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## Cast Rehearses for 'Pajama Game'

Pictured in rehearsal the cast of the Otterbein College Theatre production of "The Pajama Game" sing their union theme-song "7½ Cents." "The Pajama Game" will be presented in Cowan Hall today and Friday at 8:15 p.m., and on Saturday at 2 p.m. Tickets are still available, but the best seats are for today's performance. Telephone reservations will be taken at Otterbein College from 1-4:30 p.m.

## Large Cast, Pop Songs In OC Production

By NANCY NORRIS

A roll of drums — a clash of symbols and a final week rehearsal of the Otterbein College Theater's production, "Pajama Game," was underway. Packed side by side in the overture, played practically precision perfect by Professor Alan Bradley's 20-piece orchestra, are songs familiar to most everyone who enjoys musical shows — "Hey, There," "Small Talk," "I'm Not At All In

Love," "Hernando's Hideaway," and on and on.

The show itself should prove to be pretty interesting for reasons beyond the snappy tunes and romantic ballads scattered through its scenes. One of the truly fascinating things to watch is the sheer mechanics of making a "Pajama Game" production work.

If done correctly, the audience might never really recognize the fact that there are a total of 20 different scenes during the production. Those of you who have been on the working side of the curtain realize that's no small feat to engineer. Professor Fred Thayer gets the credit for his management here, both on the scene changes and many of the scene settings themselves.

SEVERAL OF THE DROPS which will be used in the Otterbein production were originally created for "Pajama Game," and have been specially obtained for the show. Few could match their artistry.

While we're on the subject of backstage maneuvers, though,

let's count the cast — an unbelievable 38 persons who appear on stage, plus another 40 crew members behind the scenes, plus the 20 musicians. "There's no space for even one more body back there," says Technical Director Thayer.

Director Charles Dodrill commented that the play totally is an unwieldy one, simply number-wise. On top of that, 12 of the 38 cast members in his production are freshmen — including the three leads. These problems could make most any director shudder.

HOWEVER, WITH THE able assistance of musical director, Dr. Lee Shackson, and choreographer, Lloyd Lewis, an Otterbein alumnus who worked on the OSU Stadium Theatre production two summers ago, he has what promises to be another sell-out house for the Otterbein College Theater record books.

The show opens today. Curtain time is at 8:15 p.m. Another evening performance will be given Friday at 8:15 p.m. with a Saturday matinee at 2 p.m.

As we go to press, Saturday is already almost a sold-out crowd. Friday has a few remaining seats, and tonight may be your only chance.

As for this viewer, seeing one act just whetted an appetite to see two.

## Season Ducats On Sale Today At OC Theater

Season tickets go on sale today for the 39th season of the Otterbein College Theater, Prof. Charles Dodrill, Director of Theater, has announced. Four major productions, including a musical comedy and a professional guest star, and five-award winning films headline the bill of fare.

The 1962-63 season opens October 18-19-20 when the rowdy, rollicking musical rumpus, "The Pajama Game," will be presented by the departments of music and theater. Thursday and Friday performances will be at 8:15 p.m., while the Saturday performance will be a matinee only at 2 p.m.

"The Pajama Game" had a two and one-half year run, the ninth longest in musical history on Broadway. Some of the hit tunes from the show include: "Hey There," "Hernando's Hideaway," and "Steam Heat."

The exuberant dances to "Steam Heat" and "Once a Year Day" will be staged by Lloyd Lewis, 1954 Otterbein graduate who was responsible for the choreography in the 1961 production of "The Boy Friend."

Other major productions for the year include: "Bell, Book and Candle" in an arena show scheduled for Dec. 5-9; "J.B." featuring a professional guest star and town and gown cast scheduled for Feb. 28, March 1-2; and G. B. Shaw's "Man and Superman" scheduled for May 9-10-11.

Prof. Dodrill said that reserved seats will be sold for all performances for the first time. He expects total attendance to be near 12,000 for the 1962-63 season, including one-acts and foreign films.

The Cowan Hall box-office is now accepting season ticket orders by mail. Additional information may be obtained by calling 882-3601.

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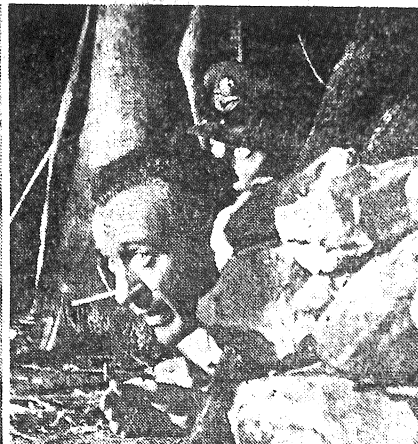
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Season tickets for the complete Otterbein theater season, including "Bell, Book and Candle," "J. B." with professional guest star and "Man and Superman," are currently on sale.

"The Pajama Game" is presented under the joint sponsorship of the Departments of Theater and Music. Prof. Charles Dodrill, Director of Theater, is staging this popular musical. Lloyd Lewis has staged its brisk

dances. Prof. Allen Bradley and Prof. Lee Shackson are directing the melody end of the enterprise, and Prof. Fred Thayer is handling the settings and costumes.



**The Playbill --** Charlton Heston and Elsa Martinelli star with Harry Guardino and Gabriella Pallotta in a comedy about wartime spying, "The Pigeon That Took Rome," booked to open Saturday, Oct. 27, at Loew's Ohio. Judy Cook and Pat McGinnis, second from left, are the principals in the Otterbein College production of "Pajama Game," running through Saturday in Cowan

Hall on the campus. There is a Saturday matinee. The fabulous George Shearing brings his Jazz Quintet to the Maramor for a return engagement beginning Monday evening. He'll be there one week. David Niven turns soldier this week at the Bexley Art Theater. Scene at right shows commando Niven as he creeps near the enemy camp in the wartime comedy, "The Best of Enemies."



### 'PAJAMA' LEADS

Pabe Williams (Judy Cook) and Sid Rorokin (Pat McGinnis) sing the playful song, "I Don't Wanta Talk Small Talk," in the opening Otterbein College Theater production, "The Pajama Game." The musical will have three performances, Oct. 18-19-20. Ticket information may be obtained by phoning the Cowan Hall box office in Westerville, TU. 2-3601, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

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### MUSIC SHOW AT OTTERBEIN

When the curtain opens Thursday night on the Otterbein College Theater production of the smash musical comedy hit, "The Pajama Game," Gordon Gregg and Vicki Bryan will appear in the final scene dressed in traditional convict pajamas.

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## Curtain Call

Things To Come

Professor Charles Dodrill, Director of Theater at Otterbein College, has announced the program for the coming year. The theater and music departments at Otterbein combine their talents in the season's opener, "The Pajama Game." This will be followed by John Van Druten's "Bell, Book and Candle," which will be the annual arena theater production. A professional guest star will be featured in the third production, a "town and gown" undertaking of the great Pulitzer Prize winning drama by Archibald MacLeish, "J. B." Three possible candidates for the guest performers are Basil Rathbone, Raymond Massey or Hal Holbrook. We will let you know when the final decision is made. The closing major production will feature the irrepressible wit of George Bernard Shaw in "Man or Superman." Season tickets are on sale and the price of four dollars includes five foreign award-winning films, one of which is the Italian film "The Bicycle Thief." Additional information may be obtained by calling TU 2-3601.

by Jean Ann Weaver



## "Pajama Game" First On Cowan Slate

Four major theatre productions, including a musical comedy and a professional guest star, and five award-winning foreign films will headline the thirty-ninth season of the Otterbein College Theatre, Professor Charles Dodrill, Director of Theatre, announced today.

The season will open on October 18-19-20 when the theatre and music departments will produce the smash musical hit, "The Pajama Game." Since its opening on May 13, 1954, and its Broadway closing 1,061 performances later, productions of "The Pajama Game" have been delighting audiences throughout the U. S. and the world. Some of the hit songs include "Hey There," "Steam Doe's Hideaway," and "Heat." Thursday and Friday performances will be at 8:15 p.m., while the Saturday performance will be at 2:00 p.m.

"Bell, Book and Candle" by John Van Druten will be the annual arena theatre production on December 5-6-7-8. This hit Broadway comedy, about a girl who practices witchcraft and who comes attracted to a man who publishes books about it, whips up a whirl of laughter as the strange situation unfolds. The recent hit movie production starred Kim Novak.

A PROFESSIONAL GUEST STAR will be featured in the third production, a "town and gown" undertaking of the great Pulitzer Prize winning drama by Archibald MacLish, "J.B." Basil Rathbone, Raymond Massey and Hal Holbrook are three current candidates for the job — should they prove unavailable, a comparable performer will be sought. Last season's production of "John Brown's Body" starring HANS CONRIED proved so successful that the theatre has decided to continue the guest star tradition. Production dates are February 28, March 1-2.

The final major production will feature the irrepressible wit of George Bernard Shaw when "Man and Superman" will be presented on May 9-10-11. This battle of the sexes shows Shaw, pen in hand, fencing with wit and word and emerging master of the comedy of manners. Tanner's courtship of Ann will bring a twinkle to your eye and leave you with the conviction that you have seen Shaw at his brilliant best.

The Foreign Film Series, featuring five award-winning films, will open on September 26 when the internationally acclaimed Italian film, "The Bicycle Thief," will be presented in Cowan Hall at 8:00 p.m. Directed by Vittorio de Sica, the film won major awards from five of the great festivals, including an Oscar from

the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Other films in the series include: German, "The Last Bridge," Oct. 24; India, "The World of Apu," Nov. 20; Spain, "Calle Mayor," Jan. 9; and France "The Red and the Black," Feb. 6.

Also slated for the 1962-63 season are a group of avantgarde one-act plays, a lecture and visit by Broadway producer, David Shaber, and a three day appearance of the Bishop's Company, specialists in religious drama.

Season tickets will go on sale September 27 for the four major theatre production and five films. The tickets will sell for \$4.00, a 50% savings for Westerville theatre-goers.

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## 'Game' Tickets

Reserved seat tickets are currently on sale for the opening production of the 1962-63 Otterbein College Theater season. The musical comedy hit, "The Pajama Game," will open the season on Oct. 18-19-20.

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