

TRODDING THE BOARDS (script excerpts & bios)

SIR SELSON PIDDOCK created the role of Ebenezer Scrooge in the Styckes-Upon-Thump Repertory Company's original production of *A Christmas Carol* fifteen years ago. He began his theatrical career in *That's My Wig-You Sot*. He subsequently toured throughout Australia and upper Michigan. Movie goers will recognize him from his appearances in crowd scenes of many major motion pictures.

MR. ELYOT CRUMMELS made his stage debut at age four in the role of Nellie in *South Pacific*. No stranger to audiences locally, and in other parts of the city, Elyot is currently writing a book about his theatrical experiences entitled, "Why Are You In My Light?" He has appeared in several minor roles with the Seriously Defective Shakespeare Festival and has toured extensively throughout Mexico. World travels may recognize Elyot from his dancing days as a dance company member on board the cruise ship M/S Wayward.

MRS. BETTINA SALISBURY is a theatrical legend. She made her stage debut at the age of two as the Dancing Lemondrop in the controversial Torn Ligament Ballet Company's *Mrs. Claus and the Christmas Bunnikins Go Sledding*. She has been in over 247 productions throughout the world. She has made numerous appearances on television and in food marts throughout the country.

MRS. CORDELIA FOLIET-FOLKES FORTESCUE WOODS has recently been awarded the Bronze Medal for Theatrical Mediocrity for her performance as *Woman With Runny Nose Who Is Unable to Locate A Tissue*. She is a graduate of the Beatrice LaPau School of Dramatics and Lawn Care. Her favorite role to date, besides those which she will be performing tonight, include Brenda with the Really Damp Theatre Company. Regretfully, however, she has forgotten the name of the show.

TEDDY SHUB makes his stage debut this evening. Previous credits for creative works include *Stop If the Light Turns Red*, *The Light Goes Out if You Close the Door*, and *Mrs. Hot Toddy and the Whoopee Boys*.

DAME ROWEN A. MIDDLETON-LEWIS has spent several half-seasons with the Rangoon Repertory Company, Burma, and three full seasons with the Hadley Dinner Theatre and Rodeo. She may be seen on television as the Spokeswoman for Spatula World commercials and will be seen next in her one-woman show *God Bless Betsy Ross* at the Best Western Motor Inn, I-95.

CYNTHIA IMBRY is the company understudy. She likes to read.

The Fort Smith Little Theatre
presents

A DICKENS' CHRISTMAS CAROL

A Traveling Travesty in Two Tumultuous Acts



Keith Salter

by

MARK LANDON SMITH

CAST IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE
(this is the only time they appear to be orderly)

ROD HENLEY as SIR SELSON PIDDOCK
In the Role of Ebenezer Scrooge

MICHAEL NEWCITY as MR. ELYOT CRUMMELS
In the Roles of Bob Cratchit, Man #2, Mr. Fezziwig, Old Joe, Ghost of Marley, Partygoer at Fred's, Ghost of Christmas Present, Caroler and Various London Citizens

JUDY BLEVINS as MRS. BETTINA SALISBURY
In the Roles of Mrs. Fezziwig, Emily Cratchit, Ghost of Christmas Past, Partygoer at Fred's, Charwoman, Caroler and Various London Citizens

PAULA SHARUM as MRS. CORDELIA FOLLIOT-FOLKES
FFORTESCUE WOODS
In the Roles of Martha Cratchit, Bell, Fred's Wife, Fan, Partygoer at Fezziwig's, Citizen #1, Caroler and Various London Citizens

ZACH HAMMONS as TEDDY SHUB
In the Roles of Tiny Tim, Nephew Fred, Gentleman #1, Dick Wilkins, Young Scrooge, Citizen #2, Caroler and Various London Citizens

FRAN MILAM as DAME ROWEN A. MIDDLETON-LEWIS
In the Roles of Ghost of Christmas Yet-To-Come, Little Boy, Partygoer at Fezziwig's Partygoer at Fred's, Peter Cratchit, Caroler and Various London Citizens

SARAH WOODS as CYNTHIA IMBRY
In the Roles of Understudy to Mrs. Folliot-Folkes Fortescue Woods, Dame Middleton-Lewis, Mrs. Salisbury, Mr. Piddock, Mr. Crummels and Mr. Shub

BACKSTAGE CREW
(listed in no particular order,
as they are not particular what jobs they do)

Katy Boulden
Lee Vlademar
Mike Tickler

Kaye Birkhead
Hazel Oliver

Jim Carroll
Megan Henley
Jim Moody

ACTS AND SCENES

ACT I

Scene 1 A Street in London
The Offices of Scrooge and Marley

Scene 2 Scrooge's Rooms

Scene 3 Young Scrooge's School

ACT II

Scene 1 Scrooge's Rooms

Scene 2 The Offices of Scrooge and Marley