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"THE GREEN PASTURES"

by MARC CONNELLY

UNION THEATRE :-: JUNE 24-27, 1959

The Author's Note

"The Green Pastures" is an attempt to present certain aspects of a living religion in the terms of its believers. The religion is that of thousands of negroes in the deep South. With terrific spiritual hunger and the greatest humility they have adapted the contents of the Bible to the consistencies of their everyday lives.

. . . they accept the Old Testament as a chronicle of wonders which happened to people like themselves in vague but actual places . . .

. . . if one has been born in a district where fish frys are popular, in Heaven the angels will have magnificent fish frys . . . The Lord Jehovah will be the promised comforter . . . and may look like the Reverend Mr. Dubois as our Sunday School teacher speculates in the play, or he may resemble another believer's own grandfather . . .

One need not blame a hazy memory of the Bible for the failure to recall the characters of Hezdrel, Zeba and others in the play. They are the author's apocrypha, but he believes persons much like them have figured in the meditations of some of the old Negro preachers, whose simple faith he has tried to translate into a play.

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The play produced by BARBARA ANN STEPHENSON.

In order that there should be no misunderstanding, the producer and cast would like to stress that they regard the character "The Lord God" solely as a part of the Negro Sunday School child's conception of Heaven, and in no way as an attempt to represent the Deity.

"THE GREEN PASTURES"

DE LAWD -- Ron Brandt

—: PART I :—

Scene I — The Sunday School

MR. DESHEE Ian Maddocks. MYRTLE Sheila Fitzpatrick.

CHILDREN Robin Alexander, Brigid McCaughey, Mary McCaughey, Esther Yule, Michael Alexander, John McCaughey, Olivia Newton-John, Peter Yule.

Scene 2 — A Fish Fry

FIRST COOK David Paul. SECOND COOK Ian Sloan. MAMMY ANGEL Jean Watters. STOUT ANGEL Rachel Faggetter. SLENDER ANGEL Juliet Lewis. ARCHANGEL Ian Maddocks.

GABRIEL Hugh Newton-John.

CHERUBS Robin Alexander, Brigid McCaughey, Mary McCaughey, Esther Yule, Michael Alexander, John McCaughey, Olivia Newton-John, Peter Yule.

ANGELS Roslyn Angell, Anne Ballantyne, Cathryn Breen, Stephanie Burchett, Jenny Dodd, Sheila Fitzpatrick, Winifred Hall, Lillian Ho, Lynette Hodgins, Alison Jowett, Catherine Menzies, Joan Muller, Lynn Oeser, Virginia Spate. Peter Aumann, Duncan Eales, Gordon Ennis, Graham Falk, William Johnston, John Luck, Rupert Palmer, Graeme Robson, Noel Sherson, Robert Smith, Alexander Yule.

Scene 3 — A Garden

ADAM Graeme Griffin.

EVE Susan White.

Scene 4 — Outside the Garden CAIN Robert Patterson.

Scene 5 — A Roadside

CAIN Robert Patterson.

CAIN'S GIRL Ann Woodward.

Scene 6 — A Private Office

GABRIEL Hugh Newton-John.

Scene 7 — Another Roadside and a House

ZEBA Camilla Maxwell.

CAIN THE SIXTH Robert Patterson. BOY GAMBLER John McCaughey.

FIRST GAMBLER David Paul.

SECOND GAMBLER Ian Sloan.

NOAH Ian Maddocks.

Scene 8 — A House

NOAH'S WIFE Jennifer Murphy. NOAH Ian Maddocks.

Scene 9 — A Hillside

NOAH Ian Maddocks.

SHEM Charles Palmer.

HAM James McCaughey.

JAPHETH George Baird.

FIRST WOMAN Beverly Farmer.

SECOND WOMAN Julie Shiell.

THIRD WOMAN Nola Leopold. FLATFOOT Graeme Wood. ZEBA Camilla Maxwell. CAIN THE SIXTH Robert Patterson. FIRST GAMBLER David Paul. SECOND GAMBLER Ian Sloan.

Scene 10 — A Mountain Top

SHEM Charles Palmer. HAM James McCaughey. JAPHETH George Baird.

NOAH Ian Maddocks.

NOAH'S WIFE Jennifer Murphy. GABRIEL Hugh Newton-John.

INTERVAL

-: PART II

Scene 1 — The Private Office

FIRST CLEANER Rachel Faggetter.

SECOND CLEANER Juliet Lewis.

GABRIEL Hugh Newton-John. ABRAHAM Barry Taylor.

ISAAC Bryce McKenzie-Smith.

JACOB John Hobday.

Scene 2 — A Field

MOSES Ian Harrison.

ZIPPORAH Cynthia Jones.

AARON James McCaughey.

Scene 3 — A Throne Room

CANDIDATE MAGICIAN Ian Sloan.

DANCER Ailsa Tizard.

PHARAOH Gordon Murray.

GENERAL Peter Laver.

HEAD MAGICIAN Robert Robinson.

FIRST WIZARD Robert Money.

SECOND WIZARD Graeme Robson.

MOSES Ian Harrison.

AARON James McCaughey.

PHARAOH'S SON John Mathews.

LADIES OF THE COURT Ann Ballantyne, Kay Breen, Winifred Hall,

Joan Muller.

GENTLEMEN, SOLDIERS, Etc. Peter Aumann, Gordon Ennis, Graham Falk, John Luck, Noel Sherson, Graeme Wood, Robert Smith.

Scene 4 — The Foot of a Mountain

MOSES Ian Harrison.

AARON James McCaughey.

JOSHUA Barry Fry.

SCOUTS John Legge, David Paul, Charles Palmer.

CHILDREN OF ISRAEL Rachel Faggetter, Sheila Fitzpatrick, Lillian Ho, Lynette Hodgins, Cynthia Jones, Alison Jowett, Juliet Lewis, Jennifer Murphy, Julie Shiells, Virginia Spate. George Baid, Duncan Eales, John Hobday, William Johnston, Bryce McKenzie-Smith, John Mathews, Rupert

Palmer, Graeme Wood, Alexander Yule.

Scene 5 — A Cabaret

MASTER OF CEREMONIES Peter Laver. KING OF BABYLON Barry Taylor.

PROPHET Ian Maddocks.

HIGH PRIEST Robert Patterson.

DANCERS Stephanie Burchett, Catherine Menzies, Lynn Oeser, Jean Watters, Ann Woodward.

NIGHT CLUB GUESTS Roslyn Angell, Nola Leopold, Susan White,

Peter Aumann, Gordon Ennis, Graham Falk, John Luck, James McCaughey, Robert Money, Robert Robinson, Graeme Robson, Noel Sherson, Ian Sloan, Robert Smith.

Scene 6 — The Private Office

GABRIEL Hugh Newton-John.

ABRAHAM Barry Taylor.

ISAAC Bryce McKenzie-Smith.

JACOB John Hobday.

MOSES Ian Harrison.

Scene 7 — Before the Walls of Jerusalem

CORPORAL John Hobday.

HEZDREL Graeme Griffin.

SECOND OFFICER John Mathews.

Scene 8 — The Heavens

GABRIEL Hugh Newton-John.

CREDITS

Stage Manager — James Thompson

Stage Director — Andrew Blunck

Assistant Stage Manager — Bruce Belcher

Prompt — Ann Carlson

Sound — Michael Boudry

Properties — Julie Ann Perkins, Joanna Stokes,

Douglas Tait, John Foley

Costumes designed by Ronah Shilkin and executed by the ladies of University's

Women's Colleges under the direction of Roslyn Angell

Set Design — Ronah Shilkin, John Foley
Make-up — Herbert Browne

Special music composed and directed by William Fitzwater.

Orchestra composed of members of the Australian Youth Orchestra and of the University.

Solo Tenor — David Robarts

Publicity — Graham Falk, Helen Pyke

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