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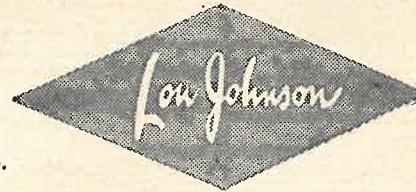
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Miss Marble	ELEANOR GEER
Miss Dingle	PEG POOLE
Roger Blakesley	TOM CONLEY
Anthony Burton	WALLACE SHOWMAN
Malcolm Bryant	NORMAN PAIGE
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SCENE 3: Same as Scene I

ACT II

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ACT III

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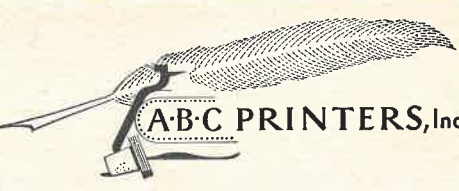
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## Who's Who

By HELEN PEARSON

BETTY DAY (Nancy Grey) last graced our stage a year ago when she appeared with her son, Mike, in "Desperate Hours." Betty returns to us this time with two of her

children, Mike and Sara. Betty is not only a lovely "first lady," but she is smart too—working on her Master's Degree in literature at the College of Puget Sound.

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(Continued)

**VICTOR PARBER (Charles Grey)** is an English teacher at Stadium High School. His last show here was "Sabrina"—when he also played with Dodie Busby. Dodie admits that one of the reasons she is in this show is because Vic is so wonderful to work with. Frankly, we all feel that way. Welcome home, Vic!

**WALLACE SHOWMAN (Anthony Burton)** has been with T.L.T. since about 1929. He is a member of the Civic Drama School Trusteeship. His last show was "Chicken Every Sunday." Come back again on a tryout night, Wally—we've missed you on the stage.

**NORMAN PAIGE (Malcolm Bryant)** is the Tacoma manager of KTVW. This terrific "ham" has really had a colorful career. He was front line reporter for ABC during World War II, and covered the Japanese surrender on the Missouri. He had his own 7-station radio network in the Philippines. Has done pro-acting in road shows and at MGM—just to mention a few things. Glad you are now at TLT, Norm!

**DORIS BUSBY (Jessica Lovell)** has added another member to her family since last seen in "Constant Wife." Son, Doug, eight months, joins sister Elaine, 2½ years old, and they keep daddy "Buz" company—also busy, while we enjoy having Dodie back with us again.

**Who's Who**  
(Continued)

**HORACE GEER (Laurence Lovell)** last seen in "Reluctant Debutante," says he is happy to be back in a small role after a year's leave of absence. With his wonderful sense of humor, it's a treat to have "Red" around any time. Wife, Eleanor, is also in this cast; and, too, is doing her bit backstage.

**PAUL GRANDERSON (John Grey)** works for the Guggenheim Company. Has been absent from TLT for several years, but will be remembered in "Life With Father" and the first run of "Philadelphia Story." Nice to have you back, Paul.

**MARGARET JONES (Mrs. Burton)** is our "can't-get-along-without" gal. Not only is Maggie one of our "First Ladies" but she helps wherever she is needed. With her wonderful disposition and happy smile she always keeps things going smoothly. Bouquets from all of us, Maggie.

And "Hats off" to the following supporting cast: Sara Day, Mike Day, Charley Vawter, Carol DesVoigne, Peg Poole, Eleanor Geer, Tom Conley, Casey Jones, Dr. Lon Hoover, Dorothy Clark, Renette Dias de Leon.

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Wilmington to warn "his father" of an  
approaching sheriff.

Pop's reaction to the interloper is a dead  
giveaway. So it comes out that he has an-  
other family of nine in Philadelphia where  
business has always kept him on alternate  
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Improved ventilation	Workshop space
Theater in the round	Permanent costume and prop storage
Rehearsal hall	Enlarged dressing rooms

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