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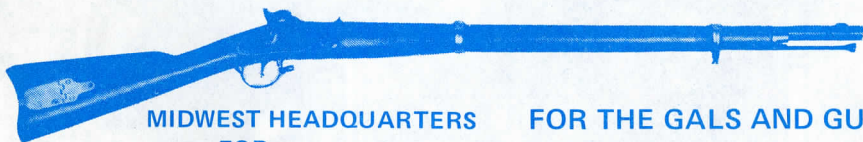
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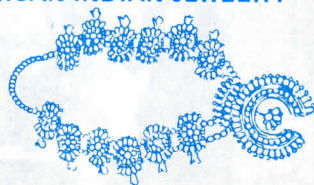


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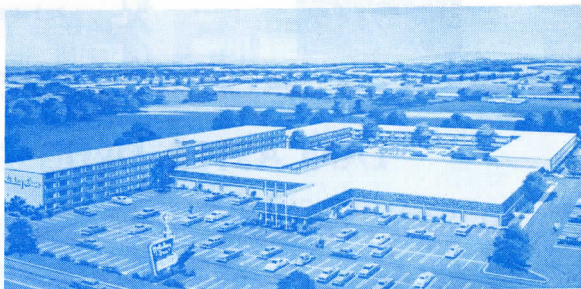


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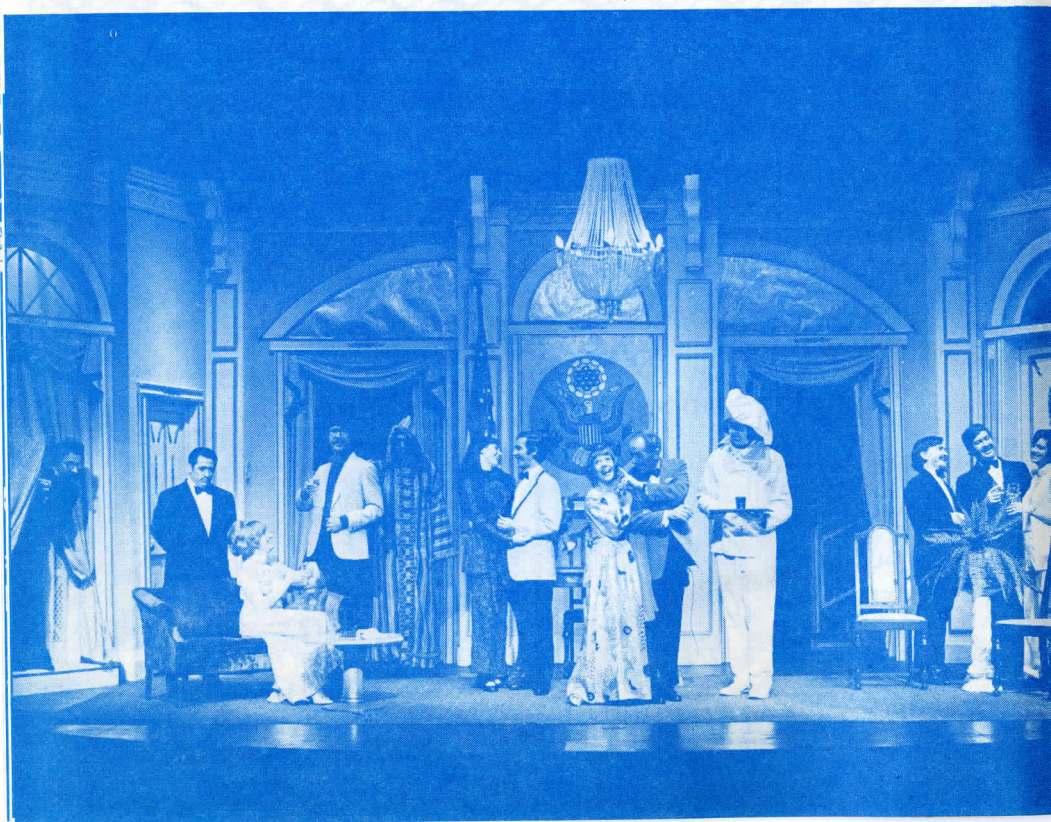
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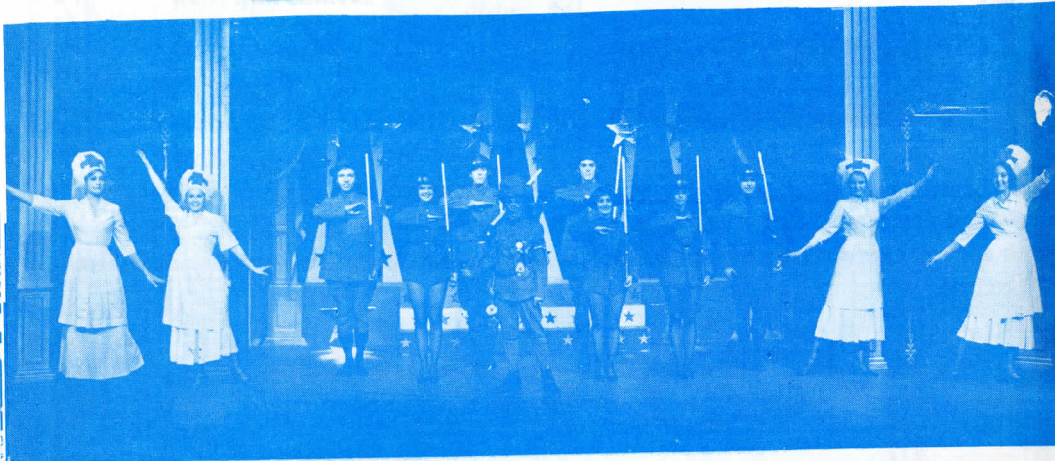
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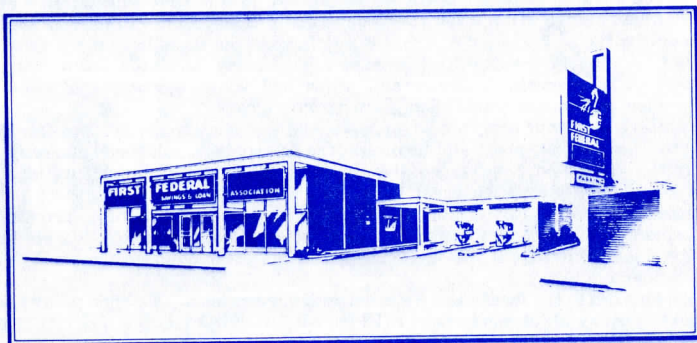
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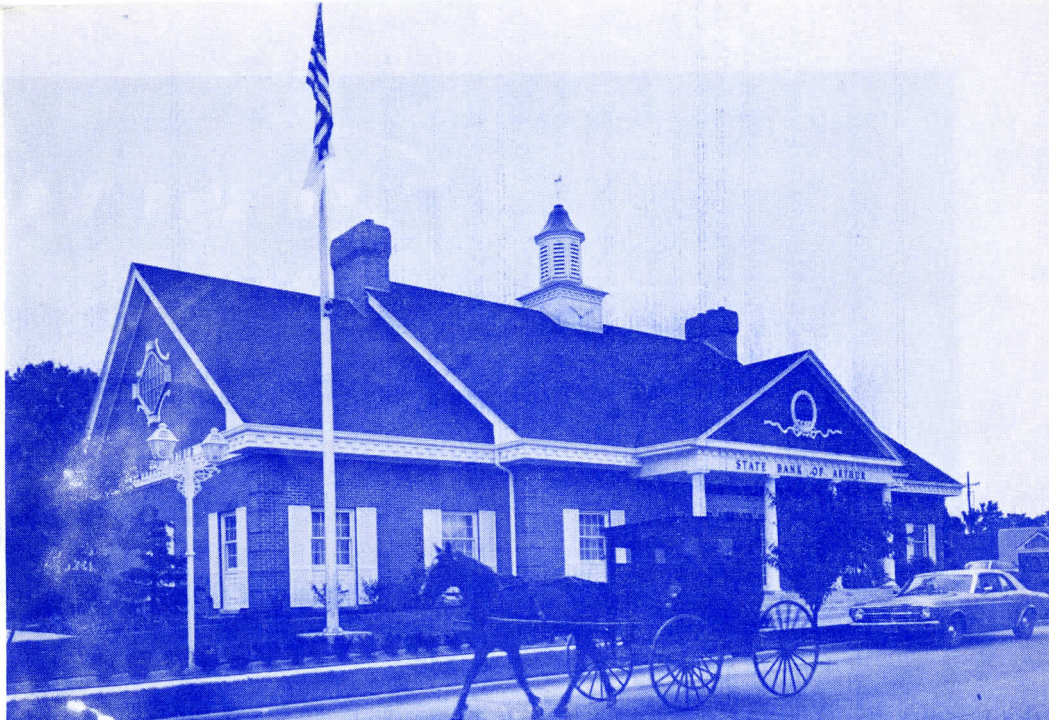


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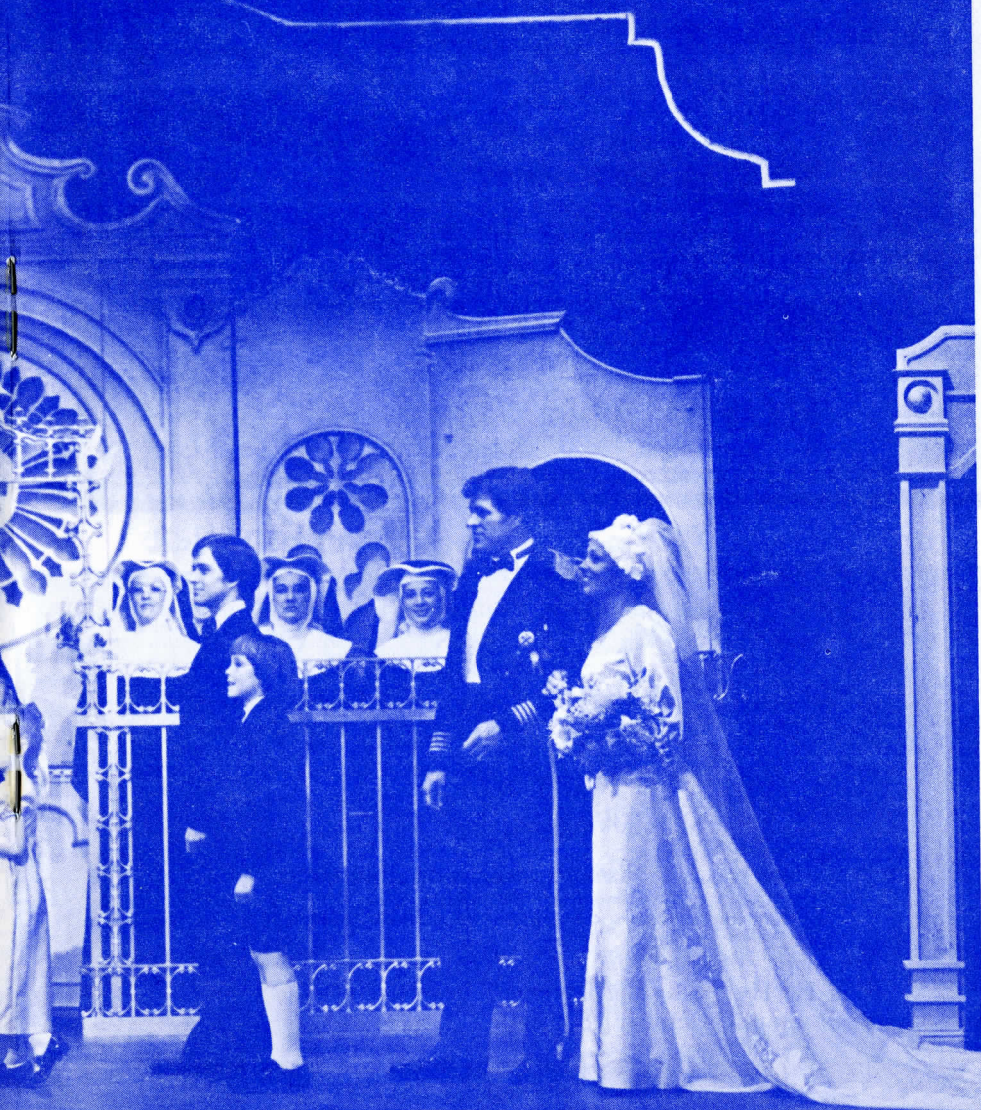
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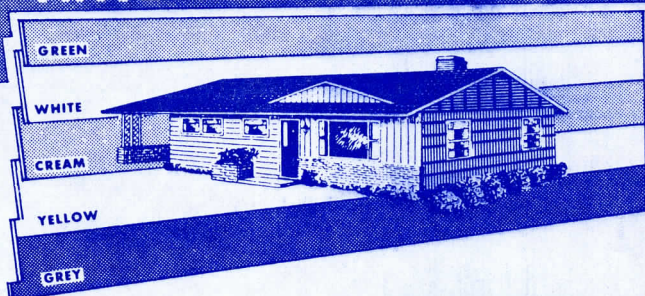
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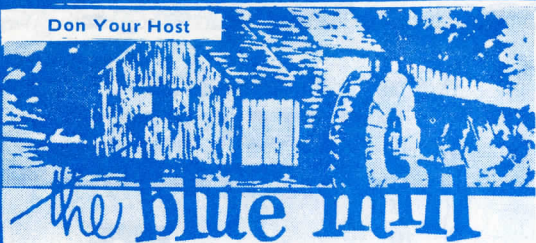
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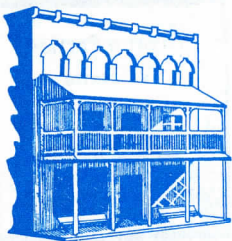
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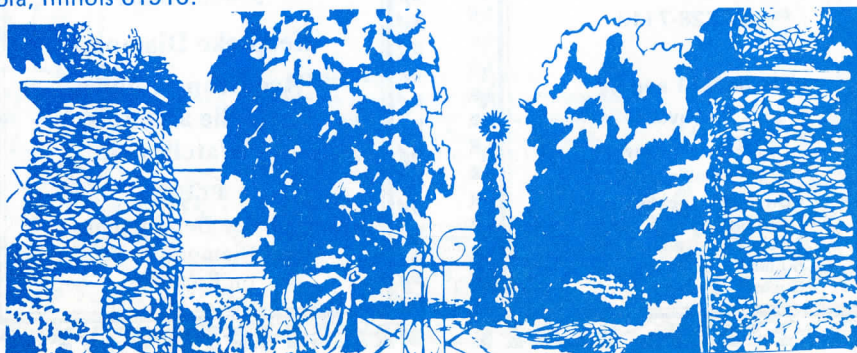
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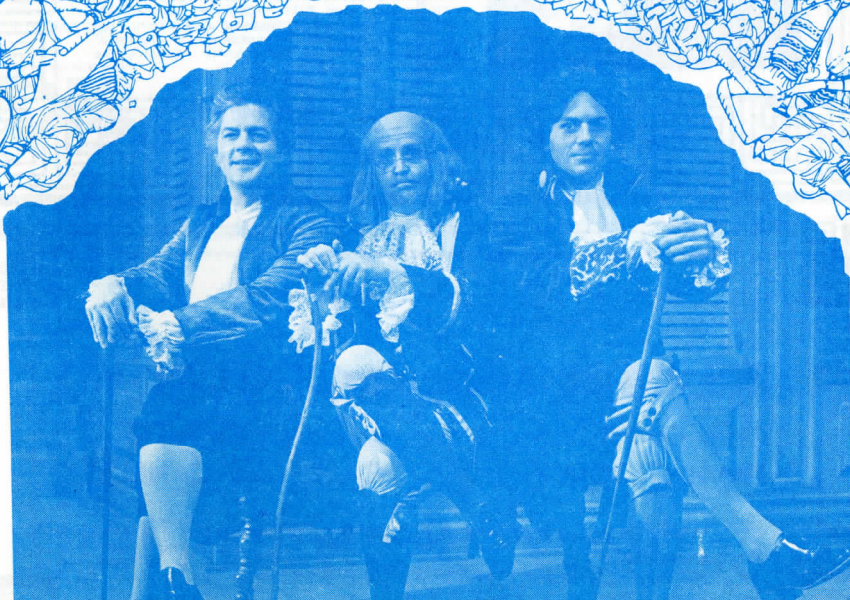
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Mr. Kirle began his career as piano soloist with the famous Boston Pops Orchestra when he was fifteen years old. A graduate of Columbia University in New York, he has conducted some of America's favorite musicals in this country and in Canada. He has worked with many stars including Rich Little, Dorothy Collins, Rosemary Prinz, Robert Morse, and Mimi Hines.

As a composer, his productions of **CAUTION: A LOVE STORY**, **THE NO PLAYS** (published by Winternhouse) and **BUT MOST OF US CRY IN MOVIES** have been produced at LaMama, off Broadway. Mr. Kirle has appeared at a number of leading clubs across the country including the legendary Five-Spot in New York.

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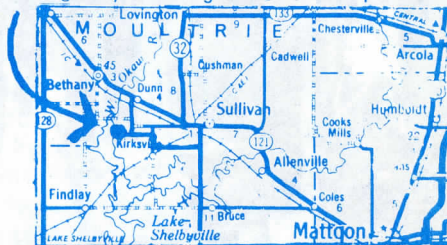
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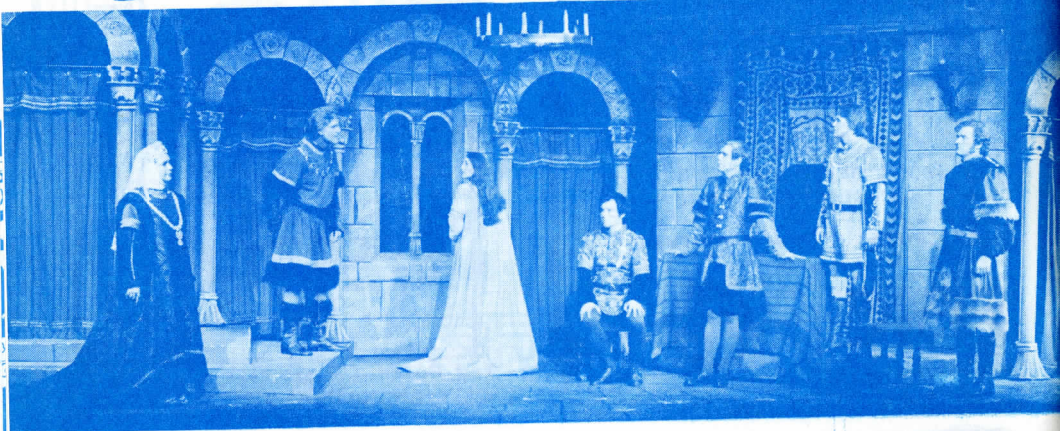
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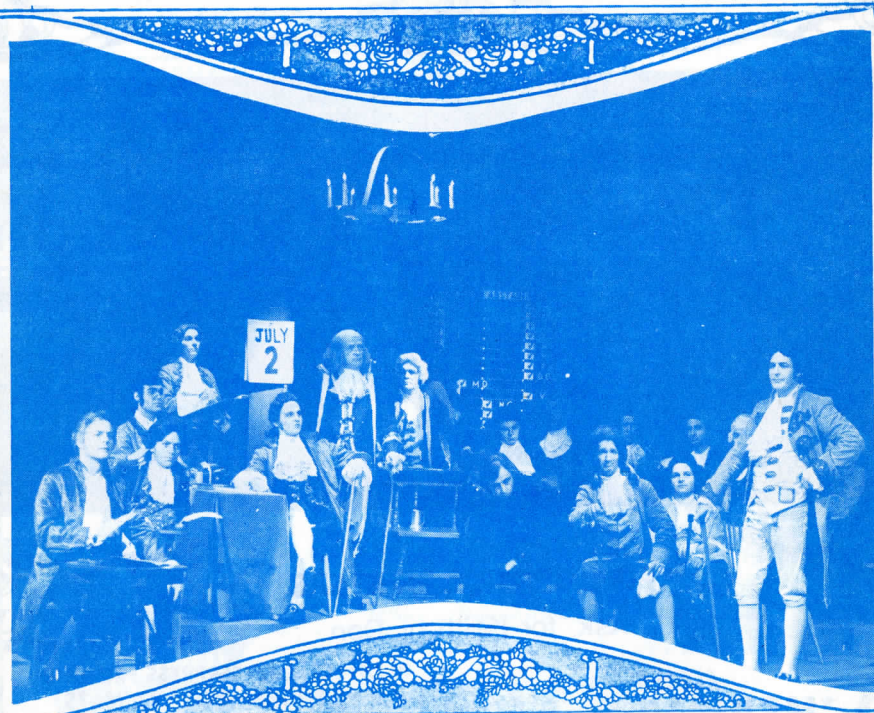
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Who's Who in the Cast . . .

PEGGY CASS (Annabelle Fuller) made her Broadway debut in *TOUCH AND GO* and has since become a top-drawer performer on stage, in television and in motion pictures. For her portrayal of Agnes Gooch, the myopic secretary in *AUNTIE MAME* she was awarded a Tony, and she was nominated for an Oscar for the movie version. Added laurels have come her way for her co-starring assignment in the revue, *A THURBER CARNIVAL* and for her performance in Irwin Shaw's *CHILDREN AT THEIR GAMES*. Other Broadway credits include *LIVE WIRE*, *BERNADINE*, *PHOENIX '55*, *OH MEN! OH WOMEN!*, the City Center's revivals of *OTHELLO* and *HENRY V*, *DON'T DRINK THE WATER*, the role of Mollie Malloy in the all-star Broadway revival of *FRONT PAGE*, and in the long running comedy *PLAZA SUITE*. On television, she's become a familiar face to audiences via *TO TELL THE TRUTH* where she capably serves as a regular panelist. She starred in the series, *THE HATHAWAYS* and has appeared on *I'VE GOT A SECRET*, *THE GARRY MOORE SHOW*, *PASSWORD*, *THE JACK PAAR SHOW*, *MERV GRIFFIN SHOW*, *YOU'RE PUTTING ME ON*, *MATCH GAME*, *WHAT'S MY LINE*, *THE TONIGHT SHOW* and *TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLAR PYRAMID*. Her film credits include *IF IT'S TUESDAY, IT MUST BE BELGIUM* and *PADDY*. *GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE* marks her first appearance at The Little Theatre-On The Square.

ART KASSUL (Newton Fuller) appeared at The Little Theatre-On The Square opposite Virginia Mayo in *HELLO, DOLLY!* This past winter and spring, he has again been appearing opposite Ms. Mayo. . . this time in *MOVE OVER*. *MRS. MARKHAM* first at the Showboat Theatre in Florida and more recently at Pheasant Run Playhouse near Chicago. Kassul has directed Sullivan productions of *Durward Kirby* in *PLAZA SUITE* and *James Drury* in *A THOUSAND CLOWNS*. For years, and including Sullivan, he played *Harry Brock* opposite *Betty Grable* in *BORN YESTERDAY*. He received the coveted Joseph Jefferson Award for his performance in *THE SUBJECT WAS ROSES* at Chicago's Candlelight Theatre. Mr. Kassul has over 250 stage credits. Earlier this season, Art was seen as *Hancock* in "1776" and as *Horace* opposite *Sue Ane Langdon* in *HELLO, DOLLY!*

JOHN KELSO (Mr. Kimber and Director). This year marks his fifteenth season with The Little Theatre-On The Square. Since his first Sullivan appearance in 1959, John has played more than 120 roles and directed over 35 productions here. Last season, he delighted audiences as *Pickering* in *MY FAIR LADY* and as *Herod* in *JESUS CHRIST, SUPERSTAR*. John has been featured in *SUGAR* with *Robert Morse*, *LITTLE ME* with *Harvey Korman*, *BORN YESTERDAY* with *Betty Grable*, *FUNNY GIRL* with *Mimi Hines*, *WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF?* with *Mercedes McCambridge*, and starred as *Pseudolus* in *A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM*. He has acted and directed in leading theatres in Chicago and St. Louis and dinner theatres from Maryland to Texas.

GEORGE BRENGEL (Uncle Stanley) could fill this page with his long and varied list of theatrical credits. Most recently, he has been seen as *Murray* in *THE ODD COUPLE* with *Frank Sutton*, *The Constable* in *OUR TOWN* with *Buddy Ebsen*, and *Gallagher* in *LIGHT UP THE SKY* with *Vivian Vance*. He has also been seen in *THE PLAYS THE THING*, *PLAZA SUITE*, *THE CRUCIBLE*, *A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE* and *BOUND EAST FOR CARDIFF*. This versatile character actor has over sixty industrial films to his credit and will probably be familiar to television viewers for his numerous commercials. Mr. Brengel was featured in Sullivan's production of *ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST*.

FREIDA ANN WILLIAMS (Hester) made her Sullivan debut in *SHOW BOAT*, after completing the National Tour of *JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR*. Freida appeared in the Chicago and Detroit productions of *HAIR* for over

fifteen months and has toured with the Free Street Theatre as a singer, dancer and actress. She has appeared in concert with *The Four Tops*, *Reo Speed Wagon* and *Gordon Lightfoot* and has appeared in clubs throughout the South and Midwest including Chicago's Playboy Club.

MARY LYNN KOLAS (Rena Leslie) made her debut in Sullivan as *Laurey* in *OKLAHOMA!* opposite *Bruce Yarnell*. Ms. Kolas has been seen off-Broadway in *LOOK ME UP*, in the national touring companies of *THE SOUND OF MUSIC* and *NO, NO, NANETTE* and has appeared in *THE KING AND I*, *CAN-CAN*, *GYPSY*, *FLOWER DRUM SONG*, *MILK AND HONEY*, *CAROUSEL*, *COMPANY*, and *THE ONLY GAME IN TOWN*. Ms. Kolas has also appeared in night club acts, industrial films, industrial shows, trade shows, and a television special, *NEW PERFORMERS CHICAGO-LAND '68*. Mary Lynn appeared as *Irene Molloy* in *HELLO, DOLLY!* earlier this season.

PHILIP COURINGTON (Clayton Evans). Phil's career began in earnest at age 15 as a member of "The Young Americans", including appearances on the *Ed Sullivan Show*, the *Hollywood Palace*, and the *Academy Awards Show* singing "Born Free." Since coming to the Midwest he has portrayed *Edward Rutledge* in 1776, *Count Carl Magnus Malcolm* in *A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC*, and *Duke Theus* in Chicago's Jefferson Award-winning production of *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM*. Phil appeared earlier this season as *Dunlop* in *THE MUSIC MAN*, *Richard Henry Lee* in "1776" and *Ambrose* in *HELLO, DOLLY!*

JANET PELTZ (Katie) has been a member of the resident company of the Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera and the Dallas State Fair Musicals, appearing in *PANAMA HATTIE*, *THE BOYS FROM SYRACUSE*, *THE STUDENT PRINCE*, *CAN-CAN* and other shows. She has numerous opera appearances ranging from *THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO* and *LA TRAVIATA* to *MACBETH*. For the past two summers, she has appeared in all the Sullivan musical productions including roles such as *Mazeppa* in *GYPSY* and *Mrs. Higgins* in *MY FAIR LADY*.

STEVEN VUJOVIC (Mr. Prescott) returned to The Little Theatre-On The Square for his third season after a stint at a Canadian dinner theatre where he appeared with *Forrest Tucker* in *PLAZA SUITE* and *Jean-Pierre Aumont* in *GIGI*. In Sullivan *Steve* has appeared in *HAIR*, *DAMN YANKEES*, *IRMA LA DOUCE*, *BLOSSOM TIME*, *SUGAR* and earlier this season as *Jacey* in *THE MUSIC MAN* and *Dickinson* in "1776".

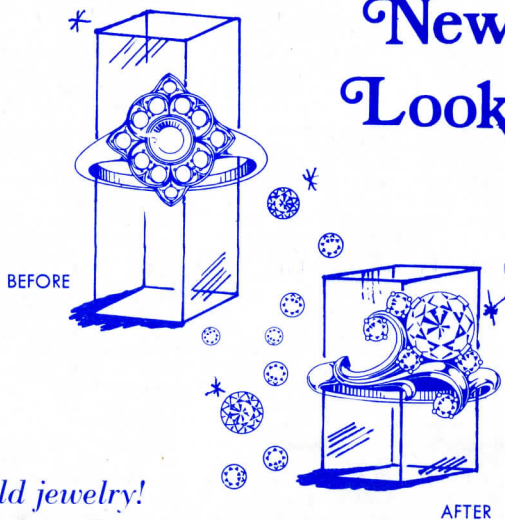
ERIC WEAVER (Raymond) attends Jr. High in Clinton, Illinois, but is no stranger to the stage. He has appeared in *THE MUSIC MAN*, *ANNIE GET YOUR GUN*, *LET GEORGE DO IT*, and *THE MAN WHO CAME TO DINNER*.

JEAN-MARIE SCHOLZ (Mrs. Douglas) has been a church soloist since the age of 14. She has appeared in *CARMEN*, *OLD MAID* and *THE THIEF*, *SOUTH PACIFIC*, *CAROUSEL*, *FIDDLER ON THE ROOF*, *SONG OF NORWAY*, *FUNNY GIRL*, and *THE MUSIC MAN*. She taught voice at Millikin University for six years and is currently soloist at Temple B'nai Abraham and the Christian Science Church in Decatur.

DONNA DROHAN (Madge Fuller) a native of New York appeared earlier this season in *SHOW BOAT* and *HELLO, DOLLY!* Before coming to Sullivan, Donna appeared in *THE CRUCIBLE*, *THE WIZARD OF OZ* and *A TASTE OF HONEY*.

DAVID SHAFFER (Steve Eldridge) has appeared in productions of *THE SUBJECT WAS ROSES*, *THE FANTASTICKS*, *BYE, BYE, BIRDIE*, and *MADAME BUTTERFLY* in theatres throughout Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky. In Sullivan, he has been seen in "1776", and *HELLO, DOLLY!*

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