



by Jean Anouilh

Wimborne Drama Club at Wimborne Modern School

Friday, October 31 . 7.45 Curtain

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Proceeds from the play will be presented to the Lions Club of Wimborne for the benefit of their work in the local community

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About Wimborne Drama Club . . .

In 1928 a group of enthusiasts staged a play in the local Women's Institute Hall: the Wimborne Drama Club was born.

For 10 years the Club went from strength to strength, but the War and the demolition of the W.I. Hall temporarily halted the Club's progress.

A move was made to Church House which was to be the setting for a regular succession of plays for many years, performed twice a year before a small but growing audience.

In 1968 the Club decided to widen its horizons: Wimborne had grown considerably; Church House had a limited seating capacity; the stage was inadequate and offered little scope for more adventurous productions. A larger hall and a professionally equipped stage were sought; both these were offered at the Wimborne Modern School.

We know that new ideas keep a club alive; new ideas come from new members. Why don't you join us? Why not come to our meetings in the Grammar School Annexe at 8 p.m. on the last Thursday of every month?

About the Play . . .

How to project a charade? It is so difficult not to make it seem nonsense. There must be a firm base to build on and this we have in Christopher Fry's excellent translation of Anouilh's play, "L'Invitation au château".

The problems of producing a foreign play, particularly a French one, are not only of translation of words but also of style. The traditions of the *Commedia dell'Arte* are almost unknown in this country, so a style must be created which an English audience will find acceptable.

In this charade, I hope each character will become recognisable either as we ourselves are, as we should like to be or, perhaps, as others see us.

Which one is you?

Derek Saunders — Producer.

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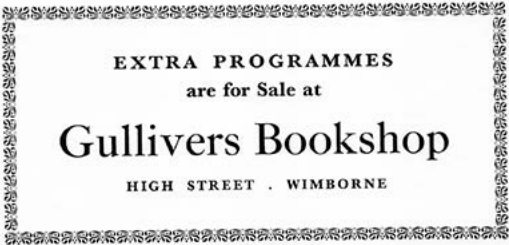
Since that time Lions Clubs have been founded in many countries throughout the World and the number of members is nearly one million.

The motto of Lions is "We Serve" and although from time to time we hold fund raising events the principal objects are service to the community, help to those who through ill health or other misfortune are in need, and the fostering of international understanding and goodwill. To this end International Youth Camps are arranged to enable young people to visit other countries and learn to understand the views and ways of life of their contemporaries.

When a project is undertaken the members of a Lions Club either do the job themselves or, if this is not feasible, they work to raise the required funds. In doing so they seek publicity to enlist the aid of the public but never for themselves.

The Lions Club of Wimborne sends greetings and good wishes to the Wimborne Drama Club.

John Seyfang — President.



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RICHARD WITHERS	{Hugo /Frederic
CAROLE BIRD	Diana Messerschmann
PAT NOTT	Lady India
CHRISTOPHER HUGHES	Patrice Boixbelles
MURIEL BROOKS	Madame Desmortes
JENNI WARING	Capulet
TIM ELING	Messerschmann
ARTHUR BROOKS	Romainville
PEGGY TYACK	Isabelle
THELMA DRYDEN	Her Mother
GRAHAME BROWN	Footman

Production

director	Derek Saunders
stage manager	Barrie Nott
assistants	Tricia Marlow
.....	Chris Ridout
.....	John Antony
.....	Ian Raeburn
.....	Geoff Markham
properties	Brenda Sammons
prompt	Janine Brockes
general manager	Peter Marlow



RING ROUND THE MOON

by JEAN ANOUILH (adapted by Christopher Fry)

Setting

The terrace of a large country house in France.

ACT I

- Scene 1 Morning.
Scene 2 The same evening. Before the Ball.

ACT II

- The same evening. The Ball.

ACT III

- Scene 1 The same evening. After supper.
Scene 2 Dawn.

Acknowledgments

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Above all we thank you, the audience, for coming and hope to see you all again at our next production in the Spring. We want new ideas and new members to strengthen even further our growing club.

Peter Marlow — General Manager.



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