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THE CAST IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE

Edith May A	Daisy Bryant
Ruth With 172 Charles - READ	Gladys MacDonald
Charles _ Klass	Jerry Van Steenbergen
Dr. Bradman	John Bennett
Mrs. Bradman	Lucy Bennett
Madame Arcati Medunn	Ann Gordon
Mrs. Bradman Madame Arcati Elvira Shief Whyte	Uwarda Day

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ACT I

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Scene II-After dinner.

ACT II

Scene I-The next morning.

Scene II—Late the following afternoon.

Scene III—Early evening. A few days later.

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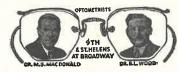
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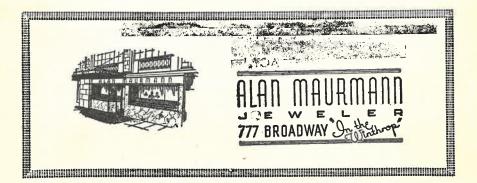
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

"WHAT A LIFE", the original "Henry Aldrich" play, and a rollicking family Comedy, will

open January 14.

"THE GLASS MÉNAGERIE", will be reviewed by Jerry Van Steenbergen on Tuesday, January 7, at 2:00 o'clock. The Review will be followed by an afternoon "Tea" under the chairmanship of Mrs. Robt. Weller. This is the first of a series of four Play Reviews and "Teas". Members will be admitted on presentation of membership tickets. Admission for guests, 50c. MARK THIS DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR.

"OUR TOWN", by Thornton Wilder, perhaps the most unusual play of this decade, will be the Little Theater's fifth presentation this season. Try outs will be held at 7:30, Mon. and Tues., Jan. 6 and 7. Anyone interested in acting is cordially invited to try out.

Approximately 30 character parts to play. REMEMBER THE DATE!

CHILDREN'S THEATER: Registeration for Spring term. Saturday, January 11, 10:30 A. M.

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- GLADYS MacDONALD (Ruth) Gladys vehemently asserts that her recent portrayal in "Family Portrait" of the mistress of the inn was a snap compared to playing wife No. 2 in "Blithe Spirit"—with wife No. 1 refusing to stay dead!
- JERRY VAN STEENBERGEN (Charles) The experience and stamina gained in years of affiliation with the Repertory and Tryout Theaters in Seattle, enable Jerry not only to direct our play, but to carry the masculine lead—pursued to the end by a pair of beautiful but determined spirits.
- JOHN BENNETT (Dr. Bradman) Little Theater and stock company experience in Victoria, and all-around participation in Little Theater activities in Shelton, make up the theatrical background of this newcomer to the Tacoma Little Theater stage.
- LUCY BENNETT (Mrs. Bradman) English born, with amateur and professional experience on the London stage, Mrs. Bennett, also, makes her first appearance in our theater.
- ANN GORDON (Madame Arcati) Cast as the eccentric and highly individual spirit medium, Annurecalls a few of her equally challenging roles: Mrs. Midget in "Outward Bound", Aunt Mary in "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary", and the little old lady in the box at "Only An Orphan Girl".
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