

# 'Frankenstein' play not like the movie

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ns of the late late show are are acquainted with the movie ver- of the Frankenstein monster — inarticulate, stupid, and humanly-strong creature, not e the Aggie stereotype. yone that has read the original by Mary Shelley will know a different creature — one who s several languages and pos- s superior intelligence as well perhuman strength. e latter is more what audiences expect to see in the Premiere rs' presentation of "Franken- " July 26-29 in the Rudder n Theater. audiences are used to seeing Karloff stomping around and ng guttural noises," said direc- robert Wenck. "Here they're to see Mary Shelley's creature sopping and being rational," k said. his play is the closest of any or movie I've seen to the origi- novel," Wenck said. The ter, created by Victor Frank-

enstein, does not have the brain of a criminal, as in the movie. Instead, it came to life feeling quite benevo- lent. Mistreatment by humans caused it to react with violence. How will the audience react to the monster? "I think he actually comes across as being quite sym- pathetic," Wenck said. Not totally sympathetic, though, as it is responsible for several mur- ders in the two-act play. Audiences are sure to feel some chills. Whether they will be caused by the monster's crimes or its crafty logic remains to be seen. The play will open one week from today. Wenck says that the play is "G-rated, pure family entertain- ment." Tickets are on sale at the MSC box office. The play is being sponsored by the Theater Arts Department as its 15th annual summer recreational theater program. Eight local high school students make up the cast. Directing the play is Robert Wenck, director of Theater Arts at Texas A&M University.

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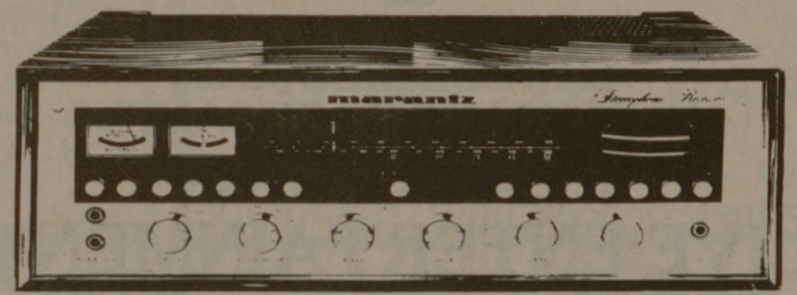
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