

CIRCUIT THEATRE QUITS OPERATION

Management Decides to Suspend Indefinitely; Financial Support Lacking

At a meeting of the board of directors of the North Shore Circuit theatre last Thursday a resolution was adopted to the effect that, because of circumstances beyond the control of the management, the Circuit theatre should suspend operations indefinitely, which means that plans for presentation of plays by this little theatre group this season have been abandoned.

This announcement comes as a great surprise to the many friends of the Circuit theatre but after a careful consideration of the facts that faced the board there can be no question as to the wisdom of their action.

First let it be remembered that

the Circuit theatre is the only little theatre in the country of any national prominence that is not subsidized or endowed in some form or other. This organization has had to pay its own way and stand on its own merit since its inception 10 years ago. The board felt that unless it was assured that the theatre could anticipate a successful season, that is without knowingly running into a deficit it would be better to discontinue activities. A deficit of one year merely becomes a millstone around the neck of the organization that must be made up the following season.

Response Discouraging

The public response to the campaign this year was very disheartening. The general reaction to hard times and bad business made people feel the necessity of curtailing expense and reducing budgets and the Circuit theatre was one of the first to be dropped.

News of this drastic action came as a shock to the Highland Park committee, headed by Mrs. Fayette

Munro, who had organized a series of "campaign meetings" designed to bring the people of this community into closer relation with the aims, activities, and personnel of the Circuit Theatre. Owing to the loss of two weeks in this preliminary campaign, it followed that the actual ticket selling campaign was not launched until last week.

In spite of the late start, however, after four days of active work, the Highland Park committee reported forty-seven and a half tickets, which number added to the twenty-eight standing subscribers whose names remain on the books from year to year, totaled seventy-five and a half full memberships. Regrettable as it is that this little theatre movement belonging to the six towns of the north shore has succumbed to the present cyclical depression; regrettable as it is that the organization could not have been fostered this winter as never before, as a logical outlet for the theatre-lover at a time when he finds the professional performances in the city prohibitive in price, yet the people of Highland Park can console themselves with the satisfaction (grim though it be) that they stood highest on the entire north shore in sale of tickets, that they would have made their quota and with a margin to spare, and that consequently they had no hand in the death of the North Shore Circuit Theatre. But unfortunately, had Highland Park reached her full quota the situation would not have been changed.

The board of directors for this season is made up of sound business executives, and men whose experience in the "show business" is of long standing. After carefully

weighing the facts before them there was no choice as to which course to take. The minimum number of subscriptions necessary to assure this season was one thousand. The campaign was to close November 1.

On last Thursday only eight days before about 40 per cent of this amount had been realized. Every day that the Circuit theatre stayed in business cost money. There is rent, light, campaign expense, telephone to say nothing of the expense attending the first show should actual production have started. In fairness to every one concerned the board realized that it was impossible to reach anything near the established quota in the next week.

And so the North Shore Circuit theatre passes out of existence, let us not say dead but merely sleeping for who knows what the future holds. The charters, records, etc. are being carefully stored away. The organization can be started again very easily.

Sisterhood Lectures by Rabbi Shulman

The Sisterhood of North Shore Congregation Israel is engaged in a series of lectures by Rabbi Charles E. Shulman on Tuesday mornings at ten o'clock on the general subject: "The Jew in Civilization."

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