

CAST IS READY FOR 'CLARENCE'

Final Senior Play at New Trier Characterized as Sparkling Comedy

ENDS DRAMATIC YEAR

John F. Roos Has Title Role in Piece

The laugh-provoking comedy, "Clarence," in four acts, by Booth Tarkington, will be presented as the senior play this year on Saturday, May 23, at New Trier auditorium.

As the last of the four major plays of the season, "Clarence" decidedly clears the atmosphere of any woeful emotions after the intensive work on the other three dramas, with its lively humor and clever plot. The entire cast has been chosen from among members of the senior class, and the majority of them have appeared in the earlier plays of the past year, or during their other years at New Trier. Naturally, the presentation will represent some of the best talent of the class if not of the school.

The Cast

The list of characters, in the order of their appearance, follows:

- Mrs. MartynGenevieve Gallagher
- Mr. WheelerDan Burrill
- Mrs. Wheeler Madeline Truitt
- Bobby Wheeler Robert English
- Cora WheelerMargaret Brewer
- Violet PinneyMargery Miller
- CLARENCEJohn F. Roos
- Della Alice Channer
- Dinwiddie Walter Braun
- Hubert Stem Morgan Yost

The story from start to finish is a web of entanglements which becomes more intricate as the plot advances. In the last act, however, the mass of complications are suddenly swept away by Clarence himself, all unsuspectingly and in such a droll manner that the situation is enough to rouse a sense of hilarity in the most critical person in the audience.

Mystery Surrounds Youth

The mystery, it seems, is nothing more than the fact that little is known of Clarence's identity, not even his surname is positively known by any one of the family who take him into their home. Then it appears that he is quite a personage instead of the nonentity they thought they were housing. From the spineless creature of the first act, Clarence develops a strange power over the Wheeler children, next over the household servants, and finally his influence is brought to bear on the mistress of the establishment, herself. All this, without undue volition on Clarence's part. The one person whom he would most desire to have hearken to his words is the beautiful governess, Violet Pinney. But this young woman remains adamant to his attempts to win her favor. Until the very end, she independently slights him most when the rest of the household favors him most.

The tables are effectually turned,

however, in the final act, when Clarence receives communications relative to his professional affairs which reveals his international importance to the amazed family. Immediately, he senses a change for better in the advances extended to him by Miss Pinney. He loses no time in taking advantage of the happier atmosphere and succeeds in winning her.

Wins Adamant Girl

Even then, there is confusion as to his real name. It devolves upon Clarence to himself disclose his identity in a very simple fashion but withal having its astounding features.

The play is one which a high school cast may well handle with fine coaching. This they have in Miss Elizabeth Stanwood and Mr. Van Kirk. The cast is advancing by leaps and bounds, in preparation for their presentation, and will be ready by May 23 to give to the public something more than the usual school performance.

Announce Final Organ Recital at St. Luke's

The final concert of the North Shore Community series of organ concerts on St. Luke's great organ, Evanston, is announced for Tuesday, May 19, at 8 o'clock, and will be a "public meeting" under the auspices of the Illinois Chapter American Guild of Organists.

The program will be given by three Guild members: Walter P. Zimmermann, organist of the Chicago Symphony orchestra; Arthur C. Becker, dean of De Paul University School of Music; and Herbert E. Hyde, dean Illinois Chapter A.G.O. They will be assisted by St. Luke's vested choir of 40 voices, singing some 8-part unaccompanied choruses from the Russian liturgy, and other music. The public is cordially invited.

MUSIC CLUB MEETS

The New Trier Music club will hold its annual Parents' Night Thursday evening, May 21, at the home of Mrs. Arthur F. Sterrett, 488 Ash street, Winnetka. The club membership is comprised of students at New Trier High school.

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Other features of the convention will be the address of welcome, by Hon. Charles H. Bartlett, mayor of Evanston, and address by Arthur C. Lueder, postmaster of Chicago, and Carl R. Chindblom, member of Congress from the tenth congressional district. The convention will close Friday afternoon.

GUESTS AT WINNETKA

Members of the Senior Christian Endeavor society of the Wilmette Presbyterian church will be guests at a young people's meeting to be held in Community House, Winnetka, Sunday, May 17. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock, and will be followed by a discussion of the so-called "Blue Laws."

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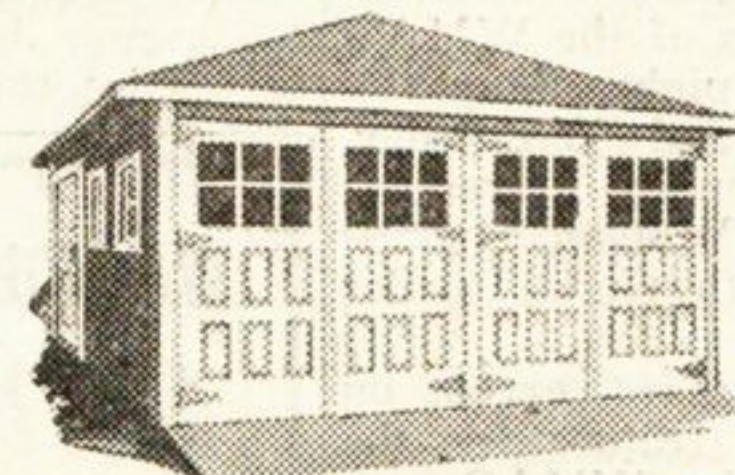
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