

Holy Apostles Players To Appear in Farce



NORMAN W. LARAGY.

The three-act farce comedy, "What Happened to Jones," will be presented by the Holy Apostles Dramatic Club in the parish hall at Austin Street and Lyell Avenue on the evenings of February 8, 9 and 10. Rehearsals are being held under the direction of Professor Leon K. Richmond. Proceeds from the performances will go to clear the school debt. Following is the cast: Norman W. Laragy, George Nice, Walter Duffy, Walter Mayo, Emmett McGrath, Edward Brown, Isabel Glynn, Isabel Oakes, Tillie Straub, Agnes Ennis, Marie Vogt and Marie Bennett.

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Notes:

- ✓ "Isabel Oakes" is misspelled. The correct spelling is "Isabel Ochs."
- ✓ My grandparents, Norman Laragy and Isabel Ochs, married in 1920.
- ✓ In 1915, when my grandparents performed this comedy, Norman was 21 and Isabel was 17 years old.

Plot Summary: The three-act farce "What Happened to Jones" was written in 1897. Tom Jones, a young man of wealth and irreproachable character, is inveigled on the eve of his wedding to attend a poker party given by his henpecked friend Ebenezer Goodly. The party is raided, but Tom and Ebenezer escape the police by ducking into a ladies' Turkish bath. The police are called, and the two exit in the guise of female clients. The police find Tom's wallet and look for him at his fiancée's home. The two make their way to Ebenezer's house, and Tom dons the clothes of Ebenezer's brother, a bishop, who is expected to arrive soon. Complications arise when the bishop does arrive to officiate at the wedding. In the end, Tom is finally married by the bishop in a speeding automobile while being pursued by the police.

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