

# Ah, Wilderness!

Once again the Class of '78 had a success on their hands as they presented "Ah Wilderness," a comedy by Eugene O'Neill. Set in a small town in Connecticut at the turn of the century, "Ah Wilderness" is the story of a young man's struggle against the Victorian attitude.

The young man Richard (Ben Zorn) sends his sweetheart, Muriel (Nancy Clendening), some rather passionate

poetry. Muriel's father, David McComber (Dave Rivard), discovers the writings and forbids Muriel seeing Richard. In desperation, Richard turns first to drinking and to the arms of another woman, Belle (Diane Somerville). The next day, Muriel and Richard meet in a moonlight rendezvous and declare their love. The two return home to their families who finally accept their love affair.



OPP. PAGE, TOP: Mr. Sharrar does a little last-minute repositioning of the cast. BOTTOM LEFT: Dressed for a ride in the auto, Essie pauses to comfort Richard. BOTTOM RIGHT: Tommy and his sister Mildred finish dinner. THIS PAGE, TOP LEFT: Stage manager Cindy Yantis follows the plot from the wings. TOP RIGHT: Newspaperman Nat Miller shares some wisdom of love with his son. BOTTOM LEFT: The two women in Richard's life, Belle, a lady skilled in the art of companionship, and Muriel, his betrothed. ABOVE: Bruce Moore and Greg Starks learn about ties circa 1900.