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Robots Romp As Players Give R. U. R.

Albert Henderson,
Mary Halliburton,
Praised by Reviewer

By WALTER KENEST
Staff Reviewer

The Mercer Players scored another triumph Tuesday night when they presented, under the direction of Wilbur Stout, a fantastic, Frankensteinish affair, entitled Rossum's Universal Robots, at Willingham chapel.

The play was a satirical masterpiece, illustrating what is likely to happen if the world continues to revolve upon its present modern, industrialized axis. The play, in order of sequence, evolved around the creation of robots by human beings, the revolt of the robots and the destruction of man, and the awakening of the robots to the realization that they possessed souls, making them human beings themselves. It was all quite complicated, but enjoyable and diverting.

The Mercer Players displayed talent and imagination in successfully offering a play which required a tremendous amount of power in order to capture the favor of the audience. Although it was a ridiculous and utterly unimaginable thing, it proved to be very entertaining, due largely to the fact that it was something different and out-of-the-ordinary.

Players deserving notable praise are Albert Henderson (and his mustache) who stole the whole show, Mary Halliburton who, during the second act, succeeded in rolling the audience in the aisles, Nathan Nolan, definitely a character actor, and Virginia Fincher who flittered on and off the stage, adding color and femininity to the play.

Sara Boone and Rogers Nelson (campus sweeties) were the first robots to show any sign of being human as they brought the play to a close by darting affectionate glances at one another. (tch-tch Henry Warnock, a robot with a southern accent, brought in the "old South" element. Thomas Boone, a discontented robot, possessed the most audible voice of all the players.

Nat Kaderly, who is always good, wore a beard that might easily have housed innumerable vermin, and provided a bit of

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Pres. Richter Asks Financial Report

Horace Richter reminded students this week of Article IV of the student body constitution which states that "each student organization and publication receiving money from the student activities fund shall publish at the end of each quarter a statement of all receipts and expenditures."

The student body president said that these reports must be ready for publication not later than the second issue of The Cluster in the winter quarter. He announced that all violators will be dealt with by the Student Council as provided in the constitution.

Cluster to Resume News Broadcasting

First Broadcast of
Year to Go on WBML
At 5:15 P. M. Today

After a lapse of six months The Cluster will return to the air Friday afternoon at 5:15, beginning a new series of weekly student news broadcasts.

The new series of broadcasts will be over station WBML rather than station WMAZ. Fifteen minutes in length, the newscast will be given by John Couric, Cluster editor, and various members of The Cluster staff.

The broadcasts, begun two years ago when Herbert Bailey was editor of The Cluster, were given irregularly last year by John Hogan and John Couric.

The Cluster pioneered in college radio newscasting, and was the first college newspaper in Georgia to go on the air.

Programs last year over WMAZ ran from five to seven minutes in length. This year's series of programs will last from 12 to 15 minutes.

In donating the time to The Cluster as a public service feature of their station, WBML officials offered their help and cooperation in any other Mercer projects. "If we can aid the university in any way, or help in publicizing any of the major programs of the school, we will be glad to do so," they said.

Ted Lewis Gave Mercer Figure Start

By FIELDS VARNER

"It's swell to be back in Macon after a 27 year absence," said Ted Lewis in his dressing room of the Grand Theater this week. "You probably wouldn't remember, but the last appearance I gave here was with an act called Lewis and Lewis, that was back in 1913."

That was two years before he organized his band and opened his first engagement at the world famous Coney Island. "But that wasn't my first band," he added. "I have been playing the clarinet since I was a high school kid in the school band in my home town of Ceville, Ohio."

Discovered Ruth Terry

Having just completed an engagement at the Hawaiian Blue room of the Roosevelt hotel in New Orleans he was headed for the Royal Palm club in Miami. "By the way, one of your local girls was discovered there, while singing in my show—Ruth Terry." After being told that Miss Terry hailed from Benton Harbor, Michigan, although she did spend some time in Macon, he added that she also appeared with him at the Chez Paree in Chicago.

Ruth was a familiar face on the Mercer's campus five years ago, at which time her brother was a student here. Some students probably remember her frequent visits to the class rooms, not as a student — just a visitor.

Today she is in Hollywood, going by the way of Ted Lewis' band. This 20 year old stage veteran recently checked in as a recruit of Walter Wanger. She's never had a singing lesson in her life, but she puts over a song with a bang.

She first became a newspaper item as Ruth McMahon in Benton Harbor, Michigan in 1920. Entering the entertainment world at the age of 12, she was first discovered by Irving Berlin. After singing in some of the country's top night spots, she was rediscovered by a 20th Century Fox scout while singing at the Royal Palm in Miami three years ago.

Has Made Six Movies

Pictures to her credit include, Love and Hisses, Alexander's Ragtime Band, Hotel For Women, Hold That Co-Ed, Slightly Honorable, and she is currently playing the feminine lead in Sing

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RUTH TERRY

Status of Athletes Remains Undecided

Committee Promises Decision Before Beginning of Holidays

The fate of athletes on scholarships, and intercollegiate football itself, was still undecided at press time Thursday, but a statement from an athletic committee spokesman indicated that a decision regarding athletic scholarships would be reached on or before next Wednesday.

Latest development in the Mercer intercollegiate athletic came last Monday when all athletes on football and basketball scholarships received letters telling them that, excluding seniors, all full scholarships would be discontinued after this quarter.

Baskin to Go To National Blue Key Meet

Ernest Baskin, president of the Mercer chapter of Blue Key, national honorary fraternity, will represent the local group at the national convention to be held in Kansas City, Kans., on Dec. 27-28.

This convention is held every two years with each of the 55 chapters sending delegates. It is always held during the Christmas holiday. At the last convention Ivan Lester was the representative from Mercer.

Plans are also underway to bring several prominent speakers to the campus after the holidays to speak on the effectiveness of the honor system, according to Blue Key officials.

Club to Sing Xmas Music

Christmas music featured the chapel services today when the Glee club presented a program of carols. Mrs. Lee Wood presented the chorus, accompanied by Mr. Wood on the organ.

Harold Beaty rendered Jesu Bambino, and Earline Younginer soloed with the club when she sang O Holy Night by Adams. Handel's Hallelujah Chorus is a major number by the choir.

Bill Latta, business manager of the Glee club, announced that plans are being made for a performance in Fort Valley early in the winter quarter. The annual South Georgia trip probably will be made in March, he said.

Dictum Club Gives Plaque

The Dictum club recently presented the Law school with a bronze plaque in the interest of scholastic achievements.

Every year the name of the most outstanding law freshman in scholarship will be inscribed on the plaque. Russell Davison and Sam Lowe will also have their names engraved on the plaque in recognition of the fact that they were outstanding in their respective freshman classes.

Professor David M. Field, acting dean of the Law school, accepted the gift and announced that the plaque will be hung in the Moot Court room.

All other scholarships were to be reduced to tuition scholarships, according to the letters. Seniors graduating in June, were to be allowed to remain on

Read comment on the Situation by Sports Editor Lee Coney.

full scholarship provided they had maintained a "C" average.

The present athletic set-up, has such an indefinite status that tonight's basketball game has been postponed.

Possible solution suggested to take complete care of the athletes now on scholarship are (1) abandonment of football at Mercer for one year in order to make players eligible to play football at some other college. (2) continuance of the present set-up.

The way it stands now it will probably be necessary to consider each case individually and reach a satisfactory agreement with each boy, a committee spokesman told The Cluster Thursday morning.

Around 30 boys are effected by the proposed change.

Fall Exams Start Monday

Final exams, preceding Christmas holidays are scheduled for the first three days of next week. Following the schedule used in the past, the 8:10 class will meet Monday morning, and the 12:30 class will meet Monday afternoon.

Tuesday the 9:10 and 11:30 classes will hold exams in the morning and afternoon respectively.

Wednesday morning will be reserved for the 10:05 classes, and the afternoon will be used to take exams which have conflicted.

The Christmas holidays, beginning whenever students finish their exams, will end on Jan. 2 instead of Dec. 30, as scheduled in the University catalogue. Students will be required to attend classes on the Saturday following the beginning of the Winter quarter in order to attend the minimum number of classes required by standardizing agencies. Maj. J. D. Blair, registrar, explained this week.

Let's Have Honor!

In cooperation with Blue Key Honor fraternity, sponsors of honor system amendment, The Cluster will present each week, a statement from some campus leader as to why Mercer needs an honor system. The feature will be run on the front page every week for several issues. Watch for it.

Are you interested in Mercer? If so, it cannot be better proven than by doing your part toward adopting a Working Honor System. Having been in the Arts Schools where there definitely is no Honor system, I say that it would be the most progressive and beneficial step ever taken by the Mercer students.—

Horace Richter