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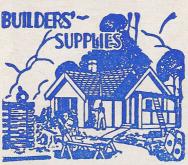
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#### DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Patron,

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I trust that you will enjoy our presentation of "Oklahoma" and that you will continue to extend to us your valued support. Thank you for your patronage, have an enjoyable evening and a safe journey home.

Yours sincerely,

J. B. FOLEY, Director.

#### LAUREY'S DREAM

(which concludes Act I)

The dream ballet depicts Laurey's dream and her problems, per medium of ballet. The dancing roles are danced by the principals themselves.

The ballet commences with the "dream figures" of Laurey and Curly dancing together in ecstatic happiness. Presently a young girl enters, soon followed by others. Then come some of Curly's cowboys. Curly kisses Laurey and walks away. A little girl presents Laurey with a nosegay, then more girls dance on and embrace her. Suddenly a bridal veil is produced and they place it on Laurey's head. Curly and the boys enter—their motions suggesting cowboys astride their horses.

The next dance motif is "The Wedding." Curly awaits his bride, walking down an aisle formed by the girls. But Jud walks slowly forward and removes Laurey's veil. Laurey is left alone with Jud. Three brazen dance hall girls enter. (They tipify the kind of girl that Jud mainly associates with). They dance the can-can for Jud and the boys. Then Laurey and Jud are left alone again. Curly enters and fires at Jud with an imaginary pistol. Jud chokes Curly to death and carries Laurey off.

Finally the real Jud awakens Laurey from her dream. She starts to go with him, mechanically, feeling that her dream must have come true.

The real Curly enters expectantly, but, seeing her leave with Jud he stands alone, puzzled, dejected and defeated, as the curtain falls on Act I.

### Producer: MARGARET GIBBS



Rodgers and

#### **CHARACTERS**

(in order of appearance)

AUNT ELLER Olwyn Foley
CURLY
LAUREY Delwyn Thomson
IKE SKIDMORE Ivan Brown
SLIM George Rodger
WILL PARKER Geoff Woollin
JUD FRY David R. Thomson
ADO ANNIE CARNES Annette Horton
ALI HAKIM Ian Nutley
GERTIE CUMMINGS Johanna Groenhart
ANDREW CARNES (Ado Annie's Father) Jim Foley
CORD ELAM
AGGIE PIGTAILS Gloria Maudsley
FALL DOWN GIRL Isabel Tomkins
POST CARD GIRLS Johanna Groenhart, Gloria Maudsley, Alison Ross

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ORCHESTRA: Violins, Ivan Lazaroff, Monica Paulsen, Keith Crellin, Cathy Price, Mrs. Bottomley, Wendy Penny; Viola, Mollie Walsh; Bass, Helen McGree; Oboe, Jane Lazaroff; Clarinets, Kathy Gray, Margaret Owens; Horn, Jim Vernon; Trumpets, Rex Jones, John McBride; Trombone, Fred MacMurray; Percussion, Ken Clark.

**CONDUCTOR: ROMILLY MILLETT** 

ACT I — Scene I Laurey's Farmhouse

Scene II The Smoke House

Scene III A Grove on Laurey's Farm

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#### MUSICAL PROGRAMME

	OVERTURE	
	ACT I	
1	OPENING (ACT I) "OH, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MORNING" Curly	
2 3 4 5	LAUREY'S ENTRANCE "THE SURREY WITH THE FRINGE ON TOP" Curly and Laurey "KANSAS CITY"	
6 7 8	"I CAIN'T SAY NO"	
9 10 11	"MANY A NEW DAY" Laurey and The Girls DANCE—"MANY A NEW DAY" Laurey, Fall Down Girl, Pigtails "IT'S A SCANDAL! IT'S AN OUTRAGE!"	
12	"PEOPLE WILL SAY WE'RE IN LOVE" Curly and Laurey	
13 14 15 16	CHANGE OF SCENE  "PORE JUD IS DAID"	
17	(a) Melos  DREAM SEQUENCE (b) Out of My Dreams (c) Interlude to Ballet (d) Dream Ballet  (d) Dream Ballet	
18	ENTR' ACTE	
ACT II		
19	OPENING ACT II "THE FARMER AND THE COWMAN" Ensemble, with Carnes, Aunt Eller, Curly, Will	
20 21	FARMER DANCE CHANGE OF SCENE	
22 23	"ALL ER NOTHIN" Ado Annie, Will and Dancing Girls CHANGE OF SCENE	
24	REPRISE OF "PEOPLE WILL SAY WE'RE IN LOVE" Curly and Laurey	
25 26	CHANGE OF SCENE CHANGE OF SCENE	
27 28 29	"OKLAHOMA" Curly, Laurey, Aunt Eller, Ike and Ensemble ENCORE "OKLAHOMA" Ensemble FINALE, ULTIMO Ensemble CURTAIN CALL	

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ACT II — Scene II The Skidmore Ranch
Scene II Skidmore Kitchen Porch
Laurey's Farmhouse

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