

Scott Lehner, Loretta Mason Star In Teen-age Comedy, "Bernardine"

About Bernardine

"Bernardine," a new comedy by Mary Chase is about one teen-age boy and his struggle to become a "wheel" in his gang. The show played two years ago on Broadway with a cast which included Johnny Stewart and John Kerr, who recently appeared in the Robert Anderson play, "Tea and Sympathy."

Mary Chase, the author of "Bernardine" is best known for her play "Harvey," about a man and his invisible rabbit friend. "Mrs. McThing," a play which starred Helen Hayes on Broadway and which was done in summer stock last summer.

In "Bernardine," Wormy, the teen-age hero, sets out to prove to his gang he can pick up a "really hep older woman." When the woman he picks up turns out to be a close friend of his mother, Wormy feels his reputation is ruined and plans on joining the Navy. His gang and his girl, Jean Cantrick, persuade him to stay.

The Cast

Scott Lehner, junior in speech, plays the leading role of Buford "Wormy" Weldy in the production of "Bernardine," a teen-age comedy which opens the current University theatre season.

Lehner, who came to Oregon after a summer with Fir Acres theatre at Lewis and Clark college, plays the boy who tries to become a "big-wheel" in his crowd. Lehner has had 12 roles in 11 productions since he went before the University Theater footlights.

His first acting assignment here was in "Henry IV, part 1,"

and his last one before "Bernardine" was the role of Ensign Pulver in "Mister Roberts." He has appeared in "She Stoops to Conquer," in the role of Tony Lumpkin, which won him a supporting actor nomination, and many others which include "Brigadoon," "Club Intime," "Crucible," "Anything Goes," "One Touch of Venus," "Forbidden Fruit" and "Juno and the Paycock."

Loretta Mason, junior in speech, plays the leading feminine role of Enid Lacey, the "Bernardine" of the show. Enid is the first woman Wormy has found who doesn't "push him away." Loretta was seen on campus last year in the first production, "See How They Run" when she also played the leading lady, Penelope Toop.

Pat Johnson, senior in speech, plays Buford's mother, Ruth Weldy. Miss Johnson has been seen by campus audiences in "Richard II," and as Mercy Lewis in "The Crucible."

Bruce Holt, junior in speech, plays the leader of "Wormy's" gang, Arthur Beaumont. "Beau," as leader, sets an example the others of his gang imitate behind his back. Holt made his University Theater debut last year in "The Crucible."

Jo Malango, senior in speech, plays Tub Griner in "Bernardine," one of the members of the "gang." Malango served in the dual position of actor—assistant director for last year's production of "Richard II" and was also featured in "The Crucible."

Other cast members of "Bernardine" include Gordon Siple as Fudge, Jack Baker as Mac, Nielen Cellers as Gibbs, Darrell Keeney as Carney, Lowell Slick

as Olson, Gail Monte as Selma, Gloria Begenich as Jean, Donja Dalton as Helen, Allen Ward as Kinswood and Bob Burnet, Harvey Madding, Deneice Kenyon and Oscar Kohanek.

Staging

Settings for the University theatre's production of "Bernardine" were designed and lighted by Howard Ramey, assistant professor of speech. The design features an almost bare stage with furniture arrangements done by the cast and crew in full view of the audience.

To accomplish the five scenes required for "Bernardine," arrangements of furniture and set pieces will provide the audience with the background for the show.

The stage manager for "Bernardine" is Ron Morgan, senior in speech, and his crew includes: lights, Gloria Lee, senior in speech; sound, Peggy Gathercaul; props, Dalece Peterson, freshman in speech and Loanne Morgan, senior in speech.

Construction, painting and lighting were done by the production workshop class, under the supervision of Ramey.

Bands 'No Play' Rumor Untrue

Rumors that the University Marching band would not perform at the Homecoming game Nov. 13 were without foundation, according to Robert Vagner, associate professor of music and director of the band.

Vagner said that some members of the band were angered by the actions of some portions of the student body at last Saturday's football game with San Jose state, and said that the band seriously considered doing away with half-time shows.

However, there was never a question of whether or not he band would play at games, Vagner pointed out.

The band met this week to discuss the incidents at Saturday's football game, one of which was the mingling of two San Jose rooters with the band during the half-time performance and another of which was the unfavorable criticism of the band by Oregon students when the band hesitated before playing for the San Jose state cheerleaders.

Five members of the band will meet with administration and ASUO officials next week to discuss band relations, Vagner said. They are: Marian Cass and

Two Car Collision, No People Injured

A driverless auto found out that 19th street had too many obstacles in its path for free flight Wednesday night.

The driverless vehicle, a 1941 Plymouth, owned by Leonard Overholser, junior in social science, rolled about 250 feet down 19th street before smacking into the back fender of a 1951 Ford owned by Gary West, sophomore in liberal arts.

Overholser, owner of the runaway auto, was playing basketball in back of Delta Tau Delta when he heard a crash.

Investigation proved it to be his car, which was at such an angle that traffic on 19th street was blocked for a short time.

The damage to the parked car was estimated at \$50. Overholser's car was not damaged.

Ray Walden, both seniors in music; Glenn Benner and Mary Sweeney, both juniors in music, and Nancy Dunkeson, sophomore in liberal arts.

They will meet with ASUO President Bob Summers, Ray Hawk, associate director of student affairs, and other student and administration leaders.

AGS Constitution Examined

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ternative is necessary now," he declared.

McCracken suggested that any change from the all-campus primary would benefit AGS. He told the AGS members that the present primary system "hinders fulfillment of its (AGS) purpose since candidates can't refile for office."

McCracken Objects to Primary

McCracken's other objections to the present primary system included the decreased number of petitioners last spring and the crossing of party lines allowed under such a system.

The all-campus primary amendment was passed in the spring, 1953, election, with the support of both AGS and United Independent Students. An amendment to abolish the primary, sponsored by AGS, was defeated in the general elections last spring when it failed to receive the necessary two-thirds majority vote.

Constitution Committee

In other business, AGS voted unanimously to appoint a committee to examine the organization's constitution for possible revision and to establish a card-filing system.

Bob Maier, junior in business, was appointed chairman of the constitutional revision committee. Other members of the committee are Ron Mount, junior in business, and Camille O'Tolle, junior in liberal arts.

Names of all AGS members interested in petitioning for political offices and other activities will be kept in the card filing system, which will be used as needed by the party.

McCracken announced the policy committee appointments, which include: Light, Jerry Farrow, Janet Gustafson, Maier, Milan Foster, Gary West, Betti Fackler, Bob Pollock and Roberta Toner.

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