

NORTHERN



COMMAND

ANNUAL DRAMA
FESTIVAL 1951

FINAL ROUND

7th & 8th March, at 7.45 p.m.
YORK GARRISON THEATRE

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ADJUDICATOR

E. MARTIN BROWNE, Esq.,
(Director British Drama League)

THE FESTIVAL

THE NORTHERN COMMAND DRAMA FESTIVAL has been organised with the object of encouraging the production of plays in Units and Garrisons in the Command during the winter months. The teams competing in the finals are the best two selected from each District as a result of eliminating contests held earlier.

In the Festival, each Unit or Dramatic Club based on an Army Education Centre, performs either a One-Act play or one act taken from a longer play. Any play performed must last at least 25 minutes and not be longer than 40 minutes, and it must have at least 3 principal players. All the performers must be amateurs and must be either Military personnel, their wives and families, or members of the Womans services or W.D. employed civilians. All plays will be staged in drapes.

The Festival is governed, generally, by the rules of the British Drama League and each play will be adjudicated according to the following system:-

	Marks
Acting	40
Production	35
Stage Presentation	10
Endeavour, Originality, and Attainment	15

Refreshments will be available in the foyer during the second interval and **after** the adjudication each evening.

RESIDENT STAFF FOR YORK GARRISON THEATRE

Front of House Manager	D. EMERSON
Stage Director	J. H. MAYNARD
Assistant Stage Managers	J. ROLLASON L. WEST
Electrician	N. COLLINS

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Refreshments by N.A.A.F.I.

WEDNESDAY 7th MARCH, 1951

2nd INFANTRY BRIGADE BARNARD CASTLE

“The Monkey’s Paw”

by
W. W. JACOBS

Scene: The living room of an old fashioned cottage, Lovers’ Lane, Fulham.

CHARACTERS

Mr. White	.....	Geoffery Sarah
Herbert	.....	Derek Hanson
Mrs. White	.....	Frederick Ford
Sgt. Major Morris	.....	Michael Ford
Mr. Sampson	.....	Glynn Savage

Producer T. C. Periam

INTERVAL OF 15 MINUTES

H.Q. CATTERICK DISTRICT

“Barbara’s Wedding”

by
J. M. BARRIE

Scene: A room in the Colonel’s house.

CHARACTERS

The Colonel	.....	Stanley Virgo
Dering	.....	Bill Howard
Barbara	.....	Liz White
Billy	.....	Reg Jones
Karl	.....	Patrick Berrill
The Colonel’s Wife	.....	Elizabeth White

Producer C. M. F. White

INTERVAL OF 15 MINUTES

H.Q. NORTH MIDLAND DISTRICT

“Down on The Farm”

by
IVOR BROWN

CHARACTERS

Meadows (a Farmer)	.....	Peter Jackson
Mrs Mopper (his Housekeeper)	.....	Monica Allen
June Lee (his Niece)	.....	June Dewey
Miss Root (an Inspectress)	.....	Irene Lorrinan
Mr. Weasel (an Inspector)	.....	Thomas Crabtree
Sir Lancelot Carr Bunkle (a Doctor)	Kenneth McCarthy

Producer C. M. Rudd

INTERVAL OF 5 MINUTES

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THURSDAY 8th MARCH, 1951

H.Q. NORTHUMBRIAN DISTRICT

“Thread O’ Scarlet”

by
J. J. BELL

Scene: The smoke room of a small village inn eight miles from a country town.

CHARACTERS

Landlord	.....	Brian Southeard
Breen	.....	Peter Ames
Migsworth	.....	Derek Bensley
Smith	.....	Brian Stobbs
Butters	.....	Selwyn Williams
Traveller	.....	John Davies

Producer H. C. Oberst

INTERVAL OF 15 MINUTES

No. 4. ARMY EDUCATION CENTRE, CHILWELL

“Dark Brown”

by
PHILIP JOHNSON

Scene: The living-room at the back of Arthur Brown’s tobacconist shop, in a small town not far from London.

Time: The evening of a summer’s day towards the end of the last century.

CHARACTERS

Mrs. Collins	.....	Dorothy Knight
Miss Tasker	.....	Shirley Bagshaw
Jenny Brown	.....	Irene Suffrin
Bella Crewe	.....	Avril White
Fred Whitworth	.....	George Robinson
Mrs. Persophelous	.....	Margot Barnard
Arthur Brown	.....	Paul Vickery

Producer D. Webb

INTERVAL OF 15 MINUTES

GARRISON (CARY) THEATRE CLUB

CATTERICK CAMP

“So Gracious is the Time”

by
MARIE ASPIOTE

Scene: A Scholar’s Study.

CHARACTERS

A Scholar	.....	Stanley Virgo
A Playwright	.....	Simon Beardsworth
The Old Man	.....	Don Huntley
The Lantern Bearer	.....	Eric Shand-Tulley
The Man	.....	Peter France
The Woman	.....	Liz White
The Stranger	Arthur Hume

Producer Don Farmer
Lighting Bill Howard
Sound Jennifer Clitherow

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Presentation of Challenge Shield and Medals

by
Lady BALFOUR