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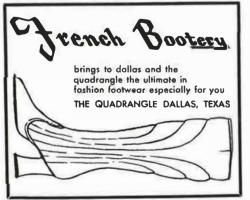
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about the players

Sandor Turai—BOB MIX appeared last season in Shaw's "Misalliance" as John Tarleton. His theatrical background in theatre includes classical, musical and character roles in Broadway productions. Mr. Mix has also directed productions and is a thoroughly knowledgeable theatre technician.

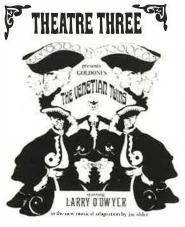
Albert Adam—KIMBERLY WEBB, normally a behind-the-scenes Production Stage Manager, comes forward to the footlights to play the young Adam. He created the role of Grand Duke Alexis in "Indians" this season and played Hysterium in Theatre Three's second production of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." Mr. Webb has been an active member of the summer stock Harlequins since its inception.

Dwornitschek—ROY PETERS is Theatre Three's company wigmaster as well as a member of the acting company. He has been in past productions of "Nobody Loves An Albatross", "The Adding Machine," and "Celebration". He completed his degree in costume design at the University of Missouri. Mr. Peters also served as wigmaster of the nationally televised Bob Hope Theatre production, "Roberta".

Ilona Szabo—REBECCA LOGAN is a director in addition to being an actress. She last worked with Theatre Three as the director of "Young Abe Lincoln", one of the summer children's shows. On Theatre Three's stage, Miss Logan portrayed Thea Elvested in "Hedda Gabler," and Lina Szczepanowska in "Misalliance" She is a former member of the Dallas Theatre Center's resident company.

Almady—JAC ALDER is director, musician, actor, architect and a Jac-of-all-trades. As his last stage assignment he directed the first show of the season, "Indians". His most memorable performances as an actor on Theatre Three's stage are Lucky in "Waiting For Godot," Potemkin in "Celebration", Tesman in "Hedda Gabler", and as Nat Bentley in "Nobody Loves An Albatross." He is also the theatre's Managing Director.

Mell—JOHN STRANGI makes his Theatre Three debut in this production. He is a student at Richardson High School where he has appeared in such productions as "My Fair Lady," "Black Comedy," and "Wait Until Dark".



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CAST

In Order Of Appearance

Sandor Turai, a famous dramatist	BOB MIX
Mansky, his collaborator	HUGH FEAGIN
Albert Adam, a young composer	KIMBERLY WEBB
Dwornitschek, the butler	ROY PETERS
Ilona Szabo, a prima donna	REBECCA LOGAN
Almady, a leading actor	JAC ALDER
Mell, the count's secretary	JOHN STRANGI
Lackeys	TERRY ABLES, TIM ABLES

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

The entire action of the play takes place in a room in a castle on the Italian Riviera.

ACT ONE—About 2 a.m.
ACT TWO—About 6 a.m.
ACT THREE—About 7:30 p.m.

PRODUCTION STAFF

DirectorLarry	O'Dwyer
Designer Harland	d Wright
Technical Director	m Brown
Lighting DesignerJoa	n Eckles
Costume Designer	ty Greer
Costume Crew	Stallard, ne Webb
Stage Manager Shar	ri Melde
Rehearsal Assistant Lennda	McAfee
Technicians Jon Stuntz, Bruce Tom Brown, Maria	
Properties Janet Spencer, Mari	lyn Fagg
Construction Crew	Martinez,

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Mr. Feagin appears at Theatre Three by courtesy of Actor's Equity.

"The Play's the Thing" produced by special arrangement with Samuel French.

Notes From The Director

Joan Eckles

Patty Greer

In a witty autobiographical paragraph prepared for Who's Who-soon after the production of "The Play's the Thing" in 1926, Ferenc Molnar gave this chronology: "1878, born in Budapest. 1896, became a law student in Geneva. 1896, became a journalist in Budapest. 1897, published first short story. 1900, published first novel. 1902, playwright at home. 1908, playwright abroad. 1914, a war correspondent. 1916, a playwright once more. 1918, hair turned snow white. 1925, I should like to be a student in Geneva once more."

As director, I have tried to create for you, the audience, an era of grace and dear pretensions. In this play I find an unreality, which makes reality more real. I have not approached this great classic work greatly . . . with respect, yes, but **not** awe. I have tried to bring you the author's intentions existing in a controlled atmosphere of charm and gaiety.

This play is not a romp, but a beautifully sophisticated view of the urbane days in Europe before the world war. The play is implied comedy. It is work of craftsmanship, full of wit, suspense, pretense, and honesty. The words of this play are ravishing and the characters, great lovers, all. I am honored to have had the opportunity to interpret with my company, the words which you will hear spoken tonight. —Larry O'Dwyer

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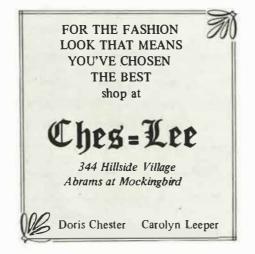


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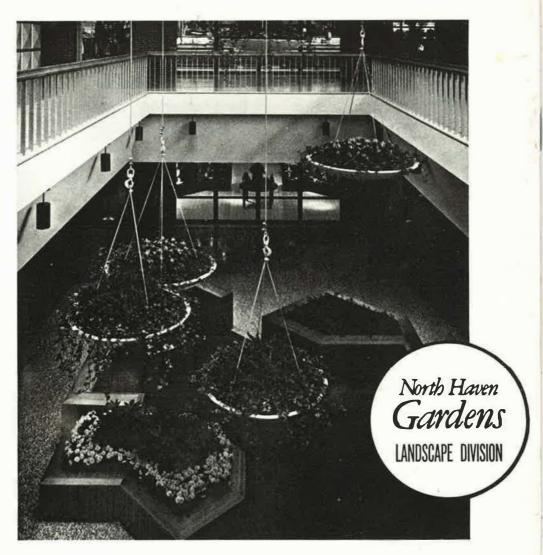
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