

Irish and irony produces first studio theatre stopper

By Richard Kupsch

Irish playwrights are intrigued with irony, especially when an ironical situation is the outcome of human learning. This statement applies to Eugene O'Neill's *A Touch of the Poet*.

The protagonist of the play, Con Melody, lives in the past. Melody considers himself to be of "noble" birth because he was born in a castle. Ladykiller, war-hero and peacock, Melody is a man who is

either hated or sympathized with, depending on the situation, and either reaction has no rational basis.

But, where Melody can exist after he destroys his past and the man he had been, his dreams and memories were the stuff of his wife's and daughter's existence; particularly of his rebellious daughter Sara, who on the surface appears to hate him for these very dreams and memories.

The play is ably rendered by a competent cast. The handling of

the Irish brogue was particularly effective. All the characters gave what there roles demanded of them, except for Maureen Murphy, who played the daughter Sara. She was not able to rise to the heights of sarcasm that her part demanded of her. Although her performance was by no means brilliant, it was on the whole sufficient to make the play one of the best, technically at least, that Studio Theatre has presented the last couple of seasons.

Campus cops warn 500; two dollars next time

Five hundred students, warning tickets in hand, have reported to the Campus Patrol for their first driving offence. About seven have paid the \$2 fine for a second violation.

Tickets are being issued at such a rate that a requisition has been made by the patrol for 2,000 more.

To date 2,100 student cars have been registered and these must compete for 860 parking stalls. Any student failing to register his vehicle is liable to a maximum fine of \$25.00.

CARD REQUIRED

The pink card required for registration serves as proof of the financial responsibility of the driver. "This will keep irresponsible drivers off the campus," said Major R. C. Hooper, Advisor to Men Students.

"Failure to pay fines is regarded in the same category as non-payment of fees or other debts to the university," said Hooper. The Registrar's office will not issue marks, and degrees will not be awarded to the offenders until the fine is paid.

University staff members also are subject to penalties for traffic mis-

demeanours. The academic staff will be reported to their Dean or department head in the event of a violation. "Appropriate disciplinary action" will be enforced by a personnel offices for non-academic offenders.

ETS SUGGESTED

Unofficial permission has been given for student use of the Jubilee Auditorium parking lot. However, due to the extreme scarcity of parking space students are urged to use city transportation facilities whenever possible.

Parking penalties run as follows:
 (a) first offence warning
 (b) second offence \$2.00 fine
 (c) third offence \$5.00 fine
 (d) subsequent offences—withdrawal of campus parking privileges and referral to Deans' Council for cancellation of campus permit or any such other penalty as the Deans' Council may deem fit under the circumstances.

Upped age said conception stopper

"Raising the driving age to 21 will decrease the number of passion pit pregnancies, illegitimate births and shotgun marriages," shouted Branny Schepanovich, Gateway news editor, while arguing the affirmative in Wednesday's Huggill Cup Debate.

The topic was "Resolved: that the driving age be raised to 21 years." The debate was well-attended and well-received.

Schepanovich and partner Dave Willis, arts 2, defeated Colin Evans, arts 1, and Hugh Lynch-Staunton, arts 2, as the resolution was upheld.

Arguing the negative, Lynch-Staunton claimed "intellectual fulfilment" could be gained in parked cars. He also questioned the methods used by the affirmative in obtaining their information. Statistical information proving the abilities of "under 21" drivers rounded out the negative's arguments.

In rebutting a charge that his arguments were abstract, Schepanovich said "babies are very concrete." Some members of the audience hissed when he mentioned that women drivers are also subject to the affirmative's criticisms.

Bob Jarvis, a member of the McGoun team, judged the debate.

REVOLUTION TRIALS

12:30 p.m. CON HALL

Gateway Short Shorts

University of Alberta

After October 31 a student's registration is subject to cancellation for non-payment of fees and the student to exclusion from classes. Fees are payable to the cashier in the Administration building. Please present your fee card with payment.

Wednesday, Oct. 25

Any individuals or groups interested in Performing in Varsity Varieties please meet in West Lounge 7:30 p.m.

The Campus Liberal Club will hold a meeting in the West Lounge at 4:00 p.m.

VCF skating party at Varsity Arena at 8:00 p.m. followed by refreshments and address by Wilbur Sutherland, general secretary, VCF in Wauneita Lounge.

United Church Girls' Fellowship monthly supper meeting at 5:30 p.m. in St. Stephen's College Lounge.

Speaker: Gordon Weese, General Secretary, SCM.

There will be a New Democratic Party Club meeting in Room 142 of Arts Building at 12:30 p.m. Professor Powrie of the Economics Dept. will talk on "A Planned Economy For Canada." Everyone welcome.

SCM Panel "The Secular Revolution in North-American Society" at 8:30 p.m. in Arts 135.

H. Wilbur Sutherland of Toronto, general-secretary of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship of Canada, will speak at the Campus Leaders Smorgasbord in the Jubilee Auditorium. He will also address a noon meeting in Med 2022.

Friday, Oct. 27

Dr. H. Wohlfarth, will speak on modern art in the SCM House, 11136-90 Ave. at 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 29

The Former Pembinita Tea will be held from 3-5 p.m. at Pembina Hall. All former Pembinitas are invited to attend.

The Golden Bear basketball team will commence practices Friday, Oct. 27 at 5 p.m. in the main gymnasium, PEB. All former players and new prospects are urged to turn out.

Applications for the position of Manager of the Golden Bear basketball team will be received by Coach Steve Mendryk at PEB before 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26.

Students of German origin or of German literature who would like to participate in the production of a German play to be put on by the German Department, contact Miss Maria Sporleder, Arts 106. (Phone Ext. 538.)

Homecoming initiated with downtown pageant

By Gordon Walker

A dauntless band of university students formed a parade and munched through downtown Edmonton Saturday morning to begin homecoming weekend celebrations. Cancellation of the Friday night outdoor dance and barbecue made the parade the opening event.

"The parade came off very well," stated homecoming committee chairman Bob Hicks, "especially since it was a new event in the annual celebrations." Hicks said city police were instrumental in making the parade a success by keeping the traffic out of its immediate path.

A total of 22 gleaming floats and ageless autos laden with cheering students drew a sizable crowd along Jasper Avenue. The gleaming caravan moved toward the university where it was met by a waiting crowd of students.

PRIZES AWARDED

During the afternoon's football game the prizes for the best floats were awarded. The dentists walked off with the prize for the best float while the Pharmacy faculty took honors for the winning club or faculty float. The fraternity competition prize-winner came from the Phi Kappa Pi boys.

The Golden Bears chalked up a stunning win over Saskatchewan's Huskies, topping them 29-1. Here again wintry weather distressed neither student nor alumni fans whose number reached close to 2,500.

Present at the contest was a hard core of 100 vocal Saskatchewan fans and cheerleaders. These were effectively outcheered by a surprisingly well organized band of Albertans.

POWDER PUFFERS

At half time the women's sororities took to the field to play off for the Powder Puff Bowl. The Kappa Alpha Theta squad first vanquished the Pi Beta Phi girls in a 5 minute contest and then moved on to lose out to Delta Gamma in the final 10 minutes bout.

Homecoming weekend success carried over into the Saturday night dance in the varsity rink where a large crowd, composed of students, recent alumni and sundry other off campus groups, danced to the music of Wes Dakus and his band.

Historians spoken to

By N. Boutillier

E. E. Rich, professor of Imperial History at Cambridge University spoke to the first annual meeting of the Historical Society of Alberta last week in the West Lounge of SUB.

Professor Rich spoke on "The Saskatchewan and the Approach to the Pacific" emphasizing David Thompson and the race against the Americans.

12-YEAR JOB

"David Thompson had been engaged in the task of finding a trade route to the Pacific from 1798 onwards. Yet it was 1810 before he finished. This pioneer took twelve years to do the job. Twelve very important years."

What implications this had on the history of Canada can only be a matter of conjecture, he said. David Thompson's experiences, though, led to the formation of the Lewis and Clarke Expedition, so that when Thompson finally reached the Columbia headwaters in 1810, he found the Americans already there.

What reasons did David Thompson have for postponing his expedition? Professor Rich maintains it was a

factor in his mental approach: "David Thompson was a strong family man. If only he'd had his heart in the business, instead of wanting to run off home each winter, he could have done it any time from 1800 onward."

PARAGON OF VIRTUE

"David Thompson was a paragon of all virtues. He didn't smoke, didn't swear, didn't drink. All the facts about David Thompson are true. But as every Historian knows, you can look on a fact from two points of view. David Thompson emerges as a sanctimonious hypocrite."

David Thompson surveyed and mapped more territory than any other man, and as such his contribution to Canadian development is unique.

Professor Rich, an authority on Commonwealth history, has published several books in this field, using Hudson's Bay Company Archives.

\$5,000 art collection on display at u of a

The Carnegie Foundation Collection is now on display on the second and third floors of the Arts building.

These reproductions, worth approximately \$5,000 and owned by the University of Alberta will be changed every two months during the university year. These changes will cover the history of western art. The display is open to the public.

It is interesting to note these exhibits have been used by various departments of the university, such as modern languages, history and classics. They have also been used by the fine arts department for instruction in the studio; by the summer school session of the Banff School of Fine Arts; by various cultural organizations in the city and in

the many communities which the university serves.

In the hallway of the third floor a display of antique art may be seen, while Medieval art—reproductions of Gothic cathedrals— and Barbaric— or art of the Migrations— may be seen on the second floor.

While these reproductions are excellent for study purposes, the conditions under which they are viewed are deplorable. Thumbtacks and pins have been used to display the exhibits, and the lighting is poor.

Which students should see these reproductions? The answer to this is simple. All students who wish an education in the broad sense of the word should make it a point to observe and to try to understand these concrete examples of their heritage.

CO-ED CORNER

The FENCING club will hold its first meeting Thursday, Oct. 26, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Dance Studio (PEB). N. Rosta, former Olympic fencer, is again coaching the club. At the moment there are only six girls attending this club, so all girls interested are urged to come. From the members of the club three girls and three men will be chosen to represent the U of A at the WCIAU competitions

to be held in late February.

The FIGURE SKATING club will meet for the first time Wednesday, Oct. 25, 12:30 p.m. in Rm. 126 (PEB). From the members of this club the intervarsity team will eventually be chosen. Last year the team tied for first position with the U of S, but due to the lack of seniors on the Alberta team, Saskatchewan took the trophy. Intersvarsity competitions this year will be held in February at this university. For further information contact Cathy Whelihan at HU 8-1855.