

FORT SMITH LITTLE THEATRE, INC.

By special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

presents

"Brighten The Corner"

BY JOHN CECIL HOLM

Directed by
Ann Sims

Produced by
Polly Lowrey

May 12-16, 1959

Twelfth Season

THE CAST

Jeri Carson	LINNAH HENDERSON
Opal Harris	CONNIE FREEMAN
Dell Marshall	NANCY BOYER
Neil Carson	BILL CENTER
Jeffrey Q. Talbot	BILL LARSEN
Susie, the Delivery Girl.....	BETTYE FELLINGER
Townsend Marshall	RICHARD LYNCH
Mrs. McElhenney	BARBARA BOND
Officer Robertson	TED FELLINGER

THE SCENE

Act I: early evening

Act II: much later the same night

Act III: later that morning

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COMING IN JUNE

A dramatic reading directed by Jerry Davis

Coffee will be served during intermissions in the foyer

Smoking in the foyer only, please

PRESENTING THE CAST

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LINNAH HENDERSON (Jeri Carson) A new face in the Little Theatre and a bonus for us. Linnah has had much experience in radio and television work and was graduated from the University of Tulsa with a degree in radio and television direction. She has done backstage work in previous plays but this is her first "on stage" experience.

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NANCY BOYER (Dell Marshall) Helping with properties in the Little Theatre production of "Summer and Smoke" and playing the part of Mabel in "The Reluctant Debutante" has made Nancy familiar with L.T. goings on. This production marks her first appearance in a full length role.

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WILLIAM LARSEN (Uncle Jeffrey) Again a new face in the Little Theatre, Bill hails from Menominee, Michigan, was graduated from the University of Michigan, and attended Harvard for the summer of '55. Thanks to the army and Fort Chaffee, where he is Entertainment Director, the Little Theatre is now using his services. Not lacking experience, Bill has worked with the Ann Arbor Arts Theatre at the University of Michigan, the Battle Creek Community Theatre, and has just recently directed "The Boor" at Fort Chaffee.

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BILL CENTER (Neil Carson) For the past ten years, Bill has been associated with L.T. He has appeared in such productions as "What A Life," "The Philadelphia Story," and most recently as the drum major in "The Male Animal." Recently married, he and his wife are making their home here so L.T. will not suffer a loss but perhaps gain an asset if we can interest his wife before the curtain or backstage.

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RICHARD LYNCH (Townsend Marshall) A comparative newcomer to the Little Theatre, Richard made his first appearance in last month's reading "Hedda Gabler," in which he took the part of George Tessman. He was graduated from the University of Arkansas where he was associated with the theatre.

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BETTYE FELLINGER (Susie) With her mother and father both having acted in L.T. productions, it seems only natural that Bettye should follow in their footsteps. At seventeen, she makes her debut in this production, is a junior at Fort Smith Senior High, and is a member of the Delta Beta Sigma sorority.

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CONNIE FREEMAN (Opal Harris) Caught backstage as an "on looker," Connie makes her first appearance before the spotlight in this production. She has worked behind the scenes in two L.T. plays and also in Sock and Buskin at Fort Smith Senior High. Asked what driving force brought her to try out for this play, she blandly replied, "The ham in me."

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BARBARA BOND (Mrs. McElhenney) Another backstage eavesdropper, Barbara came to work on props and stayed to try out for this play, which marks her first appearance on any stage. A graduate of Lindenwood College, she now teaches first grade with the Fort Smith public schools.

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TED FELLINGER (Officer Robertson) An "old hand" in L.T. productions, Ted has appeared in such plays as "The Male Animal," "Arsenic and Old Lace," "Lo and Behold," "For Love or Money," and "The Curious Savage."

PRODUCTION STAFF

Producer Polly Lowrey
Assistant to the Director..... Bob Davenport
Stage Manager Payne Morrow
Lights Mary Elizabeth Sims
Sound Phyllis Shipley
Set Malcolm Bliss, Curtis Shipley, Payne
Morrow, Biff Leonard
Properties Meredith Kendall, Jackie Wilson
Wardrobe Lucy Waddy, Carla Mitchell
Publicity Mrs. Ernest Mendel
Box Office Kay Cravens
Hospitality Mrs. Jerry Fallin
House Brad Kidder
Program Kay Cravens
Program Cover Frank Letterst

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