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Small Ohio town — then breaking his hip.

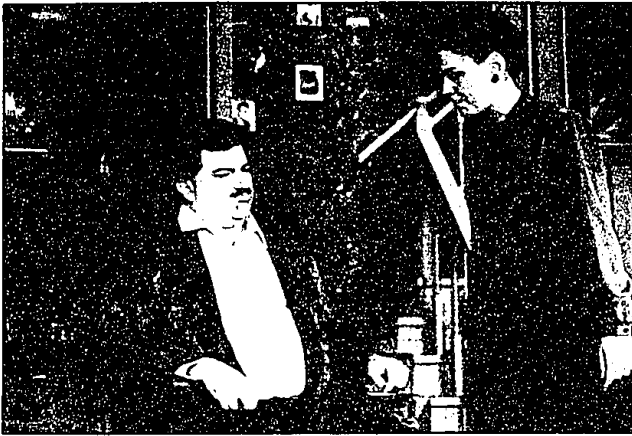
Whitehead threatens to sue for \$150,000. "I shall be confined in this mouldy mortuary for another 10 days due to your stupidity and negligence. I shall attempt to carry on my activities the best I can."

And so he does. We meet eccentric visitors and frustrated friends and staff trying to cope with Whitehead's antics. On the whole, the large cast does a fine job, although the pace and timing required for farce lags at times.

Helen Daluilio scores as the nurse who is constantly demeaned. Kirk Hanley has a great scene as Professor Metz, delivering insects (a roach family) to Whitehead, and again as Banjo, who in real life was said to be Harpo Marx.

Frank Marcus as Beverly Carlton does a first-rate caricature of Noel Coward. And Mary Ann Tweedie sizzles as Lorraine Sheldon, a caricature of Gertrude Lawrence. Whitehead brings her to town to break up a romance between his secretary and a local newspaperman.

Suzanne Rogers (Maggie Cutler) and Phil Hadley (Bert Jefferson) are very good as the romantic pair. We won't give away the ending because it's a surprise for one and all.



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Acting: Sheridan Whitehead (Jack Grulke) and Maggie Cutler (Suzanne Rogers) in a scene from "The Man Who Came to Dinner."

The set is very good, as are the authentic costumes and props from the 1930s.

Bob Weibel of Westland is a freelance writer, who has spent more than 25 years in comedy theater as a director, designer and performer.

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and 1" at the Water Tower Theatre. Call (810) 349-7110 for information. Children can audition 6-9 p.m. Sunday, 8, bring prepared children's song with sheet music. Auditions for dancers are 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, and 7-10 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 28-29, for adults. The Guild is having a general membership meeting 7:30 p.m. Nov. 8 at the theater.

Don't wait! Order your gourmet Thanksgiving Dinner now from Schoolcraft's Professor's Pantry. For only \$69, your family and friends can feast on 14-16 pounds of fresh turkey, 4 pounds of stuffing, 4 pounds of fresh vegetable medley, 4 pounds of candied yams, 1 pound of brandied cranberry orange relish, and 1 quart of giblet gravy. Fresh baked pies, bread, cakes, extra stuffing and other holiday favorites are also available for purchase. Call (313) 462-4491 to place your order.

The 2nd Native American Festival and Mini Pow Wow returns to Southfield 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Southfield Civic Center Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen, south of I-696. Admission is \$8 adults, \$4 children (2-12 years; under 2 free), \$4 senior citizens, call (810) 352-0990 for information.

As Thanksgiving approaches, hundreds of families will have the opportunity to experience the rich heritage and customs of the "first Americans" at the Pow Wow. There will be demonstrations by American Indian artisans, dancing, singing, and a giant tepee.

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Tim Allen from page 1B

A year later, as he files off to complete his night's work on Christmas, Scott leaves behind a town of believers, where before only skeptics lived.

A Hollywood Pictures Presentation, "The Santa Clause," is directed by John Pasquin from a screenplay written by Leo Benvenuti and Steve Rudnick. The movie is rated PG.

Allen, star of the television show "Home Improvement," was born June 13, 1953, in Denver, and raised there until the age of 13. Then he moved to Birmingham, and was one of seven brothers raised by his mother.

The class cut-up, his favorite high-school subject was shop, and his first true love was cars. After graduating from Western Michigan University in 1975 with a degree in TV production, he went to work as a creative director for a small advertising firm in Detroit.

Soon he moved from behind the camera: to in front of it, as a performer and commercial spokesman. In 1979, on a dare from a friend, Allen made his first stand-up appearance at Detroit's Comedy Castle. Since then, he has become a "15 year overnight success." He is in his fourth season as Tim Taylor.

Mystery theater benefits museum

A special mystery "Who Done It" written especially for the Plymouth Museum and community, will be presented 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 12, at the historic Eastford Inn in Farmington Hills. Call (313) 466-6940 for reservations.

Philharmonic presents British program

You can enjoy the tastes and sounds of England this Sunday when the Farmington Area Philharmonic presents a "merry olde evening of British music" entitled "CHEERIO" on Sunday, Nov. 6.

The orchestra performance, which takes place at North Farmington High School (32300 13 Mile Road) at 7:30 p.m., will be preceded by a traditional British

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tea, complete with sweets and finger sandwiches.

There is no additional charge to concertgoers for this very special pre-concert reception, to begin at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The duo of Jenkins & Bryce, one of the many chamber groups from within the orchestra, will

provide music for the tea. Tickets are \$8, \$12 and \$20, and available at all Metrobank locations, and at Farmington Area Philharmonic office, 23290 Farmington Road, downtown Farmington or call (810) 478-2075.

The concert will include a British repertoire from a variety of sources. Guest soloist is Farmington Philharmonic's Principal

Violist, Detroit Symphony member Hart Holiman.

The next "theme" concert of the Farmington Area Philharmonic is scheduled 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11. It will be a holiday program entitled, "The Nutcracker and Other Sweets." Ticket prices for these concerts are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and \$5 for children under 12.

LET'S GO! DINING

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New restaurants

PIZZANAPARIS
Has a new Farmington Hills store, 32740 Northwestern Highway, two blocks south of 14 Mile Road. They offer a variety of pizzas and their signature deep-dish Chicago style pizza. One of the most popular dishes is the seafood pizza, a deep-dish pizza loaded with shrimp and crab. This month they will be introducing special pizzas for Thanksgiving — turkey pizza —

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College restaurants

OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Ridgewood Cafe is 1305 of Trill Hall, Oakland Community College, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Student-run restaurant is open for lunch 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday. (810) 471-7785

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
The college's gourmet restaurant, American Harvest, in the Westlawn Center on sources, 16200 Hazelton Road, Livonia, is now open for lunch, noon to 1:15 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Lunch buffet is offered each Friday at \$10.95 per person. (313) 452-4488

Festive events

GANDY DANCER
Hop aboard the Amtrak at the Detroit or Dearborn station for trip to Gandy Dancer in Ann Arbor, Nov. 9, 29, Dec. 6, 21 and 28. Train leaves Detroit 5:30 p.m. and Dearborn, 5:40 p.m. Cost \$48.50 per person includes train tickets, dinner, taxes and gratuities, (alcohol is extra). Dueland band entertains on board. Football

brunch offered, 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. Cost \$14.50 per person. (313) 769-0592

Special dinners

THE LILACS
French Seafood Dinner, 7 p.m. Mon. & Tues. Nov. 21-22. Cost \$70 per person. Nov. 12 is the last date for cancellation. The restaurant is at 6430 Farmington Road, West Bloomfield. (810) 661-4466

MORTON'S OF CHICAGO
"A Taste of the Season Dinner" 6:30 p.m. Mon., Nov. 14, restaurant in Southfield's Oakland Towne Square building, just off Northwestern Highway. Cost

\$100 per person, all inclusive. (810) 354-6009

ENGLISH FEAST
Schoolcraft College, Dec. 8-10, 16th century English feast, with merriment, song and entertainment. Proceeds fund student scholarships. Tickets \$35 per person, tables seat 8. (313) 462-4417

WARSAL FEAST
Oakland Community College, 6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1. The cost is \$35 per person. (810) 471-7786

Packages

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Alexander the Great, 34733 Warren, Westland — in cooperation with the Quo Vives and Cinema Showcase Theaters dinner and movie tickets for two. Cost \$24.95 per person. (313) 526-5410

PARSON'S
Comedy show and dinner packages, Thurs.-Sat. at the restaurant on Schaefer in Dearborn. Special engagement featuring Rip Adair, Nov. 10-12. Dinner and show \$16.95 Thursday, \$20.95 Fri. & Sat. Show only tickets also available. (313) 584-8865

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