

Stage and Screen

News and Reviews

AMATEUR

North Shore Theatre Guild

The amateur season is now officially open; the North Shore Theatre Guild has given its first production. More favored than similar organizations in the matter of equipment, finances and talent, it has succeeded in setting a standard of production hard to equal. "Plots and Playwrights" proved to be the Guild's first offering and was shown this week to audiences from Evanston to Lake Forest. An advance sale of more than 3,000 memberships provided a practically sold out condition in each town.

"A Satire on the Theatre" was the program description of "Plots and Playwrights." It developed a story of a certain writer of plays who, finding himself obligated to write a play, can discover no suitable material or inspiration. An obliging author, standing before a boarding house door, offers to wager that each floor of the house will disclose a story for a play. The subsequent action is in three scenes, one on each floor and each a short story from life. To put these together in a play is the problem which results in a final scene in which the players, for some undisclosed reason, burlesque their parts much in the manner of the old ten, twenty, thirty and show how it might be re-constructed for stage purposes.

The play was carefully staged and satisfactorily acted by a cast of fifteen. As might be expected in such a large group, there were individual performances which stood out and were quickly recognized by an appreciative audience. Of these Harlan Ware's interpretation of the vaudeville actor was perhaps the most finished with Mrs. Oscar Lee's work a good second. Mr. Buchanan and Katherine Kirchberg also were well received, the former showing his usual fine stage presence.

As a curtain raiser for the play, the Guild offered "How He Lied to Her Husband," described as Mr. Shaw's satire on his own play, "Candida." To those who had viewed "Candida," it was of considerable interest; to those not so fortunate it may not have had as much appeal. Three characters were involved, Mr. Ewen being particularly successful in his interpretation of the "youth," Mrs. Cecil Barnes playing interestingly as the wife and J. Williams Macy giving his usually good performance as the husband in spite of a belated attempt to assume an English accent, which seemed, to me at least, to be unnecessary. —Thespian

NEW CAMPUS

Next Monday and Tuesday, November 16 and 17, the New Campus will feature Eugene O'Brien, Lillian Rich and Henry B. Walthall in the film entitled "Simon, The Jester."

Alma Rubens, an accomplished stage dancer before she became a screen star, plays the role of a dancer in "The Winding Stair," the John Griffith Wray production of the A. E. W. Mason novel, which will be seen at the New Campus next Wednesday and Thursday. Edmund Lowe, playing the leading male role, is cast as an officer of the French Legion in Morocco, the locale of the story.

As an extra attraction the management of the New Campus will have two Charleston Contest nights, Wednesday and Thursday.

Featuring the week-end, Friday and Saturday, November 20 and 21, will be the athletic Douglas Fairbanks in his latest picture "Don Q, Son of Zorro."

VILLAGE THEATRE

Tonight and tomorrow, November 13 and 14, pictures of the Illinois-Chicago and the Northwestern-Michigan football games will be shown, in addition to the regular show.

On Monday and Tuesday, November 16 and 17, "The Pace That Thrills," with Ben Lyons and Mary Astor will be the feature attraction. "All Aboard," a Van Bibber society comedy, and a Pathe news reel will complete the bill. Wednesday, November 18, the main attraction will be the Warner Brothers' production "Satan in Sables," with Lowell Sherman. There will also be a Pathe review and a Hal Roach comedy, "Over The Plate."

"The Pony Express," greatest of the pioneer pictures, will be shown Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 19, 20 and 21. The cast includes Betty Compson, Ricardo Cortez, Ernest Torrence, Wallace Beery and many others. To make it an extra large bill there will also be a Pathe review, and news reel and an Aesop's Fable.

THE NEW EVANSTON

"The perfect cast!"

That is it how Joseph M. Schenck, producer, characterized the players who supported Norma Talmadge in "Graustark," her new starring production, which First National will offer at the New Evanston theatre next week starting Monday.

Seldom indeed, Mr. Schenck said, had a list of more able actors and actresses been assembled for one photoplay, and certainly never had they been more carefully selected for the characters which they portray.

Eugene O'Brien, heading the supporting cast in the role of Grenfall Lorry, romantic young American, once more appears by popular demand as Norma's leading man. Director Dimitri Buchowetzki called O'Brien "the ideal American type"—but insisted that he wear his hair parted on the left side.

THE HOWARD

Next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, November 15, 16 and 17, the Howard theatre will feature Richard Barthelmess in one of his recent pictures called "Shore Leave."

Wednesday, November 18, the

Newell & Retchin The House of Harmony HOWARD

Continuous
Every Day—2:15 to 11:15
N. W. "L" Station at Howard

Sun., Mon. and Tues.
Nov. 15, 16, 17

Richard Barthelmess and
Dorothy McKail
in
"SHORE LEAVE"

also
Harry Langdon Comedy
"LUCKY STARS"

Wed. and Thurs., 18, 19
Conway Tearle and Aileen
Pringle
in

"THE MYSTIC"

Fri. and Sat., 20th and 21st
Leatrice Joy and Robert Ames
in

"THE WEDDING SONG"

Sat. Mat. only
"TREASURE ISLAND"

All North Shore Trains Stop at
Howard

Howard feature film will be "The Mystic" with Aileen Pringle and Conway Tearle as starred players.

Among other future attractions announced for early showing at the Howard are Harold Lloyd in "The Freshman" and Leatrice Joy and Conway Tearle in "The Wedding Ring."

THE HOYBURN

Probably the first time Bessie Love had worn a gingham dress all day was in William de Mille's production, "New Brooms" which comes to the Hoyburn next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Clara Beranger adapted this play of Frank Craven's to the screen. The other featured players are Phyllis Haver and Neil Hamilton. Robert McWade, Fred Walton, Josephine Crowell, Larry Steers and James Neill have prominent supporting roles. For the last of next week, Thursday,

Friday and Saturday, the Hoyburn will have as its chief feature Hoot Gibson in what is said to be his greatest picture, "The Calgary Stampede." Many of the scenes of this stirring film were taken at the great Calgary Rodeo.

Mrs. Jacob Replogle will entertain the officers of the Winnetka chapter of the Order of Eastern Star at dinner and bridge at the North Shore hotel, Saturday, November 14.

The Isaac Walton League of Winnetka, of which Dr. J. O. Ely is president, held a meeting of the board of directors last Monday evening to discuss plans for the winter meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Howell of 558 Birch street, were among those from Winnetka who spent last week-end at Champaign attending the Illinois-Chicago game.

Village Theatre



Your Home Theatre

J. B. Koppel, Managing Director

Evening—7:30-9
Matinee Tues., 3:30

Mon. and Tues., Nov. 16, 17
Ben Lyons and Mary Astor

in
"THE PACE THAT
THRILLS"

also
"All Aboard," 2 reel comedy
and Pathe News

Wednesday, Nov. 18
Lowell Sherman

in
"SATAN IN SABLES"

also
Hal Roach Comedy and
Pathe News

Thurs., Fri. and Sat.
Nov. 19, 20, 21
Betty Compson—Wallace Beery

in
"THE PONY EXPRESS"

also
Pathe News, Fable and Review

Sat. Matinees—2 and 4 p. m.

NEW CAMPUS

Cont. from 1:30 to 11 P. M.

Mon., Tues.

"Simon the Jester"

Eugene O'Brien, Lillian Rich and
Henry B. Walthall
Mack Sennett Comedy

Wednes., Thurs.

"The Winding Stair"

with
Edmund Lowe—Alma Rubens
Ralph Graves Comedy

also

Charleston Contest

Cash Prizes Given

Friday, Saturday

Douglas Fairbanks

in

"DON Q Son of
Zorro"

COMING HAROLD LLOYD

in

"The Freshman"

NEW EVANSTON

Starting Monday

NORMA
TALMADGE

with

EUGENE
O'BRIEN

OUR
GANG

"Mary Queen
of Tots"

Nov. 23, Gloria Swanson
"STAGE STRUCK"

Nov. 30, Rudolph Valentino
"COBRA"

Daily Shows at 2, 4, 7 and 9—Saturday Continuous 2 to 11 P. M.

THE HOYBURN

Mon., Tues., Wed.
BESSIE LOVE
NEIL HAMILTON

"NEW
BROOMS"

Buster Brown in
"Buster Busts Up"

Thurs., Fri., Sat.
HOOT GIBSON in
"CALGARY
STAMPEDE"

Comedy Variety News