

Review, continued

'Adaptations' and 'Rope' new heights for ADHS

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The television stage game passed through adult life, booming the young people from success to deflation, through apathy by parents, frustration, emotional instability on to the decline of Phil's life as he expounds his last breath entrusting his son to his

wife. During this final few minutes, he seeks her assurance that she will help the boy aspire to all the dreams he himself had not fulfilled.

Laura Spaldin, who played the mother, is not only an interesting actress but also a singer. Laura is in grade 10, participated in the school play last year and aspires to the stage. Others portraying roles in keeping with the script were Tanya Mokrytski, Sandy Schreiber, Tracy Collet, Mac Robinson and Norman Hourassa.

FROM ENGLAND
Geoff Sansom, director of "Adaptations", hails from New York. Although reared in

England, he later lived in South America before moving to Canada. He became interested in theatre while teaching English which led him to teach theatre arts at Acton High School.

"Not Enough Rope", the second play presented, depicted a rooming house on the lower East Side of New York and was directed by Suzi Beber.

The cast of three, namely Wendy Forrest Robitaille, Tammy Allsop and Lynn Stokley, carried out their respective roles well. The drama unfolded as the mood music, "Strangers in the Night", took us into a situation where the young leading

female was a depressive who later tries to get the attention of her neighbor by threatening suicide. The threat, in turn, disturbs an elderly tenant to rise from her bed to demand quiet from her two neighbors. This involved a chain of events which stimulated the male tenant to leave entirely.

whereupon the young woman hunkers in with the old lady for solace. The play closes as the song "That's Life" was appropriately modulated over the audience.

ENGLISH TEACHER
Director Suzi Beber is an English teacher who took up the challenge of directing for

the first time after assisting with the school production of "Bye Bye Birdie" last year. Ms. Beber has acted at arts camps and is a vocalist trained in opera technique. Her interest in singing covers a wide range of music and, originally, she was a concert vocalist in Toronto. Ms. Beber is looking

forward to teaching vocal courses at the high school next semester and hopes to continue her interest in theatre arts.

The theatre arts programme at Acton High covers creative drama and basic acting skills in the first year, followed by stagecraft skills the second

year through to acting and directing techniques in the third year. During the third year, the students study more challenging works and stage several studio type productions. Forthcoming productions should be very entertaining. Keep up the good work, Acton High!

Milton needs more - Gordon

Prompted by a letter from Milton Mayor Don Gordon, Halton region's administration and finance committee will be reassessing Bill 151, the provincial act which established the region in 1974.

Regional council approved a committee recommendation last week requesting the region's four area municipalities to review the bill and send their recommendations to the committee by February 1.

The section of the bill that Mayor Gordon was concerned about sets out the number of regional councillors who can represent each of the municipalities, based on representation by population.

"Now that regional government has been in operation for almost six years, I feel a review of the complement of regional elected officials is warranted", he said in his letter to the administration and finance committee.

Mayor Gordon told the Herald he made the decision to request the review after looking at 1979 population figures.

"The 1979 census shows that the representation by population system has been knocked out of whack", he said.

SOME INCREASE:
Mayor Gordon included in his letter a series of figures to support his claim, which showed that the only substantial increase in the percentage of regional population, from 1974 to 1979, occurred in Milton. The figures also showed that the only decrease occurred in Halton Hills.

Halton Hills Mayor Pete Pomeroy told The Herald that it appears Mayor Gordon would like to take one councillor from Halton Hills and add one to Milton.

"Population shouldn't be the only factor used in determining representation", Mayor Pomeroy said. "You have to take into account land mass and the fact that Halton Hills has two urban areas".

In 1974, Halton Hills had 15.5 per cent of the regional population and Milton had 7.7 per cent, according to the figures accompanying Mayor Gordon's letter.

By 1979, Halton Hill's share decreased to 14.1 per cent, while Milton's increased to 10.1 per cent.

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