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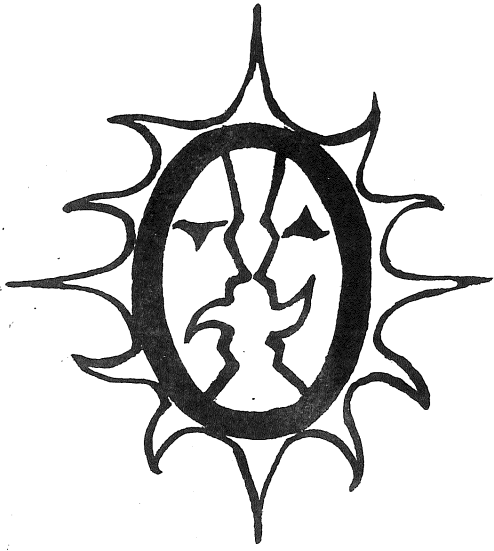


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by **EUGENE O'NEILL**

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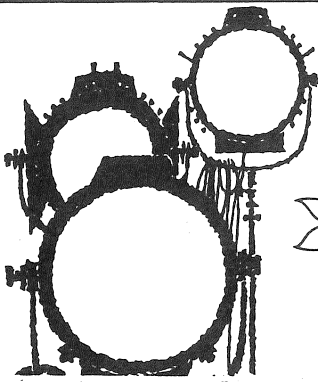
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Scene 2 – Same. Evening of the same day.

Intermission

ACT II: **Scene 1** – Back room of a bar in a small hotel. Ten o'clock the same night.
Scene 2 – The Miller home. A little after ten o'clock the same night.

Intermission

ACT III: **Scene 1** – The Miller home. About one o'clock the following afternoon.
Scene 2 – A strip of beach on the harbour. About nine o'clock that night.
Scene 3 – The Miller home. About ten o'clock the same night.

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Directors

CHARLES W. DODRILL, Director of Theatre at Otterbein College since 1958, holds an M.A. from Kansas University and a Ph.D. from Ohio State. Dr. Dodrill is past president of the Columbus Arts Council and the Ohio Speech Association, and the current national president of Theta Alpha Phi Dramatics Honorary. He is responsible for many innovations in the Otterbein Theatre Program, including the "guest star" and Repertory Theatre Programs, and the Summer Theatre Program.

FRED J. THAYER, Designer-Technical Director at Otterbein since 1960, is a graduate of Bowling Green University with an M.A. in Theatre. He has completed residency requirements for the Ph.D. at Ohio State. Mr. Thayer has designed for the University of Toledo, Toledo's Children's Theatre, Bowling Green, and the Huron Playhouse. Among the 80 or so productions which he has designed and technical directed (about 65 at Otterbein) *Romeo and Juliet* is his recent favorite.

JOHN MORROW, Chairman of Theatre Graduate Studies at Ohio State University, joins the Otterbein Summer Theatre staff to direct Moliere's comedy *The Imaginary Invalid*. Dr. Morrow has worked professionally with the Cleveland Playhouse and he has directed at Gallery Players, Players Club and OSU. His most recent directing experiences at OSU include *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*, *My Fair Lady*, *The Tempest* and *Twelfth Night*.

DONALD R. STREIBIG, Executive Director of the Ohio Arts Council, returns to Otterbein to direct *You Can't Take It With You* (he directed *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* in the 1969 season). A graduate of Heidelberg College with an M.A. in Theatre from Bowling Green, formerly with the U.S. Army in Europe for 15 years as Entertainment Director, Don has directed over 100 theatrical productions and musical reviews.

GERALD L. NESS, Managing Director of the Players Club of Columbus for seven years, joins the Summer Theatre staff to direct the only drama of the season, Tennessee Williams' fine play *Summer and Smoke*. Formerly of the Omaha Playhouse in Nebraska, guest director at OSU Stadium Theatre, Jerry has directed over 100 major productions for community theatres, high school, college and army theatre.

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DAVID GRAF, an Otterbein graduate from Lancaster, returns for a second season as a member of the acting company. He has appeared in numerous major roles, his most recent being Oliver Surface in *School for Scandal*, Capulet in *Romeo and Juliet* and Lazar Wolfe in *Fiddler on the Roof*.

BEC HOLFORD, an Otterbein senior from California, returns to the Summer Theatre for a second season. An outstanding actress with about 20 acting roles at Otterbein, she appeared this season as Juliet in *Romeo and Juliet* and Vinnie in *Life with Father*.

DEE HOTY, an Otterbein junior from Lakewood, is a member of the acting company. She recently appeared as Golde in *Fiddler on the Roof* and Lady Montague in *Romeo and Juliet*. She has been featured soloist with Opus Zero, Semblance and the A Cappella Choir.

PETE JOLLY, a senior from Worthington, brings a wealth of experience from Marietta College to the Summer Theatre. Major roles include Jean in *Miss Julie*, Falstaff in *The Merry Wives of Windsor* and Lord Pangel in *Gideon*.

CARTER LEWIS, an Otterbein senior from Upper Arlington, is a member of the acting company. Recent major roles include Benvolio in *Romeo and Juliet*, John in *Life with Father* and Careless in *The School for Scandal*.

DAVID MACK, an Otterbein graduate from Lakewood, returns for his second season with the Summer Theatre. He has appeared in 16 major roles at Otterbein, the most recent being Tevye in *Fiddler on the Roof*, Joseph Surface in *The School for Scandal*, Tybalt in *Romeo and Juliet*.

KEITH MALICK, an Otterbein senior from Springfield, Penn., serves as Scenery-Lighting assistant for the summer and will also be designing *You Can't Take It With You*. Keith has worked actively off-stage and has appeared in *Romeo and Juliet* and *Camelot*.

ANTHONY MANGIA (Tony), an Otterbein junior from Columbus (Whitehall), is a member of the acting company. Among his many acting credits the most recent roles include Motel the Tailor in *Fiddler on the Roof* and Curdkin in *Cinderella*.

RICHARD MILLER, an Otterbein junior from Sylvania (transfer from Ohio University) is a member of the acting company. During the past year he has appeared in *Life with Father*, *Cinderella* and most recently as Mendel, the Rabbi's son in *Fiddler on the Roof*.

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CHERYL MOFFIT, an Ohio State University junior from East Liberty, serves as Costume Mistress. She has worked extensively in all offstage areas, and has costumed several productions, including the recent Westerville High School production of *Hello Dolly!*

MARCIA QUICK, a junior from Rochester, Indiana, comes to the Summer Theatre from Manchester College, Indiana, as a member of the acting company. Major roles include Margaret in *The Hasty Heart*, Alexandra in *The Little Foxes* and Madame Constance in *The Madwoman of Chaillot*.

SHELLEY RUSSELL, an Otterbein senior, joins the summer theatre company as an actress. She has appeared as Bianca in *Othello*, Anita in *West Side Story*, the Girl in *Summertime*, and most recently as a dancer in *Romeo and Juliet* and in *Fiddler on the Roof*.

JULIE SICKLES, an Otterbein sophomore from Canton, joins the Summer Theatre as Box Office Supervisor. In addition to extensive off-stage work she has appeared in *The Male Animal*, *Cinderella* and *Fiddler on the Roof*.

DAVID SMITH, an incoming freshman from Gahanna, serves as Properties Supervisor for the summer. Very active off-stage he has worked with the Ohio Theatre as a stage hand and has been an assistant in designing and building many productions in the Columbus area.

MARC SMYTHE, an Otterbein graduate from Sylvania has appeared in over 20 major productions, his most recent being Fyedka in *Fiddler on the Roof*, Mercutio in *Romeo and Juliet* and Father in *Life with Father*. He will be an apprentice at the Cleveland Playhouse next season.

PAMELA HILL, **JODY HINGLE** and **JILL LEVY**, are college apprentices to the company. Pam is a sophomore from Columbus where she appeared in *The Children's Hour* and *To Kill a Mockingbird*. She will also assist with the Box Office. Jody is from Suffern, New York and comes to the Summer Theatre from Smith College where she is a sophomore. She has appeared in John Dos Passos' *U.S.A.* and *The Crucible*. Jill comes to the Summer Theatre from Columbus and she has appeared in *Yerma*, *Major Barbara* and *Him* at the University of Arizona where she is a junior.

SUSAN HALL, **SUE KOCKS** and **SCOTT DILLON** are the high school apprentices for the Summer Theatre. Susan is from Mansfield where she appeared in *Personal Appearance* and *Starlight Revue*. Sue is from Whitehall where she has appeared in lead roles in *Carousel*, *The Miracle Worker* and *The Male Animal*. Susan and Sue will enter Otterbein in the fall. Sue was also active in Columbus Curtain Callers and she plans a career in theatre. Scott comes to Summer Theatre from Gahanna where he appeared in lead roles in *Flowers for Algernon* and *The Boy Friend*.

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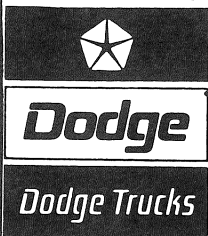


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