

# Zany Antics Cure For Smugness

By TIM RICHARD

If you lived through the depression, or any part of it, and you suspect your mind-teenager has little appreciation of that era, then consider heading up the ear and hauling everyone down to see "You Can't Take It With You."

The 1936 Pulitzer Prize winner, by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman is being presented by Wayne State University students in the Bonstelle Theater, which is on the east side of Woodward Avenue just south of the WSU campus.

True, some of the stuff is a bit dated. True, these student performances aren't the best.

BUT THE PLAY is an excellent antidote for the intellectual smugness of some of the young folks who have been so flattered about the schooling they got that they think THEY invented anti-intellectualism and "doing your own thing."

It's the story of a zany family called the Sycamores and their loving but straight-laced daughter who falls in love with the boss's son down at the Wall Street brokerage house.

"Straight" society is cut down to size by an old grandfather, who gave up an undisciplined "business" 35 years prior in order to enjoy life and attend the commencement exercises at Columbia each year, a father and friend who make explosives and fireworks; a mother who gave up

an unfinished painting and is working on 10 unfinished plays simultaneously.

The foregoing paragraph will sound contrived and fictional to the young folks of today. But this playgoer, who was lucky enough in his arrival to miss most of the depression, knew such a family and can attest to the intellectual honesty of it all. There really were people like that.

THERE IS NO point belaboring the play, its moral and its acting and direction with further analysis. If it sounds like what you and the family need, then go.

It will be repeated at 8:30 the evenings of May 15-16 and 22-23 with matinee performances at 2:30 on Thursday, May 14 and Sunday, the 24th.

I just loved the make-up job and facial expression they did on the rich young man's mother.

## WSU Club In Concert

Wayne State University's Men's Glee Club will be joined by a mezzo-soprano and a boys' glee club for its second annual scholarship concert. The concert is set for 8:30 p.m., Friday, May 22 in Ford Auditorium, Detroit.

Maxine Norman will be featured as guest soloist in the "Alto Rhapsody" by Brahms. She is a former Wayne student

# Amusements

## Art Educators Plan Wayne Conference

Art education in Farmington, Southfield and Plymouth schools will be among the topics discussed at a two-day conference in art education at Wayne State University Friday and Saturday, May 15 and 16.

The program is for art education students, art educators and artists in the Metropolitan Detroit Area, with programs running each day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Among many other areas of art education covered will be the elementary painting program in Farmington schools, coordinated art curriculum and facility planning in Southfield schools and the visual arts service in Plymouth schools.

Taking part in planning for the conference is Otto Jiskra, associate professor of art education at Wayne, who makes his home in Westland. Students involved in the planning include Janet Black and Pat Tyler of Livonia and Marilyn Rizzo of Southfield.

# Catholic Parishes Sponsor Movies

Responding to pleas for family movie entertainment in downtown Detroit, two Catholic parishes have formed a non-profit corporation that will bring full-length, uncut, moderately priced films afternoons and evenings to the Music Hall Theater, 330 Madison at Brush.

Civic, government and church leaders have been invited to the opening evening performance May 15.

"SO FAR AS we know this effort to meet a nationally expressed need is unique," said the Rev. John E. Nader, C.S.S., pastor of St. Mary Parish at St. Antoine and Monroe.

"We are hopeful the response will be sufficient to show a profit, which will go to the poor and needy."

"No one should come expecting pious piffle." Father Ward said. "To make sure that everyone gets the idea from the start we are opening May 15 with two W.C. Fields masterpieces, 'The Bank Dick' and 'Never Give a Sucker an Even Break.'"

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