See How They Run

Slender plot incidental in uproarious production Club's new comedy "See hands of director Gerry Members of the various As the thoroughly am paid to notice such

By Tom Davey

the present.

shop as well.

or a feature film role.

Past, present one

for Markham actor

all right in the daytime, The National Dream,

but once he leaves his arguing across the floor

antique shop in Locust of the House with John A.

Kerr, a native of Private Slovik," and then

Hill, he's very much in Macdonald.

acting, travelling action."

thousands of miles each

So far, his acting roles

and commercials.

rebuilt premises.

first produced at New

Haven's Long Wharf

Theatre last year starring

Colleen Dewhurst, will

run until November 21

Featured are Marie

Romain Aloma, Hagan

Beggs, Les Carlson,

Patricia Hamilton,

Charles Palmer, Anthony

Parr and Larry Reynolds.

Artistic director Bill

How They Run", is as RICHMOND HILL - slender as a spider's The plot of the Curtain femur, but the skilled tickling comedy,

"The Execution of

Canadian premiere Tarragon

"Artichoke," Joanna held Tuesday through

Glass' play about coming Sunday at 8:30 p.m., with

will have its Canadian Tamahnous Theatre

premiere when Tarragon Workshop from Van-

Theatre opens its new couver will follow with a

season on October 9 in its play, still to be an-

farm in Saskatchewan, matinees at 2:30.

The play, which was Dec. 19.

TORONTO - Performances will be opens Feb. 19; Lord, Luck

nounced, from Nov. 27 to

W.O. on hand

fresh adaptation of the

German classic about

society's antagonism call 531-0678.

Several times, the audience burst into spontaneous applause during the hilarious slapstick scenes, which relied on superb MARKHAM - John across Canada and the stagecraft and split-Kerr, 56, of Markham, United States, plus a second timing, to be efmay find living in the past politician in the CBC's fective.

See How They Run was written by Philip King, and is set in the early His most dramatic role, post-war years when the For that's when Kerr he says, was that of the Berlin Airlift had tranusually steps in front of tough sergeant, who, sformed Britain's the cameras and par- ordered the execution of a Russian allies into ticipates in a commercial soldier in the CBS movie, potential enemies.

Toronto and former had doubts of his guilt The plot is too unlikely versatility as a prim and Bahamas trade com- immediately afterwards. and too complicated to proper English spinster But his special thrill explain on mere paper, who gets mixed up unpostmaster in Locust Hill came when his movie, but involves several wittingly in some - five miles east of "Class of '44," appeared clergymen who get mixed drunken, bawdy scenes. Markham - and runs his in Markham and the up with an escaped This woman can play theatre put up a sign Russian spy. Liberal anything, from an elegant In between however, he saying "Come and see columnist Jim Irving aristrocrat, to a helpless indulges his other love! one of your townsfolk in plays the Russian and if drunk with excruciatingly five years since two foster Kerr, who has been you can now judge his Every move she Richmond Hill to visit one year to film feature- acting for nine years, is acting. (By an uncanny makes, every word she of the girls' foster father, length movies, TV shows married, with two co-incidence, Jim also utters, eloquently ex- were slain. Both his wife, who runs chess player in one of the intentions. include Sgt. Shay on the Locust Hill post office, current TV beer com-

and Goat Manure by W.O.

Seagull by Anton

handles himself as a performer.

He is very good indeed, but then the entire cast is

Dynamic debut

humourous quip. Her timing and sense of comedy are great and her stage presence is that of a

displays her quite such superb theatre. But I season. remarkable acting you've read his columns, funny body mover she children, en route to plays Boris, the Russian presses the playwright's

in Toronto and carried had bit parts in TV shows. who gets check-mated). wife - played by Dennis that investigation will be Stainer and Bonnie illustrated, will be Oct. 7 Sheppard - give ex- at 9 p.m. on Global TV's. cellent performances. So new series, "Code 1078" do David Phillips, as a and the Kid fame; The timing is vital.

> Masterpiece Tarragon is also in- was particularly good as in a quarry about 20 miles troducing a new program, the visiting vicar who southeast in Pickering in which playgoers can innocently wanders into a Township, an area given get six plays for the price chaotic, fast moving to youthful drinking Other plays at the of five, providing they situation. His naive sessions, dune buggy and Tarragon this year: Lulu attend during the first reaction was a master- motorcycle riding.

> > laughing mass.

Crack manipulate it into school boards who have tough, no-nonsense, things. I suspect the an uproarious, rib- felt the sting of Jim's pen military police sergeant, audience was too busy might want to know how Derek Miller gives a laughing to even notice. the education critic beautifully crafted cameo The way this team perperformance. His stance, forms, I think they could his accent, his parade- have held the show in a ground way of barking parking lot and still out orders, the way he brought forth a sparkling bristles, then stiffens to comedy that appeals to attention — all have the all age groups. ring of authenticity that a I took my teen-age son man with years in the and he loved it. Terry Gosling makes army naturally gives off.

> Set-back The only real criticism

can make is the set. The play is highly Never have I seen such a recommended and gets poorly constructed, badly the Curtain Club off to a

show looks at

TORONTO — It's been

But the investigation, "Police Surgeon," filmed and their children, have mercials - he's the one Both the Vicar and his the most graphic ways

The latter is police corporal who poses as a parlance for "officer vicar, and Clive Ryland, needs assistance." The who plays the Bishop of program looks at un-Mitchell, a comic fable Lax. All work as a team in solved crimes and the to terms with life on a pay-what-you-can Sunday about the Candy Family the action-packed double murder of Lee of Saskatchewan of Jake comedy scenes, where Kirk, who was 15 at the time, and Kathleen Potter, who was 13, will be the first of seven.

I thought Eric Kosky The two were strangled

derstatement, reducing written, directed and For further information the audience to a helpless produced by Milad Bessada.

her stage debut as Ida, But Derek served in the All in all, a trimuph for the cockney maid with a Navy, so the conviction he the director Gerry Crack, penchant for the radiates is pure theatre, the producer, Audery Randall-Smith and a

by Frank Wedekind, a week of each production, piece of theatrical un- "Code 1078" was



unsolved murders

as in all unsolved murders, goes on. And one of



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mond Hill - See How Simon hit; Oct. 8 to Nov. Hansel and Gretel; to They Run, "a rib-tickling 6. Call 294-0426. comedy"; to Oct. 16. Call Fairview Library Theatre. Call 225-9473.

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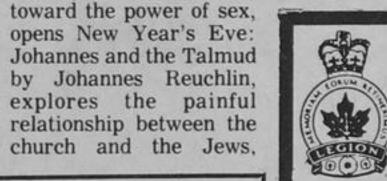
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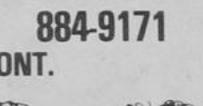
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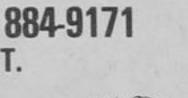
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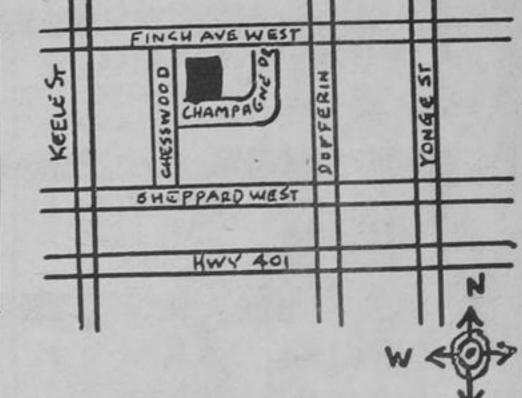
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