

"ARIADNE" DELIGHTS

Theater Guild Gives Excellent Interpretation of A. A. Milne's Comedy of English Life

By R. L. P.

A. A. Milne's comedy of English life, "Ariadne," presented during the past week by the North Shore Theatre guild, is a piquant farce of such charm and fineness of humor that one wonders why it has not been produced since its run in New York over two years ago. The story is slight, but the characters are so finely drawn and so true to human nature that the audience is kept chuckling with delight through the entire play.

Mrs. Richard Bentley, of Lake Forest, played the title role, Ariadne Winters, with lovable, delicate touches and a delicious, impish glee. Lawrence Norem, of Winnetka, as John Winters, portrayed perfectly the husband, who is a bit too earnest about his business, and as he says, he "never can understand about women,"—least of all his clever wife.

Abram Mendenhall, as Hector Chadwick, the very English, very-eager-to-advise brother-in-law, was inimitable. He was just exactly right. George Bartlett, as Horace Meldrum, the good fellow who likes "just a little bit of fun," occasionally, with "a bit of pink muslin," brought out the easy, rather likable character of Meldrum.

Mrs. Laird Bell, in the role of Hester Chadwick, and Laura Thompson,

as Janet Ingleby, were both very good. Rosamond Coffin played the maid, Mary, in the approved fashion.

The play was directed by Alexander Dean, completing four years of service as director of the Guild. The staging was done by a capable producing staff.

Mrs. P. W. Bradstreet of 475 Cedar street is returning Sunday from Jacksonville and New Orleans, where she has been for the past month.

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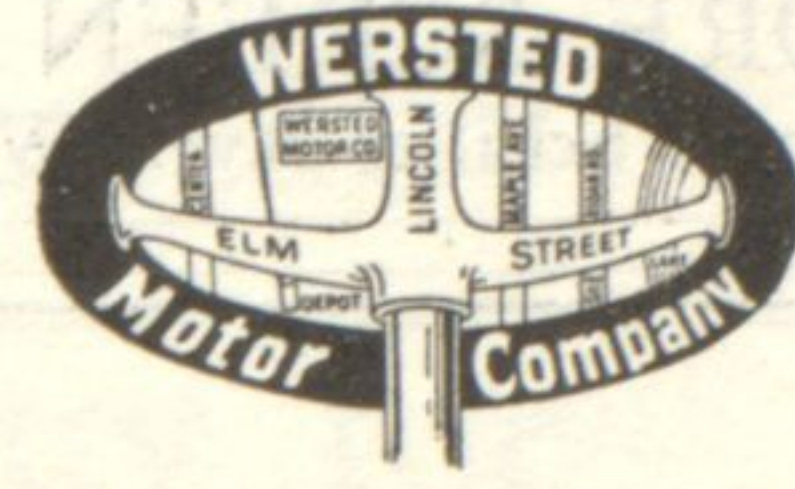
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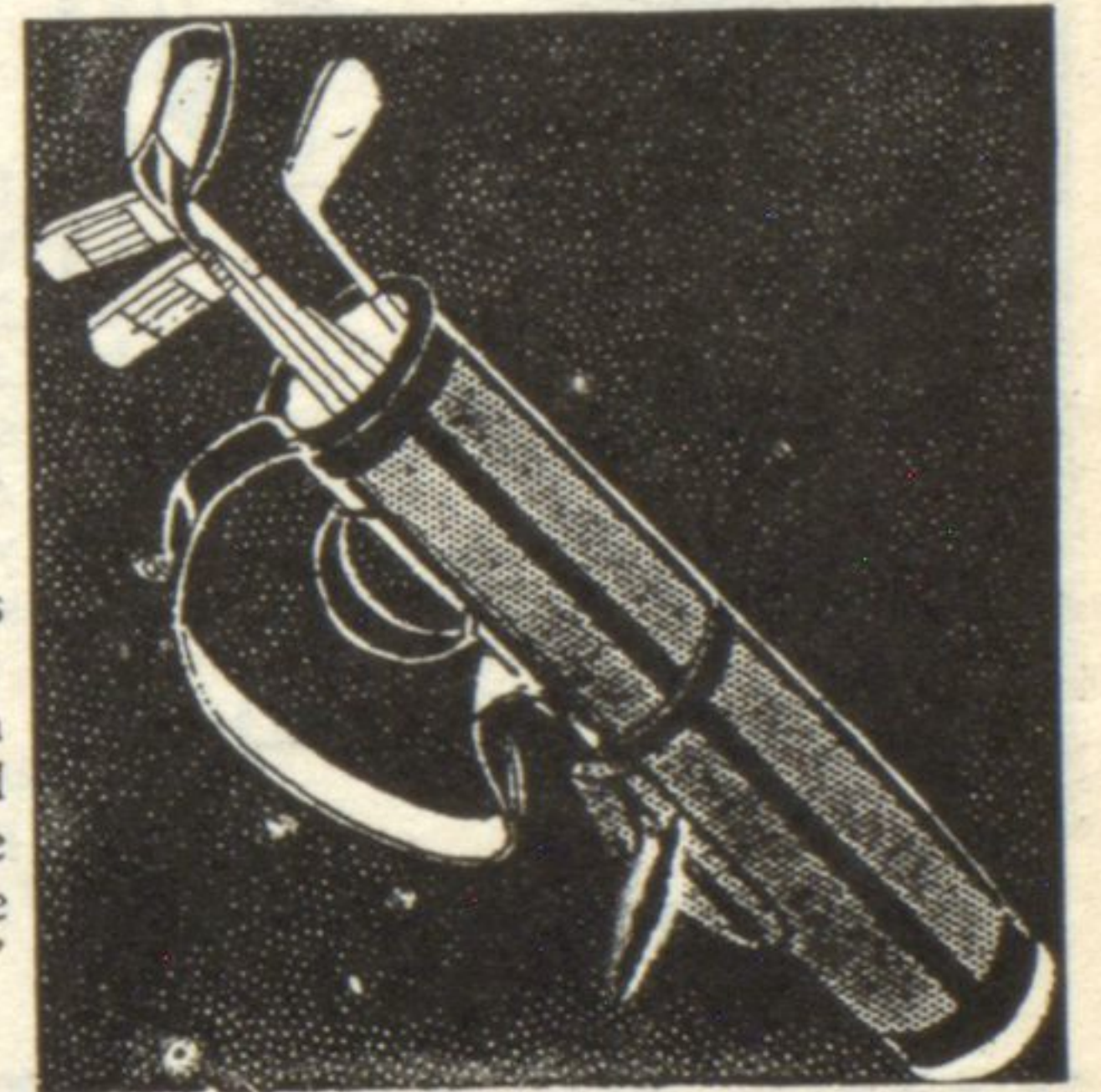
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