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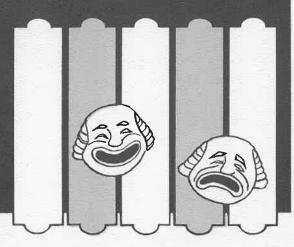
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# "Spoon River Anthology"

Conceived, adapted and arranged by Charles Aidman

Director	Duane Little
Technical Director	Paul Van Giffen
Set and Lighting Design	Duane Little and Paul Van Giffen
	Paul Van Giffen, and Moureen Stangler, Gavin Guss
Costumes	Ida Bateman
Lights	Don Melville and Gavin Guss
Stage Manager	Don Melville
Rehearsal Pictures and Display	Bev Pflugmacher

# THE MEMBERS OF THE CAST

Donald Whisner
Michelle Shovlain
Bruce Schmidt

Cathy Thaden Chuck McVey Ronda McFarland

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# WHO'S WHO

by RCJ

Tonights production is made up almost entirely of people new to our stage. The director, Duane Little, teaches drama at Bethel Junior High School and his students have done such shows as "The Wizard of Oz", "Wait Until Dark" and "The Glass Menagerie". Duane graduated from Western Washington and was active in theater groups in Bellingham and Hoquiam. Don Whisner is studying music at TCC and is a member of their chorus. Don plans to teach when he finishes his education. While at Foss High School he directed "Spoon River" and says it is one of his favorite plays. Michelle Shovlain did her first show at TLT last year. She was in "Idiot's Delight" and "Life With Father". Michelle also attends TCC and is active in the student government. Bruce Schmidt is a graduate of Clover Park High School and FSCC. He has been seen in such shows as "Dracula", "Of Mice and Men" and "The Informer". Bruce says he enjoys theater and someday may turn professional. Cathy Thaden came to our stage via Illinois, California and Spokane, where she received her degree in Drama from Gonzaga. She also did summer stock at Olney, Maryland in 1974. Married to a local man, Cathy says she would like to teach in the Tacoma area. Chuck McVey is a salesman for Crescent Realty. He's from West Virginia but decided to stay here after being discharged at Fort Lewis. Chuck has also appeared with some of the bands in this area. As you can tell by her voice, Ronda McFarland is no newcomer to theater. While living in Bremerton she was in "Bye Bye Birdie" and "did some Gilbert and Sullivan". After graduating from UPS, Ronda taught school in Puyallup. Now married, she likes to keep busy teaching voice and string instruments.

# THE PEOPLE OF SPOON RIVER, ILLINOIS

# ACT ONE

He's Gone Away - Song

The Hill
Tom Beatty
Illinois - Song

Mrs. Williams Dora Williams

Archibald Higbie

Walter Simmons Deacon Taylor

Emily Sparks

Benjamin Pantier

Mrs. Pantier Emily Sparks

Reuben Pantier

**Emily Sparks** 

Margaret Fuller Slack Soldier Oh Soldier - Song

Knowlt Hoheimer

Lydia Puckett

Fiddler Jones

Ollie McGee Fletcher McGee

Hamilton Greene

Elsa Wertman

Hamilton Greene

Elsa Wertman Rosie Roberts

Russian Sonia

Lucius Atherton

Times Are Gettin' Hard - Song

Eugene Carmen

Water is Wide - Song

William & Emily

Water is Wide - 2nd Chorus

Yee Bow

Enoch Dunlap Mrs. Kessler

Nancy Knapp

George Cray Harry Wilmans

Nellie Clark

Paper of Pins - Song

Roscoe Purcapile

Mrs. Purcapile A. D. Blood

Shack Dye

Freedom - Song

Hanna Armstrong Faith Matheny Intermission

# **ACT TWO**

3 Nights Drunk - Song

Judge Lively Zilpha Marsh

Searcy Foote Mrs. Charles Bliss

Far Away From Home - Song

Pauline Barrett

Village Atheist

Mabel Osborne

Franklin Jones Schofield Huxley

In The Night - Song

Dippold The Optician

In The Night - Song

Elijah Browning

Mornings Come - Song

Alex Throckmorton

Amanda Barker

Willard Fluke

Lois Spears

God Bless The Moon - Song

Able Melveney

Hod Putt

Ida Frickey Silas Dement

Aner Clute & Daisy Fraser

Indignation Jones

Minerva Jones

Doc Meyers Mrs. Meyers

Who Knows Where I'm Goin'

- Song

The Sibleys

Willie Metcalf

I Am, I Am - Song Batterton Dobyns

Flossie Cabanis

Hortense Robbins

Frank Drummer

Barney Hainsfeather

Spoon River - Song

Lucinda Matlock

Petit The Poet

Anne Rutledge

Spoon River - Reprise

Epilogue