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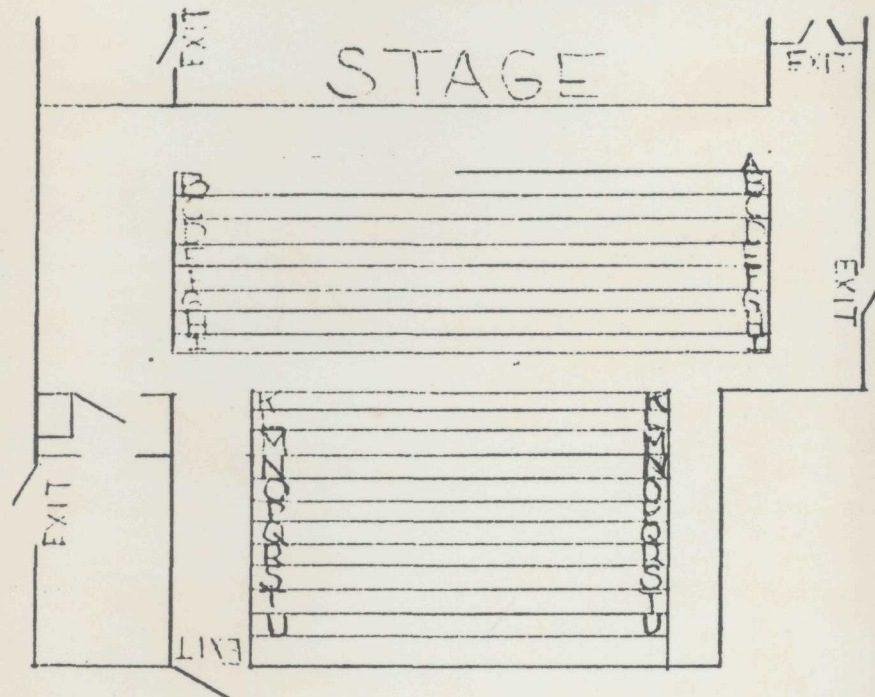
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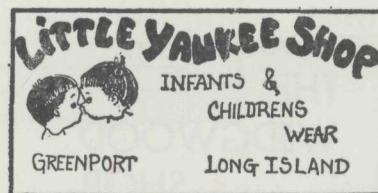
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RUTH BECKER is a resident of Mattituck and has devoted considerable time and effort to the various activities of the community in which the theatre plays an important part. Her experience covers a wide area and represents the result of intensive study and work in the many phases of the theatre. She studied with Milton Smith at Columbia University, N. Y.; apprenticed with Dutchess Summer Theatre, Fishkill, N. Y. where she worked with Fred Stewart and E. G. Marshall; managed Booth Bay Playhouse, Booth Bay, Maine; taught speech and drama at Morehead College, Morehead, Kentucky; Framingham State College, Framingham, Mass., and high schools in Maine, Massachusetts and New York.

For the North Fork Community Theatre, Ruth directed The Crucible and Petticoat Fever, produced The Peanut Butter Prince, as well as Blithe Spirit, stage managed Hasty Heart, and played bit parts in Damn Yankees, Pajama Game and Separate Tables.

Last season she served as house manager for the hit musical There Comes a Time, the product of the pen of our own Jack Moffat. She was also responsible for costumes for The Browning Version.

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JACK GRAVES (Hon. Clive Rodingham) A personable and eligible bachelor residing in Jamesport. A graduate of Hill Prep School, Pottstown, Pa., and Yale University, Class 1962. Joined the Armed Forces and served as a member of the famed Green Berets in Okinawa. Doubling in two bit parts, Jack displayed his buoyant humor in last season's production of "Call Me Madam", also as George, one of the rollicking "Physically Fit" in this years "There Comes a Time". He is connected with Arthur Penny and Associates, Riverhead; in addition to his advertising and public relations counselling, he does reporting for the Long Island Press, News-Review and other local weekly newspapers and is a member of the NFCT production staff covering publicity.

CATHY BARBER (Dr. Elizabeth Wooley) Resides in Southold, a devoted mother of three children, who also finds time to take an interest in the many phases of our theatre group as well as other community programs. Following a bit part in "Call Me Madam", Cathy gave a fine performance as Tiffany Richards in "Mary, Mary". She has also served on the production staff as Assistant Director for "The Browning Version" and worked with the "prop's" crew for "There Comes a Time".

JOHN SEAMAN (Hon. David Rodingham) formerly of Greenport, now residing in Calverton, engaged in the building trade. The NFCT is indeed fortunate in being able to avail itself of his experience in the construction of sets required for its stage productions. John, with three healthy youngsters, comprising two girls, ages 8 and 13 and a boy age 10, is "activated and motivated" by his adorable helpmate and spouse "Pat". Her role of "Abigail" in "There Comes a Time" still lingers happily in our recurring memories of this year's production of Jack Moffat's most delightful and amusing musical. While this is his first appearance on stage John has rendered valuable service on the executive side of the group, serving as President and Vice President, the latter for two terms. Off stage he has worked in every phase of the theatre's activities since joining the NFCT in 1962.

RICHARD A. WINTERS (Charles Sturrock) Married to Muriel "Sis" Winters. They are proud parents of two lovely daughters, and reside in Southold. Dick is associated with the Southold Savings Bank. They are both active members of N. F. C. T. Dick was in charge of set construction for "The Browning Version" "Sis" played the part of Sandy in "There Comes a Time" and is chairman of the props committee for the current production. While both Dick and Sis have participated in plays presented by the Southold High School, this is the first role for the former in a NFCT production.

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GERTRUDE REYNOLDS (Julie Sturrock) and her versatile, talented family, formerly of suburban New Jersey, now reside in Mattituck, their charming home overlooking Peconic Bay. Her experience in community theatre presentations covers a wide scope, starting a few years ago with the Little Theatre of Nutley, N. J., in the portrayal of roles in "Cuckoos on the Hearth", "Berkeley Square" and "Letters to Lucerne". She has given excellent performances before NFCT audiences in leading roles in "Blithe Spirit", "The Potting Shed" and "Mary, Mary". Her daughter, Honor, has appeared in the group's production of "The Crucible" and "Call Me Madam". Her mother, Agnes Mothersele's unusually amusing performance, along with that of Peggy Fellowes in "Save Me a Place at Forest Lawn", will long be remembered. Gert was the Producer for the latter as well as for "The Browning Version" which preceded it that same evening in opening the current season. Gert, as Dorothy, was one of the cavorting teachers in the "Minutiae" number of "There Comes a Time"!

CLAYTON YOUNG, (Mr. Tibbit, also doubling as the other one of the Two Men). In his first speaking role as John Taplow in "The Browning Version", Clayton proved he was a chip off the family block and worthy of the regard of his parents, Hal and Clacia Young in his love for the theatre. His only other performance was in the role of a page boy in "Kiss Me Kate". Aside from acting, Clayton has been very helpful to the production staff, having assisted with the lighting effects in "There Comes a Time" and supervising audio in the current production.

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ARTHUR WILKS (Constable Hackett) Is a science teacher at Southold High School. He sang and acted as young Joe Hardy in "Damn Yankees". Major roles in "Petticoat Fever", "Pajama Game", "The Crucible", and later a romp as Bronny in "The Peanut Butter Prince" followed. In the interim he took over as stage manager for "The Mousetrap" and "Blithe Spirit". In recent appearances he assumed such roles as the gangster in "Kiss Me Kate", the unfortunate alcoholic priest in "The Potting Shed" and the malicious professor in "The Browning Version" and later in lighter vein as Roger in "There Comes a Time". Aside from his role of Constable Hackett, Art doubles as stage manager.

LARRY SEEGER (One of the Two Men) hails from Flushing, N. Y. He is a graduate of Fredonia State College and teaches music at Greenport High School. He sang and danced in the musical hit "Call Me Madam" and worked on set construction for "The Browning Version".

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