

Selections From 1962 Programs



Inland Children's Chorus Sings Christmas Concert to capacity audience.

SIDE 1

O COME, O COME EMMANUEL LITTLE DRUMMER BOY CHRISTMAS ROUNDELAY DING DONG MERRILY ON HIGH GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD SILENT NIGHT

SIDE 2

NOW SING WE JOYFULLY UNTO GOD O BONE JESU O QUAM SUAVIS EST PANIS ANGELICUS MOON RIVER SOUND OF MUSIC CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER

ABOUT THE CHORUS, THE DIRECTOR AND THE ACCOMPANIST

THE CHORUS

For many years the children of Inland employes entertained with song, dance and other routines at Inland Employe Christmas parties.

Then someone suggested that, with all the talent shown by Inland youngsters, a Children's Chorus should be formed. The Chorus could entertain on special occasions and especially at the annual Employes' Christmas Party. The idea caught fire. Inland Management agreed to sponsor the Chorus. This was in 1936.

Richard Westbrock was secured to organize and direct the group. A call for rehearsal was issued. Many children responded. Out of this small beginning the present Chorus has developed. Richard Westbrock directed the Chorus until his death in January, 1955.

Since July 1955, Joseph P. Geiger has directed the Chorus.

Sons and daughters of Inland employes may join the Chorus so long as their ages are between 8 and 16 years. Each year more than 200 children receive musical training through this organization.

Each concert features the voices of 50 boys and 50 girls. Each boy and girl competes for the honor of singing in the concerts.

At least four concerts are given annually by the Chorus. The Christmas Concert is traditional. February brings two concerts of wide community interest, sung under the joint sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce and the Dayton Art Institute. The season officially closes in May with a Spring Concert.

Many special concerts have been sung by the Chorus. Many times the Chorus has been featured by The Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra. Together, the Chorus and the Orchestra staged Benjamin Britten's Contata, "The Miracle of St. Nicholas."

The Chorus has been recognized nationally. It's "Story of Bethlehem" was heard on a national radio hook-up. The Chorus was featured with Steve Allen in

"Stars For Polio," a Dayton Originated TV Network show.

And through the years more than 2000 boys and girls have benefited from this excellent musical organization.

THE DIRECTOR

Joseph P. Geiger was appointed director of the Chorus in July, 1955. He is a native Daytonian, graduate of local grade and high schools and the College of Music, University of Cincinnati. He majored in piano, organ and Gregarian Chant.

Mr. Geiger has devoted much of his time to training the voices of young people. He is an active organist and also a director of Church and high school choruses.

THE ACCOMPANIST

Paul Ray Jones is widely known for his talent as an organist and pianist. He is pianist for the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra and Chorus Master for the Dayton Opera Association. He is one of Dayton's leading teachers of the organ and piano.

Mr. Jones was awarded an Organist scholarship at the University of Florence.



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