

'Man Who Came to Dinner' to Be Presented at College Theater

George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart's famous cavalcade of insults, "The Man Who Came to Dinner," will climax the El Camino College 1959 summer theater season this weekend.

One of the all-time hit comedies of Broadway, "Man" is a witty, eccentric and often biting portrait of the great lecturer, Alexander Woolcott.

The situation is a simple one, but the lines arising from it are among the cleverest ever written for the modern theater. Woolcott, or Sheridan Whiteside, as he is called in the play, is invited to dinner at the home of a small-town social climber. Grudgingly accepting the invitation, he slips on the lady's doorstep, breaking his hip, thereby becoming confined to her house for the next several weeks.

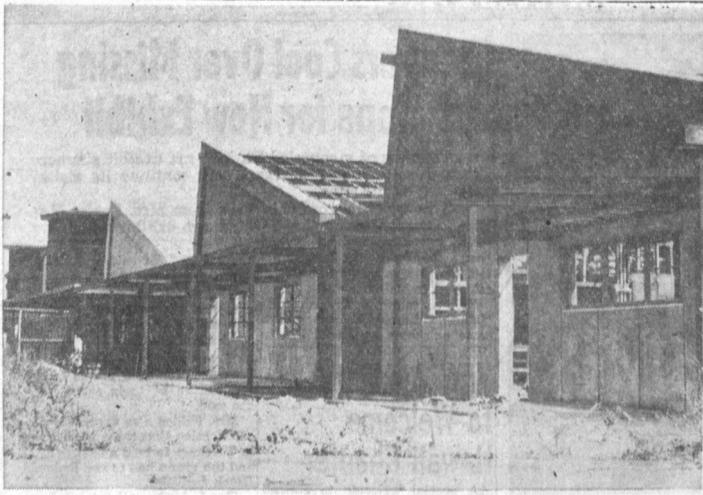
He immediately turns his temporary residence into a meet-

ing place for a crowd of zany friends, including characters representing film and stage notables, all the while slicing his host and hostess into little bits with his rapier-like wit.

K. Lyne O'Dell creates his last and possibly finest role at ECC as the vitriolic Whiteside, "one of the two or three parts" he has always expressed a desire to portray.

Joanna Stratton is an actress; Lorraine Sheldon; Charles Stratton is Bert Jefferson, the small-town newspaperman; Janet Alexander is Whiteside's long-suffering secretary, Maggie Cutler; Dyne Nealsen is Banjo and Fredric Malkimes is Beverly Carlton.

Also in the cast are Natelle Vonet, Mabel Stratton, Robert Sulzen, Susan Allin, William K. Landon, Patricia Hayes, Winifred Mewborne, Rex Day, James A. Packard, Carmelita Mapn,



BUILDING PROGRESS—Workmen are busily trying to complete the new shop buildings and classrooms at South High School in time for school opening next month. But school officials fear there will be a slight delay in their completion. —Press Photo

Red Cross Directors Installed

New members of the board of directors of the Torrance Lomita branch of the American Red Cross were installed Friday along with the new chairman, Henry H. Halverson, and other officers.

They are: Chapman L. Bone, David Lyman, Mrs. Richard Gerald, Mrs. Gordon Goodwin, Harold Franz, Newell Larson, Dr. Reinhold A. Ullrich, the Rev. Charles Little, Mrs. Chesley Houske, Mrs. Robert A. the, Mrs. Kenneth Uyeda, Mrs. Charles Jackson, Mrs. Frank Forve, Mrs. H. L. Allison, John Henninger, Myrl Peavy, Bruce Franklin, Neil Olsen, John Wallace, Wally Haas, Jack Schmidt, Mrs. John Connors, Frank Goffin and Merton Styles.

Re-elected to the board were: Mrs. Wade Bridges, Mrs. William Cochran, George Colburn, Mrs. C. Earl Conner, William Cowan, Mrs. Don Cowden, W. A. Felker, Mrs. Gordon Jones, Dr. W. H. Low, Stanley Remelmeier, Sherman E. Waldrip and Mrs. N. Zupparde. Remelmeier was chairman of the nominating committee. Dinner arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Uyeda.

James E. Matson, comptroller and director of personnel of the Los Angeles Red Cross Chapter, was speaker for the session. He reported that the Torrance-Lomita Red Cross fund campaign, of which Remelmeier was chairman, has secured 98 per cent of its goal.



POLYNESIAN PERFORMER—Exotic Tahitian dancer Tani Marsh and "The Polynesians" will be among the outstanding island entertainers to appear at the Luau and Festival to be presented by The Polynesian Restaurant Aug. 16. The public is invited by advance ticket reservation. Guest star will be Irish McCalla, "Sheena, Queen of the Jungle."



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Principle of Ryan Aeronautical Vertifan System Contract Explained

"Vertifan," Ryan Aeronautical Company's new fan concept of combining vertical take-off and landing characteristics with high speed forward flight, has been recognized by the Air Force with award of a preliminary aircraft design study contract, T. Claude Ryan, president, announced today.

Principles of the Ryan Vertifan system have been under development since 1955 with the company's own funds, as part of its broad pioneering in various phases of VTOL (vertical take-off and landing) and STOL (short field take-off and landing) aircraft research. The General Electric Company will work with Ryan on this new program.

This system's distinctive feature is a fan, or set of fans depending on configuration of the plane, horizontally "submerged" within the wing and powered by a tip turbine, driven by the jet engine exhaust, to provide the lift for vertical take-off and hovering. In normal horizontal cruise, the power of the jet engine is diverted from the fans to straight thrust. The Vertifan system is applicable for use in conventional jet aircraft.

The jet engine serves a dual function. It provides conventional jet thrust for normal flight, and furnishes exhaust gases which are conducted to the fan by means of a thin curving pipe, or "scroll" into a turbine mounted on the periphery of the fan.

Above and below the fan, mounted on the upper and lower surfaces of the wing, are moveable shutter-like vanes which deflect the mass flow of air from the fan whirling at high speeds.

For vertical take-off and hovering, the vanes would be in a vertical position. For forward flight, the upper vanes would slant forward and the lower vanes would slant aft, deflecting the slipstream during transition from vertical to horizontal flight.

When the pure jet operation goes into effect for high speed lower vanes are closed to produce a smooth wing surface, and a valve diverts the exhaust from the fan, directing it aft through the tail pipe nozzle.

Mountain Camp Signups Accepted

Registration is still taken for the Recreation Department's one week mountain camping trip to be held Aug. 22 to 29.

The camp will be at Big Bear Lake, and includes permanent buildings, floored tents, electric lights and running water. An infirmary is under direction of a registered nurse.

The camp offers a private lake frontage, athletic field, fire circle. The \$30 fee includes all expenses for the program that is offered to youngsters between the ages of 9 and 12.

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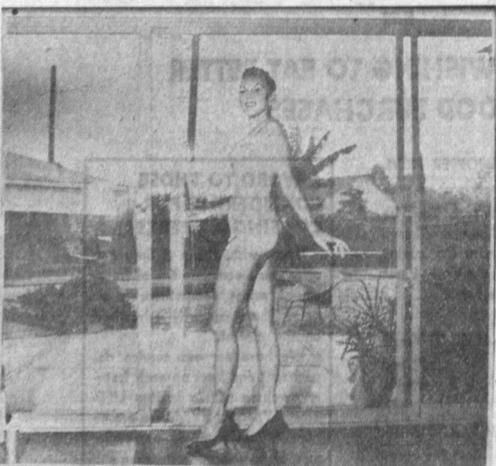
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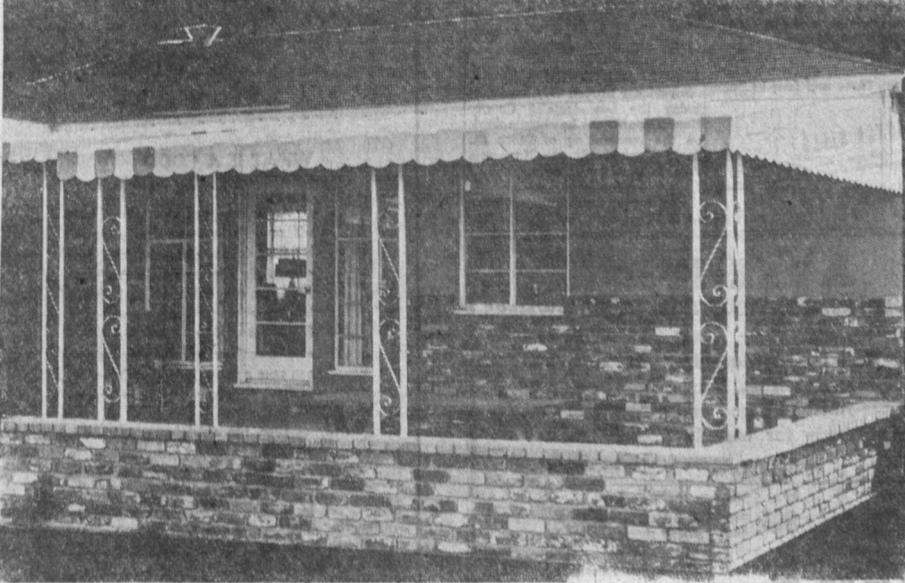
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