

William Essex (Michael Williams, right) and his family move up in the world before tragedy strikes in "My Son, My Son," the seven-part dramatization of Howard

Spring's best-seller. Sherrie Hewson plays Essex' wife, and Stefan Gates plays their son. It will air on Wednesday, April 16, at 7 p.m. on Channel 15.



## PBS HIGHLIGHTS

**Pick of the Week:** 7 p.m. Sunday, April 13, "Nlai, the Story of a Kung Woman," the second program in the "Odyssey" series, will be presented. "Odyssey" is a series about people, past and present. "Nlai ..." is a documentary by John Marshall that spans 28 years of Nlai's life, from the age of seven when her people moved freely across 15,000 square miles of the Western Kalahari Desert in a semi-nomadic search for food and water, to the age of 35 when they faced food shortages and tuberculosis on a government settlement. (60 minutes)

**My Son, My Son:** Wednesday, April 16, 7 p.m. How the goals and vicarious ambitions of fathers can play havoc with their lives and their children's is the dramatic focus of "My Son, My Son," a seven-part adaptation of Howard Spring's best-seller, which will be seen this week on "Masterpiece Theatre." The series spans two generations as it



"America Lost and Found," an hour-long film by Tom Johnson and Lance Bird, uses vintage film to explore the effects of the Great Depression. This program will air on Friday, April 18, at 8 p.m. on Channel 15. cuts, page 3

tells the story of two men whose close friendship, dating back to their boyhood in Manchester, ends in tragedy. (60 minutes)

**America Lost and Found:** Friday, April 18, 8 p.m. "America Lost and Found" is a documentary about America during the Great Depression era. The program, made up entirely of period newsreel film, photographs and other historic materials, portrays how events during the 1930s were perceived by middle-class, somewhat prosperous Americans, who, even when they did not suffer directly from the Depression, were affected by the economic and social dislocations during that period. (60 minutes)

**Mystery:** Friday, April 11, 9 p.m. As part of the "Mystery" series, the second episode of "The Racing Game" will be presented. An ex-jockey and a martial arts expert get together to form a private investigation team assigned to keep crime off the tracks. (60 minutes)

**The American Short Story:** Tuesday, April 15, noon. In another segment of this short story series, "The Displaced Person," by Flannery O'Connor, will be presented. In the late 1940s, a family of Polish refugees is brought to a Georgia farm by a priest. The widow who owns the farm at first considers the family as her salvation from financial difficulties, but eventually everyone's life is disrupted. (60 minutes)

**Once Upon a Classic:** Saturday, April 12, 6 p.m. "Once Upon a Classic" will feature "Night Ferry," a children's film. Three children discover a plot to smuggle out of England the stolen mummy of an Egyptian boy-king in its jewel studded case. Bill Bixby hosts. (60 minutes)

**Live From the Met:** Saturday, April 12, 7 p.m. Giuseppe Verdi's "Don Carlo" will be televised as part of the series "Live From the Met." "Don Carlo," an opera in five acts, is a tragic tale of frustrated love written in the tradition of the grand opera. The cast includes Renata Scotto as Elizabeth, mezzo-soprano Tatiana Troyanos as Eboli, tenor Vasile Moldoveanu as Don Carlo, baritone Sherril Milnes as Rodrigo, bass Paul Plishka as King Phillip, and bass Jerome Hines as the Grand Inquisitor. (3 hours)

**EDITORS NOTE:** The local PBS station is KAMU. It is located on UHF Channel 15, and VHF Channel 12 on the cable.

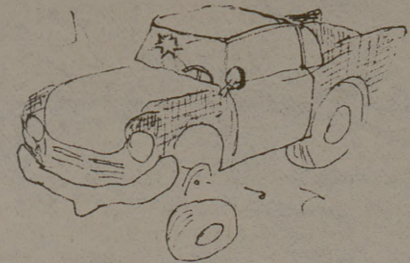
KAMU starts broadcasting each day at 7:30 a.m. Anyone wanting a schedule of programs for the coming month can call 845-5611 and one will be mailed free of charge.

## COLLEGE ... Not in MY newspaper

... The editor of the **Memphis State University** student newspaper says he likes a new underground newspaper, but still got rather upset when the unidentified publishers of the paper began inserting their publication inside his. He issued an editorial warning, threatening prosecution, and the unauthorized insertion stopped. — *Collegiate Headlines*

## Fire scares gay student

... A gay student at the **State University of New York-Stony Brook** thinks someone tried to kill him the day after he proposed establishment of a counseling center for gays and other people with alternative lifestyles. A fire was set on the door of Alex Garbera's dorm room the morning after he made his proposal to a residence hall legislature. Garbera, a member of the Gay Student Union at Stony Brook, was attending classes at the time of the fire, which burned through the top of the door causing smoke damage to the room. — *Collegiate Headlines*



## "Animal wars?"

... One **University of Iowa** fraternity member is suing brothers of another house for "great mental suffering" because they allegedly broke the windows out of his car. The vehicle: a battered black "Death Mobile." — *Collegiate Headlines*

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### THE BATTALION

**Policy:** Focus will accept any stories, drawings or photographs that are submitted for publication, although the decision to publish lies solely with the editor. Pieces submitted, printed or not, will be returned upon request. Deadline is 5 p.m. the Thursday before publication.

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**On The Cover:** Mark Hinz climbs a rock as John Mackey observes, at a site at Enchanted Rock near Fredricksburg. The MSC Outdoor Recreation Committee sponsored the rock-climbing trip, which was directed by Kevin Donald, a professional rock climber. For a story about Donald and more pictures, turn to pages 4 and 5. Cover picture by Del Holman.