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THE TEAHOUSE OF THE AUGUST MOON

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DEL BREMICKER (Sakini)—Del has appeared in Sabrina Fair as David Larabee and as Gannon in First Lady with Red Mask. At Eastern State University he was in Abie's Irish Rose, The Crucible, Fashion, and Our Town. A teacher in the Danville School system, Del is presently obtaining his Master's Degree in Speech, at the University of Illinois.

HAROLD "BUD" RATHBUN (Sgt. Gregovich)—Bud's last appearance was in the Happiest Millionaire with Red Mask. A supervisor with the Stewart Hog Ring Co., in Paris, Illinois, Bud is an example of the Red Mask policy of introducing new talent to Red Mask audiences.

ROBERT "BOB" BEAN (Col. Wainwright III)—"Purdy" as Bob is known in this play is in his second role with Red Mask. His first attempt in front of the footlights was in: "The Fifth Season" as Miles Lewis. Bob is associated with the E. R. Bean Auto Supply Co.

RUSS POLLITT (Capt. Fisby)—A Danville native, this is Russ's first attempt for Red Mask audiences. An enthusiast of show business, Russ has appeared in the recent Woman's Club Follies as the posterior end of the horse act. Employed by General Electric, Russ is married and has two children.

MARGARET FITZGERALD (Old Woman)—A veteran of Red Mask, Margaret has appeared in front of the footlights in Detective Story, John Loves Mary, Born Yesterday, Lily the Felon's Daughter and Life with Mother. Margaret was also the first art director of Red Mask and is employed as an artist in the Occupational Therapy Department of the Veteran's Administration Hospital.

MRS. LOYD PERRY (Old Woman's Daughter)—Dorothea was last seen in The Fifth Season with Red Mask as Lorraine. This is Dorothea's 6th play with Red Mask . . . truly a veteran performer.

ROBERT J. DUFF (Ancient Man)—Bob appeared in Solid Gold Cadillac with Red Mask. When he is not involved with Red Mask productions, Bob is associated with A. G. Woods and Marshall Crawford, Real Estate.

DAVID L. DIVAN (Mr. Hokaida)—Dave is the Youth Work Secretary with the Danville YMCA. Red Mask is fortunate in obtaining Dave's service for in his own words, "this is my first dramatic attempt anywhere."

SAM COX (Mr Omura)—Another newcomer to Red Mask audiences, Sam is employed at the Fred W. Amend Co.

ROY WOLF (Mr. Sumata)—This is Roy's first venture on the boards. He is zone manager for the Ben Franklin stores and is immediate past president of Toastmasters.

MAX JONES (Mr. Sumata's Father)—This is Max's first attempt in any stage production. His performance shows great promise. Max is employed at Sugar Creek Creamery.

JIM SPIVEY (Mr. Seiko)—A native of Jamestown, Indiana, Jim has appeared



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in local productions in his home town. Jim is assistant manager of Public Finance here in Danville.

MARY B. SHERNOCK (Miss Higa Jiga)—Mary has appeared in Blithe Spirit, My Sister Eileen and The Heiress in local Red Mask productions. A native of Westville, Mary is married, has three children and is a registered nurse employed at Lake View Hospital.

DONOVAN "TEX" MILLER (Mr. Oshira)—Tex has been a member of Red Mask for one year. During that time he has appeared in The Happiest Millionaire, and Pure as The Driven Snow.

ROBERT ETTER (Mr. Keora)—Married, with two daughters, Bob has appeared in productions for the Pana Township High School. He is employed at the Central Foundry Division of General Motors.

MIRIAM "MIMI" JAFFE (Taka Matzia)—Mimi has shown her talents on the Red Mask stage as the voice of the alligator in The Happiest Millionaire, and during the rehearsal of Teahouse of the August Moon took the part of the goat. However, Miriam has shown her best foot forward in Sabrina Fair and Fifth Season.

JUDY HOFFMAN (Lotus Blossom)—A native of Paragould, Arkansas, Judy is appearing for the first time in a Red Mask production. However, her acting career started at the age of 5 when she appeared in some of the "Our Gang" comedies. Judy is married and has three children.

FRANK ROOSE (Capt. McLean)—Frank's last show was in See How They Run, where he took the part of Rev. Humphrey. Frank has also been in The Curious Savage, John Loves Mary, and Heaven Can Wait, all Red Mask productions.

THE CAST

in Order of Their Appearance

Sakini.....Del Bremicker
Sgt. Gregovich.....Harold "Bud" Rathbun
Col. Wainwright-Purdy III.....Robert Bean
Capt. Fisby.....Russ Pollitt
Old Woman.....Margaret Fitzgerald
Old Woman's Daughter.....Dorothea Perry
Ancient Man.....Robert Duff
Mr. Hokaida.....David L. Divan
Mr. Omura.....Sam Cox
Mr. Sumata.....Roy Wolf
Mr. Sumata's Father.....Max Jones
Mr. Seiko.....Jim Spivey

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Mr. Oshira.....Donovan "Tex" Miller
Mr. Keora.....Robert Etter
Lotus Blossom.....Judy Hoffman
Taka Matzia.....Miriam Jaffe
Capt. McLean.....Frank Roose

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"TEAHOUSE OF THE AUGUST MOON"

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ACT I Scene 1: Col. Purdy's Office
 Scene 2: Outside Capt. Fisby's Office
 Scene 3: Tobiki Village

ACT II Scene 1: Tobiki Village
 Scene 2: Col. Purdy's Office
 Scene 3: Capt. Fisby's Office
 Scene 4: Tobiki Village

ACT III Scene 1. The Teahouse of the August Moon
 Scene 2: Capt. Fisby's Office
 Scene 3: The Teahouse of the August Moon

CAST

Mr. Keora-----Jerry Palmer
Villagers-----Robert Etter, Miriam Jaffe
Children-----Jim Acton, John Acton, Cynthia
 Dean Cross, Fritz Kreidler, Bill
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