

Singers Inject Antics To Spark Diversified Bill

By LEROY INMAN

The Companions of Song are misnamed. Not that they can't sing. They can. Not that they don't know music. They do.

A more appropriate name would be Companions of Comedy, or perhaps Comedians of Song. For surely it is their comical antics that put them over.

This group of nine young Frenchmen thoroughly entertained a capacity audience Sunday afternoon in Central Junior High School auditorium in the first of a series of five Roseburg Community Concert presentations for the winter season.

Though singing much of their program in their native French tongue, the singers used facial expressions, body, head and hand movements and pranced around on the stage in humorous fashion to illustrate meanings where words alone may have failed to convey understanding.

The program was diversified, going from the serious to the whimsical and then to the almost ridiculous. Every part of each song was demonstrated by movements which almost made one forget that the group also had fine singing voices and excellent harmony.

Circus Simulated
In one number, as soldiers they slithered across the stage in glissando that kept their bodies rigid, as though they were floating. One of them, on signal from a comic violinist in "The Violin of Aunt Estelle," wagged his head from side to side like a metronome as an off-stage sound device beat out the time.

In "The Circus Song" they performed imitations of circus acts including magic, and one of them performed on a bar, held at arms length over their heads by four of the taller, huskier members of the group.

Their interpretations of the old French folks song "Au Clair de la Lune" proved a riot. They sang and acted it first like the Don Cossacks might perform, and then as a symphony orchestra would perform it, except both parts were executed in riotous fashion.

Their more serious numbers included "Dreams Never Grow Old" by Charles Trenet; "I Believe," "Mona Lisa," "The Galley Slave Song" and "The Three Bells," the latter which they have publicized on records.

The French version of "Ghosts Riders in the Sky" proved an interesting number. Their singing

Riddle School Board Gives Present Grade Athletics Nod

The opposition to the State Board of Education's elementary athletics recommendations continued to grow this week. The latest report came from the Riddle school board which came out in favor of continuing the present program instead of adopting the state recommendation.

The directors gave their support to the present program after hearing an explanation of the new elementary athletic standards from Al Barnhart, grade school principal, reports correspondent Erma Best.

In other action, the board handled the following business:

1. Ordered a change order to Todd Building Co., contractor for the school addition, eliminating blinds and shades and drape curtain tracks. The board will purchase these items later. Supt. K. A. Stuart was instructed to contact Fred Scheffel, city works superintendent, relative to grading an open ditch at the school for disposal of roof drain water flow.

2. Prepared an agreement to allow E. J. van Doren to place a butane tank on the edge of school property.

3. Offered Kenneth Hunt the afternoon school bus runs after the Rev. Conrad Rhoads had asked for a change in his schedule relieving him of the two afternoon runs.

4. Granted permission to the United Steelworkers Union (CIO) to hold a benefit dance for Christmas funds in the school gym.

5. Declared the school grounds at the primary building off limits to all children outside their regular school hours in order to avoid distraction of other classes in session and injuries to youngsters.

Dr. D. H. Jones Gets Post In Veterinary Assn.

Dr. Dallen H. Jones of Roseburg has been named to the executive board of the Oregon State Veterinary Medical Assn.

He and Dr. Glen Schwenke, Woodburn, were named to the board Saturday at the association's annual meeting held at Salem. Dr. Jones also was one of three men who presented papers at the session.

Dr. L. M. Koger, Ontario, was elected president as successor to Dr. Ralph R. Younce, Hillsboro, and voted president-elect was Dr. K. J. Peterson of Salem, state veterinarian. E. L. Holden of Oswego was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Featured speaker was Dr. F. B. Menninger of Ogden, Utah, who talked of trends in practice of veterinary medicine. About 50 members and wives attended all-day sessions. Dr. and Mrs. Jones returned to Roseburg Sunday.

was marked by informality and a naturalness of pose to fit each occasion, with comedy thrown in wherever appropriate.

As if the program was not complete in itself, an added feature was the piano solos of the beautiful young pianist Emanuela Pizzuto, who added charm with music in her playing of three selections — "Canzone," from "Venezia e Napoli" by Franz Liszt; "Pavane" by Maurice Ravel, and "Toccata, Opus III" by Camille Saint-Saens. She responded to the loud and lengthy applause by playing Chopin's Waltz in C sharp minor as an encore.

Local News

Business Visitor — A business visitor in Roseburg last week was Ed Pape, co-owner of the Allis-Chalmers Agency in Eugene.

Portland Visitors — Visiting at the home of Mrs. Jay Boyer and Mr. and Mrs. Clay Bean last week were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jones of Portland.

Go To California — Mr. and Mrs. Clay Bean left Friday evening for Grass Valley, Calif., to attend to business matters in connection with their property there. They returned home Sunday.

Weekend Visit — Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Duke and their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bronner spent the weekend at the home of Duke's parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Duke, in Sweet Home. The Rev. Mr. Duke is affiliated with the Nazarene Church.

Elkton Family Spends Day At Coastal Points

By MRS. ARIEL HUBBARD
Mr. and Mrs. George Bowman and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Willey and children spent the day at Reedsport and the beach last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baumgardner of Lebanon visited at the Cliff Kruger home Saturday. They were successful fishing, and took home their limit.

Miss June Morganti was in the Cottage Grove Hospital Saturday for minor surgery and is spending several days in Eugene at her mother's home recuperating.

Wilbert Anderson's parents of Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Anderson, and a brother, Charles Anderson, and family spent Sunday at the Anderson home.

Mrs. Fern Childers' uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hobbs of Goodland, Kan., were Saturday evening dinner guests at the Childers home.

Mrs. Orelia Suloff substituted as teacher for Mrs. Cheever Monday at the grade school. She also

Elkton Rebekahs Have Past Noble Grand Night

By MRS. ARIEL HUBBARD
The Rebekah Lodge of Elkton held a Past Noble Grand Night Tuesday. There were 19 present, with 14 being past noble grands. Claude Haines and George Clark returned this week from a moose hunting trip to Canada.

Lee Bossen and Mrs. Laur Adamo took supplies including magazine, records, pocket-books and restraining bands made by the Legion Auxiliary Ladies to the Veterans Hospital in Roseburg this last week.

The Elkton Wildlife Conservation Club met at the Elkton High school gym Monday at 8 p.m. This was the regular quarterly meeting. There was a discussion of the coming November meeting of the district and council in Elkton.

taught the fourth grade Tuesday afternoon.

The Wilber Garrison, Laurence Smith, Gail Madison and Irv Smith returned from a hunting trip last Saturday. They had been away since Monday.

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W-D Toastmistresses Have 'Old Home Night'

The Winston - Dillard Toastmistress Club held their annual fun night, designated as "Old Home Night," at the Douglas High School Wednesday evening. Approximately 40 members, former members and other guests were present.

The new president, Jo Lesher, was installed in office and presided over the meeting. Toastmistress for the evening was Helen Buell.

Refreshments were served following the evening's entertainment.

The club voted to hold their next regular dinner meeting Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at Bart's Cafe in Camas Valley, at which time they will install the officers of the newly-organized Camas Valley Toastmistress Club.



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