

D.A.R. Better Films Committee Review

Sept. 26, Thursday "In Caliente" with Dolores Del Rio. Musical drama. An ultra sophisticated magazine editor is kidnaped by his employer and is taken to "Caliente" to sober up, the direction is skillful and the production as a whole constitutes good, if light entertainment for adults and young adults.

Sept. 27-28 Friday, Saturday "Man on the Flying Trapeze." A stretched out two-reeler gives the inimitable W. C. Fields elbow room for all his comic cutups. The ensuring complications make a satisfactory, if not an outstanding picture. Family.

"Man of Aran." Last "Natives of the Aran Islands." A superbly conceived and directed picture of the

primitive daily life and folk-ways of a small group of people living on the Islands of Aran off the coast of Ireland, whose customs have remained unchanged since the 14th century. This picture received the Mussolini cup, an outstanding award at the International Exhibition of Cinematographic Art in Italy. Family.

Sept. 29-30, Oct. 1, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday "Broadway Gondolier" with Dick Powell, Joan Blondell, Adolphe Menjou. Taxi driver impresses opera critics, obtains audition, flops badly, stows away to Italy. Is given another chance and returns to U. S., under an assumed title and makes sensational hit. Adults and young adults.

Oct. 2-3, Wednesday, Thursday "Shanghai" with Charles Boyer and Loretta Young. Charles Boyer gives a heart-breaking performance as an "Emasian" in love with an American girl, with marriage impossible because of racial animosities. Allison Shipworth and Warner Oland give excellent support. Adults.

Children's Theatre Opens Fall Term

The Children's Theatre of Highland Park under the direction of Catherine Marie Geary will open its fall term with registration on Monday, Sept. 30 in the Masonic temple building. This year marks the third year since its organization by Miss Geary and many new and interesting features are included in this year's schedule of activities.

The purpose of the organization is from an educational as well as recreational and artistic standpoint. It aims to encourage and sponsor local talent, create a finer appreciation of the best in children's literature by actual dramatization and develop imagination, speech and poise. Miss Geary's original plan of organization is unique in that it is composed of both workshop and theatre groups, thereby stressing creative as well as formal dramatization which tends toward the development rather than the exploitation of individual.

The workshop groups are divided according to various ages and meet for one hour after school on one day each week. The schedule includes work in the fundamentals—voice, diction, pantomime and creative dramatization.

The theatre group is optional. It is open to all members who desire to participate in the season's plays and thus the various phases of production and acting technique are gleaned by actual experience.

Miss Catherine Marie Geary, a resident of Highland Park, has a vast background of study and experience and her work needs no introduction, two of her plays, one an original adaptation of "Little Women," having the distinction of presentation at A Century of Progress for the Chicago Drama League. This year besides her local work, Miss Geary is to be on the faculty of the Chicago Conservatory of Music and director of the Playland theatre at Mandel Brothers.

Since the workshop groups must be limited for educational purposes it is advisable to make reservations by calling H. P. 340. Registration will be held in the Masonic temple building on Monday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock Sept. 30.

CONSUMER'S CORNER

When You Buy Sheets

When you are buying sheets, be sure that you know the size of the bed that they are being bought for. A sheet that is too small to be tucked in well under the mattress is a poor investment. Lengths of sheets are given in terms of length before hemming. For a standard mattress 74 inches long and 5 inches thick, a 108 inch sheet, after allowing 10 inches for hemming and shrinkage, will give a seven inch tuck-in at the top and bottom.

Many sheets shrink from 6 to 8 inches in length. Practically all shrink somewhat, but one which has been unduly stretched in manufacture will of course, shrink more. It is sometimes possible to detect excessive stretching by the pulled or distorted appearance of some of the yarns.

For standard size beds, sheet sizes considered desirable are: for all sizes, 108 inches in length. For single beds, 63 inches in width, for ¾ size 72 inches in width and 81 inches for the double size.

Price is not a reliable guide to quality. Neither are superlative adjectives of advertisements or salesmen. Although there is much to be learned about the best web to construct sheeting, it is recognized that thread count, tensile strength, sizing and weight are significant factors in determining its durability. The number of yarns to the inch will indicate the relative fineness and closeness of the weave. The average number of warp or lengthwise threads is 73, while an average number of filling or crosswise yarns is 62.

The tensile strength of both the warp and filling of a sheet is an important index to its wearing quality because it is the measure of the pull the fabric will stand before it breaks. At least one retail store has set 50 pounds as the minimum strength for both the warp and filling of all the sheets it handles.

In order to improve the appearance of a loosely-woven, poor quality of sheeting, manufacturers sometimes add a sizing of starch, china clay, or other substance. This may make the material seem heavy and give it a smooth finish. Excessive sizing can be recognized by holding the cloth over a dark surface and rubbing it vigorously between the hands. The sizing will fall out as a fine powder. Since it serves only to deceive the customer and adds nothing to the value of the sheeting, ask the percentage of sizing present and choose sheeting with little or no sizing.

The weight of a sheet is important and often explains differences in price. A good middle-of-the-road rule is to never buy a sheet so light in weight that it is sleazy nor so heavy that it is cumbersome.

The best yarns are regular in diameter, contain few short fibers, and have their fibers mixed uniformly and arranged as nearly parallel as possible. Examine the yarns before buying the sheet. A very loosely twisted yarn does not wear well. The best sheets contain cotton at least one inch in length.

A "first" is a sheet practically free from flaws. A "second" is a sheet which is imperfect in some respects. What is called a "second" depends on the standards of the manufacturer. It is possible that the wearing qualities of a "second" may be practically identical with that of a "first"; it depends on the nature of the flaws.

The selvages are often the weakest part of a sheet and break long before the rest of the fabric shows signs of wear. It pays to examine the selvages carefully. Buy a sheet with a strong, well-made selvage.

How long should a sheet last? The answer depends on its construction and the care it receives. In a wearing test on some medium-weight sheets in which they were washed after each night of use, one group had lost only 40 per cent of their strength after being washed 125 times and it was only after 200 times that they could be considered worn out. They were used and washed 170 times before a single break occurred. Good care lengthens the life of any sheet. Exposed ends of wires on the bed springs and broken or rough edges on bedsteads often catch and tear the bedding. Strong bleaches and washing aids used in laundering weaken a fabric. When selvages are not ironed out straight, they tend to fold back in hard creases along which yarns eventually break.

Sheets should be torn and not cut into sheet lengths. If cut, the sheets are often crooked after laundering and the hems uneven and drawn. Make sure you get torn sheets. The hems should be even, folded on the thread of the fabric, sewed neatly with strong thread, and preferably closed at the ends. The ends of the sewing threads should be securely fastened—Written by Mrs. Margaret R. Weil for the Lake County Consumers Council. Mrs. M. A. Pollak, chairman.

N. S. Art League to Begin New Program

Members of the North Shore Art League will shortly begin one of the most complete and fully-rounded programs that has ever been put before them. The board of directors has decided that this year will put into practise the greatest of all arts—the art of living.

To this end, not only will the usual program of classes be enlarged, but the regular programs of the league will combine interest and pleasure. There will be an unusual amount of social activity and exhibitions and each of the programs will stress some one of the arts with speeches by some leading exponent and demonstrations.

Membership is open, of course, to any resident of the North Shore or Chicago on application and, as in past years, new members will receive a copy of an etching by C. Wilimovsky. This etching, made in Mexico a few years ago, was issued in a limited edition for the league and when the present small supply is exhausted, can never be reissued, as the plate has been defaced.

The new class announced this week is a class in portraiture twice a week at a time to be determined. It will be under the direction of the league. In addition, the evening sketch classes, on Monday and Wednesday evenings will attract many who wish to sketch but cannot spare daylight hours because of the calls of business.

Next Monday, the Sculpture class under Nancy Coonsman Hahn begins at 9 a.m.; on Tuesday the class in sketching under Allen Philbrick starts at the same hour and continues on Wednesday; and next Saturday, October 5, Hope Degenhardt and Edna May Johanson begin their children's classes.

11 Towns Represented at September Clinic

The monthly chest clinic, sponsored by the Lake County Tuberculosis association, is making its influence felt throughout entire Lake county. At the September clinic eleven towns were represented and a total of 58 patients were examined, 11 of these being new cases.

The Tuberculosis association offers its service to every portion of the county. The examinations are given free of charge to anyone who is not under the care of a private physician or who is unable to pay for such an examination.

These clinics are held monthly every third Wednesday at St. Theresa hospital in Waukegan. Clinic hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Because of the large numbers attending clinic, it is necessary to make an appointment for an examination. Such appointments may be made by calling at the office of the association, third floor of the court house, or by telephoning Majestic 1805.

Christmas Seals sold at Thanksgiving time provide the funds to carry on this and other phases of the work.

Herman Swanson Rites Held Saturday, Sept. 21

Funeral service for Herman Swanson, 69, of 206 Highwood avenue who died Thursday, September 19, were held at the home at 2 p.m. last Saturday. Interment was at Memorial park, with the Knight Templars conducting the services.

Mr. Swanson, who was born in Sweden on November 27, 1865, had, for the past 60 years, been a resident of Highwood. He is survived by three children, Mrs. Esther Dever of Highwood, Arthur Swanson of Highland Park and Frank Swanson of Lincoln, Nebraska.

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Y.W.C.A. Grade School Clubs Hold Parties and First Meeting

For the last two years the Y. W. C. A. has offered clubs for girls in the 5th and 6th, 7th and 8th grades. The 5th and 6th grade club opens the year with a party on Monday, Sept. 30, from 4 to 5:15 p.m. The 7th and 8th grade party, will be held Thursday, Oct. 3 at the same time. An invitation and welcome is extended to girls of these grades.

Mrs. Ethel Skidmore Gartley, who has been in charge for the past two years, will be in charge of the club work again this year. She spent the summer in a camp in the Kentucky mountains and has many new ideas to offer. The club meetings are mostly recreational, the pro-

grams are varied including hikes, scavenger and treasure hunts etc. The department has been interested in training the girls to get along well with one another. It has aimed to foster all normal interests, and to arouse and develop new appreciations and leadership.

R.N.A. Convention in Deerfield October 30

The Lake County Convention of the Royal Neighbors of America will be held in Deerfield on Monday afternoon and evening, October 30, at the Deerfield Masonic temple. Deputy Carrie Krueger will be in Deerfield on Friday, Oct. 4, at 1:30 p.m. and will meet all officers of the Deerfield camp at the Masonic Temple. Those unable to attend are requested to notify the oracle, Mrs. George Pedia.

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