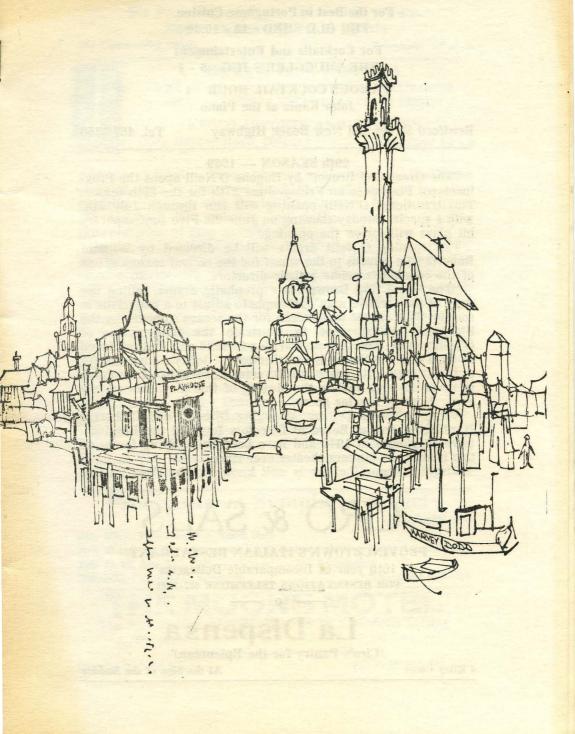
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"The Great God Brown" by Eugene O'Neill opens the Provincetown Playhouse on Friday, June 27th for the 29th season. This traditional O'Neill opening will run through July 5th, with a special Sunday showing on June 29. Five contemporary hit plays will follow the opening.

The opening O'Neill drama will be directed by William Roberts who returns to the wharf for the second season as one

of the company's prime artistic directors.

"The Great God Brown" is a prophetic drama, telling the story of the creative man's attempts to adjust to a materialistic society. This classic was chosen for the season's opener by the Playhouse management to illustrate the timelessness of O'Neil's work. The play was written in 1925 and first produced in 1926 and the theme is as reflectory of today's environment as it was over forty years ago. Director Roberts has done much to revitalize and up-date the staging of this play, new to two generations of theater goers.

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audience as Virginia Thomas having appeared on the Playhouse stage in over one-hundred productions and served in every capacity connected with theater management. Last year, 1968, she delighted the audience and critics with her vivacious interpretation of Meg in "The Hostage."

In June of 1968 Catharine Huntington was honored by receiving the Alumnae Recognition Award from Radcliffe. The citation designated: "A woman who by the quality of her life and spirit exemplifies what the liberal arts education hopes to achieve. And in 1966 Miss Huntington won the Rogers and Hammerstein Award for her outstanding contribution to the New England Theater. As an actress she has graced the stages of Boston and Cambridge as well as the summer Playhouse.

The multi-talented company assembled this year is headed by distinguished artists, well known on today's theater scene. Many of whom have gained over recent years the appreciation

of the Cape's summer theater audience.

Director William Roberts has recently returned from Norway where he was invited to participate in the production and direction of "Virginia Woolf" and several one-act plays by Jon Swan at The Bergen International Festival. Last March Mr. Roberts directed two of his own one-act plays, "Caddy" and

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"Clara" at Herbert Berghoff's Playwright's Foundation in New York. April saw the production of another William Roberts play "Filthy Piranesi" directed by William Francisco, at the Playhouse Theater in Vancouver. This noted director has been engaged to stage "Camino Real" by Tennessee Williams at the close of the season. The Seattle theater audience saw Roberts' exciting sets and costumes for "Lysistrata" and "Virginia Woolf" at the Seattle Repertory's late spring production.

Paul R. Barstow who has been a popular leader of the company for the last three summers, is a gifted actor and director. In the winter he is Director of the Program in Theater Studies at Wellesley College. He is a member of all the professional theater organizations. And his impressive list of credits both as an actor and director have made him well known to both the Boston and Cape theater audience. This year Mr. Barstow comes to the Playhouse as the leading character actor and will appear on stage in almost every production.

Ray Duffy is another creative director and actor who contributes to the Playhouse productions. Last year his spectacular staging of Brendan Behan's "The Hostage" was one of the season's most popular hits. For several years he has been associated with Sarah Caldwell of The Boton Opera Company.

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THE LOVER and THE COLLECTION, by Harold Pinter. First produced in England in 1963 and 1961, respectively, these comedies reveal Pinter at his elliptical, menacing best. They are both plays concerning the ambiguities of sexuality, raising the question (which is carefully not answered) of "who wants

what, and why?"

ROSENKRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD, by Tom Stoppard. Hamlet out of Samuel Beckett — is one way of describing this funny and terrifying account of the absurd dilemma in which Hamlet's old school chums find themselves. No one knows why they have been summoned to Elsinore, at least no one will tell them. Until too late. Produced in the spring of 1967 in London and that fall in New York City.

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An Officer	Alan Gavoni
Jacques Casanova	Paul Barstow*
A Street Vendor	William Stern
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Baron de Charlus	Richard Peterson
Lobo	Richard Gere
A Grotesque Mummer	Alan Present
Marguerite Gautier	Virginia Thoms*
Lady Mulligan	Marana Brooks
Lord Mulligan	Paul Shutt
Lord Byron	Richard Gere
The Gypsy	Keren Liswood
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Nurse	William Stern
Eva	Judith Benson
The Instructor	Alan Present
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Marana Brooks

This versatile young actress has appeared on the stage of the Wellesley Theater in several major roles this year. Her career in acting begun early while in Kent School in Connecticut. She will take several important roles at the Playhouse this summer.

Ray Duffy

This season will mark Mr. Duffy's second year with the Playhouse. As an actor he appeared on stage last season but his staging of "The Hostage" will long be remembered by the Provincetown theater audience. He has long been associated with The Boston Opera Company.

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Richard Tiffany Gere

Mr. Gere is new to the Playhouse this season. He comes to the stage from the University Mass. Theater where during last winter he portrayed five major roles. He has also had much experience as a professional musician. And he has competed in film making in several important student film-makers contests.

Edwin J. McDonough

President of the Dramatic Society of Boston College where he received his Masters degree. He played with The Spotlighters in Baltimore and has spent two seasons at The Wellesley Theater. His credits include leading roles in plays by Albee, Williams, Miller and Schisgal. Mr. Miller will work toward his PhD. at New York University.

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Four years of art and graphic design at the Institute of Technology, Melbourne, Australia. Designed sets for William Roberts' plays presented at the H. B. Playwrights Foundation '68 and '69. Extensive European travel, especially Greece. Plans designing career in American Theater.

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Masters degree University Washington, Seattle. '68-'69 season Seattle Repertory Theater, costume designer at Off-Center Theater. Assisted Designer-Director William Roberts in creating sets for the Bergen International Festival.

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