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Monday through Friday, December 11 - 15, 1961
“Jesse James rides again—"
in
THE WESTERN PLAYERS
‘MISSOURI LEGEND’
By E. B. Ginty

THE CHARACTERS --- as ye’ meet ’em
Billy Gashade ...................................................... Robert Alexander
Aunt Belle .......................................................... Bette Miller
Frank Howard ....................................................... Al Young
Jim Cummins ...................................................... Allen Miller
Charlie Johnson .................................................... Ed Curtis
Bob Johnson ....................................................... Stan Billingsley
Mrs. Howard ....................................................... Polly Jacques
Thomas J. Howard ............................................. Charlie Logsdon
The “Reverend” Williams .......................... Tommy Higginson
Martha .................................................................. Sandy Griffis
The Widow Weeks ............................................. Millie Higgason
Jenny .................................................................. Barbara St. Clair
Hosea (Pop) Hickey ............................................ Frank S. Hammond
Sam ................................................................. Eddie Pfingston
George .............................................................. Kim Benson
Ben ................................................................ Don Mayfield
Liza ................................................................ Betsy White
Asa ................................................................ Howard B. Evans, Jr.
Police Commissioner Gregg .................... Ronald Montgomery

SCENES

Act I
A room in the home of Thomas J. Howard in St. Joe, Missouri. An evening in early March.

Intermission of twelve minutes.

ACT II
Scene 1. The Widow Weeks’ cabin in the Ozarks. Five days later.
Scene 2. The back office in a small bank. The next day.

Intermission of twelve minutes.

Act III
Scene 1. The room in the Howard home. Night, one week later.
Scene 2. The room in the Howard home. The next night.
Scene 3. The same. The next morning, after breakfast.
Scene 4. The same. The next day.

TIME: 1882

PRODUCTION STAFF

Producing Director........................................ Russel H. Miller
Assistant Director........................................ Mrs. Frances Dixon
Script Assistant .............................................. Marla Brandon
Publicity ......................................................... Carolyn Patton and Sherrill Scanlon
Box Office ...................................................... Chester Day, Joe Borders

House Chairmen ........................................... Charlie Flener, Mary Ellen Carnighan, Judy Vanover, Carolyn Patton, Wendy Harrison.

TECHNICAL STAFF

Scenic Design .................................................. Betsy White

Set Decoration ................................................. Linda Ford, Shirley Lanham, Marla Brandon, Genie Bell, Sharon Stanley, Jane Steadle, Polly Jacques, Pat Jackson, Anne Talbott, Ann Lovell, Ann Downing.

Properties ......................................................... Mrs. Frances Dixon, Pat Jackson, Ann Lovell, Sandy Marshall, Betsy White, Sandra Markham, Gayle Lane, Judy Criswell.

Lighting ........................................................... Howard B. Evans, Jr., Ronald Montgomery, Jane Steadle, Ann Downing, Anne Talbott.

Sound ............................................................. Larry Siria, Darla Siria, Everett Ragland, Kim Benson.

Costumes ......................................................... Sharon Stanley, Linda Ford, Gayle Lane, Shirley Lanham, Millicent Demling.


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PROGRAM NOTES

"Missouri Legend" was first produced by Guthrie McClintic, in association with Max Gordon, at the old Empire Theatre in New York City, with a distinguished cast including Jose Ferrer, Karl Malden, Dan Duryea, Dorothy Gish, Dean Jagger, Mildred Natwick, and others. The production is presented by the Western Players through special arrangements with the Dramatists Play Service, Inc., 6, East 39th Street, New York City.

The play was adapted for center staging in Van Meter Arena by Russell H. Miller. "Missouri Legend" was first presented at Western by the Western Players under Mr. Miller’s direction as one number in a season of significant Americana in 1948. Prominent in the cast of that production were Thomas W. White, Jim Wright, Louis H. Shelton, George Anne Lowe, Bob Spiller, Morris Lowe, Greg Colson, Andrew McCarty, Arnold Robinson, and Nick Diachenko.