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DRAMA LEAGUE
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being at all times interested in the promotion and development of cultural and educational activities, are honoured by the selection of Windsor for the location of the 1949 Western Ontario Drama Festival.

We feel sure this festival will be highly successful and will stimulate further the increasing interest being shown in the Little Theatre movement in Ontario.

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday Evenings
Saturday Matinee

February 10th, 11th and 12th

Adjudicator

MR. ROBERT SPEAIGHT

At the close of each performance the adjudicator will discuss the play presented and the audience is requested to remain for this important phase of the Festival.

As all performances are on a competitive basis, it is imperative that each contestant be given an equal opportunity. Therefore **late arrivals will not be admitted** to the auditorium proper until the end of the Act.

There will be a 10 minute interval between Acts and between the final curtain and the adjudication. House lights will be dimmed two minutes prior to the next curtain or the adjudication as a warning to those who have left their seats to return to their seats immediately.

The audience is requested not to go back stage.
Ladies please remove hats.

Music — by Lasse Pohjola Quartette

This Is Your Programme for the Entire Festival

WESTERN ONTARIO DRAMA LEAGUE

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THE ADJUDICATOR

Mr. Robert Speaight is the regional adjudicator for the Dominion Drama Festival and is travelling across Canada from Halifax to Vancouver to see and adjudicate the entries in each region of the Dominion Drama Festival competition. In May, 1948, Mr. Speaight was the adjudicator of the final competition at Ottawa and proved himself capable, penetrating, constructive and business-like in this arduous task. His appointment as regional adjudicator has been greeted with enthusiasm from all regions of Canada by those who heard him in Ottawa because of his wide knowledge of the theatre, his ability to speak accurately and expressively on all phases of stage production and the fact that he is completely bilingual.



Mr. Speaight is well known as an actor, producer, critic and novelist. His acting career began at Oxford where he was secretary of the Oxford University Dramatic Society and took a leading part in undergraduate productions. Since 1927 he has appeared regularly on the London stage, and from 1935 onward, he has given some nine hundred performances in Britain and the United States of the role of Thomas à Becket in "Murder in the Cathedral" by T. S. Eliot. He has also acted many times the part of Saint Anthony in Ronald Duncan's "This Way to the Tomb." He has had many successes in leading Shakespearean roles both on the stage and on the radio.

Two of his three novels "The Lost Hero," "The Angel in the Mist" and "The Unbroken Heart" have been translated into French. He has published also a biography of St. Thomas à Becket, written while he was acting in T. S. Eliot's play, as well as a work entitled "Acting" composed of three lectures on the history, nature and technique of acting.

A widely travelled man, Mr. Speaight has a particular knowledge and love of France. He worked for the European Service of the B.B.C. during the war and has since visited Belgium, Switzerland, Greece and France on behalf of the British Council. His most recent tour in November and December of 1948 took him to Bordeaux, Montpellier, Toulouse and Paris.

THE DOMINION DRAMA FESTIVAL

The Dominion Drama Festival is to be held in Toronto from April 25th to 30th, 1949, at the Royal Alexandra Theatre. It is hoped that the representative from Western Ontario as chosen in this W.O.D.L. Festival will be invited to compete for Dominion honours in the Dominion Drama Festival in April.

AWARDS—WESTERN ONTARIO DRAMA LEAGUE

The following trophies and medals are competed for annually in the W.O.D.L. Festival and preliminary performances.

The Hanna Shield—the gift of Mrs. W. J. Hanna, Sarnia, to be awarded to the group obtaining the highest number of marks at the W.O.D.L. Festival.

1948—London Little Theatre—"Saint Joan"

The Fuller Shield—the gift of Judge H. E. Fuller, Welland, to be awarded to the group obtaining the second highest number of marks at the W.O.D.L. Festival.

1948—Simcoe Little Theatre—"Pig in a Poke"

The Jamieson Shield—the gift of Mr. D. P. Jamieson, Sarnia, now awarded to the group presenting a Canadian play which obtains the highest number of marks in the preliminary performances of the W.O.D.L. Festival.

1948—Simcoe Little Theatre—"Pig in a Poke"

The Meredith Achievement Trophy—the gift of Mr. J. S. Meredith, London, originally awarded to the group making the greatest advance over its showing in the preceding festival as determined by comparing the markings of the adjudicators in the two successive festivals—now awarded for the presentation in the preliminary performances which in the opinion of the adjudicator shows greatest promise of future achievement.

1948—not awarded

The Jordan Memorial Medal—the gift of Mrs. A. D. Jordan, London, to be awarded for the best performance given by a man during the W.O.D.L. Festival.

1948—John Sullivan as Peter Cauchon in "Saint Joan"

The Brickenden Medal—the gift of Mrs. G. A. P. Brickenden, Simcoe, to be awarded for the best performance given by a woman during the W.O.D.L. Festival.

1948—Olga Landiak as Joan in "Saint Joan"

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

The trophies and medals given by the W.O.D.L. this year will be presented at a luncheon in the Prince Edward Hotel on Sunday, February 12th at 1 p.m.

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Thursday Evening

February 10th

THE WINDSOR THEATRE GUILD

Presents

"THE MAN WHO CAME TO DINNER"

By

George Kaufman and Moss Hart

Directed by Dorothy Taylor

CAST

Mrs. Stanley	Yvonne Lofthouse
Miss Preen	Barbara Arnott
Richard	Jack Ryan
June	Moir Swan
John	Don MacKinnon
Sarah	Lena Farrell
Mrs. Dexter	Audrey Kerr
Mrs. McCutcheon	Zella Gibson
Mr. Stanley	Garnet Humphrey
Maggie	Vera Linge
Dr. Bradley	Armand Lauzon
Sheridan Whiteside	John Gibson
Harriet Stanley	Beryl Nichols
Bert Jefferson	Ronald Lofthouse
Professor Metz	William Bennett
Baker	Alex McMillan
Convict 1	Tom McNaul
Convict 2	Ted Hessener
Expressman	Howard Watkins
Lorraine Sheldon	Gloria Fleming
Sandy	Don MacKinnon
Beverley Carlton	Tom McNaul
Westcott	Ted Hessener
Banjo	Alex McMillan
Technician	Don MacKinnon
Sheriff 1	William Bennett
Sheriff 2	Don MacKinnon
Choir Boys	Wm. Stefan, Charles O'Hara, James Grieves, William Gawne

Action of the play takes place in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley in a small town in Ohio.

ACT ONE

Scene 1—December Morning

Scene 2—A Week Later

ACT TWO

A Week Later—Christmas Eve

ACT THREE

Christmas Morning

PRODUCTION STAFF

Manager.....Valda Turner

Assistants

Properties.....Mabel Wisdom, Julie Harbage, Jeannette Reaume,
Eleanor Sawtell, Eileen Forden, Kitty Hare

Make-up.....John Bigham

Sets.....M. Campbell, D. Laing, S. Graham, J. Hart, E. St. Clair, A. Ellis

Lighting.....Cyril Hallam

Costumes.....Martha Waters, Mrs. L. A. Richardson

Prompter.....Mrs. S. L. Gibson, Mrs. A. Sparrow

By special arrangement with Dramatist Play Service Inc., New York, N.Y.

Ushers—Kennedy Collegiate Institute Cadets

At the close of the performance the Adjudicator will be introduced by
Mr. F. N. Phelps, President of the Western Ontario Drama League.

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Friday Evening

February 11th

KITCHENER-WATERLOO LITTLE THEATRE

Presents

"CRAIG'S WIFE"

By

George Kelly

Directed by Cara Malcolm

CAST

Miss Austen.....	Norma Hattin
Mrs. Harold.....	Catharine Schell
Mazie.....	Ruth Hahn
Mrs. Craig.....	Hazel Cleghorn
Ethel Landreth.....	Shirley Hannon
Walter Craig.....	John Symons
Mrs. Frazier.....	Mildred Snider
Billie Birkmere.....	Melvin Swartz
Joseph Catelle.....	Harold Paikin
Harry.....	Donald Martz
James Fredericks.....	Robert Dier

Scene: Living-room of Mr. Walter Craig

Entire action of the play transpires between 5 o'clock
one evening and 9 o'clock the following morning.

Act 1—5:30 p.m.

Act 2—Ten minutes later

Act 3—Following morning at 8:30

PRODUCTION STAFF

Assistant Director.....	Stella Koetsch
Sets.....	Ralph Ashton
Lighting.....	Robert Ram
Properties.....	Elna Honsberger
Make-up.....	Jeanne Hattin

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Ushers—W. D. Lowe Vocational School Cadets

At the close of the performance the Adjudicator will be introduced
by Prof. R. H. Ozburn, of Guelph, Vice-President of the Western
Ontario Drama League.

2:30 O'Clock

Saturday Matinee

February 12th

THE LONDON LITTLE THEATRE

Presents

"OVER THE BOILER ROOM"

By

William Digby

CAST

Agnes Grimes.....	Margaret Skinner
Joe Grimes.....	Lloyd Shirley
Tom Grimes.....	Ray Potter
Pete.....	Arthur Labatt
May Grimes.....	Marnie Wilson
Jesse.....	Jack Low

Scene: The living room of Tom Grimes basement flat
in a large apartment building.

Time: The early Thirties.

PRODUCTION STAFF

Producer.....	Martin O'Meara
Stage Director.....	Marjorie Lister
Stage Manager.....	L. C. Smith
Assistant Stage Manager.....	Jean Rigney
Properties.....	Betty Hammond, Pat Bell
Wardrobe.....	Edith Kiley
Set Design.....	Mackie Cryderman

Ushers—Patterson Collegiate Institute Cadets

At the close of this performance Dr. H. Alan Skinner of London,
Honorary Director of the Dominion Drama Festival, will speak on
the Little Theatre movement in Canada.

2:30 O'Clock

Saturday Matinee

February 12th

THE SIMCOE LITTLE THEATRE

Presents

" 'OP - O' - ME - THUMB"

By

Frederick Finn and Richard Pryce

Produced by Ellen Crafts

C A S T

Madame Jeanne Marie Napoleon de Gallifet Didier....Elin Schuyler
Clem (Mrs.) Galloway.....Kathrine Bullock
Rose Jordan.....Nancy Drew
Celeste.....Margery Goodlett
Amanda Afflick.....Joan Sohler
Horace Greensmith.....Chester Mixer

Scene: The workroom of Mme. Didier's Laundry in Soho, London
Time: About 1900

PRODUCTION STAFF

Costumes.....Marion Gibson
Properties.....Mary Gilbertson
Make-up.....Margaret Hunter, Bubby Brook
Prompter.....Marion Gibson
Lighting.....Murray Madge

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At the close of this performance the Adjudicator will be introduced
by Mr. C. H. Donnelly of Simcoe, Vice-President of the Western
Ontario Drama League.

ENTERTAINMENT

At the conclusion of each day's performance, the Cast and Production Staff of the competing play, all out-of-town guests, and the Windsor Festival Committee members are invited to the following Receptions:

Thursday, February 10, Willistead Library, as guests of The Lady Beck Chapter, I.O.D.E.

Friday, February 11, Willistead Library, as guests of the Senior Mary Grant Society.

Saturday, February 12, luncheon at Prince Edward Hotel for Executive and Representatives of W.O.D.L.—by invitation.

Saturday afternoon, February 12, Walkerville Collegiate, as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garnet W. Humphrey and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Tomkins. Mr. Humphrey and Mr. Tomkins are chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, of the Windsor Festival Committee.

The following entertainment has been arranged to conclude the Festival. Tickets may be obtained at the Festival Registration desk, Prince Edward Hotel or at Walkerville Collegiate by anyone wishing to attend.

Saturday, February 12, Supper Dance (\$2.00), at the conclusion of the evening performance. Elmwood Hotel. Bus transportation to and from the hotel has been arranged.

Sunday, February 13, Annual Luncheon Meeting W.O.D.L., 1 p.m., Main Ballroom, Prince Edward Hotel (\$2.00). Presentation of shields and awards.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

The following programme has been arranged by Mr. Hogg:

Friday, February 11th at the Windsor Theatre Guild Rooms,
2033 Sandwich Street, Windsor, Ontario, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
Room 1—**Directing and Acting** by Blanch M. Hogg, London

or

Room 2—**Business Organization** by Margaret Glass, London, C. H. Donnelly, Simcoe and J. L. Coles, Woodstock. These lectures will be given concurrently.

Saturday, February 12th at Room 108 (Mezzanine) Prince Edward Hotel, Ouellette Avenue, Corner of Park Street, Windsor, Ont., 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Stage Lighting by Harold Backman of Sarnia.

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon—**Technical Organization and Difficulties** by Elsie Thomson of Hamilton.

8:30 O'Clock

Saturday Evening

February 12th

THE PLAYERS' GUILD OF HAMILTON

Presents

"JOHN LOVES MARY"

By

Norman Krasna

Mary McKinley	Elizabeth Murley
Oscar Dugan	Frank Aldous
Fred Taylor	John Miller
John Lawrence	William Mitchell
Senator James McKinley	A. G. Mullock
Mrs. Phyllis McKinley	Barbara Keogh
Lt. Victor O'Leary	Roy Whitsed
George Beechwood	Peter Cheeseman
Lily Herbish	Geraldine Bruce
Harwood Biddle	William Moore

Scene: The action of the play takes place in the living room of the apartment of Senator James McKinley, New York

PRODUCTION STAFF

Stage Director	Alan Kompass
Stage Manager	Albert Plunkett
Construction of Sets	Albert Brown
Prompter	Ruth Bramley
Properties	Elsie Thomson, Mary Moore, Dorothy Foster
Make-up	Louise Marshall
Lighting	Frank Aldous
Set Design	Vincent Francis

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Ushers—Walkerville Collegiate Institute Cadets

At the close of the performance the Adjudicator will be introduced by Mr. E. J. Tomkins, Vice-President of the W.O.D.L.

PLAYS ENTERED IN W.O.D.L. PRELIMINARIES

Galt Little Theatre.....	No entry
Grimsby Players Guild.....	"The Male Animal"
Guelph Little Theatre.....	"Murder in the Cathedral"
Players Guild of Hamilton.....	"John Loves Mary"
Kitchener-Waterloo Little Theatre.....	"Craig's Wife" "Fortune, Mo'oe"
London Little Theatre.....	"Years Ago" "Uncle Vanya"
London Little Theatre Studio.....	"Sitting Bull" "Over the Boiler Room"
Sarnia Drama League.....	"Hay Fever"
Simcoe Little Theatre.....	"'Op-o'-Mc-Thumb" "Sitting Bull" "John Doe"
Welland Little Theatre.....	"Bill of Divorcement" "Private Lives"
Woodstock Little Theatre.....	"John Loves Mary"
Windsor Civic Players.....	"Undercurrent" "The Boor"
Windsor Theatre Guild.....	"The Man Who Came to Dinner" "Herod and Mariamne" "Busman's Honeymoon"

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Eastern Ontario, English, Brockville, February 14-19
Quebec, Montreal, February 21-26
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