The JEFFERSON COLLEGE PLAYERS

Paul D. Moore, Director

Present

"The Imaginary Invalid"

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Moliere

Dec. 2 and 3; Dec. 9 and 10 1966

Curtain Time 8:00 P.M.

JEFFERSON COLLEGE THEATRE

PRODUCTION STAFF

Scene Design
Set Construction
Properties Lynn Berberich Jo Ann Thurman*, Richard Krueger, Cynthia Kearns
Lighting Marvin Kober
Sound
Publicity
Costumes Joan Bradford, Richard Krueger
Reservations
Hospitality
Hat and Coat Check
Ushers



"The Imaginary Invalid" was performed for the first time during carnival time in Paris at the famous Palais Royale, on Friday, February 10, 1673. Moliere himself played Argan, and his wife played the role of Angelica.

The play deals with the playwright's own dilemma. He was ill and deeply involved with doctors when he wrote it.

The second performance of the play was given on Sunday, February 12; repeated on Tuesday, February 14. Before the scheduled fourth performance on Friday, February 17, Moliere complained of suffering and a feeling of foreboding that death was near.

His wife and an actor friend tried to dissuade him from playing the role but he insisted. He played without stopping throughout the entire three acts, but began to fail in the Masque at the very end of the play. There, on the third reply to the examining doctor, Moliere's illness became apparent to the audience. The performance was concluded, and four hours later Moliere was dead of a hemorrhage of the lungs.

The great wonder of it is that this master of French satire could turn his own pain and personal tragedy into a piece, which for unflagging gaiety, endless comic invention, brilliant wit, and vivid comment upon society has no equal.

"The Imaginary Invalid"

By Moliere

Adapted by Miles Malleson

CHARACTERS

(In order of appearance)

Monsieur Argan	Rob Doyen *
Toinette (The maid and nurse)	Lynn Berberich *
Angelica (Argan's elder daughter)	Jo Ann Thurman *
Beline (Argan's wife)	Patty Klaus
Monsieur Bonnefoy (A lawyer)	Thomas E. Wren
Cleante (In love with Angelica)	Rod Jackson
Dr. Diaforus	
Dr. Thomas Diaforus (His son)	Don Hille
Louise (Argan's younger daughter)	Diana Rigdon
Monsieur Beralde (Argan's brother)	Elmer E. Revelle
The Apothecary	J. Richard Flatbush
Dr. Purgon	Richard Krueger
	Prince Pr

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT I

The sitting room of Monsieur Argan's home in Paris, 1673

ACT II

The same. Immediately following.

ACT III

The same. A little later.

There will be a ten minute intermission between acts; refreshments will be served in the lobby. The audience is invited to meet the cast and crew in Lecture Hall 1 and 2, following tonight's performance.

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