

The Whips

present

BONAVENTURE

A Play by
Charlotte Hastings

Directed by

Barbara Peternell

Oct 1978

The year is 1947 and convicted murderess Sarat Carn is being transported to Norwich to be executed. Together with prison officials, they seek refuge at the Convent of Our Lady of Rheims, when the Fen country floods. Found guilty, yet Sister Bonaventure believes Sarat to be innocent, can she be right?

Comedy and tension in this famous play by Charlotte Hastings, set against the historic floods of March 1947, when following a severe winter, the dyke burst and flooded the fen country, leaving many people homeless.

CAST (in order of appearance):

Nurse Phillips Trudy Wykes
Nurse Brent Elizabeth Brown
Sister Josephine Anthea Wright
Willy Pentridge Tony Thompson
Sister Mary Bonaventure Joyce Day
Dr Jeffries Russell Sunderland
Mother Superior Betty Nokes
Melling Norman Pearce
Sarat Carn Geraldine Guthrie
Miss Pearce Fran King
Martha Pentridge Joyce Espley-Jones

The action of the play passes in the Convent of Our Lady of Rheims, a French Nursing Order, at Denzil St David, a village some miles from Norwich, England.

Act I

The Great Hall of the Convent. 6pm.

Interval of 10 minutes

Act II

Scene i. Sister Mary's room. 2 hours later.

Scene ii. The same. Next evening.

Interval of 20 minutes.

Act III

Scene i. The same. Next Afternoon.

Scene ii. The Great Hall. Three hours later.

Refreshments will be available during the interval

BACKSTAGE:

Stage Manager Charles Hope
Assistant Stage Manager Geoff Banks
Prompt Elaine Reay
Switchboard Peter Ellisson
Sound Jack Griffith
Properties Gwengar Smart
..... Diane Foxall

Setting by Charles Hope

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