

GOLDONI'S FAN IN LITTLE WOOD

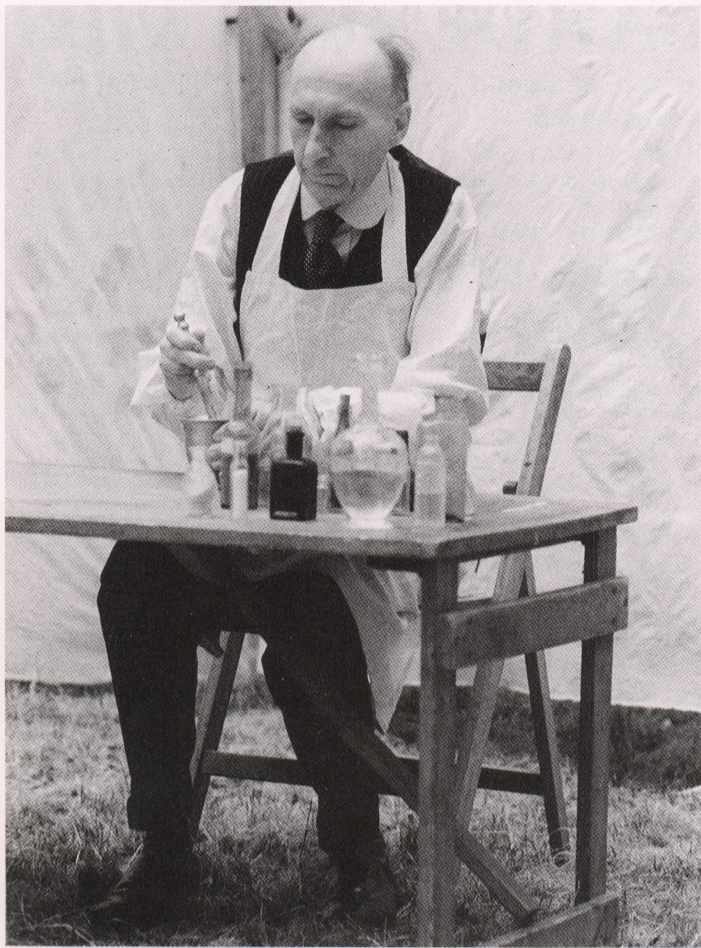
The gods were not kind to the Hampstead Garden Suburb Dramatic Society's yearly venture in Little Oak Wood. They had a very damp start indeed. The choice of play raised some doubts in this reviewer's mind. One had come to expect 'the play in the wood' to be something for all the family with a bias towards the younger members. On the first matinee there were no youngsters in the audience and although Goldoni's play is charming and humorous, one cannot imagine that the gossamer complications concerning the loss of a fan would appeal to anyone not yet in their teens.

That said, it is indeed a delightful comedy, wittily translated by Eleanor and Herber Farjeon and was directed by Colin Gregory with great flair and inventiveness. Tom Morrell, the designer, made excellent use of this rather badly shaped green

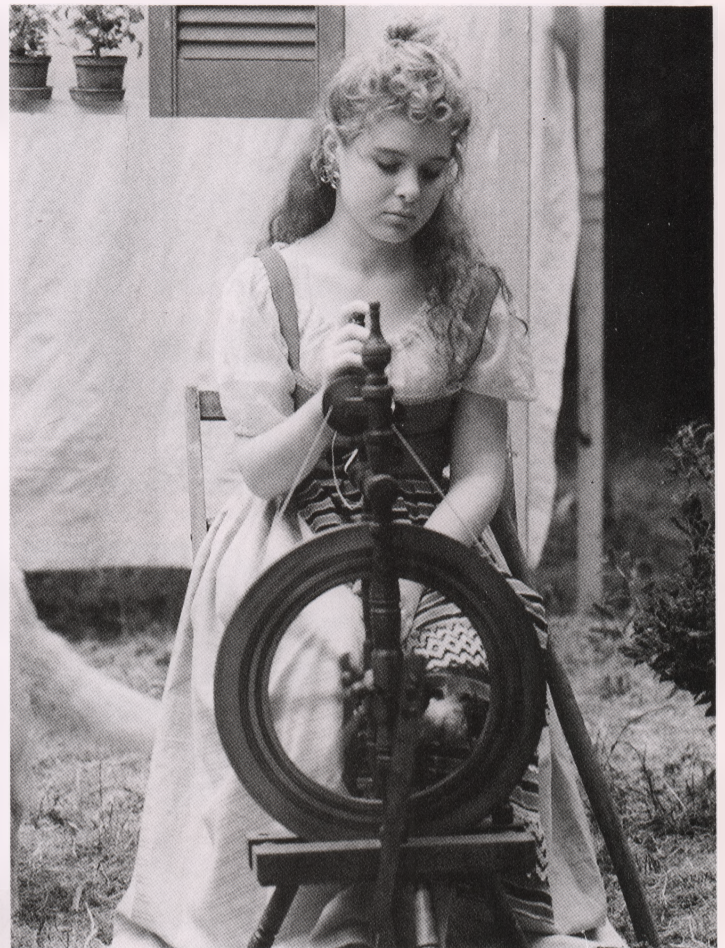
space and his realisation of the village of Case Nuove had some nice comic touches. Richard Kinder ably headed a very good cast as Signor Evaristo, the man who causes all the trouble by arousing the jealousy of his beloved, when he gives the fan to the beautiful Giannina. This innocent act also fuels the strife between the innkeeper, Coronato and the Shoemaker, Crespino, who are competing for the love of Giannina. Candice Fisher, Jon Musker and Jav Punwar were in good form as the lovelorn trio. Fred Griessen found a nice vein of humour in the impoverished Count di Rocca Marina.

At intervals during the play and during the interval, the melodious Case Nuove Trio played music by Wolf-Ferrari, a nice touch since it was from the opera "The School for Fathers" based on a play by Goldoni.

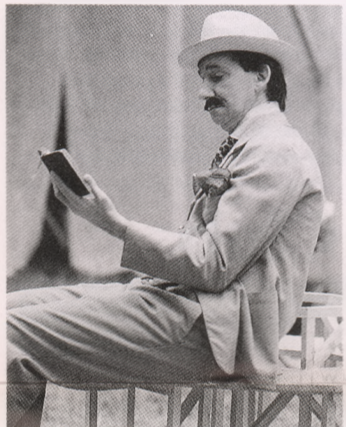
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Frank Birnie, Tinotes



Candice Fisher



Fred Griessen



Jon Musker



Jeff McCracken-Hewson, Fred Griessen Sarah Thorp, Carol Dale, Richard Kinder



Daniel Berg and Jav Panwar

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH INSURANCE

Various insurance companies are now stating in their publicity material that members of Neighbourhood Watch schemes may qualify for reductions in either their buildings insurance or their house contents insurance if certain conditions are met. Not all of this publicity is, however, as attractive as it may seem at first reading, and investigation has shown that words such as 'may qualify' rather than 'will qualify' give some companies their let-out to explain that these arrangements do not apply to the N2 or NW11 postal districts or that they apply only to new policies — on which the premiums have been jacked up to compensate for any discounts that are given!

There is one particular insurance, house, that can be strongly recommended to Neighbourhood Watch members, and that is the one underwritten by General Accident and offered by the brokers Brownhill, Manis and West whose special terms for buildings and house contents insurance are likely to be far more favourable than those offered by any other insurance company. The premiums which they quote for comparable insurance cover are appreciably less than those of other insurance companies with savings generally of over 10% in the first year and with special no claim bonus arrangements of:-

One year of insurance free of claim	15%
Two consecutive years of insurance free of claim	20%
Three or more consecutive years of insurance free of claim	25%

There is, however a snag! And that is that this special insurance is only available to approved Neighbourhood Watch members who have:-

- * Secured their homes with approved locks on doors and windows;
- * fitted approved burglar alarms; and
- * marked their property.

Nevertheless householders should find that the costs incurred

in doing these things will be more than justified when set against the savings realised over the first three years.

Further information can be obtained from:- Brownhill, Morris and West (Insurance Services) Limited 16 Bromley Road, Beckenham, Kent BR3 2JE. Telephone: 658 4334.

Incidentally it perhaps needs to be mentioned that Neighbourhood Watch does not have any agreement with, or receive any financial advantage from, any insurance company or broker. This information is given only in the best interests of Suburb residents who may be able to benefit from it. PL

TRUST AGM

A well attended annual general meeting of the New Hampstead Garden Trust heard Chairman, Gerard Mansell, report on a year that has seen important developments and a further improvement in the financial position.

Mr Mansell paid tribute to Cyril Blausten who, retiring by rotation, had decided not to seek re-election.

To fill the vacancy the council nominated David Bogush. For twenty years a resident of Norrice Lea he was a member of the Residents Association Council for eleven years.

Planning Applications

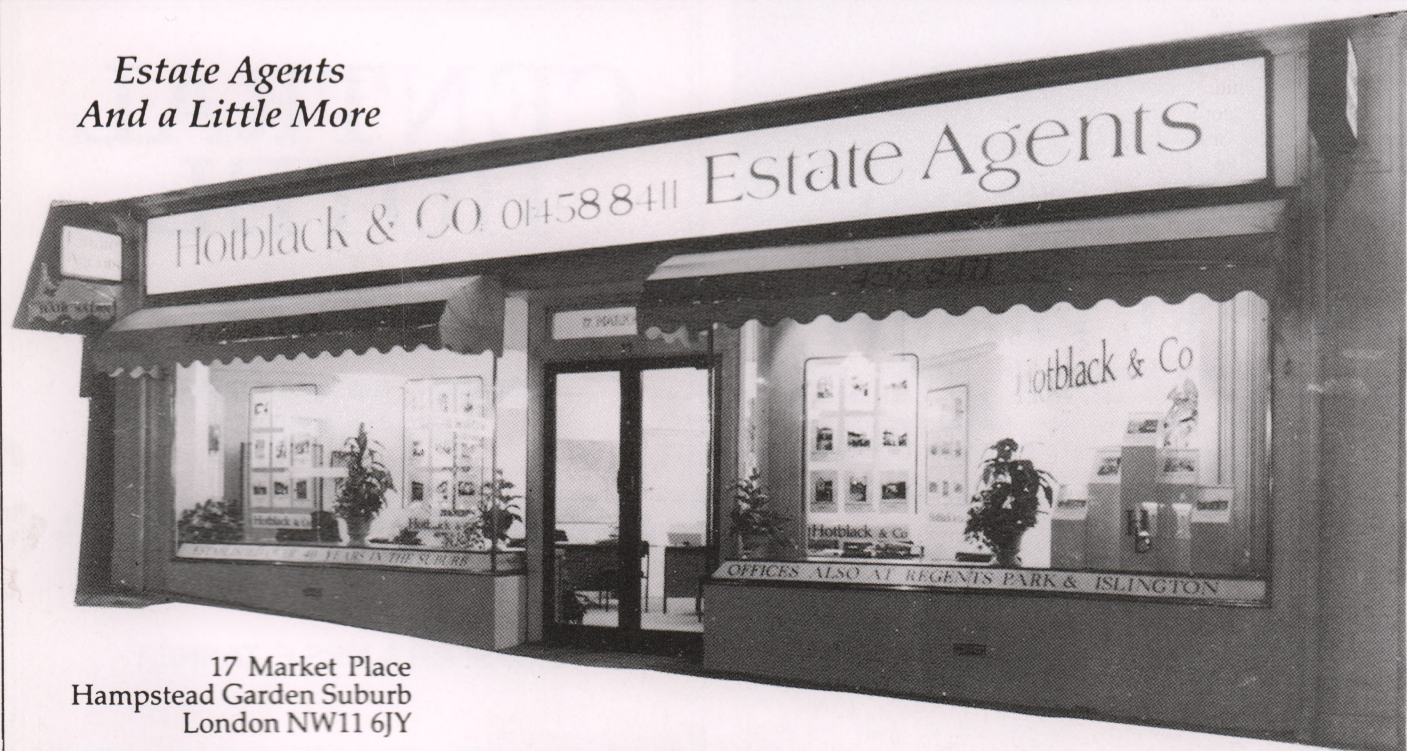
The increase in planning applications on the Suburb, 50% since 1984 combined with more

realistic fees brought £52,561, which means that the cost of processing applications is now entirely borne by the people who use the service.

Management Charge

The increase in management charges forseen by freeholders at the time of the amendment of the scheme of management have not materialised, the Chairman said. "In fact the rise between 1984 and 1989 has been 9.7% to £26". Extracts from the Chairmans statement p.7.

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