollister who so graciously provided this reporter with two lovely front row center section tickets for the Saturday night performance.

NROTC pistol team captures first place

The University's Navy ROTC pistol team captured the General Lowell English trophy at the second annual Big Eight NROTC rifle and pistol tournament last week.

The trophy, which signifies first place among the 6 six competing teams, is highly coveted, according to Maj. Ronald F. Calta, associate professor of naval science. It was named in honor of a former NU All-American football player who graduated in the late 1930's.

The Midshipman team which won the meet was composed of David Cozad, John Foster, Jeffrey Vermeer, Richard Loshbaugh and Dennis Tente.

Loshbaugh placed first in the individual, timed fire competition, Calta said. Cozad placed first in rapid fire competition.

The Navy ROTC also entered a rifle team in the Big Eight competition, but that group finished last among the six competing teams.

The NROTC team in six matches besides the Big Eight tournament, is undefeated, Calta added.

ASUN, AWS applications due April 4

All women filing for AWS Congress, Court of Appeals or Executive positions should have their applications completed and returned to the AWS office by Friday, April 4.

Students filing for ASUN Senate or an executive position in ASUN must have their applications turned into the ASUN office by Friday.

Campus Calendar

MONDAY, MARCH 31
(All events in the Nebraska Union unless otherwise indicated.)

1:30 p.m.
Builders-Calendar & Directory

3:30 p.m.
Builders-Student Prof. Committee
Panhellenic

4:30 p.m.
Tassels
AWS—Sorority Court
Union Film Committee

7 p.m.
Delta Delta Delta
Unicorns

7:30 p.m.
Math Counselors

8:30 p.m.
Policies Control Committee
Afro-American Collegiate Society

10 p.m.
Innocents

Nebraska law students support legal service

Robert Finch, U.S. Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, met with a group of law students last week urging the administration to maintain and substantially expand the federally supported Legal Services Program.

The students presented Finch with a letter to President Nixon which had been signed by 7.908 law students and teachers. John K. Boyer, president of the Nebraska Law Students Association, announced that among those signatures were 188 law students and faculty at the University College of Law.

Boyer said the letter suggested that the administration's "wholehearted support of the Legal Services Program will play a large part in breaking the barrier of poverty and permitting all of our citizens to participate fully in our national life alongside their fellow Americans."

The Legal Services Program, which is within the Office of Economic Opportunity, funds 850 law offices geared to the legal representation of poor people. Over 1,800 lawyers currently work in the different offices supported by the program.

One of the main objectives of the program, according to Boyer, is to help bring about changes in those areas of the law which adversely affect the poor.

The letter received by Finch on behalf of the administratio emphasized that federal support "provides the independence which a Legal Services attorney must have to press his client's claim, which mayverywell REGULATION OR ORDINANCE."

Dennis Morgan speaks for cancer crusade

Dennis Morgan, Hollywood film personality, will be the featured speaker at the 1969 Lancaster County Cancer Crusade Kick-Off Luncheon, March 31 at 12:15 in the Lincoln Hotel, according to Crusade Chairman Allen Beerman.

All Cancer Crusade Volunteers and the public are urged to attend this luncheon to meet and visit with Morgan. The cost of the luncheon is to be $2.50 with advance reservations to be made at the Lancaster County Cancer Society Office by 4:30 p.m., March 28.

Morgan is a member of the American Cancer Society Celebrities Council.

Pre-Med Day to be held on April 19

The annual Pre-Med Day will be held at the College of Medicine, 42nd and Dewey, in Omaha on April 19. Registration will be in Conklin Hall Lounge from 8-8:30 p.m.

Interested students should sign up on the reservation sheet posted on the pre-med bulletin board, located in the first floor hallway of Bessey Hall, or write Dr. Paul Landolt, 440 Oldfather Hall, before April 7.

The all day open house and program is intended for University students interested in entering medicine, nursing, and medical and radiologic technology. Wives, husbands or fiancees of these students are encouraged to accompany them.

Because of the large attendance, the college of medicine would like to hold the invitation to juniors and seniors. Pre-medical advisors and interested faculty members are also invited and will be guests at a special luncheon meeting planned with the Admissions Committee.

Placement

Scheduled for March 31-April 24
DETAILED INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE PLACEMENT OFFICE, NEBRASKA UNION 230.

Monday, March 31
FIDELITY MUTUAL LIFE: Actuarial Science.

Tuesday, April 1
SCOTT PAPER COMPANY: B.S., M.S.-Marketing major or minor, Liberal Arts.

Thursday, April 3
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES-OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL: B.S., M.X.-C.E.

Kansans create new left class

(I.P.) — Student interest and a faculty response helped create a course on the New Left for the spring semester at the University of Kansas.

Political Science 98 for juniors and seniors and Political Science 48 for freshmen and sophomores, will define and evaluate the New Left movement in the United States.

Upperclassmen will act as discussion leaders for freshmen and sophomore sections. Discussion groups meet once a week for two hours in the evening. Students receive two hours credit for the course.

Juniors and seniors exchange views on lower division teaching methods at separate meetings where they develop a common core for the program.

The course was designed to present criticism of modern American society and foreign policy from the New Left perspective. It will examine alternatives of existing middle class cultures.

Bob Thacker is editor of 1970 yearbook

Bob Thacker, a junior from Lincoln majoring in journalism, has been appointed editor of the the 1970 Cornhusker yearbook.

Thacker's appointment was announced by the Subcommittee on Student Publications, which selected editors and the business manager for the 1970 edition following interviews of applicants.

Bill Ganzel of Oakland, a sophomore majoring in journalism, was named photo editor and Joe Baldwin, a sophomore journalism major from Lincoln, was appointed copy editor.

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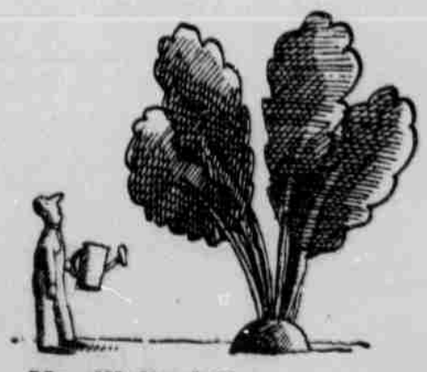

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