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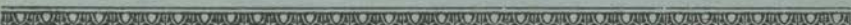
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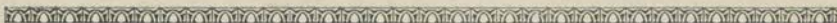
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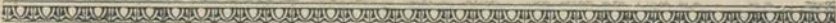
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DAVID B. MARSHALL, a senior in the Speech Department of the University, has played roles in "Orphee," "Family Portrait," and "Where the Cross is Made", all campus productions. While directing chiefly during earlier college work in New York State, he has realized a fine development of stage techniques here, designing for "Where the Cross is Made", stage management for "Tovarich", "Abe Lincoln in Illinois", "A Servant of Two Masters", lighting for the Inter-Arts Union's "Murder in the Cathedral", and as technician for the 1949 Ann Arbor Drama Festival.



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NOTES ABOUT TONIGHT'S CAST

JOHN R. McCARTY (*Michael Barnes*), a newcomer to Civic Theatre, he has played in California with the Youth Theatre of Santa Barbara, in their "Kiss and Tell" and at St. Mary's College in "Othello" and "King Henry IV".

JOANNE KAISER (*Patricia Stanley*) active in high drama group and also with the Bay City Civic Players where she appeared in "January Thaw", "State of the Union", and as Terry in "Stage Door". Joanne is a freshman in U of M's L. S. & A. School.

JOHN CRANDELL (*Wally Myers*) claims no dramatic experience. His U of M activities included athletics rather than dramatics. He is now Business Manager of Civic Theatre and can also count success as Stage Manager for "The Torch Bearers".

KAY ARPIN (*Myrtle Keller*) began interest in theatre in high school and then in the University of Western Ontario Drama League where she appeared in the Drama Festival in 1944. Kay is a new member of Civic Theatre and this is her first role with us.

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KENNETH MacDONALD (*Tommy Turner*) a graduate of Leland Power School of the Spoken Word, he played with little theatre groups in Massachusetts, and Florida. He traveled with Red Cross and USO touring companies before the war and appeared as Tommy Arbuckle in the New York, Max Golden production of "Junior Miss". Ken has been a staff member of NBC in New York and is now an account executive for the Washtenaw Broadcasting Co. (WPAG.) This is his first appearance with Ann Arbor Civic Theatre.

ROBERTA McCLURE (*Ellen Turner*) appeared as Nelly Fell in Civic Theatre's "The Torch Bearers" in January. While at the University of Nebraska, she played in "Double Door", "Ladies of the Jury", and was Rosalind in "As You Like It".

ROWLAND H. McLAUGHLIN (*Joe Ferguson*) after receiving his B.S. degree in Engineering, concentrated in work in speech at U of M during which he appeared as the lawyer in "Pigeons and People", sang the tenor lead in Gilbert & Sullivan's "Yeoman of the Guard", was tenor soloist with the '45-'49 Michigan Glee Club and first tenor with the Midnight Sons quartet. Though a familiar personality in campus music, he is making his initial appearance with Civic Theatre.

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A. B. CRANDELL (*Dean Damon*). Veteran of this cast, first identified with theatre work in Ann Arbor in 1914 building of the old MIMES Theatre. Helped in the dismantling of same last year. Retiring member of Board of Directors three year term. Has appeared in Civic Theatre productions of "KISS & TELL", "MY SISTER EILEEN", "THE MAN WHO MARRIED A DUMB WIFE", "THE TORCHBEARERS", and other laboratory roles of recent years. Mr. Crandell's best work has been in character parts and dialects.

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B. JANE DAHLBERG (*Mrs. Branche Damon*) is with the cast of Civic Theatre for the first time. She appeared in a U of M Junior Girls' Play, and earlier had a role in "Letters to Lucerne".

NANCY L. MCGEE (*Norah*) played Paula Ritter in "The Torch Bearers" and before that appeared in Tennessee William's one-act "Lord Byron's Love Letter", a Workshop production.

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T. TODD JONES (*Ed Keller*) won the "Best Actor Award" for 1948-49 (Civic Theatre "Oscar"). He played the father in "The Barretts of Wimple Street", the doctor in "All My Sons" and the title roles of both "The Late George Apley" and "An Inspector Calls". He directed "Kiss and Tell."

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Wally Myers.....	JOHN CRANDELL
Dean Frederick Damon.....	A. B. CRANDELL
Michael Barnes.....	JOHN R. McCARTY
Joe Ferguson.....	ROWLAND H. McLAUGHLIN
Mrs. Blanche Damon.....	B. JANE DAHLBERG
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