HOBSON'S CHOICE

A LANCASHIRE COMEDY

by
HAROLD BRIGHOUSE



Presented by

THE LEEDS ARTS CENTRE DRAMA GROUP

at

THE LEEDS CIVIC THEATRE

TUESDAY-SATURDAY 14th-18th SEPTEMBER 1954
7-30 p.m.

HOBSON'S CHOICE

A Play in Four Acts By HAROLD BRIGHOUSE

Characters in order of appearance:

Alice Hobson ANNE THOMAS JOYCE ADCOCK Maggie Hobson PAT HARRISON Vickey Hobson Albert Prosser BRIAN ROY RONALD WILKINSON Henry Horatio Hobson ROSEMARY KEENE Mrs. Hepworth Tubby Wadlow ... ROLAND LINDUP Willie Mossop GORDON CALEB Jim Heeler **BILL ROGERSON VALERIE SMITH** Ada Figgins JOHN WOOD Freddy Beenstock STANLEY WALINETS Dr. MacFarlane or COLIN IBBOTSON

The Play produced by ROY JOHNSON

Our next production, November 2nd—6th, 1954

"DON'T LISTEN LADIES"

By SACHA GUITRY

Translated by STEPHEN POWYS and GUY BOLTON

Salford in the year 1880.

ACT I Hobson's Boot Shop, Chapel Street

ACT II The same one month later

(INTERVAL 10 MINUTES)

ACT III Willie Mossop's Cellar, Oldfield Road

(INTERVAL 10 MINUTES)

ACT IV

Hobson's living room, Chapel Street. One year later

Stage Managers Mary Dobson, Jack Lewis Assistant Stage Manager Douglas Butterfield Wardrobe Director Cora Greaves Wardrobe Mistress Betty Pearson Properties ... Rose Taylor, Jo Denton Elizabeth Tinker Set Designer Auditorium Manager ... Ernest Greaves John Spencer, Brian Gibbons Box Office Manager Jean Miller Publicity Manager Walter Miller Lighting Jean Miller Music ... Elizabeth Beall Prompt Programme Cover Elaine Cooper

Sets built and painted by Elizabeth Tinker, Jack Lewis, Stella Ramsbottom, Douglas Butterfield, Winifred Swallow, Roland Lindup

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Musical Chairs

Grand National Night

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Rope

Caesar's Friend

Ghosts

The Mask and the Face
The Merchant of Venice

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Druid's Rest
The Blue Goose

The Rose Without a Thorn

Village Wooing

The Shop at Sly Corner

Nine Till Six And So to Bed Ever Since Paradise

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Bonaventure

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My Sister Eileen
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