"Hatful of Rain," a poignant drama of adult drug addiction and decaying family relationships, will be presented by the IUPUI University Theater in six performances beginning April 18 in the University Theater "M" Building.

The cast of nine IUPUI students is directed by Clara J. Heath, theater coordinator for the Christian Theological Seminary. Playwright is Michael Gazzo.

Set in the mid-1950s, "Hatful of Rain" takes place in a lower-class New York City tenement where a young man, Johnny Pope, played by John Sarno, and pregnant wife, Celia, played by Susan K. Schoch, struggle with his dope addiction and their poor marriage. They confront drug withdrawal, a gang of thugs, and an insensitive father who thinks his two sons owe him something.

Johnny's "accidental" addiction begins with painkillers for a combat injury, but it continues as a crutch for his shyness and irresponsibility. His circle of seedy associates lends violence, fear and some comic relief to the tense drama.

As Johnny's character deteriorates, his unassuming wife gains strength and determination to keep her marriage together and to save her husband from ruin.

Other IUPUI cast members include Thomas A. Karnes as John Pope Sr., Bob Lane as Mother, Christopher Michael as Apples, Dale P. Crabtree as Chuch, James Berry as Polo Pope, Eric Bryant as A Man and Linda Virgin as Putski.

Performances are set for two weekends in April. Friday performances are April 18 and 25 at 8 p.m. Saturday shows are April 19 and 26 at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees are at 2:30 p.m. April 20 and 27. Tickets for Friday and Saturday shows are $2 for students, $2.50 for others. Tickets for Sunday matinees are $1.50 for all.

Tickets are available at the "M" Building box office Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For mail reservations write: University Theater, 902 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis 46202.

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WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE & SOMETIMES WHY

Where Did Everybody Go? -- It's spring recess for most students this week. Classes resume next Monday (March 31).

Oncology -- Dr. James A. Madura, associate professor of surgery, will discuss "Surgical Therapy for Breast Cancer" during grand rounds in oncology Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Room R104 of the Radiation Therapy Building. This tumor conference is open to all residents and medical, dental and nursing students.

Feeling Hyper? -- Hypertension will be the topic of a public symposium Wednesday through Friday as part of the 11th Annual Midwest Student Medical Research Forum hosted by students of the I.U. School of Medicine. Four national authorities will be featured at the symposium, which will be held Thursday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the School of Nursing. The Forum also will feature more than 50 research papers in a dozen fields presented by medical and graduate students from more than 20 Midwest medical schools. The papers will be presented Thursday morning and all day Friday.

Getting Out -- "Facilitating the Discharge Planning Process" will be the focus of a continuing education program Thursday and Friday at the School of Nursing. Featured presenter will be Imogene Eide, administrator of the Community Home Health Care Agency of the Maricopa County Health Service in Phoenix. For information, call Charlotte Carley at Ext. 4360.

Chemical -- "Optically Transparent Thin Layer Electrodes: Studies of Inorganic and Biological Systems," Department of Chemistry Seminar by William Heineman from the University of Cincinnati; Krannert Science Building, Room 225, Friday at noon.

Coming Up -- "Application of Impedance Cardiography to Clinical Care Units," Physiology Seminar by Dr. William V. Judy, associate professor; Medical Science Building, Room 205, 4 p.m. next Monday (March 31).

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AUTHORSHIP, THEATER & ATHLETE AMONG HONORS & ACCOLADES

Dr. Ralph D. Gray, professor of history, has been awarded the Thomas McKean Memorial Cup of the Antique Automobile Club of America for his biography of Elwood Haynes. Haynes, a native of Portland, was the second American inventor of a gasoline-powered automobile, an inventor of stainless steel and the builder of the first long-distance, high-pressure gas transmission pipeline in the world. Dr. Gray's book, Alloys and Automobiles: The Life of Elwood Haynes, was published last year by the Indiana Historical Society. The cup, named for a former president of the club, was awarded at the group's annual meeting in Philadelphia recently. The cup has been presented annually since 1949.

"A Toby Show," the IUPUI Children's Theater Company touring production, has been selected to present a showcase performance for the American Theater Conference, Region III, in Madison, Wisconsin, this week. The three-act play, based on the Cinderella story, was chosen by the executive board of the Indiana Theater Association. Play director is Dorothy Webb, associate professor of speech and theater, who says that "A Toby Show" is the only college-produced children's theater group to be selected to perform at the conference.
All American athlete Tina Masengale, starter for the IUPUI women's basketball team, is in Colorado Springs this week to try out for the Summer Olympic Games. The 19-year-old sophomore from Carmel averaged 17.2 points per game in the 1979-80 season. (In spite of the possibility of a boycott of the games, tryouts are going ahead as scheduled.)

Dr. Jack D. Carr, associate professor of radiology at the School of Dentistry, has received the Maynard K. Hine Medal from the I.U. Alumni Association for "unique and significant contributions to I.U. in Indianapolis." The presentation was made at the annual banquet last week in the Union Building. During his 40 years of active dental practice, Dr. Carr has received many awards and citations from state and national dental associations and societies. A past president of the Indianapolis District Dental Society, he was that organization's "Indiana Dentist of the Year" last year. Active in the American Academy of History of Dentistry, he also is a past president of the dental school's alumni association.

Jan B. Shipps, associate professor of history and religious studies, has been invited to deliver the commencement address this spring at Graceland College at Lamoni, Iowa.

Phyllis J. Scherle, assistant professor of English, is one of the keynote speakers at a two-part program at Taylor University this month and next on "Women: Balancing Perspectives and Role Requirements." The project, funded by the Indiana Committee for the Humanities, is being sponsored by Taylor and Marion College.

Frederick L. Bein, assistant professor of geography, has been awarded a certificate from the Marion County Soil and Water Conservation District for his "outstanding work in environmental education."

Gayle J. Cox, associate professor of social work, has been selected to chair the Insurance Trust of the National Association of Social Workers. The NASW, which has been in existence for 25 years with about 80,000 members, provides life insurance, disability income and health insurance through the Insurance Trust.

William A. Nevill, director of Graduate Studies, has been appointed by Dr. James D'Ianni, president of the American Chemical Society, to the society's council executive committee.

The C.V. Mosby Co. of St. Louis has just released a book called Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation: Procedures for Basic and Advanced Life Support. Authors are two faculty members from the School of Nursing: Patricia D. Ellis and Diane M. Billings.

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NEWS 'N' NOTES FROM HERE 'N' THERE

Directors -- Marjory L. DeHority has been named director of the Sex Desegregation Training Institute, part of the School of Education. The Institute, funded by the Department of Health Education and Welfare, designs and develops needs assessment plans for training teachers and administrators in client schools about Title IX regulations and change strategies. . . Pat Boer, formerly a full-time counselor at the IUPUI Continuing Education Center for Women, has been named director of the Center. She replaces Pam Peterson, now vice president for administration of the Acquisition and Restoration Corp. . . Richard Bellamy has been appointed director of environmental services at the I.U. Hospitals.
Recognized -- Fifteen employees were recognized for 25 years of service to the university during a special ceremony last week. New members of the Quarter Century Club are: Lois Adams, University Hospital, Newborn Nursery; Alma Baugh, inpatient admitting; Marie Bell, Lizzie Harmon, Margaret Schmidt and Idella Thrasher, Materials Management; Priscilla Brown, University Library; Betty Chapple, School of Medicine Library; Mary Craig, Lela Ealy and Albert Weekes, Nutrition and Dietetics; Maxine J. Mills, Union Building; Judith Spencer, Bookstore; Alice Wills, Ambulatory Services, Long Hospital, and Robert L. Young, Instructional Media Systems.

Tune In -- The Herron School of Art is the host site of an April 7 segment of Channel 8's "PM Magazine" at 7:30 p.m. Hosts Kim Hood and Tom Cochrun will create a "masterpiece" during a visit to the fourth-year painting studio and a stop in the Herron Gallery.

Amnesty -- An "amnesty period" (no fines, no questions asked) is in effect at the School of Medicine Library until March 31. No fines will be charged on library books or journals returned to the library till then, no matter how overdue the materials may be.

Positions Available -- The Graduate Program in Health Administration of the I.U. School of Medicine is seeking applicants for a new full-time faculty position in the areas of medical care organizations and health economics. Resumes should be sent to the program, I.U. School of Medicine, 1100 West Michigan Street, Indianapolis 46223 -- by April 30. The School of Medicine Library has a position available as a serials librarian. Requirements: cataloging in OCLC, master's degree from an ALA-accredited library school. Send applications to: Miss Mary Jane Laatz, I.U. School of Medicine Library, Medical Science Building, Room 122, 1100 West Michigan Street, Indianapolis 46223. The Department of Chemistry invites applications for the position of chairman by May 15. Send curriculum vitae to: Dr. Erwin Boschmann, 1201 East 38th Street, Indianapolis 46205.

Services -- Services for Carroll H. Blanchar, board chairman of Public Service Indiana, were held Wednesday in the Chapel at Crown Hill Mausoleum. He died March 16. Mr. Blanchar, active in a wide range of community and corporate activities, was a member of the IUPUI Advisory Board.

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RESEARCH COMPETITION ANNOUNCED

The I.U. Medical Center Chapter of Sigma Xi is sponsoring its annual graduate student research competition. Students working toward M.S. or Ph.D. degrees may enter by submitting manuscripts limited to 10 double-spaced typewritten pages, plus appropriate tables and figures. Papers must be submitted on or before April 21 to Dr. Pao-lo Yu, Department of Medical Genetics, Riley Research, Room 132. Students should include their address, phone number and department. Authors of papers selected for oral presentation will be notified by April 30. Awards will be determined from 10-minute paper presentations on May 7. Three awards will be given: $100 for first place, $50 for second and $25 for third.

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