THREE SAILORS, THREE WOMEN OF THE WORLD, and 24 hours' leave equals "On the Town" in "New York, New York." Musical comedy will be performed this weekend by Teen Summer Theater, which includes cast members above (l. to r.) Lauren Doll, Brian Hiller, Debbie McGuigan, Jeremy Mann, Holly Falken, and Frank Dietz. (Bruce Pick Photo)

Last-minute flurry today for 100 teen thespians

For 100 hardworking teens. today will be filled with lastminute preparations: hammering and painting sets, sewing up costumes, memorizing last bits of dialogue, adjusting lighting fixtures, practicing dance routines. and working out difficult passages of music.

Friday night, Aug. 19, is the opening of "On the Town," the Teen Summer Theater's sixth annual musical production. It will be performed at 8 p.m. in Schreiber High School on Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday.

The show, although well-known because of its film adaptation with Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly, is rarely performed, especially in its entirety.

This is because the musical score, written by Leonard Bernstein, is especially difficult and,

also, because some of the most beautiful and exciting music in the show is devoted to dance sequences which require extensive, trained jazz ballet direction.

David Barnett has taken musical score in hand, building on his six years of experience in musical direction with the Teen Summer Theater, as well as with two major productions at Yale, where he is a music major entering his senior vear.

He has assembled an orchestra capable of mastering even Bernstein's most difficult pas-

Lorna and Edward Zawacki of the Zawacki Dance Center of Great Neck have lent their expert services to this year's production to provide choreography and dance direction equal to the quality of the musical score.

The dramatic direction, including choreography for vocal numbers, has once again been provided by Pam Meadows. Under her guidance, the cast has created a lively rendition of the play, a madcap comedy about three sailors on 24-hour pass in New York City during World War II.

Under the supervision of producer Ron Meadows and a cadre of experienced Play Troupe adults, the cast members have created sets, costumes, make-up, and lighting effects required to perform the show, and have raised the money necessary to support the production from friends and businessmen throughout the community.

Tickets are \$1 and may be purchased in advance from cast members, at the Port Plaza Department Store, or at the door.

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