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SCENE: A cottage near a harbor.
TIME: The present and 50 years ago.

THE CAST: in order of appearance
Carrie, age 70 ......................................................... CHRISTINE McALEER
Carrie, age 20 ......................................................... KAREN RICHARDSON
Michael ................................................................. JOHN SULDA
Howard ................................................................. GENE HOSEK
Ben Sloper .............................................................. JOHN TUOHY
Mrs. Worthing ......................................................... JOANNE HOSEK

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RUN, THIEF, RUN! — a suspense play
Directed by RE PRUETT

SCENE: A living room.
TIME: The present.

THE CAST: in order of appearance
Maude........................................BERNIE GABRIEL
Tony........................................GENE HOSEK
Matt........................................TERRY SHOUP
Harold.......................................KEN PURSE

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Set Design and Construction ............... KEN PURSE
Properties ................................ JUDY STABEROW
Make-Up .................................. MARY ANN SULDA
Stage Manager .................. MARIANNE CRAY, Irene Purse
Publicity ................................ ANTON SVITOK
Program .................................. PETER CROMBIE, Kathy Bouffard,
                                          Don Maldonado, Gene Hosek
Tickets .................................. BERNIE MALDONADO
Wardrobe ................................ RE PRUETT, Rose D'Amico
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VISIT TO A SMALL PLANET — a comedy
Directed by ANDY PETERSEN

THE CAST: in order of appearance

Roger Spelding ............................................. ANTON SVITOK
Technician .................................................. PETER CROMBIE
Mrs. Spelding ............................................. RE PRUETT
Ellen Spelding ............................................. CHRISTINE JALLOWAY
John Randolph ............................................. GENE HOSEK
Kreton ......................................................... RON BIEDRON
General Powers ............................................ JOHN SULDA
Aide .............................................................. S. SAM GIACCIO
President of Paraguay .................................... DON MALDONADO
Paul Laurent ............................................... DICK KEEHAN
Second Visitor ............................................. ROSE D'AMICO

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

SCENE I — The living room of Roger Spelding, radio news commentator — Silver Glen, Maryland.
Time: 6:00 p.m.

SCENE II — The study, the following morning.

SCENE III — The living room, two weeks later.

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About the Cast...

CHRISTINE McALEER - (Carrie, age 70) — is a lifetime member of the National Thespians. She played the lead in "Medea" and supporting roles in "Mrs. McThing," "Our Town," "Alice in Wonderland," "Mother Courage," "Death of a Salesman," and a leading role in "Skin of Our Teeth." Tonight will be her first appearance for OLTG.


JOHN SULDA - (Michael and General Powers) — is a character actor. He held supporting roles in "Born Yesterday," "The Country Girl," "Harvey," and "Night of January 16th," all character parts and all for OLTG. He also directed "Light Up the Sky" for OLTG last spring. He is a past-president of the Theatre Guild.

GENE HOSEK - (Howard, Tony, John Randolph) — appears in all three of tonight's productions with great enthusiasm. This is his second appearance for OLTG, having held a supporting role in "Light Up the Sky" last spring. He is a well-known business man in the Oak Lawn area and is married to the lovely Joanne who also appears in one of tonight's productions.

JOHN TUOHY - (Ben Sloper) — has appeared in Theatre Guild productions of "House on the Cliff," "Dear Delinquent," "Hasty Heart," "Arsenic and Old Lace," and "Night of January 16th." He directed the OLTG production "The Country Girl" and played in and directed numerous one-act plays. He is a past-president of the Guild.

JOANNE HOSEK - (Mrs. Worthing) — appears for the third time for OLTG having played the supporting role of Miss Willie in "The Curious Savage" a year ago, and was seen last spring in "Light Up the Sky." She was a free-lance model and has modeled for Grace Schumaker and for A Woman's World Studio, and has modeled women's fashions at various supper clubs and restaurants. She is a housewife and mother of four.

BERNIE GABRIEL - (Maude) — has worked backstage for many Guild productions. She has played in numerous one-act productions and played the starring role of Georgie Elgin in "The Country Girl." She also directed "For Love or Money" for OLTG.

TERRY SHOUP - (Matt) — is a recent graduate of Illinois State University at Normal. He is a physical education instructor in the Oak Lawn Public Schools. He makes his first appearance on stage for OLTG tonight.

KEN PURSE - (Harold) — is one of the mainstays of the OLTG. He has held leading roles in many three-act plays, among them "The Caine Mutiny Court Martial," "Dear Delinquent," "Arsenic
and Old Lace,” “The Tender Trap,” “The Curious Savage,” and
the starring role of Elwood P. Dowd in “Harvey.” He has designed
and built every set for OLTG since 1959.

ANTON SVITOK - (Roger Spelding) — has been a resident of
Pasadena, California, and while there, gained backstage experience
with the well-known Pasadena Playhouse. He played the starring
role of Preston Mitchell in “For Love or Money” and a supporting
role in “Light Up the Sky,” both for OLTG.

PETER CROMBIE — (Technician) — has been active in the
OLTG since its beginning and has held leading roles in at least
seven Guild productions. He directed “The Curious Savage” a
year ago for OLTG. He his a past-president of the Guild.

RE PRUETT - (Mrs. Spelding — see about our directors).

CHRISTINE JALLOWAY - (Ellen Spelding) — has appeared
in more than a dozen children’s plays at Drury Lane. She also
held supporting roles in Julie Newmar’s “Theft” of a Belt” and
“Apprenticed,” both for Drury Lane. She was a contestant in the
Preliminary Miss America Contest sponsored by the Blue Island-
Calumet Jaycees and was chosen second runner-up in 1964 and
first runner-up in 1965. She appears for the first time in an
OLTG production.

RON BIEDRO - (Kreton) — has played in several short plays
as a student at Evergreen Park Community High School. His
talented voice enables him to imitate many famous personalities.
Ron is planning to attend Southern Illinois University in Jan-
uary, 1968. He appears tonight for the first time in an OLTG
production.

S. SAM GIACCIO - (Aide) — began his theatre work as a
student at Wilson Junior College. At Southern Illinois University,
he appeared in several Tennessee Williams plays. He was seen
last spring in the OLTG production of “Light Up the Sky.”

DON MALDONADO — (President of Paraguay) — specializes in
characterizations. He began his career in community theatre by
singing in “The Music Man” in Flossmoor. He also sang in the
Modern Vocal Quartet. He played a supporting role in “For Love
or Money,” a leading role in “The Curious Savage” and a starring
role in “Light Up the Sky,” all for OLTG. He holds the office of
Vice-President for the Guild.

DICK KEEHAN - (Paul Laurent) — is a graduate of Roosevelt
University. He is an insurance underwriter and makes his first
appearance on stage for OLTG tonight.

ROSE D’AMICO - (Second visitor) — has been a backstage
worker for OLTG and tonight she appears on-stage for the first
time. She is the mother of two lovely, talented daughters.

About Our Directors . . .

ROY MECKLENBURG has been an active member of the Guild
for several years and contributed in many varied capacities. He
has served as committeeman and officer and has played dramatic
and character roles in OLTG productions of “Dear Delinquent,”
"The Hasty Heart" and "Harvey." He was assistant-director of the OLTG production "The Country Girl." He is an English instructor and drama coach at Lemont Township High School.

RE PRUETT starred in the Guild's production of "Harvey" and played a leading role in "For Love or Money". She also appeared in numerous one-act plays for OLTG. She has been active in set design and wardrobe and is an art instructor for the South Stickney Park District. She directs her first production for the Guild tonight and appears in one of the tonight's plays.

ANDY PETERSEN sang in several musical productions in high school and joined a drama group in college. At the University of Illinois he appeared in "The Bald Soprano" and "The Mad Woman of Chaillot." During this time he studied voice at the Chicago Conservatory of Music. For the Beverly Theatre Guild Andy appeared in "The Desk Set," "The Best Man," "Twelve Pound Look," "Come Blow Your Horn," and "Nude With a Violin." He was seen last spring in the OLTG production "Light Up the Sky." Andy has been called to active duty in the Marine Corps and will leave for the West Coast on December 28, 1967.

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