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CHILDREN'S CHORUS

25TH

ANNIVERSARY

Christmas Concert Tuesday, Dec. 13

The Inland Children's Chorus will attain a distinguished place in the World of Music, Tuesday, December 13.

On that evening at 8 p.m. the Chorus will celebrate its Silver Anniversary when it presents the 1960 Christmas Concert at Memorial Hall.

Accordingly, the program arranged by Director Joseph P. Geiger for Inland employes, their families and friends will include some of the top chorus arrangements of the past 25 years.

There will be other special features, fitting the occasion, and the 100-voice Concert group of 50 boys and 50 girls will sing the program in two parts. They will be accompanied by Paul Ray Jones.

Steeped in tradition, Chorus members will be clad in Eton suits and Alice Blue Gowns. The setting will be much the same as that which has surrounded Inland children for a quarter of a century. From this setting they have entertained and thrilled untold thousands of people through public appearances, radio and recordings.

Approximately 250 boys and girls, 8 through 16 years of age, are members of the 1960 Chorus. All are given the opportunity to participate in Concert or in the Spring Festival.

They have been in rehearsal since the start of the school year, anticipating this Silver Anniversary and the joyous, holy Christmas season.

Chorus Has 3 Objectives

Twenty five years ago it was felt that there should be something of a permanent value made available to thousands of our children.

Thus was formed the idea of organizing a Children's Chorus, not just a group, but one with purpose. Three objectives were set forth, they are the same today.

1-To give children of employes a musical education and develop an appreciation of good music, they otherwise might not be able to obtain. 2-To add something of a permanent value to an activity that involved such a large participation of Inland's own people in a practical and constructive way. 3-To make a worthwhile contribution to the cultural life of Inland employes and the community.



JUST REGULAR KIDS—Like yours and mine, who like to have a good time at the proper time, are these girls shown to the right. As members of the Chorus they are given the opportunity of gaining valuable training and a musical background. All of these girls will participate in the Christmas Concert. Approximately 1,800 children have had this opportunity by being Chorus members during the 25-year period.



GET TICKETS AT PERSONNEL

It is expected that a capacity audience of almost 3,000 people will want to attend the Silver Anniversary Christmas Concert.

Admission will be by ticket only. The tickets are free and can be obtained at Personnel Activities.

You are asked to request only the number of tickets you will use. This will aid greatly in the proper distribution.

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Two Directors in 25 Years

Only two Directors, Joseph P. Geiger and the late Richard Westbrook, have guided the Inland Children's Chorus in 25 years.

Mr. Westbrook organized the Chorus and 80 boys and girls made their initial appearance at Memorial Hall on Sunday, December 20, 1936. Their performance brought praise from all who heard them.

Mr. Geiger was appointed Director in July, 1955. He has had many years of concert experience and has devoted much time to voice training, especially as concerns young people.

Under his direction the Chorus has continued to grow with Inland and meet with outstanding success in its employe and public appearances.