

ENTERTAINMENT

'House' well-paced drama

By ROSANNE SINGER
State News Reviewer

According to playwright John Guare, his 1968 play, *The House of Blue Leaves*, is primarily about humiliation. "Everyone in the play is constantly being humiliated by their dreams their loves, their wants, their best parts," he writes. Artie Shaughnessy, employed as a zoo keeper, is a frustrated songwriter who composes such lyrics as "Since we split up/The skies we lit up/Looked all bit up/Like Fido chewed them." He resides in Queens, N.Y. with a wacky wife, Bananas, and a pushy, tacky mistress, Bunny Flingus. The son he pinned his hopes on is a deranged soldier who's gone AWOL.



Carol Reich and Kerry Shanklin in the BoarsHead Theater's presentation *The House of Blue Leaves*.

The BoarsHead Theater production of this bizarre comedy is well cast and features some moving, pitiful scenes, capturing the right balance of humor and sadness.

Parker Zellers is physically perfect as the meek, unexceptional Artie who has never abandoned dreams of musical greatness. His songs are absurd but he never realizes it. He has some strong scenes such as when he phones his Hollywood director friend, Billy Einhorn and recounts how he met mistress Bunny in a steambath. His occasional wistful contemplation of his mentally unbalanced wife is touching. However, his words do not always

carry the poignancy of his expressions, as for example when he tells Bananas, "Sometimes I miss you so much." A major flaw in Zeller's performance is his handling of moments at the piano. Artie delights in spontaneously composing songs and in performing for people; however, Zellers conveys little of this excitement. His manner at the piano is much like his manner else-

where — timid and unexciting. Kerry Shanklin projects a total personality as the flighty, tasteless, overbearing Bunny Flingus. She maintains her strong New York accent fairly consistently and contrasts effectively with the mild mannered Artie. Her large physical mannerisms and gestures occasionally become tiring, but on the whole Shanklin captures the character's temperament. One of Shanklin's best scenes is when she details the gourmet wonders she'll cook for Artie after they are married.

Although Carmen Decker does not look physically disarrayed enough as Bananas, with a well-kept hair style, she quickly conveys the character's slightly warped perception of reality. She begs pitifully for her husband's affection, imitating a love-blind puppy and licking his hand. Decker believably projects the character's craziness that sometimes leads startlingly to moments of lucidity.

She is excellent as she recounts a dream of herself driving to Broadway where she encounters Cardinal Spellman, Jackie Kennedy, Bob Hope and President Johnson.

David Montee does an excellent job as Ronnie Shaughnessy, Artie's son, particularly as he describes to the audience his audition for Billy Einhorn. In that scene Montee physically recreates his antics with a force and desperation that makes the memory painfully real.

The production is well-paced and picks up in the second act where the action builds gradually to the explosive ending. With the confusion of certain scenes in the second act, the tension could easily collapse if not carefully handled.

The House of Blue Leaves continues at the Lansing Center for the Arts through Sunday, June 3. Curtain time Thursday, Friday and Sunday is at 8 p.m. and the two Saturday shows are at 6 and 9 p.m.

Allen's Gong in Ann Arbor

Esoteric rock 'n roll fans should have a field day tonight if they make it down to Ann Arbor's Second Chance.

Playing at the club will be, in several different permutations, Daevid Allen's Gong.

With Allen will be New York Gong, Gilli Smith and Mother Gong, Yochko Seffer, the Zu Band and Ann Arbor's Prismatic.

Daevid Allen is a near-legendary rock figure who originally rose to fame in the early Soft Machine with Robert Wyatt, Mike Ratledge and Kevin Ayers. An Australian, Allen had immigration problems and eventually couldn't re-enter Britain with the Soft Machine; left to his own devices in France he recorded a series of LPs for the BYG label and eventually formed Gong. After being picked up by Virgin Records, the band managed to attract an enormous cult following that remains even today.

After recording *You*, the last and best installment of the *Radio Gnome Invisible* trilogy, guitarist Allen left the band and formed Euturpe. Meanwhile Gong continued without Daevid Allen, featuring guitarists Steve Hillage and Allan Holdsworth among many others.

At present there are two Gongs — drummer Pierre Moerlen's and Allen's current version. The first band is currently signed to Arista Records and is a fairly straightforward jazz-rock outfit; Allen's Gong, on the other hand, is devoted purely to space music and Allen's "pot-headed pixies" nomenclature.

Tickets for the performance are available in East Lansing at Discount Records and Flat Black and Circular for \$5 and will be sold at the door for \$6. The performance begins at 9:30 p.m.



The Gong of *Radio Gnome Invisible*, including Daevid Allen (center and looking skyward) and Steve Hillage (at Allen's right, obviously under the influence of drugs). Allen will be the only one of the above appearing at the Second Chance, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't go see him.

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The reunion of Harrison, Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr took place at Clapton's mansion home at Ewhurst, Surrey, about 20 miles from London, the paper said.

The gathering may have been the closest the Beatles have come to a full musical reunion since they broke up in 1969. Lennon, who lives in New York, was the only one absent.

The three ex-Beatles, joined by Clapton, performed on a makeshift outdoor stage before 200 invited guests. They sang 1960s Beatles hits such as "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band."

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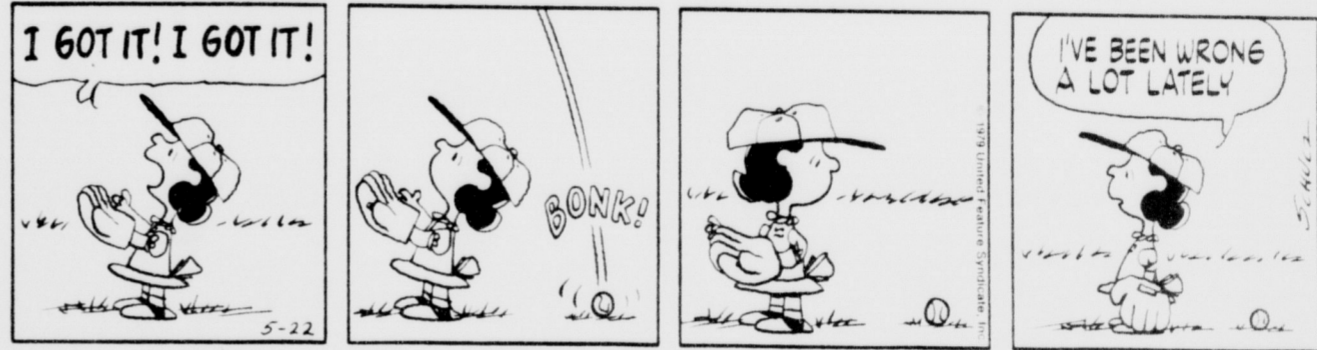


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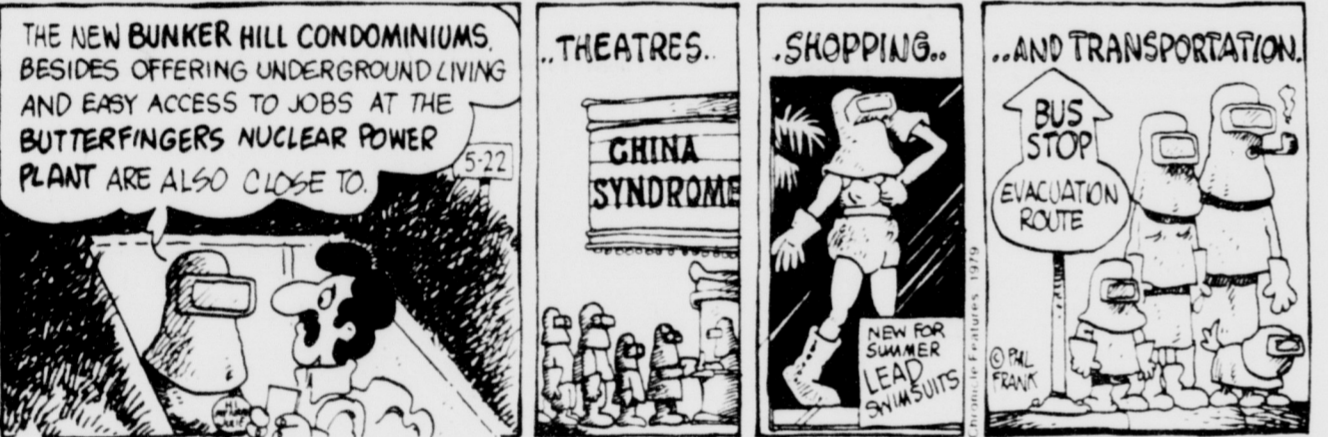
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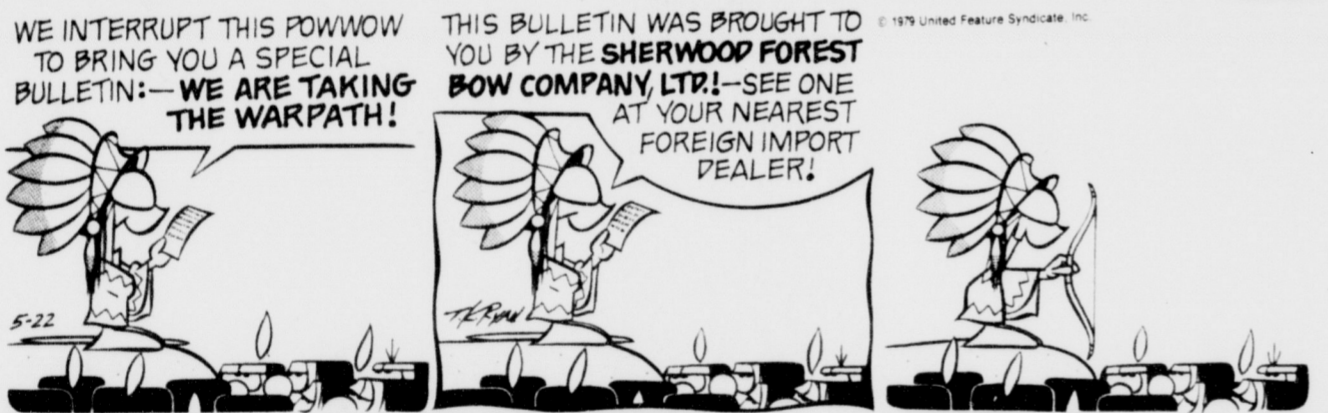


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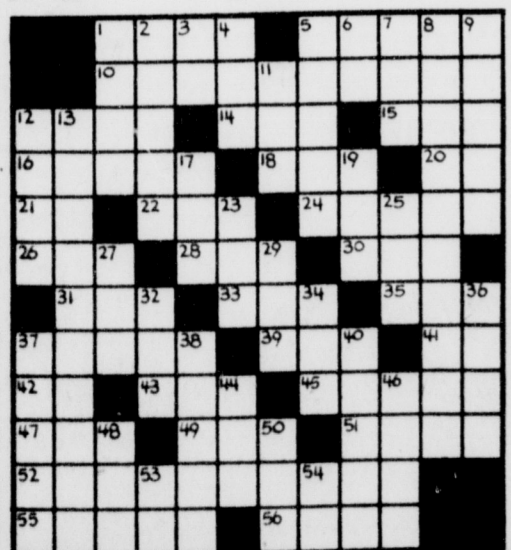
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13. Sanctioned
17. Walk on the moon
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Egyptian prof blasts Sadat's Mideast policy

By CONSTANTINE FON

EDITOR'S NOTE: Fon is a visiting African journalism student from the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario. He is spending three weeks in East Lansing and is working at The State News as part of a special internship program.

The Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty is only for the selfish interests of Sadat and his friends in Cairo, an Egyptian-born professor of political science said Friday.

Speaking at a seminar organized by the group of Arab students at MSU, Quasay Samak, who teaches at the University of Montreal, said for over 4,000 years, Palestine has always been Egypt's first line of defense.

When any regime in power in Egypt ignores this fact, disaster awaits the country, he explained.

"The present ruling class in Egypt will never satisfy the legitimate needs of the Egyptian people," Samak added.

Speaking on relations between Israel and Egypt, he said a close collaboration between the security networks of the two countries already exists.

"Relations between Sadat and his group whose interests he is serving and the Zionist state will be very good, but disaster waits for both Sadat and the Zionists in the near future," he predicted.

Egyptian masses, like Iranian masses, will soon rise up in a bloody revolution and send Sadat running into exile like his friend, the former Shah of Iran," Samak said.

Sadat abandoned the Geneva Conference and signed a separate peace treaty because he is weak and knew he could not get anything at the conference, Samak said.

Sadat has failed to fulfill the numerous promises that he made to the Egyptian people and "made dramatic moves to fool the people," he added.

The Egyptian president's task was facilitated by such treacherous Arab regimes as Morocco and Jordan, he said. "Hussein and Hassan's courts are crowded with Israeli spies. Both men have admitted this," he said.

He attacked Arab princes, who he said squander millions of dollars in casinos around the world, while Palestinians starve and die in the cold.

"For Egyptologists, Sadat's moves were not a surprise," he said.

He explained every regime in the Mideast has to have a basis of legitimacy, or panarabism.

Sadat's basis was a promise of freedom of expression, which the people accepted, but instead he has created a police state. He has never paid any attention to the Palestinian question, Samak said.

The talk, was preceded by a film titled "The Day Of The Land," which depicts events in the West Bank of the Jordan in March 1976, when Israeli authorities occupied the area.

'U' COMMUNITIES DISCUSSED

Cities exchange mayors

By DENNIS PETROSKEY
State News Staff Writer

Universities in both East Lansing and Mount Pleasant are integral elements of their communities, visiting Mount Pleasant Mayor Sibil Ellis said Monday.

In town for Mayor Exchange Day as part of Michigan Week, Ellis said she hopes Mount Pleasant is not faced with a proposal to de-annex the university from the local community, like the one which is being considered in East Lansing.

"Central Michigan is Mount Pleasant," she said. "We have a good working relationship between the city and the university, and the business community is very aware of the students' contribution."

In East Lansing, a group called the Citizens for Local Control has filed a petition asking for a public vote on whether to de-annex the campus from the city.

Ellis said about 10,000 of CMU's 16,000 students live in other than university housing and have integrated with the rest of the city.

"We work very closely with Central Michigan," she said. "Their problems are our problems."

Students should be allowed to vote on community issues, Ellis said, "but the fact is students don't usually vote on local issues."

"The students at Central Michigan do a tremendous job in volunteer work, but they are not politically active," she said.

Ellis, an MSU student in the early 1950s, said students have changed in recent years and have tended to move toward the way students were when she was going to school.

"I think students are now more interested in getting an education and doing their own thing, rather than be politically active like in the '60s," she said.

Ellis said she was here when Mason Hall was still a women's residence hall "and they still had panty raids."

"Since then, MSU has made many changes, mostly for the better," she said laughing.

"I think Michigan State is one of the prettiest and best universities in the nation," she said. "My husband and I have a son and daughter-in-law who are attending MSU, so we are still able to see the area often."

Ellis said she was appointed mayor by the Mount Pleasant City Council in 1977 and then again in 1979.

"Our charter states that a new mayor will be appointed every year so we aren't allowed to be mayor in successive years," she said.

Ellis said being the first woman mayor in Mount Pleasant has been an advantage sometimes, but she also recog-

nizes that "it could work the other way."

"In general, the biggest problem occurs when the woman is

overly aggressive and tries to push the women's liberation cause, which I don't do," she said. "Cooperation depends on how you approach the problem. You can use the hard sell, but you have to be a little subtle about it."

Ellis and her husband Arthur visited East Lansing City Hall and the Fire Station, along with Mount Pleasant City Attorney Bill Shirley and his wife Kathryn who also participated in Exchange Day.

After lunch at the Kellogg Center with several East Lansing officials, they toured the National Cable Co. on Trowbridge Road where they learned about the use of public access television for future considerations in the Mount Pleasant area.



State News: Ira Strickstein
Mount Pleasant Mayor Sibil Ellis was in East Lansing Monday participating in Mayor Exchange Day as part of Michigan Week.

Zoning on agenda

The East Lansing City Council will discuss proposed changes in zoning regulations for residential areas of the city at 7:30 tonight, Public Library, 950 Abbott Road.

Ordinance 451 includes a recommendation for increasing the property requirements for new construction of duplexes from 5,000 to 7,500 square feet.

Also included is an appeals process for all site plan reviews. The proposed appeals process would be handled by the director of building so it would not have to go through the Building Board of Appeals.

The ordinance would provide a single site plan review for all multi-family zoning districts, eliminating the five site plan review procedures now in use.

Rules outlined

The Athletic Council bylaws will be outlined at a meeting of the Student Council at 3 p.m. today in the Board Room of the Administrative Building.

Academic Program and Course Description Handbooks will be distributed and student members of the University standing committees will also be announced at the meeting.



Money recovered from river bottom

Underwear and shopping carts are common finds in the Red Cedar River, but Saturday a scuba diver may have uncovered the only "treasure" from the murky depths.

Bruce Roberts, president of the MSU Scuba Diving Club, came to the rescue of Terry Bailey, who lost his wallet containing \$600 while canoeing on the river.

Bailey, who had just cashed his income tax refund check, got Robert's name from a supervisor at the IM Sports West. He offered Roberts a reward for the return of his wallet.

"There was only about six inches of visibility and everything was pea-green," Roberts said.

Though it was the scuba diver's first trip to the bottom of the Red Cedar River, he located the wallet half-buried in mud within 30 minutes.

The \$110 reward that Roberts received may have made his muddy search worthwhile, but the diver said he would not go back in the Red Cedar "unless there was a pretty good reason."

World war, women talk

"Images of Women in World War II: How We Lost Rosie the Riveter and found Lucy Ricardo," will be discussed by Maureen Honey, an instructor in Lyman Briggs College, at 3 p.m. today in 341 Union.

The speech is part of the Women's Studies Group program.

Two years late

BAY CITY, Mich. (AP) — The Bay City Commission received official notice this week that the state government wants to designate the 90-year-old Belinda Street Bridge as a historical site.

The small bridge was torn down two years ago to make way for a modern, four-lane structure.

Iranian grad talks tonight

"A Social Historical Analysis of the Struggle for Liberation in 20th Century Iran" will be discussed by an MSU graduate student at 7:30 tonight in 335 A and B Case Hall.

Ali-Akbar Mahdi, who is from Tehran, Iran, will discuss the social forces that were involved in the present revolution and how they evolved.

His talk is sponsored by James Madison College.

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