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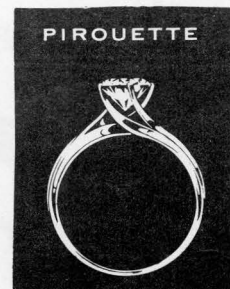
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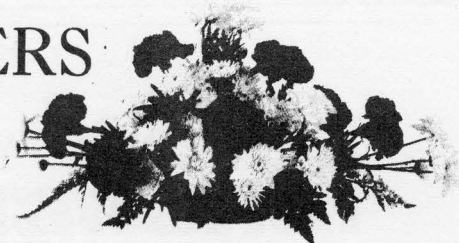
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## Cast

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|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Rubin Flood .....      | Greg Sabatino     |
| Cora Flood .....       | Mary Furniss      |
| Sonny Flood .....      | Jim Pyle          |
| Reenie Flood .....     | Marlynn Singleton |
| Flirt Conroy .....     | Gwendy Miles      |
| Morris Lacey .....     | Larry Evans       |
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## *Synopsis of Scenes*

### ACT I

Monday afternoon in spring

### ACT II

Friday evening

### ACT III

Late Saturday afternoon

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## *Crews*

Assistant to Director: Bob Stegmiller

Stage Manager: Wayne Turney

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## *Directors*

**CHARLES W. DODRILL** is Director of Theatre and Special Events at Otterbein. A native West Virginian, he holds an A.B. degree from Glenville State, an M.A. from the University of Kansas and a Ph. D. from Ohio State University. He is responsible for many innovations in the Otterbein theatre program since he began teaching here in 1958, including the overseas tour, New York Theatre Tours and now, Otterbein's first summer theatre program. Dr. Dodrill is also responsible for the Otterbein Artist Series and he is currently chairman of the Greater Columbus Arts Council.

**DEENA FERRIGNO**, Designer-Technical Director, received a B.A. from the University of Massachusetts, and an M.A. from the University of Michigan, where she acted as Technical Director and Designer of Children's Theatre for two years. She most recently has worked as assistant stage manager and sound technician for the American Conservatory Theatre in New York and San Francisco. We are delighted to have her with us for the second semester and summer while Prof. Fred Thayer is on sabbatical leave doing graduate work.

**WILLIAM BRASMER** is chairman of the Department of Theatre Arts at Denison University and Director of the Denison University Theatre. For fifteen years he was Managing Director of the Denison Summer Theatre and in his nineteen years of teaching at Denison he has directed over 75 productions. He produced and directed the first University Theatre tour of England which played successfully at the Edinburgh Festival in 1956. He received his training at the University of North Carolina, Northwestern University and the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts.

**ROBERT STEGMILLER** heads Bob Stegmiller Productions, a Columbus theatrical production service. He has worked with many non-professional local theatres as well as with professional groups. Recently he has been staging musicals for Columbus Independent Players. He has worked in numerous capacities for ten seasons of summer stock, including seasons at the Erie Playhouse, Peninsula Playhouse and several seasons at Playhouse-on-the-Green where he has worked at every conceivable job from apprentice to designer-technical director.

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**LARRY EVANS** is an Otterbein junior from Columbus. In addition to recent appearances here in **Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs** and **Brigadoon** (lead dancer), Larry has also appeared with the Independent Players in Columbus. **MARY FURNISS** is an Otterbein junior from Westerville. She has played leads here in **A Servant of Two Masters**, **As You Like It** and **Our Town**. **JAMES GRANGER** is an Otterbein senior from Pittsburgh, Pa. He has appeared in major roles here in **The Sap of Life**, **A Servant of Two Masters**, **The Madwoman of Chaillot**, **As You Like It** and **Brigadoon**. **TERI HIATT** is an Otterbein sophomore from Whitehall. She played lead roles in **Oklahoma!** and **The Music Man** in high school, and she played leads in Otterbein's productions of **As You Like It** and **Brigadoon**. **JIM HOTCHKISS** is an Ohio State junior from Mt. Vernon. His many roles include appearances in **Look Back in Anger**, **The Private Ear**, **Waiting for Godot**, **Visit to a Small Planet** and **The Lark**. **DOUG MC KAY** is a recent graduate of Wilmington High School. He played lead roles there in **The Crucible**, **Antigone** and **Dear Ruth**.

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**MARLYNN SINGLETON**, a recent Westerville High School graduate, has been very active in high school dramatics and has appeared as featured soloist with the Capital City Ballet Company. **WAYNE TURNEY** is an Ohio Wesleyan senior from Delaware. His many roles at Wesleyan include leads in **A Man for All Seasons**, **Cyrano de Bergerac**, **Playboy of the Western World**, **The Physicists** and **The Lark**. **LOIS ULREY** is an Otterbein senior from Mt. Vernon. She has been very active backstage and she appeared as the Queen in **Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs**. **JEANNE WIEGAND** is a Capital University senior from Columbus. She has been active in backstage work and appeared in **The Philadelphia Story** there.



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