



# SPORTS



## RUTH DRAPER

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and Ralph Emerson, she met Charles Dana, later editor of the New York Sun, and married him. Miss Draper received encouragement for her work from her grandmother and from Paderewski who visited her home in 1913.

Aedian Hall in London was the scene of the first public appearance. After this initial performance, she toured through England and Scotland doing "recitals", and appearing on various hall programs. She appeared on one bill which particularly impressed itself upon her memory, because the cue for her number came after the tame sea-lion act when the seal came paddling by her dressing room door. Then she came to New York where for six months she gave dramatic monologues before enthusiastic theatre goers. Miss Draper comes to Winston-Salem after a successful two year tour of Europe and South America and Broadway.

Miss Draper has been called "monologist", "reciter", "dis-euse", "impersonator", and "elo-she prefers to be designated as an "actor". Alone on the stage she conjures up characters from every walk of life with the truth and authenticity that is the artist's genius. She has captivated audiences all the way around the world from New York and Kansas City to Singapore and the Fiji islands; the fact that the audiences have returned to see her again and again is a tribute to her genius.

The presentation of dramatic monologues is not new to Winston-Salem audiences; they received a similar program by Miss Cornelia Otis Skinner in 1937 with avid praise. Miss Draper is even more widely known nationally than Miss Skinner.

Her programs contain from eight to ten monologues and acquaint the audience with more than fifty characters. She has twenty-four sketches in her repertoire with more than one hundred and fifty characters portrayed. The sketches, in English with occasional snatches of French, German, or Italian, are authentic and are drawn from actual experiences. Her characters live for the listener through the careful and unusual choice of detail by which Miss Draper depicts them.

It has been said of her by critics that she is "the foremost mimic of our time". She "brings a variety of characters to tingling life." Concerning "In a church in Italy" which she will give in Winston-Salem on Monday night, one New

## THEATRE CALENDAR

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All week  
"Honky Tonk"  
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Mon.-Tues.  
"Married Bachelor"  
Wed.  
"Life With Father" on stage  
Thurs.-Fri.-Sat.  
"Spooks Run Wild"  
Forsyth

Mon.-Tues.  
"Cheers for Mrs. Bishop"  
Wed.-Thurs.  
"One Foot in Heaven"  
Fri.-Sat.  
"Gay Falcon"  
Colonial

Mon.-Tues.  
"Jungle Man"  
Wed.-Thurs.  
"I Wanted Wings"  
Fri.-Sat.  
"Gun Man from Bodie"

York paper—said: "The piece de resistance is a scene in a church in Italy. It ranges from broad comedy to tense passion and tragedy, all compellingly real." Her performances have "all the richness and depth and power to stir both laughter and a catch in the throat that any theatre-goer could ask."

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Harriett Ritter, Dec. 13  
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