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PRESENTS  
**His Excellency**

by DOROTHY & CAMPBELL CHRISTIE

MON., 11th FEBRUARY, 1952 FOR TWO WEEKS



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Next Production—February 25th, for two weeks

**THE CIRCLE**

by W. Somerset Maugham

This elegant comedy is the wise and witty choice of the Playgoers' Club.

Although Maugham rejected the theatre comparatively early in his career, his plays, and particularly "The Circle," have retained their popularity. He was always a successful dramatist, even with his earlier pieces, imitative of Wilde, but when he found his own method his work became unique. He is the Congreve, the Wycherley, and Vanbrugh, of our day, excelling as they did in the comedy of contemporary manners. Many sound judges consider "The Circle" to be his greatest and most abiding work for the theatre. It is certainly a masterpiece of construction.

As one might expect, it is a comedy of high life, where incomes are often unearned and wit lightly borne. This never-never land will call for style on our part in the presentation, which we shall hope, ambitiously, to achieve.

JOHN HARRISON

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**PLAYHOUSE CLUB**

Next Meeting—Sunday, February 17th, at 7.30 p.m.  
DOORS OPEN 7 p.m.

**CLARKSON ROSE**

**"From Pierrot to Palladium"**

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"The Circle" which is the next production and opens on Monday, February 25th, for two weeks, it is the Club's own choice of play. During its run the Club will be re-doubling its efforts to fill the theatre and enrol new members. Will you help us by supporting this production and bringing your friends?

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## NOTTINGHAM PLAYHOUSE

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## HIS EXCELLENCY

by DOROTHY AND CAMPBELL CHRISTIE

### Characters

(in order of appearance)

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Lady Kirkman .....                                  | PATRICIA KNEALE |
| Major Charles Hugonin .....                         | RICHARD GALE    |
| Fernando .....                                      | JOHN MORTON     |
| Major-General Alan Copeland .....                   | EWEN SOLON      |
| Vice-Admiral Sir Oliver Pain-Bartley .....          | DENIS LEHRER    |
| Sir James Kirkmam .....                             | BASIL HOSKINS   |
| Captain The Contino Sevastian Jacono De Piero ..... | JOHN STERLAND   |
| His Excellency, The Governor .....                  | RÉGINALD JARMAN |
| Colonel Paul Dobrieda .....                         | HAYDN JONES     |
| Peggy Harrison .....                                | CAROL MARSH     |
| Emil Zamario .....                                  | JOHN LINDSAY    |

Produced by JOHN HARRISON

Setting by HENRY GRAVENEY

The action takes place in the Herald's Room of the Monesta Palace, Salva.

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| ACT ONE.   | Scene One. | A late morning in June, 1946.  |
|            | Scene Two. | The following morning.         |
| ACT TWO.   | Scene One. | A morning, three months later. |
|            | Scene Two. | About 9 p.m. the same evening. |
| ACT THREE. | Scene One. | Noon the following day.        |
|            | Scene Two. | Afternoon, the same day.       |

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by W. Somerset Maugham

Thurs. & Sats. at 5 & 8

Other Evenings at 7.30

Monday, March 10th, for two weeks

## MURDER IN THE CATHEDRAL

by T. S. Eliot

Evenings at 7.30

No Matinees

Monday, March 24th, for two weeks

## RING ROUND THE MOON

by Jean Anouilh, translated by Christopher Fry

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