# Two Thousand View Marco Millions

By Barbara Hollands

An audience of nearly two thousand thronged into McArthur court Saturday night to view "Marco Millions," the University Theater 1948-49 spectacle production.

The world-renowned Marco Polo - confident, greedy, shallow - is the central figure in the drama by America's foremost playwright, Eugene O'Neill. Aptly portrayed by Norm Weekly, Polo was shown to be not the glorious adventurer of tradition, but an excellent example of Occidental extraversion and general unpleasantness.

Describing the journey of the three Polo brothers to the court of Kublai Kaan, "Marco Millions" tells of the new philosophy which Polo brings to the quiet, wise, somewhat idealized Chinese.

Polo introduces paper money, which he describes as being "much cheaper than gold." He also teaches the Kaan's subjects the proper use of gunpowder, which they had been wasting on children's fireworks, to blow up their fellow men in the interests of lasting peace.

As the play ends, Polo returns triumphantly to Venice, the great Kublai Kaan, (Cliff James), struggles to accept the new wisdom, and his granddaughter, Princess Kukachin, (Doree Brownlee), dies of love for Marco Polo.

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production, and striking scenery paniment to many of the scenes, added greatly to the general effec- and also played between acts and tiveness of the drama. The audience during the intermission. viewed scenes in Italy, India, Morocco, Persia, and China and saw the cast of nearly one hundred clothed in elaborate, authentic cos-

estra, under the direction of E. A. and Rod Bealey.

A double stage was used for the Cykler, provided dramatic accom-

Among the members of the cast were Earl Taylor, Gordon Ericksen, Ken Neal, Ken Hodge, Bob Miller, Jack Evans, Ken Olson, Paul Wexler, Dick Rayburn, Bob Nelson, Hal Larson, Bob Chambers, Enelie The University Symphony Orch- Jackull, Chuck Boice, Alan Button,

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