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First Operetta Staged By Orange Home Children

By Mrs. Mona Robertson
 For the past four years we have been covering the educational program held at the Loyal True Blue and Orange Home during the month of March and this year the children, teachers and staff really hit a new peak of perfection with their presentation of the operetta "The Magic Piper", played before a capacity audience of 200 people comprised of relatives and friends from all over Ontario.

Fifty-five of the 59 school-age children at the Home took part in the musical which was directed by their teachers, Miss P. L. Brown and Mrs. A. Ross. The directors deserve a great deal of praise for the bright and natural style of singing and acting they have encouraged in their young pupils and the children themselves must be commended for their most natural acting and clear enunciation throughout the operetta. Miss B. MacLeod was accompanist, music was composed by Carol Christopher.

The scenes in the Hamlin Town square, when the villagers discussed events or sang of daily happenings carried so much meaning, through facial expressions, actions or voice inflection, that one marvelled how these youngsters, aged from 6 to 15 years, could mimic so well the older generation.

Margaret Bain as the Reader, gowned in a dress of pale mauve organza, read the well-known libretto of the Pied Piper before the operetta began and made her debut as an elocutionist in a most satisfactory and pleasing style.

On stage, during the operetta, the trio sung by David Allan as Peter, Bob Rennie as Hans the Cook and Anne Schram, as Katrina, was very well done and the acting was most realistic.

Pheobe Scatcherd as Mutter Katzenheimer and her son, Jacob, (Dawn Abercrombie) also deserve comment along with Dorothy Schram, who, although she never said, or barked, more than "Wow-wow, was really a very "tricky dog" and played her role to perfection.

Hugh Clegg as the Town Crier and Douglas Jones, the Pied Piper, might possibly be called the stars of the operetta, with Hugh providing the comedy relief and Douglas, who is 12 years old, handling his dramatic singing role very nicely.

The children of Hamlin and the "charming" little rats, along

with the mayor, played by Jimmy Allan; the councillors and all other supporting actors did a wonderful job and helped to make this first operetta given by the children of the Orange Home the big success it was.

We hope it will not finish with Friday night's performance, but that it can be given before other audiences at a later date.

The costumes for the musical, arranged by Matron Gladys Freethy and her staff, with the kind help of the Stitch and Sew Club from Richmond Hill, played a big part in the production. There was not a great deal of money to spend on costumes but the ladies used a great deal of ingenuity to dress the actors and the results were very satisfactory for all concerned.

Mrs. Hugh MacKay of Richmond Hill supplied the hats used by the players.

During intermission Principal D. S. MacPherson introduced many of the honoured visitors among them being: Mrs. Amy Johnston, Mrs. Z. Free and Charles Carrey.

Following the production a tour was made of the home with special attention being given to the well ordered classrooms where the children's work was on display.

Refreshments were served in the dining-room by the ladies of the Richmond Hill Stitch and Sew Club at the close of the evening.

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Get Well Wishes
 Rhonda Ford is making satisfactory progress following the eye operation she underwent at the Sick Children's Hospital recently.

Kathy Ensor, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Ensor, scalded her shoulders and back last week, when she pulled a cup of hot tea down from the table, spilling it over herself. Prompt treatment allayed her suffering and Kathy is now almost over the experience.

Helen Anderson's schoolmates sent her cards and messages, expressing their sympathy over her recent bout with pneumonia, and hope Helen will soon be well enough to return to school. She has been home ill for almost four weeks.

Anniversaries
 Two different families in this community celebrate their 31st wedding anniversaries this month.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Dick who celebrated their 31st anniversary last Sunday, March 20; and also to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gamble who will observe their 31st wedding anniversary this Monday, March 28.

1st Jefferson Group-News
 It's "All out for Fun," at Jefferson School Tuesday evening, March 28, when the 1st Jefferson Scouts, Cubs and Brownies hold their annual Parents' night. An excellent program has been planned by the group leaders and the boys and girls have been putting in a lot of time on the parts they will undertake for the evening.

Fun starts at 7 o'clock and a good turnout of parents and friends is anticipated.
 St. John's W. A.

The regular monthly meeting of St. John's W. A. was held at the home of the late Frank Legge on Wednesday of last week with 14 ladies present.

Mrs. Capell read the scripture lesson and Mrs. Nelson Thompson took the lesson period. The W. A. is studying India this year.

Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Bell, added a happy note to the meeting when she announced that the church carpet and the W. A. bale are paid for and the bale is ready to be shipped.

Before closing the meeting the members discussed details for supplying supper for the Mothers' and Daughters banquet the Oak Ridges Guides and Brownies are holding in the parish hall shortly.

Birthdays
 Greetings to Brenda Haviland who celebrated her fifth birthday on Saturday, March 19. Best wishes to Mrs. C. Hanson who had a birthday on Monday, March 21. David Robertson was six years old, Tuesday, March 22. Mr. and Mrs. Reg. Burns' baby daughter was one year old March 23 and Fred Brown is 16 today, March 24.

Happy birthday to Colin Dick on Saturday, March 26, also to Rhonda Ford who will be four years old, March 26 and to Mrs. Bill Hall for Sunday, March 27.

Jefferson School News
 It's time once again to bring school insurance fees up to date and the Jefferson school board requests that all parents send the 25 cents which is their share of insurance fees for each child per year, to the school this week. The school board pays the balance necessary to cover cost of insuring each child from accident during school hours.

Misses A. Leary, D. Little and M. Creasy, Jefferson teachers, attended the teacher's convention for Mr. Halbert's inspectorate which was held on Wednesday of this week.

Community Club Doings
 There was a good turn-out for the Jefferson School Community Club Square dance last Friday night with visitors present from Oak Ridges and Mount Albert.

DONCASTER
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Visitors at the Barbour home over the week-end were Mrs. Barbour's mother, Mrs. F. Smith and Mr. W. Bridge from Hamilton, and on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford and their three children from Orillia. Richard Barbour is in hospital at present in San Diego, where he underwent an appendectomy last week.

Birthday wishes to Susan Shepherd, Proctor Ave., who celebrated her 5th birthday March 21, when nine little girls helped her celebrate.

Friends and neighbors of Mrs. J. Edgar, Seccomoe Ave., presented her with a play pen and high chair for their baby son. The evening was spent in playing games. These winning prizes were Mrs. Clifford and Mrs. Mizen. The party was held at the home of Mr. H. Mizen.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Angel, Clarke Ave., were Mr. and Mrs. R. Segouin and son Armand from Angou, Ont.

Mrs. C. Davis celebrated her 88th birthday last week.

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Bill Dawson and Grant Fryer of Yongehurst Rd., spent Saturday taking in all the events at the Sportsmen's Show.

MARCH 17 not only was an Irish celebration but the birthday of Pat Brennan and Bob Baker.

Mrs. M. Holmes spent the past week in Toronto attending the anniversary services of Earls Court United Church.

Mr. A. Littleford of Yongehurst Rd., who has spent several weeks in the Hospital undergoing spinal treatments is making fine progress and able to get up and around again.

Archie Fraser of Mill Rd. returned home Friday from Newmarket Hospital after undergoing an operation. He is progressing favourably and hoping to be out and around in the very near future.

Jimmie Lawson of Yongehurst Rd. is coming along very nicely after his recent bout of bronchial pneumonia.

Mr. Kinzinger, teacher at the Richvale School was on March 24 presented with a gift by his class in honor of his birthday.

On Saturday, March 19, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest and children accompanied by Mrs. C. Wight, Margaret and Hunter enjoyed a shopping and motoring trip visiting Barrie, Collingwood, Orillia. They spent a few hours in Midland before returning home.

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- The estimated lifetime of the work is 20 years.
- An adjourned court of revision will be held on the 28th day of March, 1955, at 2 p.m. o'clock at the Council Chambers in Maple for the purpose of hearing complaints against the proposed assessments or the accuracy of frontage measurements and any other complaint which persons interested may desire to make and which is by law cognisable by the court.

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