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"The Magistrate," sub-titied a "Tamily farce," opened
on Thanksgiving evening at the
Meadow Brook Theatfe on the
campus of Oakland University,
It was a cornucopia of comedy,
The John Fernald Company
as directed by Douglas Seale
obbode and bounced their way
through this merry farce in a
most hilarious fashion. The
audience, fat and sassy fromail
tose boilday vittles, roared
their appreciation at the zany
shenanigand.

their appreciation at the zany shenanigans. Eric Berry and Richard Cur-nock were never better as two highly respectable English gen-tlemen who find themselves suddenly tossed into a scanda-lous, compromising situation. As in all farces, the situation grows more complex act by act until the audience is fairly faint with laughter.

"THE MAGISTRATE" "THE MAGISTRATE" was written by Str Arthur Wing Pinero in 1885, but the grand mix-ups, the wild gyrations of the plot still itchic the autiences of 1968. The second act, especially, builds to a crash-bang finish that had even old Wally gutfaving. And that's not easy when you consider the hundreds of farces seen by his

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greatly in moving you back
into the Victorian era. The
decorative footlights and charm
add authenticity to the evening's
fun.
"The Magistrate" has as its
pivotal plot departure the simple ritual of a woman taking
five years off her age. Sounds
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reviewer over the years.

As reported earlier this year the John Fernald Company out Meadow Brook way has finally old arrived, Two hits in a row is, point of their third season.

Sir Arther Pinero is an English dramatist of the gay '80's who was slightly overshadowed over the season.

Sir Arther Pinero do not carry it he sutherity of shaw, they are alwell-writer of the script. However, the season was a standard of the script. However, the fine acting of Jereny Rows, many Savidge, Eric Berry, Max Howard, Elisabeth Orion, Social He Hurren, and Dilane Slapley.

Provide such a happy evening 19- in the theatre that any criticism of this nature is really picasue, Elizabeth Penn's costumes give Correction On Redford

second marriage for Agatha. If she takes five years off, the son the becomes I years off, the son the becomes I years of the son the becomes I year of the son the becomes I year of the minute. Before the evening is tower, the circumpect magical trate becomes involved under table with a married lab, year of the second story balcowy and ends up sentencing his own wife to a seven-day prison sentence.

Eric Berry's Mr. Posket is a flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved under the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fa flawless portrayal of a highly moral judge who becomes involved the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fall piot for the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fall piot for the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fall piot for the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fall piot for the farcical piot. Jeremy Rows as fall piot f

## Set Auditions For Comedy

There are two high schools in Redford Township, and some-times those who know the dif-ference can't keep'em straight.

Anyway, the Redford Civic Symphony's Christmas concert Sunday at 4 p.m. is scheduled for Redford thino High School-not in the South Redford area, as we incorrectly reported Sunday.

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8 p.m. to 11 p.m. in the Jewish Community Center, Meyers at Curtis.

Persons interested in work-ing backstage should also at-tend these auditions. For further information call DI 1-420, ext. 240.

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