The Mountaineer Players present in the

# FOREST THEATRE

and wild Rhododendron Preserve Bremerton-Seabeck Road



Director: Robert Young Authors: John Latouche & Jerome Moross

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TICKETS: Adults \$2.00

Sr. Citizens & Students \$1.50

Children \$1.00

at Theatre or Bon Marche Shoreline Music

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MOUNTAINEER PLAYERS

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Washington State's Olympic Mountains are the setting for the Mountaineer Players' 50th annual production, a fanciful musical based on the Homeric legend of the apple of discord, the abduction of Helen by Paris, and Ullysses' years of wandering after the battles over Helen. But the music, action and sets are as fresh today as when "The Golden Apple" was first produced two decades ago in New York and won the Broadway Critics' Circle Award as best musical of the season.

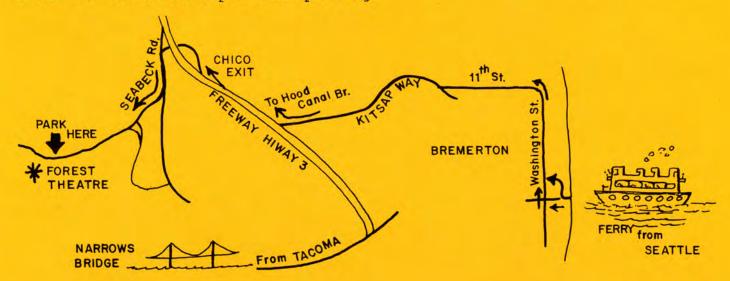
The action begins in the mythical village of Angel's Roost, in the lee of Mount Olympus, as the community's menfolk return from the Spanish-American War. Soon the village welcomes another arrival—a traveling salesman named Paris who makes his rounds by balloon. When he departs, Helen goes with him, which sends the townspeople into fits and Ullysses and his war buddies off in hot pursuit.

## The Mountaineer Players

The Mountaineers is an organization of outdoor fanciers whose activities range from mountain-climbing, skiing, show-shoeing and hiking to nature study and photography. The beauty of the club's Wild Rhododendron Preserve near Bremerton seemed so fitting for an outdoor production to Mountaineers of the 1920s that a group of them organized the Players and produced the club's first play in 1923. The Preserve's natural amphitheater was developed into today's Forest Theatre, where thousands of persons come each spring to enjoy the rhododendrons and dogwood along with the Mountaineer Players' productions.

### How to go

The Forest Theatre is located about seven miles west of Bremerton on the Seabeck road. Use the sketch map below to guide you from Bremerton or other Kitsap County areas to Seabeck road, then watch for Forest Theatre signs along the way. The ferry leaves the Seattle Terminal (foot of Marion Street) at 9:30 and 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. for the one-hour crossing from Seattle. Allow an additional 25 minutes to drive to the theater. There is ample free parking.



### **Bus transportation**



# Play admission

Bus transportation will be available from the Bremerton ferry dock to the Forest Theatre and return, by Advance Reservation Only. Please call the Mountaineers Seattle clubroom at 622-0808 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Weekdays Only, for additional information and reservations. Ferry foot-passengers can use the special five-hour excursion ferry tickets for the round trip (\$1.20 for adults and 60 cents for children ages 5-11).

Adults, \$2, senior citizens and students \$1.50, children (under 12) \$1. No reserved seats. Tickets may be purchased at the theater on play days. Advance tickets are available at the Mountaineers Seattle clubroom, 719 Pike St.; Bon Marche and Shoreline Music in Seattle; Lamont's in Burien; Bell, Book and Candle in Bellevue, and Cates Music and Shorewood Motor Inn in Bremerton.

#### FOREST THEATRE & RHODODENDRON PRESERVE

The Forest Theatre, one of the world's most beautiful settings for and outdoor play, is a natural amphitheater surrounded by tall trees and hundreds of profusely-blooming native rhododendrons. Giant firs, alders and bloom-covered dogwood trees provide a verdant backdrop for the stage, which has moss-covered cedar bark "wings" and green fern "footlights." There are even trees and blooming rhododendrons growing on the stage! To see a colorful musical production in this enchanting setting is an experience you will long remember.



Ullysses and Penelope have a joyous reunion, after years apart, in this scene from "The Golden Apple." Helen McNab has the role of Penelope and Stuart Hill plays Ullysses.



#### SUGGESTIONS

Bring your friends and a picnic lunch to enjoy in Rhododendron Park above the theater. Coffee, soft drinks and hot dogs are available. Dress casually and wear comfortable walking shoes. You'll be walking a couple of blocks from the parking lot to the picnic area and a couple more blocks down a shady forest trail to the theater. Bring a blanket or cushion for the terraced earth seats of the theater. And remember to bring your camera!

Don't let the weather keep you away. Cloudy or foggy mornings in late spring usually clear into fine afternoons. (The play goes on,

regardless of weather!)

For further information, call 783-2015 in Seattle. Or write to the Mountaineer Players, 719 Pike St., Seattle, WA 98101.

