

**"Little New Moon"
to Bring New Ideas
to Playshop Stage**

Features in play production that are in many ways new to little theater use in the Chicago field, will color "Little New Moon," the Chinese fantasy which Alice C. D. Riley (Mrs. Harrison B. Riley) has written to have premier production in Evanston this week.

Tuesday it was given at the Evanston Woman's club (a review will appear elsewhere in this issue), and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday it was given at the School of Speech, produced as the first of the season's Playshop productions; also the first Playshop venture since the play-writing classes of that project became part of the curriculum of Northwestern university.

In "Little New Moon" Mrs. Riley has created something entirely different from her other plays. She has used in its construction and in direction of its production, a knowledge of methods used in the Chinese theater, gained in course of her residence in southern California where she owns a home and where she spends several months of the year.

She employs in her play's production the Chinese method of seeking to tell a story sympathetic to the ideals of the audience, by actors with spoken word and bodily action, upon a stage, before an audience. It will carry a symbolistic stylization by which the Chinese present their plays. With employment of this method, where stage settings and other features are largely to be imagined by the audience, the latter is required to take part in the play.

Costumes rich and lovely with their symbolism, music most appealing and appropriate, written for the play by Mrs. Riley's daughter, Dorothy Riley

Brown of Winnetka, picturesque dances to be supplied by people from the dancing classes of the School of Speech, which is also supplying members of the cast, the director, Mrs. Chorpensing, and others assisting, music by the "Chinese" orchestra and other interesting items unusual in Playhouse production, feature the production.

The Beta chapter of the Alpha Phi sorority of the Northwestern university held its formal dance at the Club Vista del Lago last Friday evening.

**Tri-Ship Club Busy With
Plans for New Club Room**

The Tri-Ship club of New Trier High school is going ahead with plans to furnish its new 54x19 club room in the Leslie F. Gates gymnasium addition recently dedicated. The boys expect to have their club room furnished by the end of the Christmas vacation, according to Donald Frisbie, faculty sponsor.

The club room, which is well suited to the chief purpose it will serve as a

meeting place for all boys of the school, will be equipped with furniture which is both modern and comfortable. The total cost of the undertaking will be in the neighborhood of \$2,500. Half of this amount has been promised by a resident of the township, provided the boys collect the other half. They have already raised \$650, mostly in dollar pledges from boys in the school. If the club can succeed in collecting \$200 in gifts from other sources, the remainder will be taken from the club treasury.

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