IPHIGENIA

IN TAURIS

offered by

SPEECH 64

in the

LITTLE THEATER

Sixth Season
Ninety-fifth Production

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By EURIPIDES
The works of Euripides have long been accorded a high place in the field of literature. The present day theatre, though it does not offer the same popularity gives him equal rank. Scripts of Euripides's plays have lived from one generation to the next. It is not because of their longevity that they are held in such high esteem, it is because their materials have the quality of universality that enables them to meet the requirements of any period of production. Their adaptability to the need of every theatre has rendered them great. Because of this fact we have felt free to adapt this play to suit our needs. We have attempted to follow no set tradition in our presentation but have interpreted the play in what, to us, was the most fitting manner.

The play as a whole has been divided into three distinct movements. The first, heavy in tempo and tragic in implication, is shot through by reflection, by reality, and by sadness. The second, definitely melodramatic, moves with an undercurrent of intense excitement as plans for the escape take shape. The third movement, is light and full of comic implications as Iphigenia, by the sheer brilliance of her wit, completely outwits the King and effects the escape.

This presentation marks the seventh in the Plays and Players series of semi-annual classical productions.

The following list gives the productions in the order of their presentation:

By Euripides:
Electra

By Shakespeare:
Macbeth
Much Ado About Nothing
Romeo and Juliet
Hamlet
Taming of the Shrew

The members of Speech 64 and the members of the Plays and Players gratefully dedicate this production to Miss Belva Dannaldson. Her efforts and good-will have no end.
The production of this play is the result of the semester's work by the students enrolled in Speech 64. Mr. Jerry Blunt, instructor.

The current production marks the close of the Fifth season in the Little Theatre. For this, the most successful period in our work, we, the Plays and Players, wish to thank you for the favor of your patronage.

Continued appreciation on your part and renewed effort on ours will build something of more than passing significance.