

# 'Career' Performance Marked by Good Dialogue, Dramatic Plot

Opening-night theatergoers witnessed a polished presentation of the dramatic tragedy-to-triumph career of an actor... the Herma Pier Playhouse production of "Career" last Friday evening.

Tracing the career of Sam Lawson, a Lansing, Mich., actor in the world of New York theater, the story by James Lee was believable and fast-moving. Dialogue of the major characters was convincing and poignant.

Most outstanding from a dramatic point of view was the depression-year scene in a bare New York flat where Lawson's first wife, clad in a slip, sits on the edge of the cot which serves as their only furnishing... hungry and defeated, and tells Lawson she is leaving him, just as he has received his first break in show business, after two and one-half years.

COLIN CAREY'S portrayal

of Lawson, the actor, is realistic and well-done. However, acting laurels should be bestowed upon Edythe Wood whose portrayal of Shirley Drake, the actor's agent, is the most convincing performance in the play. The performance of Eve Demetric as the first wife was also excellent.

The only dialogue and portrayal which rang less than true was that of Kathy Reed, who seemed a trifle young for the brittle role of the producer's daughter who lived from psychiatrist to psychiatrist and man to man.

Costuming and staging were adequate, and makeup was good, particularly the makeup of Miss Demetric, who aged 25 years during the course of the play.

An unusual lighting effect and excellent director's touch was achieved in the closing scene of the play. After 25 years, Sam Lawson had finally achieved his stardom. As the

curtain opens on the final scene, his back is to the live audience and he slowly walks towards the other end of the stage towards a row of footlights, fame and the imaginary audience of the story. Curtain calls

were taken with the cast also facing the figmentary audience and bright footlights. Performances of the drama, which is directed by Val DuFour, continue the remaining week ends of this month. — Ronnie Saunders.

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By CLAY R. POLLAN

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To develop message for Thursday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac; birth sign.

|              |              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| ARIES 22     | 1 Drive      | 31 Plan      | 41 Through   |
| APR 20       | 2 You'll     | 32 For       | 42 Dream     |
| 1-44-48-61   | 3 Into       | 33 Or        | 43 Joint     |
| 63-68-83-88  | 4 Get        | 34 Which'll  | 44 Lorry     |
| SAURUS       | 5 H          | 35 Ill       | 45 Long      |
| MAY 21       | 6 Don't      | 36 Ways      | 46 Home      |
| 1-5-27-37-46 | 7 You've     | 37 Develop   | 47 Year      |
| 52-70-81-84  | 8 See        | 38 Or        | 48 Holdings  |
| GENUINE      | 9 H          | 39 Small     | 49 Plan      |
| MAY 22       | 10 You're    | 40 H         | 50 Start     |
| 1-10-56-59   | 11 Friends   | 41 You       | 51 Start     |
| 60-64-71     | 12 Someone   | 42 Personal  | 52 With      |
| CANCER       | 13 Money     | 43 You       | 53 Or        |
| JUNE 23      | 14 Keep      | 44 Health    | 54 Household |
| 1-3-4-17     | 15 Delays    | 45 Keep      | 55 Shopping  |
| 18-20-55     | 16 Start     | 46 In        | 56 Others    |
| LEO          | 17 Of        | 47 To        | 57 How       |
| JULY 24      | 18 The       | 48 Meet      | 58 Today     |
| 1-2-13-26    | 19 Do        | 49 Write     | 59 Over-look |
| 27-30-37     | 20 Post      | 50 Improve   | 60 H         |
| 31-32-33-34  | 21 Help      | 51 Year      | 61 Don't     |
| 35-36-37-38  | 22 Lorry     | 52 Ask       | 62 Letters   |
| 39-40-41-42  | 23 Attention | 53 Add       | 63 Work      |
| 43-44-45-46  | 24 Same      | 54 Now       | 64 Add       |
| 47-48-49-50  | 25 Luck      | 55 Traveling | 65 Hour      |
| 51-52-53-54  | 26 Lock      | 56 To        | 66 There     |
| 55-56-57-58  | 27 Any       | 57 Increase  | 67 Interest  |
| 59-60-61-62  | 28 Relatives | 60 Advise    | 68 Security  |
| 63-64-65-66  | 29 Good      | 61 Address   | 69 Neutral   |
| 67-68-69-70  | 30           | 62           | 70           |

### GARDENERS CHECKLIST

- Keep setting out gladiolus. Successive plantings at two or three week intervals will result in a succession of bloom.
- Check nurseries for that azalea in bloom. You'll find a good selection in March.
- To loosen packed or clay soil, use a commercial conditioner, but don't work it in if the soil is soggy or wet. Take a break and wait until it dries out some.
- If you failed to plant ranunculus tubers, you may still find some in nurseries. A better bet now would be seedling plants in nursery flats.
- Many shade trees are still available in bare-root form and should be planted this week. Bare-root season will be only a memory shortly.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Parent (colloq.)
- A state
- Condensed moisture
- Be ill
- Shrew flower
- Tierre del
- Pusan
- Indian
- Incline
- Provisions
- Born
- Murderer
- Again
- Refuge
- Catholic calendar of feasts
- Genus of cattle
- Knock
- Genus of trees
- Near
- Bushy clump
- Cravat
- Note of scale
- Plague
- Chapeau
- Insect
- Girl's name
- Swamp
- Twist
- Body of soldiers
- British mammal
- Admiral
- Mistake
- Native metal
- Striped animal
- Short sleep
- Armed conflict
- Wine out
- Die

DOWN

- Dance step
- Lubricate's tool
- Partner
- Beast of burden
- Pronoun
- At no time
- Ireland
- Gifts of
- Exalted
- Recent
- Make amends
- Once around track
- Lesson
- Famed
- Insane
- Hinder
- Bay window
- Fish eggs
- River island
- Former Russian ruler
- Children's game
- Deer's horn
- Jump
- Gaseous hydrocarbon
- Faux pas (colloq.)
- Vehicle
- Swamp
- Hillside (Scott.)
- At present
- Period of time
- Bitter watch
- Chinese pagoda
- Lively
- College degree (abbr.)

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