



Playhouse Performers In THE MISER

THE MISER Keeps Audience Laughing As Playhouse Stages Third Production

By Carolyn Yuziuk

Last night the Parkway Playhouse presented its 3rd production of the Season - THE MISER, by Moliere. Moliere is unquestionably one of the most important of all dramatists and is perhaps the most significant of all comedic writers. He dominated the French theater of the latter 17th century in much the same way as Shakespeare did the Elizabethan theatre a half century before. His fame is marked by social satires and his dramatizations of extreme character types such as hypochondriacs, misanthropes & hypocrites. THE MISER is a clear example of the latter.

Robert Waldron, who appeared as "Biff" in the Playhouse Production DEATH OF A SALESMAN, portrays the Miser in such a hilarious fashion as to keep the audience in stitches for most of the evening. His makeup is fantastic - anyone seeing him would immediately recognize him for the Scrooge-type person he represents. As befits the leading character in a production, his performance steals the show, but running a very close second is the superb acting job done by Robert Leh who appeared in the SPOON RIVER ANTHOLOGY last week. As Cleante, the miser's effeminate son, he "brings down the house" in several very funny scenes.

Other principal characters who all gave a great performance were: Valerie Naiman, Nelson Allison, Connie Evans, James Oher, Marta Schley and Robert Small. As a "woman of intrigue" Marta Schley shows great talent and deserves special mention as her performance adds just the right touch of mischief to the play. She has been seen this season in both DEATH OF A SALESMAN and SPOON RIVER.

Costumes were designed by Susan Tucker - you have to see them to believe what a marvelous job she has done in only one week. A truly remarkable display of finery to enhance the production.

The production is being directed by Lauren Wood III whose talent for directing is reflected by this outstanding show. This is Mr. Woods' 7th summer with the Playhouse and we are very fortunate to have someone of his caliber in our theater.

Frank Silberstein designed the set, a multi-level one that adds much to the production. The lighting was designed by Boyd Ostroff.

For a very entertaining evening of theatre, come to the Parkway Playhouse to see THE MISER. You won't be disappointed. We guarantee many laughs and a thoroughly enjoyable time.

The next show at the Parkway Playhouse will be the American comedy, THE SHOW-OFF by George Kelly.

Voters Must Re-register To Cast Future Ballots

In 1966, during elections in Yancey County, a number of voting irregularities were discovered and challenged, particularly the abuse of absentee ballots. The State Board of Elections investigated the matter, and subsequently removed the Yancey County Board of Elections from office. They then appointed 3 Yancey men: Charles Gillespie, Bill Banks and Arnie Pate to the Board of Elections charging them with cleaning up the voting system and installing Loose Leaf Registration. (At the next session of the legislature in 1967, they passed an Act requiring that Loose Leaf Registration be installed in ALL counties in N. C. by 1970.)

In the spring of 1968, the Board of Elections installed the Loose Leaf Registration in Burnsville Township... the County was to follow in the fall. The day before registration was to be held, however, 4 citizens of Yancey County obtained a court injunction blocking it, and effectively preventing Loose Leaf Registration in Yancey County for the rest of the year.

Now, due to an Act passed in the past session of the legis-

TV Dan Boone's Son, Israel To Visit Boone VI

By Rebecca Boone

Eleven year old Darby Hinton, who plays Israel on the television series "Daniel Boone" is following in his ancestor's footsteps and coming back to the mountains. Darby, who is presently appearing at "Tweetsie Railroad" will "blaze the trail" to Burnsville some time next month to meet his kinsman, Daniel Boone VI.

The blond, blue-eyed youngster who claims direct descendancy from Daniel Boone, the pioneer, has spent half his life portraying Israel. He co-stars with actor, Fess Parker, in the weekly series of Daniel Boone.

When Darby was told that another descendent of the pioneer lived just over the "hill" from Boone, he determined to visit Mr. Boone at his Forge here in Burnsville. He will be accompanied by his mother and two teen-age sisters, Daryn & Darby.

lature, Loose Leaf Registration must be installed in Yancey County by September 1, 1969. This means that all persons residing in the Cane River, Egypt, Ramsaytown, Green Mountain, Jacks Creek, Brush Creek, Crabtree, South Toe, Pensacola and Prices Creek Townships have to register anew to vote in future elections!

Existing registration is cancelled, and a new registration is to be conducted as follows: The registration books will be open at the polling places Saturdays July 26, August 2, August 9 and

August 16, 1969, from 9:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. and at the Yancey County Courthouse Mondays through Fridays from July 28 through August 15, 1969, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for the registration of eligible voters, & on Saturday, August 23, 1969, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for inspection and challenge by the registered voters of the precinct.

Every voter is urged to register so that he or she may exercise the privilege and the duty of voting in Yancey County elections.

Residents Are Alarmed As Thirteen Dogs Poisoned - A Child Could Be Next!

Burnsville residents are becoming increasingly enraged and alarmed over the continual poisoning of their pets. When the Yancey Record went to press two weeks ago, five animals had died as a result of this cruel and malicious act. As the paper goes to press today, the total has risen to thirteen. All of the poisoned animals, with the exception of three in the Green Mtn. area, have been poisoned in the same general vicinity - near Burnsville Elementary School & on Mitchell Branch.

Last Friday a poisoned animal was found near the rest home. About the same time three rabbit beagles, 2 of them puppies yet, died within 35 minutes of each other at Green Mountain. Tuesday morning several other residents discovered their pets. A collie was found dead on its owner's front porch, near the elementary school. Residents on Mitchell Branch found one of their dogs on the front porch; upon searching for their German shepherd, they found it, along with an unidentified dog that had been dead at least a week, in the city park across from their home.

Concern for their property and pets has grown to alarm for the children. Those who watched helplessly the sudden and agonizing deaths of their pets realize the almost instantaneous and deadly nature of the poison be-

ing used. In every case, small children in the home or neighborhood could have as easily been the victims of tragedy. Mothers are beginning to ask, "Does the person responsible for all this not realize the danger, or doesn't he care? Will some child become a victim before this menace is stopped?" It's time the local citizens, law officials, and Health Department band together to prevent a greater disaster. The person (or persons) guilty must possess a depraved heart, warped mind, and care little or nothing for the value of a human life.

The following persons whose pets have been killed - Mack Blankenship, Cleopas Gilbert, Mrs. Thelma Gornito, Charles L. Kistler, Roy Laws, Mrs. Edith Ness, and Mrs. Elizabeth Silver - urge all citizens to take precautions with their animals and to especially watch their children who could become innocent victims of the deadly poison.

Anyone having a clue to the dog-killer's identity please call one of the above residents. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Asheville is offering a \$500 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the guilty person or persons. The Yancey County Country Store is offering a \$100 reward.