

Students show skill in 3-act play

By Justine Weatherford
When the Heppner High School Drama Club began looking for a winter play, the members determined to try a three-act mystery. Then they and their advisors, Jane Rawlins and Chuck Wyatt, selected the drama, "The Night Is My Enemy" written by Fred Carmichael.

Mr. Wyatt, the young teacher from Longview, Wash., had been influential in selecting the play and worked enthusiastically with the group during early rehearsals. He died in an automobile accident in December.

Several members of each class in the school as well as several members of the community cooperated skillfully in achieving the success that their Tuesday and Thursday evening audiences enjoyed.

Senior Alice Abrams carried, in a most convincing manner, the major role as Roane Shepperley—a lovely, totally blind but very perceptive and graceful young woman. Other seniors who were outstanding were Dale Holland as Dr. Ora Fontaine, an idealistic villain; Jana Steagall as Hester Fontaine, his clever wife; Ron Young as Rodney Church, the Scotland Yard detective and Dan Nix who portrayed Tommy, the retarded, disturbed son of two old family servants.

Capable junior class actors were Susan Johnson as the elderly housemaid Margaret Biller; Margaret Kincaid as Augusta Garvey, a busybody neighbor; and John Bier as the young attorney Gerald Clayton who quickly fell in love with lovely Roane.

Lisa Nix, a sophomore, who took the role of Tessie, a young housemaid, was delightful. Veteran Jim Ackley, the former school music teacher, rounded out the cast as Hubert Biller, an elderly handyman. Because all of the performers are very involved in athletics and other activities, they are to be commended for their dedication in squeezing out the hours of practice that this excellent production required.

Any outstanding play points to an outstanding stage crew. Mardell James, a freshman, served as stage manager, and Suzie Jacobs, another freshman, handled the lights. Sherri Cowett, a junior, managed the sound effects. The Rev. John Maas lent his skill as make-up supervisor.

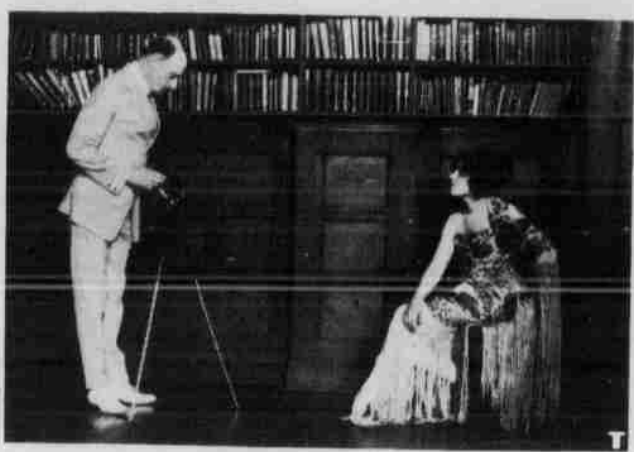
Other students working with the production were Patti Huddleston and Janice Sherman, publicity, and Patti Toombs, Marti Baker, Dawna Devin and Debby Borgens at the box office.

Director Jane Rawlins has been responsible for many enjoyable productions during her years of teaching in this county at Ione and Heppner. Some of her early students at Ione, now very mature members of that community, are still recalling plays she directed there years ago.

Mrs. Rawlins felt especially thankful to the following persons who did so much to bring about the successful production. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Rice of the Wagon Wheel Cafe who loaned the furniture and the pictures which so enhanced the setting; husband Bill Rawlins who worked with the club to construct the set and Bruce Martin for the sound equipment.

Everyone felt grateful to the four women who achieved the costuming of the players: Mrs. Clista Venard, Mrs. Lindsay Kincaid, Mrs. Bob Abrams and Miss Debby Borgens.

Now this play, which was set in a country home along the English coast in the year 1900 and which dealt with the bizarre "experiences" which rather suddenly involved the lovely blind ward of Dr. and Mrs. Fontaine, their servants and several visitors to their home, has become part of the to-be-long-remembered collection of well done plays presented by the Heppner High Drama Club.



Look at the camera, please.

Indoor picture-making makes advances in 100 years

Indoor picture-taking, in the early part of the century, meant either a long time exposure or a messy, smoky, open flash. A time exposure required a tripod and complete immobility on the part of the model for a relatively lengthy interval. Even so, there had been progress from the original cumbersome, tedious, wet-plate photography. George Eastman, whose first patent in 1880 was a beginning step in the quest to make photography available to everyone, had introduced roll film and roll-film cameras in a variety of styles and sizes.

The original No. 1 Kodak

camera, introduced in 1888, had been a rectangular black box, but the folding camera followed within a few years. The folding-camera format pictured above was classic and, although size and specific features varied, the basic outline remained the same for many years. Today, of course, with color film and built-in electronic flash, the girl in the Spanish shawl would not have to sit still. She could be pictured in full color and full flight, with fringes flying. Or, with high-speed film in the camera, she could be photographed by available light, without flash.

Two on Ione Honor Roll listed as straight A pupils

Ione sophomore Diann Morter, freshman Denny Starr and seventh grader Lori Fetsch received straight A's on their report cards for the first semester.

Seniors on the 3.5 to 4.0 honor roll include Carol Cheney, Chris Cheney, Cathy Gutierrez, Tim Holtz, Linda Pool, Larry Snider and Terry Starr. Seniors on the 3.0 to 3.4 honor roll at Ione High School are Mike Conklin, Lori Edwards, Tanna Hams, Glen Krebs, Robin LaRue, Martha McElligott, Kim Pettyjohn and Jerry Rietmann.

Juniors on the 3.5 to 4.0 honor roll are Richard Ladd and Lisa Meyers while Janet Hams, Shirley Harris, Shawn LaRue, Jim McCabe and Treve Peterson received 3.0 to 3.5 grades.

Sophomores, other than Morter, on the top honor roll are Michelle LaRue and Anita Palmer. On the B honor roll are Cathy Cheney, Margaret Doherty, Tammy Holtz, Elizabeth McElligott, Elizabeth Millsap and Chris Rietmann.

Starr, Roger Morter and Ann Forwood are the only sophomores on the freshmen A honor roll. Nine freshmen are on the B honor roll including Darla Anglin, Matt Barnes, Roger Childers, Sharon Crowell, Craig Gutierrez, Troy Lindstrom, Vince McElligott, Tim Patton and Patti Taylor.

Eighth graders on the A honor roll are Craig Hams and Bobby Harris. On the B honor roll are Mike Douglas, Sylvia Ladd and Darrin Padberg. Mark Meyers and Fetsch are

the only seventh graders on the A honor roll and Jeff Ball, Judy Sullivan and Paul Zinter are on the B honor roll.

Seniors Carol Cheney and Larry Snider had straight A's on their second quarter grades. Seventh grader Jeanette Taylor made the second quarter B honor roll but was not on the semester honor roll. Fifteen students were not on the second quarter honor roll but had good enough grades the first quarter to make it on the semester honor roll.

Rehearsals start for next play

Rehearsals have begun for the College Community Theatre production of "Long Days Journey into Night" to be presented the end of February at Blue Mountain Community College.

"The play explores the nature of the relationships in a family that at one time is extremely close, but at the same time seeks to blame each other for their own individual tragedies," said Bob Clapp, BMCC drama instructor and director of the production.

Performance dates for the winter term play are Feb. 28, 29, March 1, 6, 7, and 8. Admission to the CCT play series is by season ticket or general admission.

Public comments sought on state health plan

Bryant Williams, chairman of the consumer-dominated Oregon Statewide Health Coordinating Council, announced that a public meeting will be held in Pendleton to invite citizen comment on the Preliminary State Health Plan.

The meeting is scheduled for Feb. 19, 7:30-10 p.m., at Blue Mountain Community College, Room 130, Morrow Hall.

A copy of the plan is available in all county courthouses, most of the county libraries, all community college libraries and university libraries.

The plan outlines needed improvements in the health status of the state's population and Oregon's health-care system. It will be used by many providers in a voluntary effort

to improve services. It will also be used as the basic reference document for several state regulatory programs which impact on Oregon's health care delivery system.

4-H members to roller skate

There will be a 4-H skating party Feb. 9 at the Holiday Rollerina Rink in Hermiston.

Morrow County 4-H members and their families are invited to attend.

Interested persons should plan to be at the rink on the east end of Main Street before 4:30 p.m. Skating will last until 6:30 p.m.

Following the skate, a no-host pizza party is planned.

Hospital Notes

Nine patients were admitted into Pioneer Memorial Hospital for the week Jan. 28 to Feb. 4 and all but two had been discharged by Monday.

The two patients still in the hospital were Wallace Matthews of Ione and Gene Starks of Heppner.

Patients that were dismissed were Walter Pilgrim, Edgar Olson, Gary Riley and Leland Chambers, all of Heppner, and Susan Hansen of Lexington.

Oren Brace and Milton Boyce were admitted and then transferred to the Pioneer Nursing Home.

There are more than 400 million telephones.

Wheathearts planning get-acquainted meeting

Morrow County Wheathearts are having a get-acquainted and planning meeting Feb. 11 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Columbia Basin Electric Coop building.

"Come tell us what you would like to see done and find out what you can do," said Janet Tucker, Wheatheart Chairman.

Suzanne Coppock, OWGL Wheatheart Chairman, will be presenting ideas and areas for the Wheathearts to become involved in.

Babysitting is being provided in the basement of the Methodist Church in Heppner. Husbands are welcome, Tucker said.

Requests sought for adult classes

Nancy Brownfield, Blue Mountain Community College coordinator for south Morrow County, requests that anyone who is interested in having the adult program offer certain classes to contact her at 676-5039.

Brownfield said she has to make out a schedule of classes to give to the college by Feb. 14 so any comments can be given to her by Feb. 12.

She is making the schedule for spring term, which begins March 24.



FOR HEALTHY HEARTS

Free kits help Oregonians cut risks

The Oregon Heart Association announced recently the availability of its free "Healthy Heart" Kit, to help Oregonians reduce their risk of heart attack and stroke, the number one killer in Oregon.

According to OHA President, O.W. Boicourt, M.O., the kit contains the latest scientific facts about heart disease and ways to develop a "low risk" lifestyle which can help prevent heart attack and stroke.

Included in the kit are suggestions about a diet low in fat and cholesterol, which controls weight; control of high blood pressure and diabetes; the elimination of smoking and excess stress; regular physical activity; and a periodic physical examination.

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