

LEND AN EAR

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Old Formula Hikes Laugh-Meters Again

"Some Like It Hot," currently at the Michigan theater, turns out to be a very funny, at times even hilarious, movie. Directed by Billy Wilder, it stars such film luminaries as Marilyn Monroe, Jack Lemmon, Tony Curtis, Joe E. Brown, Pat O'Brien, and George Raft.

The highest comic moments of the piece result from that time-tested formula of mistaken identity achieved in this case through the antics of two male musicians, who in the money-scare-and-gang-ridden days of 1929 Chicago pose as women to join an all-woman orchestra.

The movie, fortunately, never crosses the borderline of poor taste sometimes common with female impersonation, although Curtis and Lemmon are coyly convincing as the two "dames" in distress.

Miss Monroe's more than adequate physical proportions are tantalizingly half-revealed in the best burlesque traditions; yet Miss Monroe how fails to give off any genuine aura of sexuality. I'm afraid she must yield her scepter and crown to the screen's No. 1 purveyor of sex to B.B.

MISS MONROE, depending on a liping, baby-doe expression and the unbuttoned bra, manages through with an air of innocence to create an expert caricature of the "dumb blonde"; yet fails to evoke even a ghost of the true voluptuary. Miss Bardot may play a comic role, but she never allows anything to obscure her reason for being.

George Raft as the aspirant head of Chicago's gangland and

lionaire who makes a play for one of our "girls."

CURTIS AND Lemmon zing through their mad-cap adventures with comic extravagance, both possessing that necessary ability of turning the ridiculous into the highly amusing. Curtis, who for a time dodges into the disguise of a millionaire in order to win La Monroe, plays it as a deliberate and clever takeoff on Cary Grant. There appears to be no limit to this actor's talents. "The Defiant Ones," his best part to date, is a good indication, along with a fine performance in "Sweet Smell of Success," of his great potential. Curtis functions effectively in both comic and dramatic roles... one of Hollywood's few.

"Some Like It Hot" proves, as did "Charley's Aunt," that there's many a laugh yet to be squeezed out of that old wheeze where boy pretends to be girl.

Random Notes About Town

MUSIC

The Detroit Symphony's last concert featuring music by Brahms, Debussy, Strauss, and Aubert under Paul Paray at Ford auditorium, tonight, 8:30 p.m.

The Chicago Opera Ballet presents Camille and The Merry Widow starring Marjorie Tallichet and George Skibine, Saturday, 2:30 and 8:30 p.m., Ford auditorium.

MOVIES

BIRMINGHAM: Some Came Running with Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and Shirley MacLaine; also Money, Women and Guns. BLOOMFIELD: The Inn of Sixth Happiness with Ingrid Bergman and Curt Jurgens; also Villa with Brian Keith and Caesar Romero. TRANS-LUX KRAM has The Black Orchid with Sophia Loren and Anthony Quinn.

CLAWSON PLAYHOUSE has D. W. Griffith's historical Birth of a Nation with sound.

UNITED ARTISTS presents Walt Disney's latest—Sleeping Beauty; also colorful film on Grand Canyon with Perle Grofe's music.

MICHIGAN: Some Like It Hot stars Marilyn Monroe, Jack Lemmon, Tony Curtis, Joe E. Brown and George Raft (reviewed in 'Lend An Ear'). MADISON has Separate Tables with Deborah Kerr, David Niven, Bert Lancaster and Rita Hayworth.

TELEVISION

THE GREAT CHALLENGE discusses "Is America Getting All The Information It Needs?" Eric Sevareid will preside; Sunday, 2:30 p.m., channel 2.

THE 2RD MASTERS GOLF TOURNAMENT from Augusta, Ga., at 3:30, Sunday, channel 2.

TWENTIETH CENTURY has "From Kaiser to Lehrer," a discussion on Germany's first experiment in democracy and the military events preceding; Sunday, 6:30, channel 2.

NBC KALEIDOSCOPE has Blueprint for Biography, the story of "Sunrise at Campobello," with producer Dore Schary, Ralph Bellamy and others retracing development of a hit-play; Sunday, 5 p.m., channel 4.

THE JACK BENNY PROGRAM. Guests: Ed Sullivan, Genevieve, and Frank Fontaine, Sunday, 7:30, channel 2.

21ST ANNUAL MOTION PICTURE ACADEMY AWARDS PRESENTATION—Emcees: Bob Hope, Jerry Lewis, David Niven, Sir Laurence Olivier, Mort Sahl; Monday, 10:30 p.m., channel 4.

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