

Air Flights to Omaha in DC3 'Thrilling' to Teachers

200 Nebraska Instructors Take Part in Air Education

DRAMA... in the HAYLOFT

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The opening of the "Hayloft," summer theater, was ushered into Lincoln with tremendous applause. The introduction of "The Patsy," a rollicking farce-comedy to a capacity audience was a splendid beginning for the Miland Lincoln Stock company.

Undoubtedly one of the most popular plays of the past two decades, "The Patsy," is the story of a girl who runs second to her older sister. The play is an uproarious farce-comedy packed full of laughs. A brilliant performance was given by a superb cast.

Judith Hunter as Patricia Harrington, was magnificent. Her fine characterization of the girl who is placed aside for the "big sister" to look down upon, is the illustrious background of the comedy.

AS THE belated boy friend of the older sister, David Andrews as Tony Anderson, falls madly in love with "The Patsy" and all is in complete confusion when the sister tries to regain Tony's affection. David Andrews, playing splendidly a humorous supporting part as the young man of property, kept the audience amused with his fine ability in smoothly functioning comedy.

With reference to a fine character performance, Alexandra Jack, as Mrs. Harrington presented a mother favoring the older daughter, and not understanding the younger, gayer, and rollicking, "Patsy." With Miss Jack, Arthur Howe was sublime as the hen-pecked father, Mr. Harrington. Both Miss Jack and Mr. Howe were excellent as the parents concerned over the frustrations of their two daughters.

The fine supporting cast of Mary Lou Blattspieler as "Grace," the older sister, and Richard Miller as Billy Caldwell her fiancée, added considerably to the fine performance of "The Patsy."

I FEEL that an expression of gratitude should be extended to those persons responsible for bringing this marvelous summer theater group to Lincoln. This summer theater is the only group of its kind in the middle-western states this year. We, the people of Lincoln should feel very proud that such a group is bringing the best in stage production to our capitol city.

Under the excellent direction of Lou Girard, the Hayloft theater group will present, "George and Margaret," for next weeks production. This is a British comedy with a brand new twist in play writing technique. A sparkling British drawing room laugh-riot that will leave you happy for a week after you see it!

The Hayloft Theater affords us a concise and comfortable place for stage entertainment. It may be reached by traveling east on South street to 59th street. You will see some of the outstanding Broadway plays during the current season of the Hayloft summer theater.

Pi Lambda Theta Announces Tea

Pi Lambda Theta, Teachers College scholastic honorary, has invited all University women enrolled in education courses to a tea Thursday, July 6, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Ellen Smith hall.

Mrs. Ruth R. Wagner, co-ordinator of instruction at West high school, Denver, Colo., will be the speaker.

Union to Close At 1 p.m. Friday

The Union food service facilities will go on vacation with students, beginning at 1 p.m. Friday, June 30. The Crib will also close at that time.

The Union will reopen at 7 a.m. Wednesday, July 5.

The meaning of "air travel" is being brought home to almost 200 Nebraska school teachers and superintendents attending the University summer session.

Flights to Omaha in a DC-3 United Airlines Mainliner 180 and a tour of the facilities of the Omaha airport, weather bureau, and control tower are being sponsored by the summer session and the Nebraska Department of Aeronautics, in cooperation with United Airlines.

Designed to acquaint elementary and secondary teachers with the mechanics and scope of air travel today, the program provides for ten flights to Omaha in June and July. According to Dr. Frank E. Sorenson, director of the summer session, "It is hoped that the program will help the teachers of Nebraska catch a vision of the world as a unit" which they can convey to their pupils.

Too Many Applicants

The flights are under the direction of Dr. H. R. Partridge, superintendent of the Alliance schools, who is with the University extension division this summer. More teachers have applied to go on the flights than can be accommodated this year in the scheduled trips, according to Dr. Partridge.

The teachers who participate in the program have a chance to learn about air travel and its effects from three angles

First, for many of them, the trip is their first experience flying. That in itself, in the words of one teacher "is enough of a thrill for the afternoon." Second, the view of the earth possible from the 2,500 to 8,000 feet above sea level at which the planes fly makes it possible to point out the effects of soil erosion, crop rotation, and conservation practices in a way not possible from any other point.

Lastly, the tours of the air field facilities in Omaha provide the teachers with a detailed, first-hand view of the complicated machinery which goes into the operation of a modern commercial air field.

Smaller Scale

The flight program began last year on a much smaller scale when groups of six teachers were taken to Omaha in small cabin planes. This year, five of the flights were made in June, and five more will be made the week of July 10 to 14. Twenty-one passengers go on each flight, on a plane staffed by a stewardess, captain, and first officer.

During the flight, the passengers are permitted to visit the cockpit two at a time and watch the actual flying procedure.

Points visited by the groups not illustrated in the photographs include the United Airlines ticket office, the lobby of the air field office, the United States weather bureau and the warehouses.

Twenty-One Teachers . . .



READY TO LEAVE—Ten flights of 21 passengers each are being made this summer in the air education program sponsored by the University, the Nebraska Department of Aeronautics, and United Airlines. Shown preparing to leave on the first flight are: (not in order) E. Louise Beeson, Mary Burnham, Mildred Russell, Faye Camp, Willis Jones, Wayne Kaeding, Barton Kline, Don Potter, and Wilma Sawyer, all of Beatrice; Glen Corum, Wymore; Vera Earl, Glenn James, and H. V. Taylor, of Hastings; Kenneth Freeman, Jack Riggle, and Dr. Joe Smith, of the University of Nebraska; Floyd Miller, Lincoln; Nels Sullivan, Loup City; Neal Witherow, Department of Aeronautics; and Dr. H. R. Partridge, Alliance, who is in charge of the flights. Flights to Omaha were made June 15, 17, 20, 21 and 22. Five more are planned for July 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Tickets Please . . .



WHERE TO?—Reservations are handled quickly and efficiently in the United Airlines reservation room shown above. A revolving table with files containing information on each flight into and out of Omaha makes it possible for the reservations clerks to handle calls for plane tickets with a minimum of waste time. The Omaha office handles on the average of 125 passengers a day, though on a peak day as many as 300 passengers may leave the field on United Airlines planes. In addition to handling Omaha requests, the clerks keep in touch with a central office in Denver, and other branch offices, to make sure each flight has the proper number of reservations. No "standing room only" is possible on airplanes, and it is essential that reservations from other parts of the country be checked by the Omaha office. Local calls are handled by a switchboard in the room above. A private phone line keeps the various airfields in touch with each other.

Commissary . . .



A BALANCED MEAL—In the United Airlines commissary, food for all flights leaving Omaha is prepared in large kitchens equipped with the latest devices for large scale cooking. Here Edward Melker, airlines official who takes the teachers on a tour of the field, shows a sample meal, each item of which is individually boxed for eating while in flight. A typical meal on a flight leaving Omaha would include an entree, a meat dish such as roast sirloin of beef, two vegetable dishes, rolls, salads, and dessert, in addition of a beverage. Meals are planned by expert dieticians, and are suitable for eating at high altitudes.

And Control Tower . . .



FLYING INSTRUCTIONS—In the Control tower, men are on duty 24-hours a day to guide commercial and private air craft to safe landings and take-offs. Radio operators keep tuned in to several channels at all times, thus remaining in contact with planes in a twenty-five mile radius of the field. The round appearing objects in the upper right and left corners of the picture are lights which are used to signal to planes not equipped with radios. In addition to flight instructions, the control tower relays information from the U. S. weather bureau about flight conditions to the pilots.