

'Charter College' To Entrance Frosh

From 150 to 180 of next year's freshmen will have an opportunity to participate in a new program, called the Charter College, which is designed to take the place of the usual University Course program.

In groups of not more than 30, Charter College students will meet every afternoon from one to three. Neither they nor their instructors will feel bound by the hours, however, and classes will end at convenient spots in the discussion. Tuesdays and Thursdays will be given over to a new lecture series with speakers from the rest of the Oakland faculty and

the outside world.

Freshmen will spend half their class time in the College program and thereafter one quarter of their time. The freshman program will cover approximately the material now handled in Western Institutions and Western Literature. Plans for the other semesters are as yet unformulated.

The College will be the seminar part of the students' SDL sequence, and will study texts and problems chosen by the instructor within his field of competence. Part of the instructors purpose will be to cut across the dividing lines between disciplines

and relates different areas to one another.

Participating faculty are Sheldon Appleton, political science; Roger Marz, political science; Gertrude White, English; Alfred Lessing, philosophy; and Melvin Chernov, history.

Thomas Atkinson, registrar, said of the program, "You know which of the faculty are just serving their time and which are really involved with their teaching. You can tell that there isn't a one of the former among the Charter College staff. They will go out and do their very best for those 150 kids."

"This is an exciting program. Even if it fails completely, it's exciting. It's an opportunity for faculty to go all the way with students, to really get to know them, to communicate some of their own awareness to them."

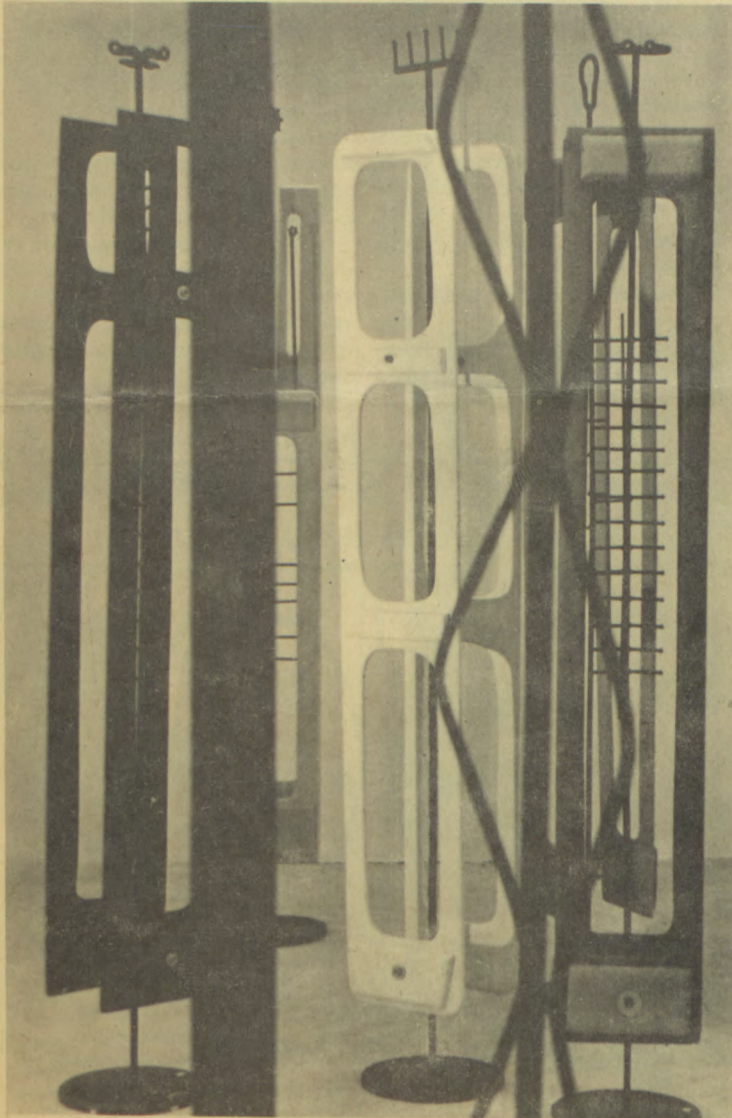
Altogether, Charter College students, who choose the program voluntarily on a first-come-first-serve basis, will take the equivalent of ten courses, which will satisfy the University Course requirement except for foreign language. Under discussion but not yet final is the possibility of not having grades for the program.

Donald O'Dowd, provost, said

"I personally think that an ungraded program will not work out. After twelve years of being graded, freshmen will feel very insecure without some basis for evaluating their progress. They will be the first to let the faculty know about it."

O'Dowd also stated that this program, "to the extent that it is a faculty giving complete freedom of action to some of its members," is unique. It has never been done before.

The program is the result of work by Appleton, who proposed it to the Senate and is the principal architect of its workings.



Winning Photo in Library Photo Contest by Donald Malm.

Mathematician Malm Shoots \$100 Prize Sculpture Photo

Donald G. Malm, of Oakland's mathematics department, was awarded the \$100 first prize in the Kresge Library photographic contest. The three-man panel of judges, which included art department chairman John Galloway, photographer George C. Phillips of Clarkston, and university photographer Howard Coffin, were unanimous in their choice.

Used as subjects by the photographers were the seven wood and steel sculptures by Rochester artist Mary Hetenyi, entitled "Declension of the Court."

The contest which ran during February and March, drew a total of 12 contestants, including Gloria Griffith, Edward Adler, and Daniel McCosh, students at Oakland.

The judges also awarded honorable mention to Mrs. Erma Wehrle of Utica.

It was thought that the Malm picture shown above provided the

most comprehensive representation of the meaning of the sculptures in the aesthetically most pleasing format.

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Arrives OU	4:10
(via Utica, Rochester)	
Arrives Pontiac	4:25

OU bus-commuters pick-up the Bee Line at the stop between North and South Foundation Halls.

Chancellor Varner said, "The university will pursue a plan of deferring costs on some items until the deficiency can be made up. The quality of our instructional program will not be impaired."

In a last-ditch attempt to get more funds for OU, Oakland County legislators introduced an amendment to the education bill Monday afternoon calling for \$250,000 for library acquisition at Oakland. The measure was defeated, gaining only 45 of the 56 votes needed.

The politicians then tried another amendment for a smaller amount, but managed to pick up only three additional votes.

Varner commented that the final appropriation was disappointing, but not disabling.

The Chancellor also announced an \$11 dollar increase in dorm fees for the fall, bringing it to \$413 per semester. He cited rising costs, especially maintenance labor costs, as the reason for the increase.

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OU Budget Cut; \$11 Hike In Dorm Fees

Legislative approval of a record \$188 million higher education appropriation this week brought OU \$2,624,004 for fiscal year 1965-66. This amount represents an increase of \$428,004 over this year.

The university had requested an increase of \$497,000. The deficiency is more than the \$69,000 it looks like, however. \$125,000 of the increase was earmarked for "salary improvement," and thus is not free for general university purposes.

Seven New Ones Makes 23 To Date

Appointment of seven new faculty members was approved by the Board of Trustees June 17, bringing the total to 23 for this year.

The appointments included Richard M. Brace, professor of history and chairman of the department of history; Theodore O. Yntema, visiting professor of economics and business administration; J. Carroll Hill, associate professor of engineering; Roderic E. Righter, assistant professor of education and assistant to the dean of the School of Education; Arthur M. Daniels, assistant professor of music; Yuji Yonemori, visiting assistant professor of teacher education and Lee Braude, assistant professor of sociology and anthropology.

In other Board action, Paul Tomboulia, associate professor of chemistry, was granted a leave of absence from January 3, 1966, to April 20, 1966, to conduct research.

Brace comes to the history chairmanship from Northwestern University, where he has been on the faculty since 1947, the last nine years as full professor. At 50, he becomes the senior OU faculty member. He replaces Charles O. Hucker, who this spring accepted the chairmanship of far-eastern languages and literatures at the University of Michigan.

Now studying in France and Algeria on a Rockefeller and a Social Science Research Council grant, Brace has also taught the University of Colorado, Pomona College and the University of Maine. He previously has studied in France as a Taussig Traveling Fellow and at the University of Paris under a Fulbright Award. The modern European historian received his bachelor's, master's and doctorate from the University of California.

As visiting professor, Theodore O. Yntema, who recently retired from a vice-presidency at Ford Motor Company, will participate in the teaching and research activities of the OU economics and business program. In addition to his wide experience in industry and government, Yntema was a member of the University of Chicago and Stanford University faculties during his early career.

He is a graduate of Hope College, and earned master's degrees at the University of Chicago and the University of Illinois. He earned his doctorate in economics at the University of Chicago.

Hill, appointed associate professor of engineering, has been a member of the Purdue University faculty since 1960, and was a member of the engineering staff for Aerospace Corporation and Hughes Aircraft for three years. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Louisville, master's degree at the University of South Carolina and doctorate at Purdue.

Righter, new assistant professor of education and assistant to the dean of the School of Education, is presently assistant to the dean of Wayne State University's College of Education, where he recently completed his doctorate. His experience includes nine years as a teacher and principal in Ohio school systems, and as coordinator of student teaching at Wayne. He earned two bachelor's degrees from Ashland College and his master's from Bowling Green State University.

Daniels, assistant professor of music, will come to OU from the University of Michigan, where he has been an instructor since 1962.

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First Original Play Rubinoff Opus 'Shocking'

by Jay Korinek

You might not see at first glance that Jeffery Rubinoff is actually a playwright, a director, and an actor all in one. Surprisingly enough, through necessity and desire, he is, and such can only benefit true theater on our campus. His relatively small yet important offering for this weekend is the first public performances of his one-act play, "aston's garden."

As the first original student dramatic presentation at OU, "garden" has not been without its problems. Scheduling, technical assistance, and casting have delayed the presentation some two weeks. Through it all, the problems have been resolved into smoothness and consistency.

The play itself, mentioned informally as a study in form and climatic structure, provides an honest, engrossing plot. Unity of idea and conciseness of expression are especially evident. It is amazingly shocking in its simple effectiveness, and from this closely organized system of ideas, although taboo in some circles, even some meaning is evident. As a contrast to the standard

Theatre Guild extravaganzas, nothing could be more appropriate or well-done.

The story could have been adapted from Edward Albee's "Zoo Story" and could have been titled with Tom Aston in mind. Neither is the case in fact. However, the similarities do exist, but only in the creation of an original product are such happenings important.

Tom Talaba, sharing the total cast of two with Rubinoff, does an excellent performance as an introverted modern-man who meets an antagonistic, young psychotic on an early morning bus ride, and promptly discovers his ordered world beginning to collapse. Talaba's timing and emoting are near perfect.

There is a standing personal invitation to all faculty to attend the play and offer comments and criticism. All-student produced plays could become an integral part of Oakland theater. If "aston's garden" is typical of things to come, this is an experience not to be missed. Performed at 8:30 Friday and Saturday nights in the Little Theater, the play is free.

Oakland Students Enter Political Fray: Urge Amendment to Lower Voting Age

The State House of Representatives Committee on Amendment and Revision of the Constitution held hearings June 19 in Detroit's Cobo Hall on a possible reduction of the voting age in Michigan. About 30 persons attended, mostly high school and university students.

The Michigan Senate has already passed a resolution to place on the 1966 ballot a constitutional amendment that would lower the voting age in Michigan to eighteen years.

Eight Oakland University students attended the hearings. One OU student testified in favor of lowering the voting age and handed the committee a statement signed by him and the seven others with him.

Oakland students, who claimed to speak more as "adult citizens than as Oakland Students," argued that under the system of government they believed in no one should be denied the right to vote without a valid reason. They said that no such reason applied in the case of most people eighteen and over.

The Oaklander who spoke claimed that young people are kept "separated" from the rest of the community, and said he felt that the country "has had less trouble than it deserves" from its youth.

Former OU student Lee Elbinger, back from a Students For A Democratic Society Conference in Traverse City, told the committee that young people of today are deeply interested in social problems at all levels, and that many are actively involved in solving these problems.

Also testifying in favor of the resolution were Detroit community leader Jackie Vaughan, a Fordson High School civics teacher and representative of the National Students Association, the Wayne State University Young Democrats, the Metropolitan Detroit Young Democrats, and the University of Michigan Young Democrats.

One person spoke against lowering the voting age at all. One favored voting rights to all persons eighteen and over who had a high school diploma.

Another person presented a poll taken by an Oakland County Republican; eighty-two percent of those polled had been against reducing the voting age, seventeen percent favored doing so.

Arguments in favor of the resolution centered around the extension of "democracy" which a lower voting age would bring about, the fact that persons eighteen and over are eligible for military service, and the idea that many persons take a greater interest in political affairs at eighteen than they do at twenty-one and beyond.

Opponents of the resolution feared that a large number of unqualified voters would be turned loose upon the polls, if the resolution were approved by the voters. They doubted that most persons under twenty-one were "mature" enough to vote.

The Committee concluded the hearings by allowing the audience to ask them questions about the processes involved in getting the resolution through the legislature.

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Friday, June 25

8:30 p.m. "aston's garden," a one act play by Jeffery Rubinoff. This is the first performance of an original student production by the Meadowbrook Theatre Guild. IM Little Theatre. Admission Free.

Saturday, June 26

8:30 p.m. "aston's garden," by Jeffery Rubinoff. Meadowbrook Guild. IM Little Theatre. Admission Free.

Sunday, June 27

Third Freshman Orientation Session begins through June 29.

Tuesday, June 29

7:30 p.m. "O.U. Previews Stratford," 15NFH: "The Cherry Orchard," "Mahagonny." Admission charge, \$1.

Wednesday, June 30

Fourth Freshman Orientation Session begins, through July 1.

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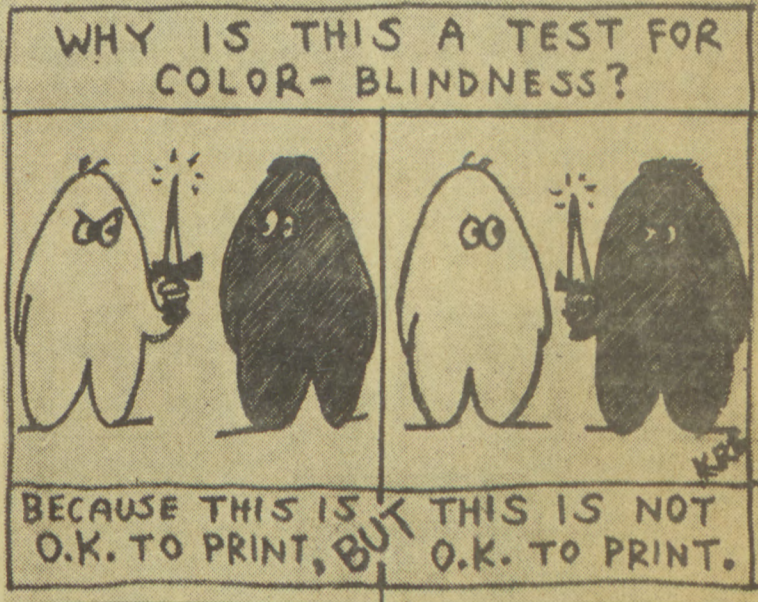
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He also served as a lecturer in music for a year at the University of California, Riverside. His bachelor's degree was earned at the Boston Conservatory, master's at Brandeis University, and doctorate at the University of Southern California.

Yonemori, appointed visiting assistant professor of education, is completing a year as visiting professor at MSU. He taught previously at the University of Ryukyus, where he earned his bachelor's degree. He earned his master's degree and doctorate at Ohio State University, and was a graduate assistant there for four years.

Braude, appointed assistant professor of sociology and anthropology, has been teaching at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, since 1961 and for three years prior to that date was an instructor in the Wisconsin Extension Division. He attended Wright Junior College in Chicago, and earned his master's and doctorate at the University of Chicago.

Salaries Competitive

"\$9,228 is the average salary of full-time Oakland faculty members," Chancellor Varner told the Observer last week.

Average salaries are: professor, \$12,720; associate, \$9,563; assistant, \$8,166; and instructor, \$6,800. The figure for full professor is somewhat inflated, including as it does the salaries of five department heads, who receive extra compensation for the post.

Varner stated that Oakland's salary scale is "on the whole competitive." It runs a little above the average for instructors and assistants in the Big Ten schools, and below for professors and associates.

Figures given above are averages. Oakland does not have a regular "salary scale" with any kind of increment schedule. Salaries are determined on an in-

dividual basis by department heads, subject to review by the deans of the various schools, the provost, the chancellor and the president of the university. More often than not, however, recommendations of department heads are carried out.

Adjustments are made from year to year to rectify disparities which creep in for one reason or other, to reward unusual production in both scholarship and teaching, and, presumably, to effect a general increase.

From Bob Gaylor

"The quietness and sanity of the library will be broken during the coming weeks due to the Freshman Orientation tours.

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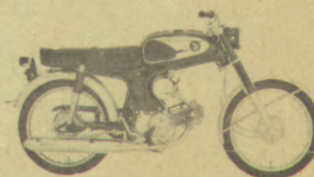
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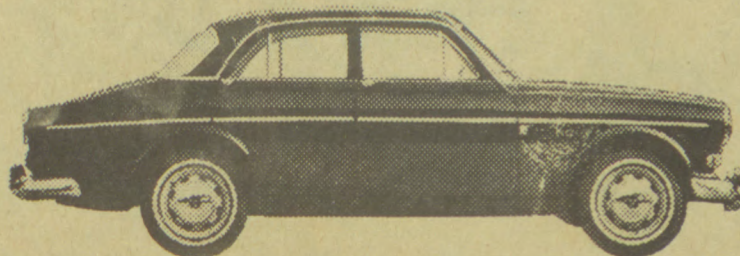
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by J. Hingo

Tennis will be of major importance at OU this summer. The Spring Term Tennis Tournament has reached the quarter-final stage, and should be completed soon after the July 4 recess.

Currently leading the tournament are John Bradfield who defeated Gary Grzadzinski, 6-2,

6-1, and Dave Meyers who topped Shel Wecker, 6-3, 6-0.

The big tennis news, however, is the announcement of the Sixth Annual Oakland County Open Tennis Tournament to be held on the OU courts, July 17, 18, 24 and 25.

Categories will be men's singles and doubles, and juniors' (boys 17 and under) singles and doubles. All men on campus are eligible to join this contest.

The tournament is sponsored every year by the Pontiac Press and the Pontiac Recreation Department. Entry forms are available in the IM Building. Entry deadline is July 15.

Pickwick Clubbers continue to hold the reins in the Intramural Softball League. They overpowered Fitzgerald House 22-6 on June 17, and held off several rallies to beat Faculty-Staff, 9-2, on June 22.

The standings as of Thursday afternoon show Pickwick in first with a 4-0 record. Commuters, 2-1, hold down second, and Fitz, 1-2, is in third.

The Faculty-Staff, having forfeited two games due to lack of personnel on the way to a 0-4 record, rests serenely in the league cellar. Several students have offered to help the slumping Faculty.

Kids Get Fit

A day camp athletic program for Pontiac Township youngsters will be held at Oakland July 6 through August 6. The program is a result of a request by Pontiac Township to use Oakland's facilities, and the realization that equipment is seldom used by OU students.

Any child in the Pontiac Township Area who has completed any grade through the ninth during the 64-65 year is eligible to take part in the camp. Children of OU faculty and staff who meet the age requirements, are invited to take part in the five week program. More information is available in the IM Building.

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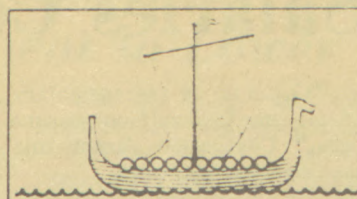


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