

St. Dunstan's Guild Rings Up Curtain on First Play of the Current Season

By Doris E. Kus

A first night audience at the Cranbrook Pavilion responded enthusiastically to the opening performance of "O Mistress Mine" by St. Dunstan's Guild last Friday evening.

Heading the cast for the Terence Rattigan sophisticated comedy were Dorothy Sepehy as Olivia Brown and Fritz Hyde as Sir John who presented themselves in their respective roles with a polished finesse which made most pleasant looking and listening. A keen sense of per-

ception pervaded their every action and line and their two difficult roles were handled with a zest and dignity which was most refreshing to see.

The play which was made famous by Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne is set in London during the war and concerns a cabinet minister and the woman he loves, his mistress. Their life which is presented by the author as high onto ideal, is hit with a lightning-like blow when Bill Saunders, playing Olivia's seventeen-year-

son has the soft touch of pathos and good humor.

As a play in its situations and personalities it is an intricate design in human nature and environment which requires a sharp study for interpretation. "O Mistress Mine" is a worldly play written about civilized people, serious living their lives, enjoying themselves and making the most of a situation which is forced upon them.

Intelligently cast and directed, ably presented and rendered, and with attractive setting, St. Dunstan's has begun its 49-50 season with a well chosen and completed work.

Final performances will be made tomorrow, Oct. 23 and Saturday, Oct. 24 at 8:00 p.m.

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Every article will be hand sewn by the Girl Scouts and will be of special display at the ingathering. It is hoped that all Scouts and their friends will drop in at the Community House Nov. 8 to see this work.

Mrs. John Shenfeld has organized the work and is being assisted by Mrs. John St. Clair, training chairman of the new Scout leaders and Mrs. Donald Bell, Needlework Guild member.

Scout troops who are working on this project, and their leaders

ing room mothers and unit leaders: Mrs. Karl Ketchum, Mrs. Wm. Hohmeyer, Mrs. Chas. Richards, Mrs. Arthur McDonald, Mrs. Geo. Schwimmer, Mrs. Gerald Carlisle, Mrs. Marlin Masters, Mrs. Wilson Mitchell, Mrs. Jos. F. Bachman, Mrs. Perrin Shattuck and Mrs. Edgar Prantz. Mrs. Wain's group of ninth grade mothers who will act as unit leaders and hostesses includes Mrs. J. T. Thomas, Mrs. E. K. Leavenworth, Mrs. Lance Minor, Mrs. Cassius Miller, Mrs. Clarence Beck, Mrs. J. H. Babbitt, Mrs. Sherwood Sheldon, Mrs. William DeBeaubien, Mrs. William Hickman and the Edward McCombe, Mrs. M. G. Adam.

When this series of grade meetings is complete, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Kass, Mrs. K'burg and Mrs. Weir will meet with the PTA president, J. K. Toepfer to evaluate their findings and lay plans for future grade meetings.

Dorothy Argenta to Become Bride of John S. Botsford

Mrs. and Mrs. Anthony W. Argenta of Ferndale have announced the betrothal and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Marie to John S. Botsford, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Botsford of Franklin Village. Miss Argenta was graduated from the Little Flower high school and attended the University of Detroit. Her fiance was graduated from the University of Arkansas and the Detroit Business Institute.

The couple will be married on Nov. 19 at 11:30 a.m. in the Shrine of the Little Flower.

Robinson Crusoe

Because of the success of one meeting of seventh grade mothers last year, this school term saw the institution of a new idea in parent-teacher-school administration cooperation at Barnum junior high school when the mothers of all seventh grade students gathered Tuesday for the first of a series of informal meetings, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Chas. E. Kass. Similar meetings of eighth grade parents are scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 25 under Mrs. R. E. K'burg's direction, and of mothers of ninth grade pupils on Thursday, Oct. 27, under Mrs. Preston R. Weir.

Mrs. Colin Campbell, general chairman of all these grade meetings says these small meetings by grades provide an informal atmosphere in which discussion of mutual problems is more readily forthcoming. Samuel Bennett, principal, opens the meetings by presenting various school problems on which he wishes advice, suggestions and information. Then the group breaks up into small groups of eight or ten mothers.

Mrs. Kass has the following home room mothers and parents working with her on the seventh grade meeting: Mrs. H. J. Strager, Mrs. P. G. Dumber, Mrs. Fred Meyer, Mrs. Elliott Kinney, Mrs. Wm. Rose, Mrs. W. L. Stosey, Mrs. D. H. Hammer and Mrs. E. K. Leavenworth.

The eighth grade mothers under Mrs. K'burg have the following as all plays for children should move and there are no waits between acts. It is carried forward with dialogue, music and dancing.

"Robinson Crusoe" was first published in London in 1719.

Barnum PTA Has Grade Meetings

Edwin Strawbridge

Robinson Crusoe is coming to town and the children of Birmingham will meet him on the desert island they have dreamed of visiting. He will appear in a dramatization of the famous classic on Thursday, Oct. 27 at the Birmingham Theatre under the auspices of the Children's Theatre Group of AAUW. This will be the first in a series of four plays to be offered this year.

The adaptation of this famous story for Children's Theatre by the Edwin Strawbridge "Lyric Theatre" Production utilizes the dance as the principle vehicle. "Strawbridge brings to the stage the best loved classics of the world and he brings them in a new and fascinating form. The production will appeal to the child's love of movement, of color, of drama and of music," a spokesman for the group said.

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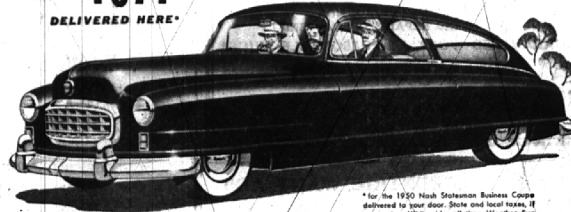
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