

DIRECTOR ELATED AS GUILD GOES ON TOUR

"The Detour" Performances in Winnetka and Wilmette Features of Week-end

Expressing himself as immensely pleased with the work of the amateur actors, who have been placed under



C. J. Eastman

his direction, Whitford Kane, the Goodman theater director who is staging the season's last production of the North Shore Theater guild, pronounced "The Detour" ready to go on the road on Wednesday of this week, when the first performance was

scheduled in Highland Park.

"It has been a pleasure to work with such a capable and well-balanced group of players," said Kane, when the last rehearsal was over. "When I consider the handicaps under which an amateur group must operate to get up a play of this character in such a short time, without a background of professional experience, the results have been surprising. The dramatic talent to be found on the north shore compares favorably, I believe, with that available in any section of the country. These people chosen for "The Detour" have far exceeded my expectations, high though they were. And every member of the North Shore Theater guild has made my work pleasant through enthusiastic and whole-hearted co-operation."

Kane was a member of the original Dublin Players, when they first toured this country. He is a strong favorite with Goodman theater audiences, having played the lead in "Juno and the Paycock" and "The Pigeon," a play for which he was chosen by John Galsworthy. This piece he also directed. His other Chicago appearances include "R. U. R." and "Children of the Moon," and in New York he was prominent in the cast of John Barrymore's "Hamlet." He has been assisted in the direction of "The Detour" by Louis E. Laflin, Jr., of Lake Forest, a founder and first director of the Theater Intime at Princeton university.

"The Detour" is being presented this Saturday in Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall, Skokie school, Winnetka, and at the Ouilmette Country club, Monday, May 2. The cast is headed by Mrs. Taliaferro Milton, C. J. Eastman, and Margaret De Lay of Winnetka, with James Wetherall, of Evanston, in the juvenile male lead. The

other members of the company are Gordon Van Kirk, Winnetka; Mrs. Paul Perry, Wilmette; Moncure Paynter, Glencoe, and Malcolm Smith, Evanston.

Mrs. David Bluford of 777 Prospect avenue returned from California Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Samuel Parrish Boardman, and with her son, David, Jr., and his nurse. They had been gone since November and spent most of the time at Palm Springs, where about one-third of the people were from Chicago and its suburbs. Mrs. Boardman spent some time in Los Angeles.

Miss Edith Dillon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Dillon of 814 Prospect avenue, is chairman of the stunts committee for the sororities at the Northwestern university circus being given this week-end.



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