

PUBLIC TO SEE REMODELING:

Little Theater Sets Open House At Shea's

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The Little Theater of Jamestown will give the public a chance to "satisfy its curiosity" about the progress of its \$185,000 remodeling project at the former Shea's Theater, East Second Street, by holding open house from 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Marshall B. Dahlin, president, announced that the public inspection of the premises will provide both Little Theater members and other area residents with a first-hand look at the monumental task which the local amateur theatrical organization has undertaken.

About \$30,000 has already been spent on the first phase of renovations, he said.

So far, major items completed include installation of a new roof, installation of a white brick facade with glass entry doors, remodeling of the outer lobby, and construction of a business office and library-meeting room.

Work on the second phase of the project is scheduled to get underway in the next two weeks, Mr. Dahlin said.

This will include construction of a spacious inner lobby under the present balcony area, complete reconstruction of the auditorium area with seating for about 460 spectators, and completion of kitchen and rest rooms.

The Little Theater is now conducting a general fund drive to raise \$100,000 for the project, the remaining portion of the cost coming from the sale of its old quarters on Fairmount Avenue last March. Purchase of the Shea's building was completed at that time.

Members of the Little Theater's board of directors will be on hand Sunday to explain the plans to visitors.

Mr. Dahlin emphasized that the Sunday public inspection will be conducted under "as is" conditions with no attempt being made to "clean up" the premises for visitors.

He added that a "grand and glorious" open house is planned for sometime after the first of the year when the entire project is expected to be completed.