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Theatre UNC - A Looks Ahead

The U.N.C.-A. theatre will present three major productions this year. They will be given during first, third and fourth terms in the Student Center Auditorium. During the second term the class in play production will present a series of one-act plays in the coffeehouse, stated Professor Arnold Wengrow, new director of the University Theatre.

The first play produced will be *The Physicists* by Friedrich Durrenmatt, a Swiss writer. The setting is a mental institution, with the patients and the hospital staff as principal characters. Observing the main actor, a "mad" physicist the audience will be posed the question — Is he insane, or

quite sane. The physicist is there because he believes himself freer in the hospital than in the outside world. A surprise ending awaits those who come to see this play produced on October 22, 23, and 24.

Although drama and a drama major were listed in the 1968-69 and 1969-70 university catalogs, it has been almost three years since a professor was here to offer the courses. Professor Wengrow faces the task of building interest in drama, teaching courses, developing major offerings, as well as presenting productions.

"Gaining student interest and participation is the biggest need and challenge facing the drama program,"

said Wengrow. Professor Wengrow stated that he hopes for ideas and suggestions from students as to the development and growth of drama on this campus. He wants to serve this campus as an outlet for artistic expression as well as offering a laboratory experience for his students.

Although enrollment in drama is light this term, it is hoped that students will provide a large turn-out as an audience. Professor Wengrow looks for increased participation throughout the year in helping to direct the department's growth and to aid its development as an integral part of the liberal arts curriculum

Library Begins Checkpoint System

\$12,000. lost in books last year alone and complaints from students and faculty alike have prompted a change of policy for the D. Hiden Ramsey Library. A checkpoint system has been installed to curb the mounting number of books being stolen from the Library.

Under the new policy, all persons leaving the Library will be asked to present all materials they are taking. All briefcases, bags and parcels will be inspected, by a checker.

Since December of 1966, the date of the first inventory, the Library has suffered a loss of 2,924 books, many of which are out of print and irreplaceable.

Last year, a faculty Senate motion was begun asking Chancellor

Highsmith to begin studies for a system to curtail the losses. Under the chairmanship of Dr. Gene Rainey, the Library Committee in conjunction with the Library staff, drafted a plan for the proposed checkpoint system. The plans were ratified by the administration.

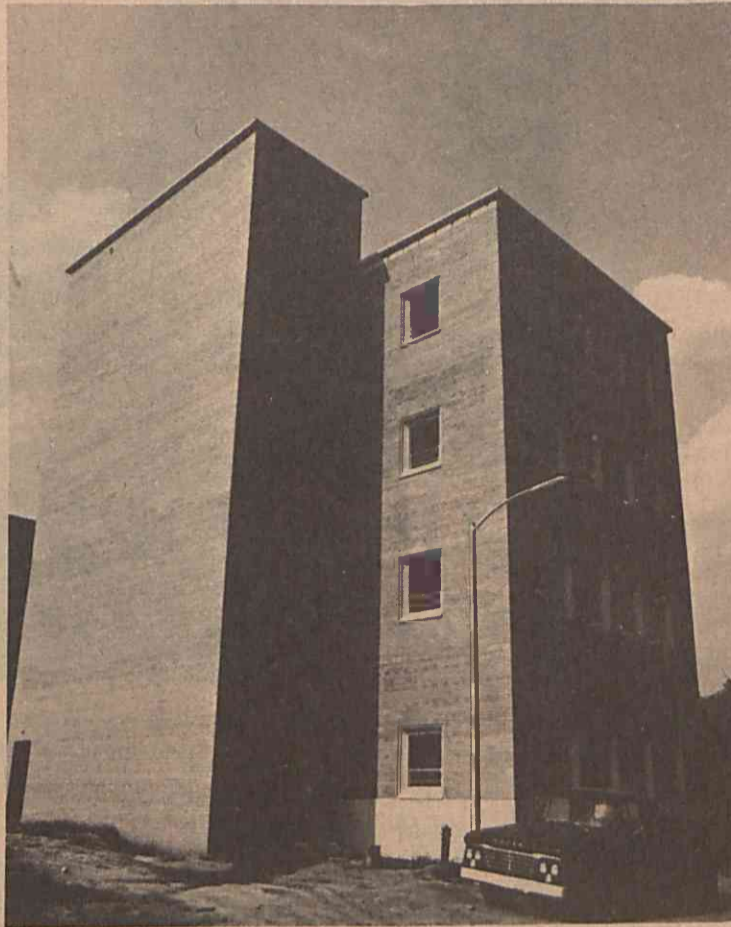
The yearly cost of \$7,900. for the two full-time checkers has been allocated from the funds normally used for the purchases of books. This is a necessity since the cost of the new system was not entered into the budget of the Library until this last year. The State Board of Control will decide on the increase in February of '71. If the increase passes, it will become part of the normal operating expenses of the Library.

Mr. Dean Cadle, Assistant Librarian, was quick to add, "This isn't a Library policy; it is an administrative policy. It isn't Dean Cadle and Ainsley Whitman instituting a little police system of their own."

Other security measures undertaken this year include equipping all doors except the front entrance with panic emergency locks.

Cadle said, "We are five years behind most of the colleges in the country. Some colleges don't even trust this system. The University of Tennessee, for example, still has closed stacks. Our checkpoint system is nothing new at all."

"We are here to serve all members of the college as freely as we can. This checkpoint system seems rather contradictory to our purpose. It is a necessary evil."



The construction of the new science tower is creating problems. According to Dr. Harry Johnston, Chairman of the Science and Math Division, "The tower should have been started during the summer but red tape and contractors have delayed construction. Renovations on the main building should be finished by November and the tower by Christmas."

Johnston stated that construction underway has rendered five class rooms useless. Because of the construction, the University has had to move almost all Math classes to the Humanities Building, leaving Biology and Chemistry Departments with the remaining four usable rooms and three labs in the building.

Presently, approximately 200 students have enrolled for Biology classes, 130 for Math, 60 for Chemistry and 50 for Physics. The students of Natural Sciences will have to contend with distracting noise and limited lab space. According to Dr. Dexter Squibb of the Chemistry Department, "It's hard to teach a lab without water or gas. Everything should be furnished by third term. I hope it could be sooner for the main building because we are having to operate with only two classrooms so far."

Boland:

New Sociology Major

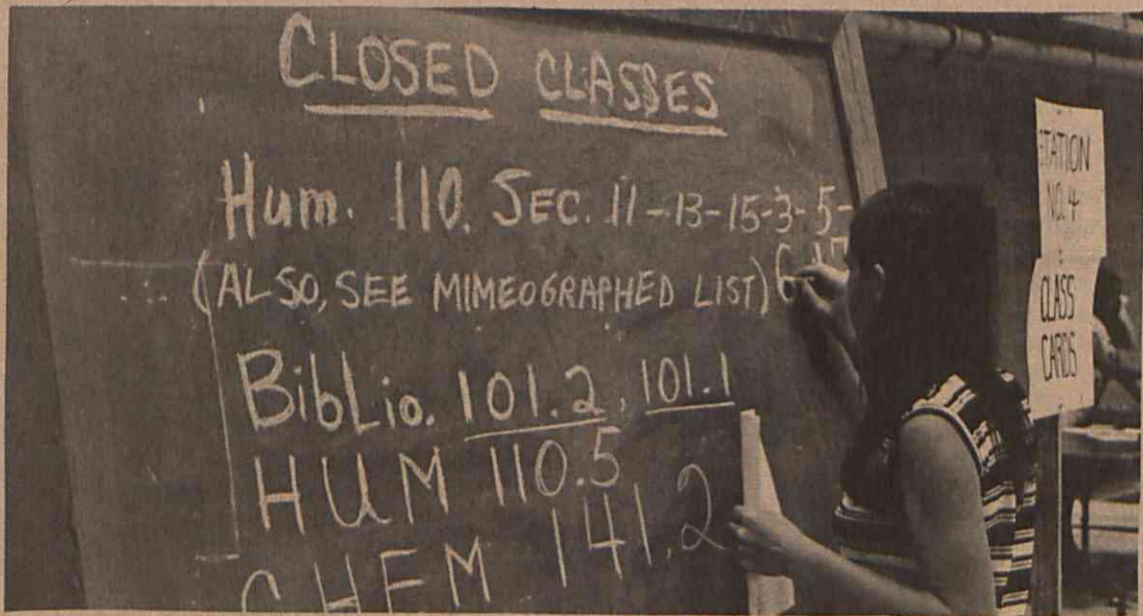
Dr. Walter Boland, new department head of Sociology stated that the new department hopes to develop a variety of courses and experiences relevant to the student. The department hopes to increase students' analytical ability in studying human behavior by involving them in various roles and experiences outside of the classroom.

With two new members in the Sociology department, much discussion is taking place regarding revisions in course offerings, major offerings and possible re-ordering of pre-requisites, announced Dr. Boland.

As in most of the Social Science departments higher degrees in Sociology are

usually required for specialization in the field, said Boland. A.M.A. in Sociology is usually necessary for industry, government, teaching, H.E.A., N.I.M.H., or as a state social worker, with a Ph.D. fast becoming a necessity for both research and teaching.

The Sociology Department is especially interested in re-vamping its introductory course, so that it will not be the traditional survey. It is hoped, Boland said, that majors and interested students will offer suggestions and aid in these revisions. Especially important for Sociology, emphasized Boland, is a far greater stress on the off-campus experience and field work.



Playing it by ear was the password for Fall registration '70 as large numbers of unregistered new students caused last-minute administrative changes to accommodate the crush. Still, many closed classes resulted, and in many areas, notably lower level required courses, space is at a premium, compared to past years.