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U THEATRE PLAYERS TO APPEAR IN MORRIS APRIL 7

Western Minnesota residents will have an opportunity to enjoy the tour production of the University of Minnesota Theatre two days before the company leaves to perform at defense bases in Iceland, Greenland, Newfoundland and the Baffin Islands.

The tour group of thirteen University students from the Minneapolis campus will present Thornton Wilder's play, "The Matchmaker", on Friday, April 7 in Edson Hall at the University of Minnesota, Morris.

The University company will leave Minneapolis April 9 to tour military installations of all services in the Northeast Command for four weeks with their production of this play. This is the fourth international tour company from the University of Minnesota Theatre Department. "The Matchmaker" production is sponsored by the USO and the American Educational Theatre Association for the Defense Department.

First presented in England in 1954, the Wilder comedy opened in New York in 1955 to the applause of critics and audience alike. The University production, directed and managed by Arthur H. Ballet, associate professor of speech and theatre arts, includes veteran actors who have had a wealth of dramatic experience in professional theatre as well as summer stock and community theatre work.

Tickets for "The Matchmaker" at \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for students may be purchased by mail or in person at Sarlette's Music Store in Morris or at the Business Office at the University of Minnesota, Morris.