

Play wins praises

Opinion by Lucy Lien
Don't miss "Little Mary Sunshine" at Howell Theater. This production is probably one of the finest entertainment events in Lincoln.

It is definitely David Bell's best job of directing, perhaps a light comedy is more suited to his talents. In the past I have not been pleased with Bell's directing, especially for last season's play "Dark of the Moon". But don't let past performances influence you in this case, because he has done an excellent job of directing "Mary Sunshine."

This play, a satire on old musicals, is very, very funny. Jean Thomsen as Little Mary does a great job of playing the inane, but sweet heroine of the old times. David Landis as Captain "Big Jim" Warrington, the hero, has just the right touch of strong masculinity needed to mock the old, brave, good-hearted heroes.

George Hansen as Chief Brown Bear also does a fine job of playing the stoic Indian. And Cindy Wallis, playing Nancy Twinkle, as usual, captures the audience with her dominating and talented performance.

Bell has added just the right touches to this play to bring it off as a very funny, very enjoyable satire. The cast is suitably melodramatic about their actions to mock the musical, but professional enough to raise it above melodrama and into good comedy.

This play moves faster than most I've been to, and it's over far too soon. I know many who have already seen it plan to go again, so be sure you see it at least once.



The young ladies of the "Eastchester Finishing School" pose in a scene from "Mary Sunshine." They are starting in the top row: Jean Thomsen (left), Cindy Wallis; 2nd row: Kris Abart (from left), Jann Simpson, Dee Amerio; 3rd row: (from left) Holly DeBuse, Missy Critchfield and Judy Zimmermann.

Fellowship awarded to student planning to teach dentistry

Roger E. Jurgens, D.D.S. and a graduate student in orthodontics in the College of Dentistry at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, is one of 14 dentists from throughout the country awarded teacher training fellowships for the 1974-75 academic year by the American Fund for Dental Health.

For Jurgens, the fellowship is a renewal of a similar fellowship awarded last year.

The fellowship includes a stipend of \$6,000, a \$500 allowance for each dependent, and full tuition costs. The fellowship is for one-year of study at the graduate level and may be renewed for a second

year if the recipient is engaged in a two-year course.

All recipients must certify that they intend to teach a minimum of 2 1/2 days per week for five consecutive years

at an institution conducting a program of undergraduate professional education in dentistry accredited by the American Dental Association.

Political shows programmed for 4th

An old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration is in store for Nebraska ETV viewers.

The sailing ship "Eagle" rings with the sound of John Philip Sousa marches when it becomes the site of a U.S. Coast Guard band concert at 3 p.m. Now in America, the three-masted ship which was launched in Germany under Adolf Hitler is used as a training vessel for cadets at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy.

Founded by Sousa in 1925, the famous military band will play such marches as "Washington Post," "El Capitan" and "The Stars and Stripes Forever" on the NETV program entitled "Eagle."

At 7 p.m., a children's interpretation of the American Revolution is related on "A Birthday Story." Narrated in story book form, the program uses animated drawings by children as well as a children's chorus to tell of the British occupation, the taxes levied against the Americans and the rebellions. Other historical events included in the program are the First Continental Congress, the origin of the flag and the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

In January of 1967, while flying a combat mission over North Vietnam, Naval Commander Richard A. Stratton was forced to eject from his aircraft. He was captured by the North Vietnamese and held prisoner for six-and-a-half years. "2,251 Days," the story of Stratton's years in a Hanoi prison camp and his home-

coming will be broadcast at 7:30 p.m. on the Nebraska ETV Network.

Fifty-seven Nebraskans who have won America's highest military award, the Congressional Medal of Honor, were recently inducted into the Nebraska Hall of Fame during a special ceremony. Broadcast

live when it took place in May, the event will be broadcast

again on the Nebraska ETV Network, July 4 at 10 p.m. on a

program entitled "The Bravest of the Brave."

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