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"THE DESPERATE HOURS"

by

JOSEPH HAYES

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When Colin Paull accepted the task of producing "The Desperate Hours" he was under no illusions as to the difficulties ahead, but he lost no time in meeting them face to face.

Before he had cast the play he was working with stage manager, George Scott, on plans for the unusual set and with the lighting man, on the extremely intricate lighting plot.

When it came to casting the play there were many who couldn't overlook Colin Paull himself as Glenn Griffin.

Perhaps many of us looked back to a play called "Murder Mistaken" and Colin's memorable portrayal of the neurotic murderer Edward Bare. If he could combine the cold murderous split personality of Bare with the violent hate of Glenn Griffin, then he must do the part himself.

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COMING EVENTS

The Community Theatre will set the mood for Mackay's light-hearted Tourist Festival this year with its production of "Teahouse of the August Moon".

The Festival production has always been a big event for the group, and this year we have chosen a play that promises to be one of the most lovable comedies seen in this city.

Jim Bussell is producing "Teahouse" and he has already begun rehearsals with an experienced cast.

Looking a little further ahead than the Festival, there is this year's Central Queensland Drama Festival at Rockhampton.

The Community Theatre will be defending the title and trophy won by Jim Brown and the cast of "Fumed Oak" last year. In contrast to the old Noel Coward comedy, it is likely that an Australian drama will be our entry in this year's festival.

THE MACKAY
COMMUNITY THEATRE

PRESENTS

"The Desperate Hours"

BY
JOSEPH HAYES

Cost

In Order of Appearance:

Tom Winston	ERNIE ADAMSON
Jesse Bard	JAN SMITH
Harry Carson	IAN COOK
Eleanor Hilliard	BETTY ATKINSON
Ralphie Hilliard	TREVOR DUNCAN
Dan Hilliard	DOUG ANGUS
Cindy Hilliard	LYN ROWE
Glenn Griffin	COLIN PAULL
Hank Griffin	BILL LANGDON
Robish	FRANK DAVIES
Chuck Wright	JIM BROWN
Mr. Patterson	SID WALSH
Lt. Carl Fredericks	NEVILLE HALL
Miss Swift	JOSEPHINE McDERMOTT

Note on the Play.

JOSEPH HAYES was born in 1918 in Indianapolis, the city which is the setting for "THE DESPERATE HOURS".

"THE DESPERATE HOURS" was written first as a novel, then adapted by the author for the stage and later presented as a film.

In this narrative Mr. Hayes wants to show what happens when an average American family is faced with a crisis of an unexpected and terrifying nature.

Play Produced by
COLIN PAULL

Synopsis of Scenes

The action of the play takes place in the City of Indianapolis.
The time is the present.

Act I A day in autumn
Act II Later
Act III Later

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ABOUT THE CAST

Having dealt with the role of Glen Griffin on another page, let us look briefly at the rest of to-night's cast:—

A newcomer to the group, **Doug Angus**, plays Dan Hilliard in to-night's production, but he is supported by a cast mostly familiar to Mackay audiences. **Betty Atkinson**, as Eleanor Hilliard, has produced and acted with the group for some years, her last performance being in the prize-winning "Fumed Oak" at the Central Queensland Drama Festival. **Lyn Rowe** (Cindy) was "Belinda" in "Johnny Belinda" last year, and Ralphie Hilliard is played by schoolboy **Trevor Duncan**, who shows promise seldom apparent in one so young. **Bill Langdon** (Hank Griffin) has been a useful small part player over the past few years, while **Frank Davies** (Robish) enhances his reputation as a character actor. **Jim Brown** (Chuck Wright) was David in "Dear Delinquent" and produced "Fumed Oak" and "The Little Hut". **Jan Smith** does a quick change in character from that of Black McDonald in "Johnny Belinda" to take on the role of Jesse Bard, while **Ian Cook** (Carson) has a little more to say than he did as the stranger in "The Little Hut". **Neville Hall** (Fredericks) was Swam Perkins in "Only an Orphan Girl" last year, and **Ernie Adamson** (Winston) was in "Dial M for Murder" at last year's Tourist Festival. **Josephine McDermott**, a real life school teacher, makes a brief appearance as fictional school teacher, Miss Swift.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Exciting things are bound to happen in a group that is progressive, forward thinking and courageous enough to try new things.

That's why working with the Community Theatre has been so stimulating during the past two years.

Excitement among our closer members has been high during recent weeks as final negotiations have been made for the purchase of the Theatre's own building.

It is now with great pleasure that I announce that the Theatre owns its own clubhouse and land.

The building, at 141 Shakespeare Street, will be the permanent home of the Community Theatre, and we are wasting no time in "moving house".

The purchase of this property will, I am sure, be looked on in future years as the most courageous and forward thinking move in the history of the group.

I would like to express the thanks of the Community Theatre to all those people who have helped the group to achieve this objective.

JAN SMITH, Director.

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