

## Play Director 'Proud' Of Festival Criticism

After presenting the third act of their play, "Aunt Samantha Rules the Roost", for criticism at the Eastern Carolina Drama Festival, March 27, the cast came away "very well pleased" with the performance and constructive criticism given, reports the members and their adviser, Miss Idalia Oglesby.

### COMMENTS

In the evaluation and discussion period following the three plays given, Lee Howard, ACC faculty member, stated that the actors seemed to be comfortable on the stage and remarked that "Aunt Samantha Rules the Roost" was a wise choice for inexperienced actors because of the natural dialect and plot.

Mrs. Doris Holsworth, chairman of the Festival, stated that the performance went beyond ordinary comedy to almost satire. She commented especially on Aunt Samantha's "high gray wig and long drawn out black dress", which she said made her almost a caricature.

### COMMENDATIONS

Mrs. Holsworth commended the cast especially on making themselves heard so well in a strange auditorium and setting.

Constructively criticizing the performance, Mrs. Holsworth pointed out that the cast needed to stop crossing in front of people who are speaking and to pick up their cues faster.

As director of the play, Miss Oglesby says that she was very well pleased with the performance of each

member of the cast. She pointed out that "perhaps the most remarkable thing about the performance was the quick recovery Marshall High made when the front door frame and all--toppled over on him. He calmly set it up and pro-

ceeded with his lines."

She stated further that "the experience of presenting the play before more experienced directors and actors was extremely beneficial to me, and I believed to all who participated."

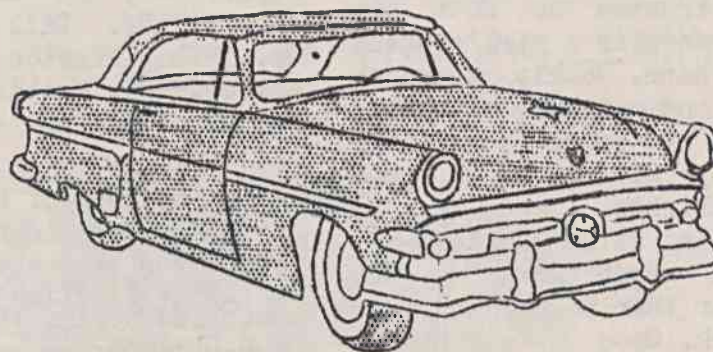
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