

"Ah ha, my proud beauty, I'll get you yet!"

"Is there anything wrong with my hearing? Could I have heard these ominous words?" thought our Roundup reporter, who was looking for an interview with Miss Meenach.

Summoning up a degree of courage, our interviewer knocked timidly and fearfully on the door of Room 413. On entering, she discovered Miss Meenach, seated serenely and peacefully, watching a group of our Thespians "tread the boards." Miss Meenach graciously consented to give the information the Roundup desired about the history of her Theatre Arts classes.

"Dramatics and Radio workshop have had a phenomenal growth at Southwest. Beginning in 1941, our Dramatics groups had no props to help them, but we didn't worry too much about that. After all, Shakespeare's Elizabethan theatre didn't have any either. We did have, however, the talent necessary for success, and we started off with vim and vigor. As time passed, we became better equipped; our talent remained high in quality, and the number participating grew rapidly."

"I can say the same for my radio classes. Although Radio is one of the newer subjects, coming into being in 1945, it soon became very popular, and our students soon gained recognition at KSLH. We can boast, too, of now having one of the finest and best equipped studios in the city."

"I have not kept track of all my students who have chosen to follow the theatre professionally," Miss Meenach resumed. "I am still in touch with a few of them, however. Emma Jean Kraemer, of the class of June, '46, had an important part in "Can Can" this winter. Kathy Nolan (Joselyn Schrumm) of the June, '51 class, whom you probably saw as Wendy in Peter Pan is now in Hollywood. Ralph Becker, class of June, '49, is a big wheel at SIU at Carbondale. Dick McGee, of the Jan., '52 class, is operating a Radio station in Melbourne, Florida; Charley Jones, class of June, '50, is working at KMOX, and Al Scollay, class of June, '48, is teaching television and radio at Missouri University."

Dramatics Two - Fall



Row One: N. Winkler, J. Eggeman, D. Bryant, M. England.
Row Two: D. Minderman, M. Meyer, J. Shankland, R. Montgomery, A. Stephan, N. Leonard, M. Loving, J. Fourland.
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