

MCA to present the 'Lost City'

Surprises are in store for those who attend "The Metropolitan Cabaret Authority Presents The Lost City," Charlie Armstrong's latest cabaret, which is scheduled for Sunday.

Cabarets originated in Europe as a form of entertainment. The German cabarets were satires and parodies and the French cabarets were plays and music. The American cabarets have been set up so that communication between the audience and the performers was impossible.

Armstrong's cabarets are designed to entertain, but they are set up in such a way that the audience and performers can communicate.

Armstrong, producer of last year's cabarets, is sure that anything can happen when the show opens this Sunday at 7 p.m.

in the Nebraska Union.

"The cabaret may turn out to be a commentary on the cities," he said, "or it may turn out to be a satire." Whatever it turns out to be, it is almost a guaranteed success, if it holds to the pattern of the other cabarets.

Armstrong produced four cabarets last year and one earlier this fall, which were judged a great success by the audiences. A different theme for each program has helped keep interest high in the cabarets.

Cabarets have had such themes as a Hate Week Cabaret, an International Cabaret, a Renaissance Cabaret and a Communications Cabaret.

The Union staff is a genuine asset in the cabarets, Armstrong believes. "The Cabarets are put on as an act of faith by

the Nebraska Union Staff," he said.

Bruce Hiller, who kept things rolling at the last cabaret, will once again be emcee of the show.

Armstrong's program of entertainment will range from rock music to poetry to classical music.

Bobbie Guy, the group which introduces the first half of the Jerry Lee Lewis show, will be featured along with the Rutabaga Palace Electric Jug Band, Rich Berney and the Vic Lewis jazz group.

Sam Rachid will recite poetry, and Don Armbrust will play some classical piano pieces. Mike Robnett will have a special surprise for the audience.

The cabaret is free and so is the dress. "Come prepared to sit on the floor," advises Armstrong.



Performers will radiate the soul of sound and rhythm soon at Charlie Armstrong's upcoming Cabaret.

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Blacks not totally pessimistic about sorority house talks

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Blacks have been going to sorority houses to conduct informal discussions on racial questions for about a month.

Although Blacks don't seem to expect to accomplish much, they are not pessimistic either. Whites have varied opinions on the value of the discussions, but most seemed favorable.

"I won't say that anything has been accomplished," said Ken Secret, a black participant in the program. "We want people to realize that a problem exists. It's a goal that demands conflict before consensus."

Secret said he thinks that some sororities' interest in the program is "superficial," but commented that "one house has developed more interest in seeing the opposing attitude."

Darrell Eure, another black participant, said progress toward a goal of educating whites to problems of the Blacks can only "be determined by specific situations."

"I don't expect to get too much accomplished," he said. "We're trying to teach some of these people from small towns that have never had contact with black people that blacks are human."

"We will know if we've succeeded if they get involved in specific situations and are giving us outward support. What I mean by outward support is when they are willing to help us without being afraid of being called 'a nigger lover.'"

Three houses, Phi Mu, Alpha Phi and Alpha Chi Omega, have conducted discussions in their houses. Phi Mu has met with Blacks three times.

"Our goal is to be more aware of the black culture," noted Roni Meyer, president of Phi Mu. "We wanted to learn what we do that turns black people off, and to be aware of what we have to do to realize the problem."

Miss Meyer said that there was a change in the attitudes of the girls resulting from the discussions.

"The girls showed a desire to communicate with Blacks," she said. "The attendance was outstanding. Some girls have gone to talk to Blacks individually in an attempt to further understand the problem."

The Phi Mu's have had three sessions. They are not planning any more because "we've talked until we're blue in the face." However, Miss Meyer said that smaller groups of girls of six to ten each will be visiting Blacks on their own initiative.

The Alpha Phi House has had one session. Many of the girls mentioned a need for follow-up sessions.

Alpha Phi President Christie Schwartzkopf noted that she "could understand how the Blacks feel, but things still aren't clear."

Another Alpha Phi, Connie Gibbons,

echoed Miss Schwartzkopf's desire for follow-ups and mentioned what she had learned from the talks.

"I had never heard anything like that before, so it was very good for me," she said. "I think I understand now how grave it really is."

She added that each of the two groups had a different approach to the problem. One was more emotional than the other.

Patty Hanrahan, an Alpha Phi, agreed.

"I hadn't understood the deep resentment and hatred the Blacks have for white," she said. "They were bitter... like they were blaming us personally for what had happened to them."

"Some girls went away from that discussion with a more unfavorable attitude than before."

The same thing evidently happened at both the other houses. There were stormy sessions and quiet ones.

Alpha Chi Omega president, Barb Robbie, noted that one of their groups was "very successful" while another was

not as successful because it "was too personal."

"So much was such a shock," Miss Robbie commented. "Kids who hadn't been exposed to Blacks before couldn't believe that white people could be so ignorant."

Another Alpha Chi Omega, Judy Collins, said she had expected to be very aggravated with the Blacks, but was more sympathetic to their problems after the meeting.

The Alpha Chi's are planning an intermediate session with Lincoln city councilman Pete Peterson, Miss Robbie added, in hopes that an "older man could help them understand without getting too emotional about it."

Two other houses have shown an interest in inviting the Blacks for discussions, according to Walt Strong, coordinator for special programs. Strong said the sessions are arranged by individuals, although he is serving as a liaison between greek houses and black students.

He emphasized that the sessions were arranged informally and that no specific dates could be given because of that fact.

Faculty Evaluation Book to become a reality soon

ASUN allotted \$5,000 for it. Students Scott Swanson and Ken Wald volunteered their services. The Nebraska Duplicating and Printing Company is planning to print it.

With these funds, organization and manpower, the NU Faculty Evaluation Book will become a reality by next February.

But some difficulties will be encountered by polisters Swanson and Wald before the book's publication.

First, evaluation of any person by students depends on the discretion of the instructor.

Standard questionnaires will be delivered to each faculty member by Dec. 12. Instructors will be asked to

distribute them to their students during classes Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 15 and 16.

There is no way to force instructors to pass out the survey sheets, and the possibility exists that some of the faculty may not want to take class time for evaluation.

The University Faculty Senate will discuss and vote on the evaluation process at their monthly meeting Dec. 9.

The survey sheet is a standard computer form so that results can be quickly tabulated. As with other computer sheets, the computing scanner will only register the answers marked in No. 2 lead pencil. Without the correct pencil, the student's evaluations will go for naught.

The correct class call number is also needed on the form as more than 4,000 different classes will be surveyed. The call number, not common knowledge, can be found in the University's registration catalog.

Certain classes may be led by several different instructors at different times during the semester. None of these instructors may have taught long enough for a valid evaluation.

Graduate courses are not being surveyed in this initial evaluation. Laboratory instructors will not be evaluated either, but the value of labs will be considered.

Results of the 26-question survey will be arranged in the Faculty Evaluation Book in similar fashion to registration catalogs.

The book will provide statistics for total enrollment of each class, the number of students responding to the survey, and a breakdown of instructor evaluation with ratings from excellent to poor.

Three hundred fifty books are being planned for production. These will be distributed to all housing units, fraternities and sororities, libraries and college department offices.

The book will not be available before second semester's free drop and add, but it can be used for summer session registrations.

The book may prove invaluable to upperclassmen during enrollment, as instructors for 100 and 200 level courses are usually listed in the catalog. But most freshman courses commonly have "staff" listed instead of a specific faculty member.

Canvassing for student support of the anti-war movement will take place all week, with a view toward enlisting students to help canvass or do other work in upcoming Moratoriums.

A canvass of the Lincoln community was originally planned, but the emphasis was switched to on-campus activity when it became apparent that there weren't enough students available to effectively reach the community, according to Jacqueline Fullington, committee member. A large scale city-wide canvass is planned for later months.

Downtown leafletting is planned for Thursday night, and Friday and Saturday all day, in order to remind Lincolites that the war still continues, Miss Fullington added. City officials are being contacted to find out what ordinances govern leafletting in the downtown area.

Canvassing and leafletting will stop Friday afternoon at 1 p.m. to allow all to participate in a community-wide Peace Rally in the Student Union. The Pelican Peace Band, an underground rock group, and speakers will highlight the rally. Speakers at the rally will be: Rev. Carl Burkhardt of Bethany Christian Church, Josh Liljenstolpe, assistant pastor of First Lutheran Evangelical church, Dr. Ed Becker of the philosophy department, Dr. Phil Scribner from Centennial College, Dr. Wallace Peterson, chairman of the economics department and Dr. Jack Siegmund of sociology.

Speakers will discuss the problems of militarism, the President's war plans, the sociological effects of the war on Americans and the theme of "Peace on Earth," according to Dennis Berkhelm, chairman of the Moratorium Speakers Committee.

At 3:30 p.m. members of the Lincoln community will walk to the north steps of the state capitol to participate in a peace vigil, to be maintained until 6 p.m. Saturday. The committee is seeking volunteers to maintain the round-the-clock vigil.

Canvassing and leafletting will resume Saturday morning. At 6 p.m. Saturday there will be a candlelight walk around the capitol building. At least 500 plan to participate to symbolize Nebraska's nearly 500 war dead.

That evening a Peace Ball, featuring the "Justice," "Fay Hoagan" and the Tensegrity Maste light show, will be held in the Student Union.

Anyone interested in helping with any of the activities is urged to sign up in the Union Booth, or to attend the meeting on Monday night, at U.M.H.E. at 8 p.m.

Bad weather forces Russell cancellation

Bill Russell, former Boston Celtics basketball player-coach was delayed by bad weather Thursday in Montana causing the postponement of his scheduled speech.

Union Officials said Thursday they are hopeful that Russell will be available to speak sometime second semester.



A Romeo and Juliet brown crepe minidress with floral trim is one of the season's fashion highlights. To see the rest of the Christmas fashion stocking stuffers, turn to Page 4.