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At the high school, the dramatic club of that institution made its debut before an audience that filled the large auditorium. The entertainment was under the direction of Miss Leah Heald, of the faculty of the school.

When Julius Caesar was being performed, the body of Caesar (Harold Battin) was carried on the stage, and as Marc Antony was delivering his immortal speech, "If you have tears, prepare to shed them now," some unruly youngsters in the front row hit the sacred remains with a large red beet.

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It must not be understood by the public that the little unprogrammed incidents were aroused by the netting of the dramatic club. On the contrary the young people gave a very delightful entertainment and as readers of Shakespeare showed a great degree of intelligence and some dramatic talent.

The curtains parted at 8:15 o'clock. The first incident was a solo well played by Miss Anna B. Williams. Scenes from "Twelfth Night" followed. Miss Salmon, accompanied by Miss Williams, sang "Words of Shakespeare" and another selection, and the club gave scenes from the fifth act of "As You Like It."

The second scenes in acts 1 and 3 of "Julius Caesar" were then performed. The cast for this was: Julius Caesar..... Harold Battin Marc Antony..... Edward Hughes Cassius..... George G. G. First Citizen..... Ray Rice Second Citizen..... Walter Shantz Third Citizen..... John Nowing Fourth Citizen..... Harry Rose Citizens--R. Hull, Shurtler, E. Morse, Davis, Landau, Moses, Coar, H. Oliver, T. Van, Johnson, Spoor, Brown, Baas, Schuler, Rudy, Cooper.

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