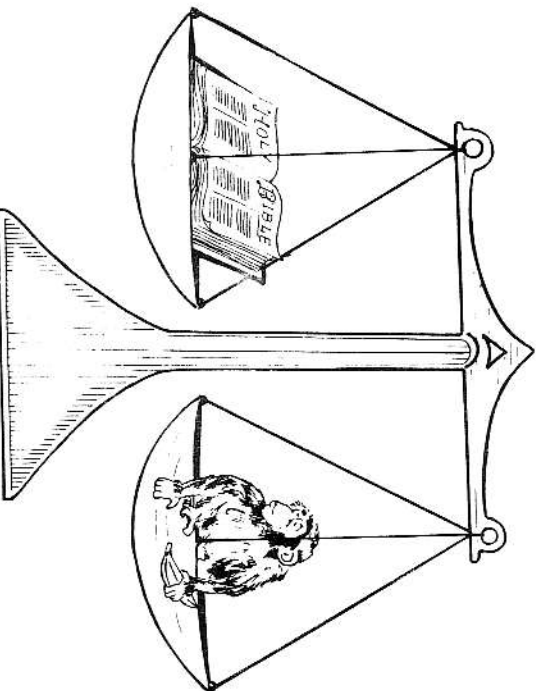


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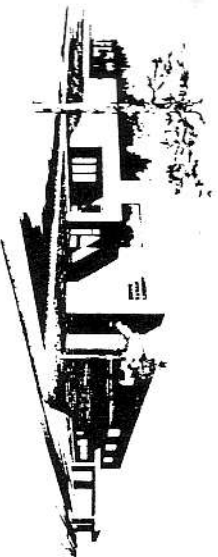
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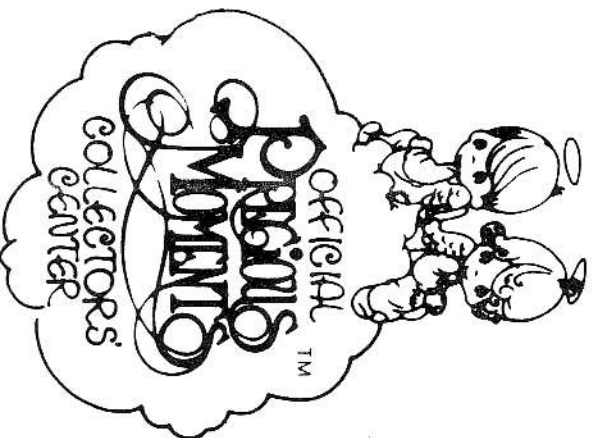
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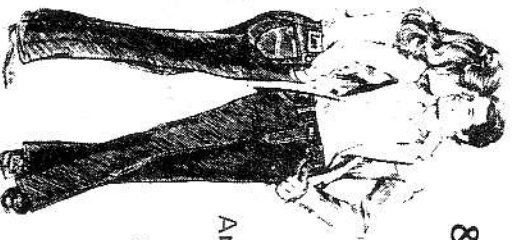
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The first production of A.C.T. was "YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU" in the Fall of 1981. Since that time, A.C.T. has produced six other shows including "THE FANTASTICKS", "HARVEY", "PLAZA SUITE", "GEORGE WASHINGTON SLEPT HERE", "THE SOUND OF MUSIC" and "OK-LAHOMA". We are very thankful and appreciative of the community's support. We are especially grateful for those persons who have tried to attend each of our shows. It is with this base of support and loyalty that A.C.T. embarks on another season of shows.

The 1985-86 season opens in September with A.C.T.'s first serious dramatic offering, "INHERIT THE WIND." In December, the music, warmth, fun and charm of the season come together in "THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER." The production of an original script, "MINGLED YARN" by Ankeny's own Paul Shay, offers a "first" for both A.C.T. and the Ankeny community. The season's final offering is a delightful musical fable of Broadway, "GUYS & DOLLS."

Watch the Ankeny Press Citizen and the Register's Datebook and Neighborhood sections for announcements concerning these productions. **Better yet, why don't you take a few minutes to read the enclosed membership brochure, complete the membership form and become an active member of the ANKENY COMMUNITY THEATRE.**

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Act III: The Courthouse Lawn. The Following Day.

CAST

In Order of Appearance

Howard	Fuss Henning
Melinda	Crissy Taylor
Rachel Brown	Peggy McLuen
Meeker	Dick Wilson
Bertram Cates	Paul Shay
Goodfellow	Phil Young
Mrs. Krebs	Sally Sawhill
Rev. Jeremiah Brown	John Thompson
Sillers	Rex Ratzlaff
Bollinger	Dave Wood
Dunlap	Andy Cummings
Barnister	Gene Harder
Hot Dog Man/Hawker	Dave Claussen
Mrs. McLain	Marion Klett
Mrs. Blair	Jeanne Ginger
Elijah	Duane Spicer
E.K. Hornbeck	Randy Ratcliff
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Matthew Harrison Brady	J.R. Walker
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Mrs. Brady	Lynne Carlson

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Director	Dick Russell
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Costumes	Kathy Weatherwax
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— CAST NOTES —

RUSS HENNING (Howard) Russ is a junior high student in Ankeny and a veteran of A.C.T. productions, having performed as one of the Von Trapp children in "The Sound of Music". Russ has also acted and sang in productions of "Kids Praise I" and "Kids Praise II" at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

CRISSY TAYLOR (Melinda) Crissy has won the Ankeny "Bill Riley Talent Show" for two years in a row and has sang at the Iowa State Fair as a state champion three times. She played Louisa in A.C.T.'s "The Sound of Music".

PEGGY McLUEN (Rachel) Peggy has a B.A. in Theatre Arts from Simpson College. There she was involved in both acting and directing. Peggy has also performed with The Drama Workshop in THE ACTOR'S NIGHTMARE and THE BEGINNING. She is presently working as a disc jockey at KDLS Radio in Perry. As for future plans, Peggy intends to move to Los Angeles to pursue acting professionally.

DICK WILSON (Meeker) Dick acted in A.C.T.'s recent production of "Oklahoma" and has sung in both a barbershop quartet and chorus. Dick works as a replacement window specialist and lives in Ankeny with his wife and daughter.

PAUL SHAY (Bertram Cates) Paul is a real theater professional, having received his B.F.A. in Theatre Arts from Drake University.; Paul has been involved in professional theater as an actor, designer, and writer since 1980. An original work by Paul will be offered by A.C.T. in January.

PHIL YOUNG (Goodfellow) Phil is an art teacher at Ankeny's East and Southeast elementary schools. He has been in high school plays and A.C.T.'s "Oklahoma". Phil lives in Ankeny with his wife and three children.

SALLY SAWHILL (Mrs. Krebs) Sally makes her acting debut in this A.C.T. production. She works during the day as a corporate secretary for Blue Cross/Blue Shield and full-time as a mother of several sons.

JOHN THOMPSON (Rev. Jeremiah Brown) John grew up in Des Moines and received his B.A. from Grinnell College. He has an M.A. in drama from Case-Western Reserve. John recently retired after 35 years of public school teaching. His most recent stage role was in "On Golden Pond" with the Clear Lake Summer Theatre. He has been active in the Des Moines Community Playhouse, the Ingersoll Dinner Theater, the Drama Workshop, and has done professional theater work in New York. John has worked in over 350 productions as an actor or director.

REX RATZLAFF (Sillers) Making his A.C.T. debut, Rex has performed in "The Diligent Daughters". Rex is the Environmental Director for the Con-valescent Home for Children. He makes his home in Ankeny with his wife and two daughters.

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DAVE WOOD (Bollinger) Dave teaches 7th and 8th Grade Math at Neveln Junior High. He has had acting experience in high school and church. Dave lists his family as 1 wife, 1 daughter, 2 sons, and 3 cats.

ANDY CUMMINGS (Dunlap) Andy had experience as an actor in high school and makes his stage debut with A.C.T. in this production. He works as a truck driver and makes his home in Ankeny.

GENE HARDER (Bannister) Gene played the Marshall in A.C.T.'s production of "Oklahoma". He teaches at DMACC and has a wife and three daughters. A top ticket seller, Gene's enthusiasm is both welcome and contagious.

DAVE CLAUSSEN (Hot Dog Man/Hawker) Dave played in "Lil' Abner" and "Up the Down Staircase" in high school. This is his second production with A.C.T. having played in "Oklahoma" last spring. Dave works as a greenhouse attendant at Hawkins in Des Moines.

MARION KIEFT (Mrs. McLain) Marion played Veta Louise in A.C.T.'s "Harvey" and a neighbor in A.C.T.'s "George Washington Slept Here". She is a retired social work supervisor, has two married children and four grandchildren, and serves on the A.C.T. Board of Directors.

JEANNE GINGER (Mrs. Blair) Jeanne played a nun in A.C.T.'s production of "The Sound of Music" and has acted in "The American Way", "Stage Door", and "All About Eve". When she's not at work at Ankeny High School, she keeps herself busy with her seven children and 12 grandchildren.

DUANE SPICER (Elijah) Duane works at the Hawkeye Bank and Trust and was involved with A.C.T.'s "Oklahoma". He and his wife Carole Lea have two daughters; LeAnne, a senior at UNI and Julie, a junior at Ankeny High School.

RANDY RATCLIFF (E.K. Hornbeck) Randy appeared in musicals and dramas in his hometown of Red Oak, playing leading roles in "The Crucible", "Annie Get Your Gun", "Inherit the Wind", "Midsummer Night's Dream", "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying", "The Mouse That Roared", and "Julius Caesar". At Simpson College he played in "J.B.", "You Can't Take It With You", "Oklahoma", "My Three Angels", "Streetcar Named Desire", and others. As a teacher in Oregon, Wisconsin, Randy directed school plays and musicals and the local Miss America Pageant. He has been a high school chemistry teacher here since 1976. He directed and acted in A.C.T.'s first production "You Can't Take It With You", appeared as Jesse Kiplinger in "Plaza Suite", and directed last year's "Oklahoma".

NEIL KRAEMER (Photographer) Neil has been involved in many high school plays and A.C.T.'s "Oklahoma". A resident of Ankeny, he works at DMACC.

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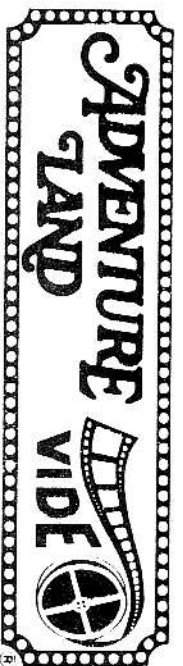
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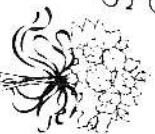
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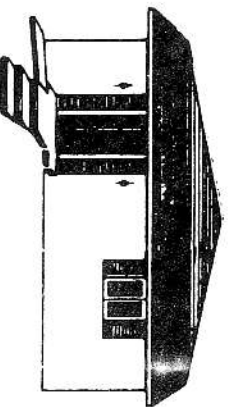


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J.R. WALKER (Matthew Harrison Brady) J.R. has previously appeared in A.C.T.'s productions of "Plaza Suite" and "The Fantasticks". He has played major roles in Des Moines Community Playhouse production of "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof", "Annie Get Your Gun", and "Shenandoah". At the Ingersoll Dinner Theater, J.R. also played leads in "Deathtrap" and "The Raimaker". One of his favorite roles was that of "Zorba" for the Drama Workshop. He also enjoys doing local television commercials and films, having played a major role in the Heartland production of "The Healing".

LYNNE CARLSON (Mrs. Brady) Lynne appeared in A.C.T.'s productions of "Plaza Suite" and "You Can't Take It With You". Also a fine musician in her spare time, she works as a medical receptionist at Mercy Clinic and has four boys and a girl.

STEVE STONE (Mayor) Steve played the character Samuelson in A.C.T.'s "Harvey" and has been in numerous shows at the Des Moines Community Playhouse and Tradewinds Dinner Theatre. He works as an employee benefit consultant, is married, and has two daughters, ages 6 and 2.

MICHAEL JOHNSON (Tom Davenport) Michael appeared in numerous high school productions and makes this his first theatrical endeavor since that time. Single, Michael is a practicing attorney and ran for State Representative in 1984.

DUANE ANDERSON (Judge) Duane has appeared in A.C.T.'s productions of "You Can't Take It With You", "The Fantasticks", "George Washington Slept Here", "Sound of Music", and produced and acted in "Oklahoma". He played in "Arsenic and Old Lace" at the Ingersoll Dinner Theater, "Awake and Sing", and has produced two musicals and two Shakespeare plays for the Drama Workshop. If he has any time left over, Duane works as the Chairperson for DMACC's Commercial Horticulture Program.

ERIK ERIKSEN (Henry Drummond) A veteran of all of A.C.T.'s productions to date, Erik's most recent appearances have been as Captain Von Trapp in "Sound of Music" and as Carnes in "Oklahoma". He also played in "Shenandoah" with J.R. at the Des Moines Community Playhouse. Erik's other local thespian endeavors include two dinner theatre productions and Ankeny's bicentennial presentation of "George M.". Though busy with local theatre (he is President of A.C.T.), Erik makes time for another love, music; he is director of the Chancel Choir at Ankeny's First United Methodist Church.

LARRY GILES (Reuter's Reporter) Larry was active in the theatre at Saydel High School. He works as a free-lance writer, lives in Ankeny, and is making his A.C.T. debut in this production.

RON EDWARDS (Harry Y. Esterbrook) Ron does early morning traffic reports for KIOA radio, sells for State Chemical, and has his own painting business. Coincidentally, he is making his A.C.T. debut in this show as a "radio man". Ron has a wife, two sons, and a daughter.

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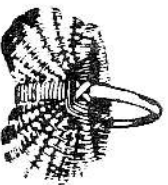
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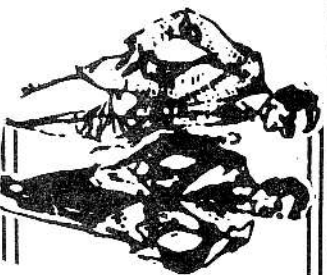
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DICK RUSSELL (Director) A native of Des Moines, Dick is a graduate of North High School and Drake University. He is a veteran of both the Korean Police Action and U.S. Army shows which he did for three years in Tokyo. Dick's theater credits are numerous and include both plays and films, as an amateur and as a professional. Among these experiences are 85 plays and 45 films, two years of summer stock, and shows at the Ingersoll Dinner Theater, The Drama Workshop and the Des Moines Community Playhouse. "Inherit the Wind" is Dick's initial experience with A.C.T. He has met the challenge handsomely with a solidly professional style. Welcome, Dick - thanks, and come back.

KENDRA ANDERSON (Stage Manager) In her second year as a member of the A.C.T. Board of Directors, and her senior year at Ankeny High School, Kendra has proven both her people and organizational skills. A willing, able and hard worker, she has served well as the Director's strong right hand. "Inherit the Wind" is Kendra's second successful attempt at being a stage manager; she undertook the same role for A.C.T.'s "The Sound of Music". In addition, she was house manager for A.C.T.'s production of "Oklahoma" last spring. Thanks, Kendra - job well done.



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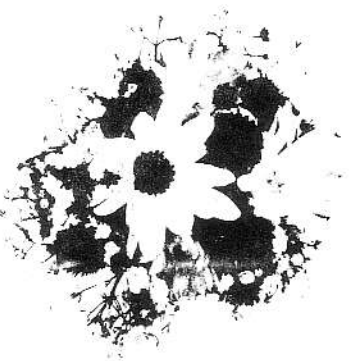
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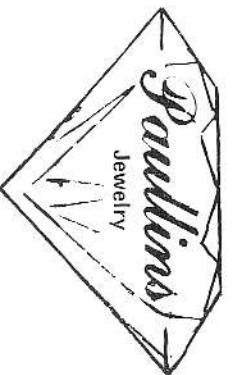
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