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## The President's Message



We have received more requests for "All My Sons" than for any other play that we have yet produced. Your belief that our group can do justice to this fine work has inspired us to choose it as our final public production for this season. It has been a lot of fun preparing it, and we hope you enjoy it.

At the beginning of the season, it appeared that the activities of the Civic Theatre would have to be curtailed or even stopped. There was no place for us to work nor any money to cover back bills. The picture was very dark.

Then, the City Council loaned us the Log Cabin on Burns Park for a workshop, and those people who feel the need of a little theatre in the community provided the capital. With this backing the group has been able to prepare two three-act plays, two one-act plays, and to provide its members with an opportunity for many hours of creative work.

The two one-acts were prepared as part of our repertoire, and we expect to add yet another one-act before June. These plays are particularly suitable for informal presentation to other service and social groups.

This year we have been able to help Hadassah and Girl Scout Hilltop Lodge finance their work. We will try to continue this policy of benefit performances.

Tonight's program is for your pleasure. If you enjoy your-self, please recommend us to your friends.

ROY E. BROWN,

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#### SYNOPSIS of SCENES

#### Act I

The back yard of the Keller home in the outskirts of an American town.

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#### Act II

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#### Act III

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#### **About the Director**

★ BETTY FULLER, a graduate student working on her Master's degree in theatre at the University. She appeared in "MY SISTER EILEEN" for Civic Theatre, directed "MEN OF DESTINY" for play production at the University, and has done summer theatre work at Cain Park Theatre, Cleveland Heights.

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- ★ G. DAVIS SELLARDS (JOE), a member of the board, was last seen as Bill Franklin in "Kiss and Tell." He also appeared in "My Sister Eileen" and "The Man Who Married A Dumb Wife."
- MARIE GILSON (KATE) will be remembered as Janet Archer in "Kiss and Tell," as Wilson in "The Barretts of Wimpole Street," and as Catherine Apley in "The Late George Apley."

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- ★ DANA ELCAR (CHRIS), a student at the University, this is his first appearance on Civic Theatre stage. He directed "If Men Played Cards As Women Do," a laboratory one-act play. He attended Cranbrook Summer School of the Theatre.
- ANN PARSONS (ANN) has played parts for us in "The Late George Apley," "The Man Who Married A Dumb Wife," and appeared as Dora in "Night Must Fall."

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- ★ TODD JONES (JIM), vice-president of Civic Theatre, was previously seen in two of our major productions. He was George Apley in "The Late George Apley"; Edward Barrett in "The Barretts of Wimpole Street." He also directed "Kiss and Tell."
- \* ANN HUSSELMAN (SUE), a junior major in drama, makes her first appearance on the stage for Civic Theatre. She was bookholder for "My Sister Eileen."

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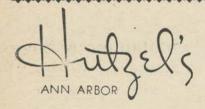
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- ★ RUTH LIVINGSTON (LYDIA) makes her debut with the Civic Theatre tonight. She is a senior play production major on the campus, and will be remembered for her performance in "I Remember Mama."
- ★ BILL BYRNE (FRANK). First appearance with us, but Bill is an old hand in theatre work, both as an actor and writer. Original stage appearance was with an Ardmore group, on Philadelphia's Main Line; has scripted for stage, radio and the newsreels.

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- ★ CARL E. GINGLES (GEORGE), a Navy veteran, makes his debut with the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre in tonight's play.
- ★ BOB SMITH (BERT), the juvenile, appeared in "The Man Who Married A Dumb Wife" and played the part of Raymond in "Kiss and Tell."
- ★ NANCY L. McGEE (BOOKHOLDER) has done little theatre work in Denver and held book for "The Voice of the Turtle."

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