

Roof Garden's Gala Opening Draws Big Crowd of Dancers

With the stars winking overhead and myriad colored bulbs shedding a soft, romantic light over summery dresses, business suits and white napery, more than 200 people dined on the Orrington roof and danced to the music of Duke Bigelow's nine-piece orchestra at the gala opening Friday night.

Striped awnings, potted trees and shrubs, music, Spanish architecture and "atmosphere" in the form of the little senorita who peddled smokes—all these contributed to the charm of the opening night.

There are few things as enjoyable as dinner and a dance out-of-doors—a pleasure long denied to Evanstonians in their own city. Now, with the opening of the Orrington Roof garden, a splendid cusine and a dance-provoking orchestra are combined to provide it.

This latest entertainment venture in Evanston right at the start, proved as popular with the college set as with those who are slightly older. The first Friday night crowd was about equally divided between the two.

Favorable comment heard on all sides testified to the pleasure of the first-nighters and the smooth, waxed concrete dance floor was comfortably filled whenever the orchestra was playing. The musicians were generous throughout the evening, responding to the enthusiasm of the dancers with wonderful music.

The Roof garden will be open every night except Sunday from now on. The orchestra will play until midnight on Fridays and Saturdays and until 9:30 p. m. on other nights.

Mrs. Preston Boyden of 806 Rosewood avenue left with her children Tuesday to spend six weeks at Wauwinet Inn, Nantucket Island.

Art Theater Arranges Its Third Summer Production

Three short plays will make up the third program on Wednesday night, July 20, of the Chicago Art Theater's summer series at the Hotel Moraine, Sheridan road, in Highland Park. The first two performances have met with such enthusiastic response that it was necessary in both cases to hang out S. R. O. signs, it was said.

"The Will O' the Wisp," a fantastic bit of stage writing, by Doris Halman, will open the program. John M. Synge's famous tragedy, "Riders to the Sea," and "Jubilee" by Chekhov will constitute the remainder of the bill.

The work of the members of the company, who are personally directed by Ivan Lazareff, formerly of the Moscow Art theater, has astonished north shore folk who have attended the performances and as a result great interest has already been created for the remainder of the summer season and also for the oncoming winter season of the Art theater.

Mrs. Grant Ridgway, 207 Cumberland road, Kenilworth, entertained a group of friends last week at Indian Hill Golf club in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles Wright and her daughter, Barbara Jane, of Pasadena. Mrs. Wright and her daughter are at the Georgian hotel in Evanston.

Mrs. F. R. Alexander of 1275 Scott avenue leaves Sunday with her sister, Mrs. C. O. Simmons of New York city, who arrives in Winnetka today, for a western trip of about six weeks. They will go out by the northern route, visiting Banff, Lake Louise and Vancouver, and will spend a week in Los Angeles. On their way home, they will stop at Estes Park, Colorado Springs and Salt Lake.

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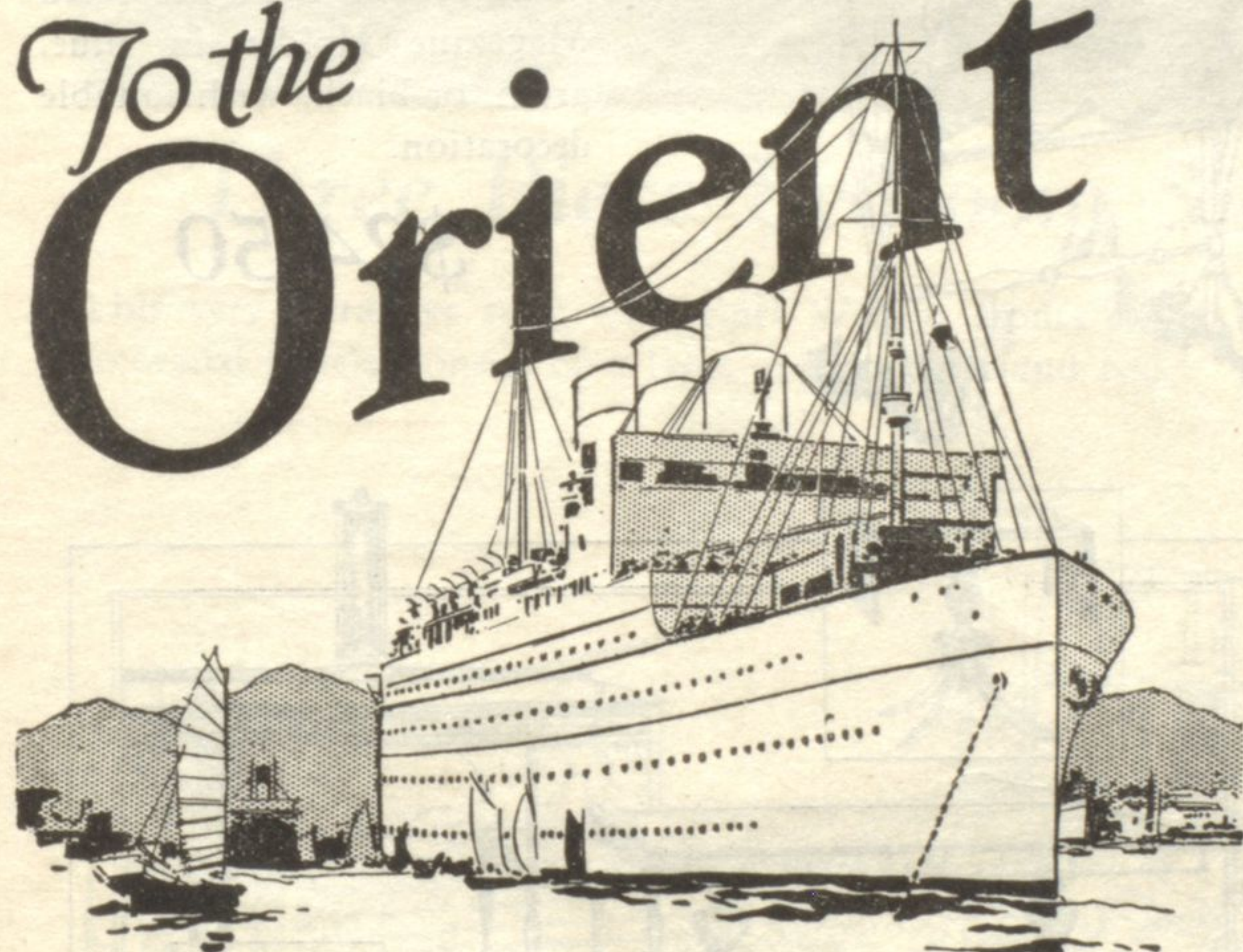
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