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- "A Puzzlement"
- "School Song"
- "Getting To Know You"
- "We Kiss In A Shadow"
- "Shall I Tell You What I Think Of You?"
- "Something Wonderful"
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- Scene 3. The King's Study in the Royal Palace, immediately following.
- Scene 4. A hallway of Palace, many months later.
- Scene 5. The Schoolroom in Palace, later.
- Scene 6. Anna's bedroom, that same evening.
- Scene '7. The King's Study, later that evening.

(An intermission of 12 minutes between acts.)

#### ACT II

- Scene 1. Reception Room at the Palace, next evening.
- Scene 2. In Palace Garden, later.
- Scene 3. The King's Study, later that evening.
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ILVA WALKER, Dramatic Director...is a ninth grade English and Speech teacher at South View Junior High School. A graduate of the University of Oklahoma she has been on the staff of radio and television stations in Oklahoma. She also is a successful writer of plays. Though she is a newcomer to Danville Light Opera she is not a newcomer to the theatre, having been active in speech and dramatic work since she was four years old.

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