

FIVE PLAYS FROM BERLIN

At the beginning of May five authors from England and USA went to Berlin at the invitation of Literarisches Colloquium Berlin. The leader of the group was James Saunders, whose new play "A Scent of Flowers" opened in London last Wednesday. Together the writers wrote, discussed, argued, drank, wrote, played cards, rewrote; they wrote new things; revised old ones, disagreed with one another... The pieces to be seen tonight represent a small part of the result. The choice was regulated by shortness, simplicity, entertainment value, and also - and this was the foremost consideration - by the benefit the authors themselves considered they would derive by seeing their pieces rehearsed and performed.

The plays in order of presentation

I SCENES FROM THE CLASS WAR Piers Paul Read

Lady X.....JUNE JUDSON
Maid.....SYLVIA ESTOP
Gentleman.....MYLES McDOWELL
Tramp.....PETER WHELAN

Directed by PETER WHELAN

II HOW DISASTER STRUCK THE HARVEST Derek Marlowe

Scarecrow.....HUGH FORSYTHE
Stovin.....PETER WHELAN
Daniel.....DON KINCAID

Directed by JUNE JUDSON

III THE DIFFERENCE Peter Bergman

Boy.....MYLES McDOWELL
Girl.....SYLVIA ESTOP

Directed by JUNE JUDSON

- INTERVAL OF 15 MINUTES -

IV GUILDENSTERN & ROSENCRANTZ Tom Stoppard

Fortinbras.....JOHN TURNER
Guildenstern.....PETER WHELAN
Rosencrantz.....LAWRENCE IRVIN
Captain.....MICHAEL LANGRIDGE
Player.....JOHN TURNER
Hamlet.....MYLES McDOWELL

Directed by TOM STOPPARD

