

# University Theatre Sets Light Operas



Two popular American light operas will be the University of Oregon's University theatre spring "big show." "The Old Maid and the Thief" and "The Devil and Daniel Webster" will be produced April 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, and 26 in the University theatre. Collaborating with the theatre in producing the show will be the University School of Music.

Gordon Howard, Eugene, will play Daniel Webster in "The Devil and Daniel Webster" which deals with the story of James Stone, played by Morris Beachy, Eugene, who has sold his soul to the devil. This disclosure is made during a country festival in New Hampshire at which a Boston lawyer named Scratch, played by Larry Swanson, Eugene, appears carrying a black box under his arm out of which a lost soul, in the form of a moth, flies.

Left alone with his wife Mary, played by Janice Evans, Eugene, James tells how he made his bargain. They appeal to Daniel Webster who promises to help them. But Scratch is an excellent lawyer too, and he summons from the Pit a jury of famous American traitors and renegades and a hanging judge who presided at the Salem witch-trials. Before this jury of damned souls, Webster pits his powers of oratory against the craftiness of Scratch in an effort to rescue James.

"THE DEVIL and Daniel Webster" will be directed by Horace W. Robinson, associate professor of speech, with the help of Dr. E. A. Cykler, professor of music, who will direct the music. Donald Allton, assistant professor of music will direct the chorus.

Others in the cast are Justice Hawthorne, played by Keith Gebers, Grants Pass, and a chorus of students.

THIS ONE ACT opera will mark the University debut of two of its four characters; Miss Mistretta, and Anita McGregor, Portland, who plays the part of Laetitia. Both are freshmen in music at the university and have wide experience in their chosen field. Miss Mistretta's voice figured strongly in her selection as Miss Oregon in 1951. She also placed first in a city-wide singing contest at Long Beach, Calif., three years ago. Last year she received the highest rating at the Newberg Competition at Newberg.

Miss McGregor has also been very active in the music world in Portland. For the past two years a soloist for the Portland Rose Festival, she appeared as soloist with the Portland Symphonic Orchestra in their weekly broadcasts last summer. Also last summer, Miss McGregor sang the lead in the Portland Civic theatre's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial by Jury."



SPIKE JONES, (and friend), the horn-tooting, bell-ringing master of musical mayhem, will bring his "City Slickers" and show to Eugene on Tuesday, April 22, under the sponsorship of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. To be held at the Arena Ballroom, the wacky performance will start at 8 p.m. Last time Spike was in Eugene he drew a crowd of 6000 persons at McArthur Court.

## Unihi Players Slate Comedy Production

"You Can't Take It With You," the comedy which won cheers on Broadway and an Academy Award from Hollywood, will be presented in Eugene April 18 by members of Scarlet Masque, University High School drama group.

The Kaufman and Hart hit will be performed in the University High auditorium April 18.

STARRING IN THE PRODUCTION are Chuck Adams, Marita Newton, Don Maier, Bill Porter, Astrid Hart and Dennis Moltzau.

Adams plays Grandpa Vanderhof, the rugged individualist who refuses to be concerned with such worldly matters as filing his income tax returns. Other members of the Zany family include Penelope, played by Miss Newton, who started writing plays when a typewriter was delivered to the family by mistake; Paul and his friend de Pinna, acted by Maier and Porter, who manufacture fireworks in the cellar; Essie, the perennial ballet student, played by Miss Hart, and Ed, a candy peddler with a weakness for Trotskyite maxims, played by Moltzau.

OTHERS IN THE CAST are Angie Muhr, Bobbie Hixon, Joan Whitworth, Bob Griffith, Squire Bozorth, Diane Young, Al Jones, Jackie Kyle, Jane Reilly, Bruce Holt, Rex Knight, Charle Blackburn and Glen Knowlton.

Working on the business and technical staffs are Juanita Harner, Lola Kunz, Donna Brewer, Kathy Reilly, Dennis Koupal, Richard Pittman, Jean Millhollen, Rex Knight, David Kerley, Janet Lusk, Mary Conway, Sally Mac-

## Maddox Show Here April 16

A \$7 guitar and some free lessons were the starting point in the careers of the Maddox Brothers and Rose, billed as "the most colorful western and hillbilly band in America."

The four brothers and little sister Rose will be at Fern Ridge Ballroom Wednesday, April 16.

Cal, one of the brothers, heard the guitar and lessons advertised over a California radio station. He persuaded his mother to buy it and it was not long before Cal was singing and playing. Soon the entire family was joining him.

They have a wardrobe of costumes worth \$15,000 and designed in all colors of the rainbow. The group travels in a fleet of new Cadillacs, but in spite of their success, still remain unpretentious.

LITTLE SISTER Rose is the featured vocalist; Fred Maddox is master of ceremonies, plays the bass and sings. Brother Cal, "the laughing cowboy," plays fiddle and carries the biggest share of the comedy work. The youngest brother, Henry, plays mandolin. Mom Maddox travels with the band wherever it goes and closely supervises its activities.

## First Run Feature Times

All times are subject to change with out notice.

SUNDAY  
 1:15 p.m. 4:25 p.m. 7:45 p.m. 10:30 p.m.  
 HEILIG "Singing in the Rain" 1:15 p.m. 4:25 p.m. 7:45 p.m. 10:30 p.m.  
 "Talk About a Stranger" 1:15 p.m. 4:25 p.m. 7:45 p.m. 10:30 p.m.  
 McDONALD "Song in My Heart" 2:30 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:45 p.m. 9:30 p.m.  
 "The Lady Says No" 1:00 p.m. 4:40 p.m. 8:20 p.m.

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## Play to Be Given For Mother's Tea

The University of Oregon theatre department will present "Workhouse Ward" by Lady Gregory Wednesday, April 16, at an Oregon Mother's Club tea honoring high school senior mothers in Gerlinger hall on the campus at 2:30 p.m.

The play, which is directed by Horace Robinson, associate professor of speech, has a cast of three. They are Davis Smit, Portland; Harold Long, Kenwood, Wash.; and Albert DeLano, Berkeley, California.

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## Actor Finds Success In Switch to Villainy

HOLLYWOOD — From hero to heavy could be the thumbnail screen career of big Jim Davis who portrays a ruthless foreman of a boss fur-trader in "The Big Sky" at RKO Radio.

The role is Davis' meatiest characterization since he switched from romantic leads to villainy in such recent action fare as "California Passage" and "Little Big Horn."

## Lots of Docs in Rome

HOLLYWOOD — Research for Gabriel Pascal's production of Bernard Shaw's "Androcles and the Lion" uncovered the fact that in the fourth century A.D. Rome probably had more practitioners of internal medicine than any major world metropolis of the present day. In fact, internal medicine was the only form of specialized treatment known by the physicians of that city and time.

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