

Annual Music, Drama Festival Officially Opened Before Large Crowd

LILLIAN MILLER
Dorothy Becker welcomed the participants from near and far. She told the large opening audience: "Music is one of the most civilizing agencies we have."

Dr. R. G. Large, School Board chairman, introduced by Mrs. Becker, gave his official blessing to the opening and congratulated the Festival Association "on its splendid work in bringing a real cultural contribution to the community."

Judicator Praises Junior Contestants in Chorus Groups

Why music festivals are like blood transfusions, they give the participants so much.

Marks obtained by competitors follow:
Pianoforte Solo (under 7) — Jacqueline Bowman 76, David Galbraith 75, Arnold Rivett 81, Elaine Daniels 80, Barbara Burgett 76, Gloria Colussi 77.

Violin Solo (Grade 1) — Duane Torgeson 81, Bobby Anderson 83.
Violin Solo (Grade 2) — Wynona McCombs 77, Marie Ridsdale 80.
Pianoforte Solo (under 8) — Margaret Forward 80, David Galbraith 81, Kenneth More 84, Jacqueline Bowman 80, Maureen O'Rourke 78, Lorraine Johansen 77, Daniel Gillis 82, Patricia Field 82.

Violin Solo (Grade 3) — James Logan 80, Sena Pavlikis 78, Danny Michalsen 83, Alan Lawrence Sieber 85, Donald L. Lewis 81.
Action Song (Grade 1) — Borden Street School, 80.

Pianoforte Solo (under 14) — Sailor's Dance: Andrea Veitch 80, Thomas Lindstrom 77, Della Haig 75, Nickey Raabe 75.
Pianoforte Solo (under 15) — Carol Nelson 78, Elizabeth Jones 78, Theima Pavlikis 79, Roberta Reid 79, Alleyne Ritchie 81.

Grade 2 Junior Chorus — 1. Borden Street School, test piece 83, own selection 80; 2. Borden Street School, test piece 83, own selection 82.
Grade 3 Junior Chorus — 1. Borden Street School, test piece 83, own selection 80; 2. Conrad Street School, test piece 80, own selection 80; 3. Borden Street School, test piece 78, own selection 79; 4. King Edward School, test piece 76, own selection 75.

George Mitchell Elected Chairman of CNIB Branch

George Mitchell was elected chairman of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind at the annual meeting here last night.

He then told of the work of the CNIB as a dominion-wide agency. "It is the recognized social agency for services to the blind, both by the dominion and provincial governments and it operates under dominion charter. Regular reports are submitted to the departments, in connection with the work."

He said he has found the reports "invaluable." It was suggested that the incoming executive ask Miss Wrathall to attend the annual meeting of the CNIB in Vancouver, May 25.

Miss Wrathall read the annual report and then Mr. Madeley praised the work of treasurer Ted Boulter.

Peter Bird, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce here, who took over from Mr. Boulter, drew up the financial statement which showed a balance on hand at January 31 of \$3,531.

Mr. Madeley extended thanks to the Job's Daughters for their excellent job in tagging, under the direction of Mrs. Alex Mitchell, and also mentioned the members of the Business and Professional Women's Club and Miss Jean Ramsay, who helped in addressing envelopes and mailing circular letters sent out by the branch.


He also mentioned the "wonderful co-operation" received from the Daily News and C.F.P.R.

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"KING OF PAIN"

The evening was made both entertaining and educational by music adjudicator, Mrs. Mary Wood, of Victoria. She found it hard to criticize and gave a great deal of praise and encouragement to all participants.

The evening opened with "O Canada," played by the Aiyansh Silver Harmonic Band, who were the first contestants of the evening. Mrs. Wood was particularly pleased with this fine band because of their real feeling for music and good harmony.

The Ladies' Rotary choir was given high praise by Mrs. Wood for "a very moving performance."

DIFFICULT PIECE
Next contestant, Ernest Morven, gave a very stirring performance of "Stars in a Velvety Sky" — an extremely difficult piece. Mrs. Wood encouraged the artist, telling him that with experience, he will develop fine skill and become a true artist.

The two Native choirs which followed were a "moving experience" to the adjudicator, who seemed particularly thrilled with the "soul" that the singers put into the music.

The Rotary mixed choir gave a beautiful performance and received the same praise that the ladies' choir did earlier. Mrs. Wood felt that the soprano section was a little shrill at times.

The evening closed with a performance by the Prince Rupert Shrine Band, who were in competition with the opening band and received almost as high praise. After the final adjudication this band closed with "The Queen."

Class 94 — 1. Aiyansh Silver Harmonic Band, conducted by Henry MacMillan (a) The Sky Pilot Overture, 87; (b) Chicago Marine Band March, 86. 2. Prince Rupert Shrine Band, conducted by Peter Lien (a) Lustspiel Overture, 86; (b) Chorale, 86.

Class 15 — Rotary Ladies' Choir, led by Charles Balagno (1) Indian Mountain Song, 85; (2) Waltz of the Flowers, 84.

Class 103 — Cornet solo, by Ernest Morven of Aiyansh (a) Stars in a Velvety Sky, 83.

Class 13 — Adult Church Choirs 1. Aiyansh Church Choir, conducted by Hubert MacMillan (a) Come Let Us Join Our Cheerful Song (test piece) 85; (b) The Radiant Morn Hath Past, 84. 2. Kitwanoon-St. Mark's Choir, conducted by Gregory Rush (a) Come Let Us Join Our Cheerful Song, 80; (b) Hallelujah Chorus, 8.

Class 14 — Rotary Mixed Chorus, led by Charles Balagno (a) Triumph, Thanksgiving, 85; (b) Let Us Break Bread Together, 85.

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FOR HER TRIP TO THE CORONATION Miss Canada, Marilyn Reddick of Agincourt, Ont., has chosen a white gown of Nottingham lace over nylon with ruffled tiered skirt at back and a tiara of brilliants. The skirt took 20 yards of material; there is 14 yards of lace and underneath are a 12-yard satin petticoat and two crinolines.

Graham Alexander Installed President of Canadian Legion

Newly-elected officers and executive for 1953 were installed at a general meeting of the Prince Rupert Branch 27, Canadian Legion.

Duties of installing officer were carried out by J. S. Wilson, Canadian Legion zone commander.

Taking office were Graham Alexander, president; Lloyd Rice, first vice-president; Keith DeWitt, second vice-president, and Frank Hicks, sergeant-at-arms.

Following the installation, presentation of silver badges for 25 years of Legion service was made by Zone Commander Wilson to the following:

C. L. Barker, S. A. Bird, H. Calderwood, A. E. Dickens, H. B. Eastman, L. Halpern, George Dawes, Howard Hill, Col. S. D. Johnston, B. Johnson, J. J. Judge, L. W. Kerpin, William J. Lineham, Weldon R. McAtee, David McCullough, L. F. Parks, W. J. Rance, John T. Wilson, William Wallace, E. Woodward, John S. Wilson, C. L. Youngman.

The Coronation committee reported that plans have been made assuring full participation by the branch in the coming Coronation Day festivities.

Two floats, sponsored by the Legion Women's Auxiliary and the branch will take part in the parade along with the Legion marching contingent.

A gala smoker is planned for visiting American sailors, and a Coronation ball in the Legion auditorium will entertain hundreds of persons the night of Coronation Day.

Retiring president Alex Haig is co-ordinator of the Legion Coronation committee.

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High Fashion Colors Brighten Shower Curtains

By ELENORE LESTER

A neglected item in home decoration is the shower curtain. You jump merrily out of bed in the morning into a pleasant shower bath—only to find yourself surrounded by a depressing shower curtain.

Drapery fabrics, wallpapers and linoleum have all received the attention of fine designers in recent years, but the shower curtain has lagged behind with the old staple water waves on colors either dull or glaring.

At last, however, something is being done. The manufacturers of shower curtains have gone all out this season with new patterns, colors and materials.

High fashion shades like avocado, turquoise, French blue, warm brown, charcoal and lime are now available, as well as metallic shades of copper, bronze burnished gold, or antiqued silver. These are in frosty, opaque, or translucent plastics or silky taffetas.

The patterns are influenced by the abstract or humorous designs now found in fine fabrics. One curtain has ladylike kittens in a setting that suggests an eighteenth century drawing room. A taffeta striped curtain is derived from an old Mexican design, and other smart stylized patterns are offered in great variety.



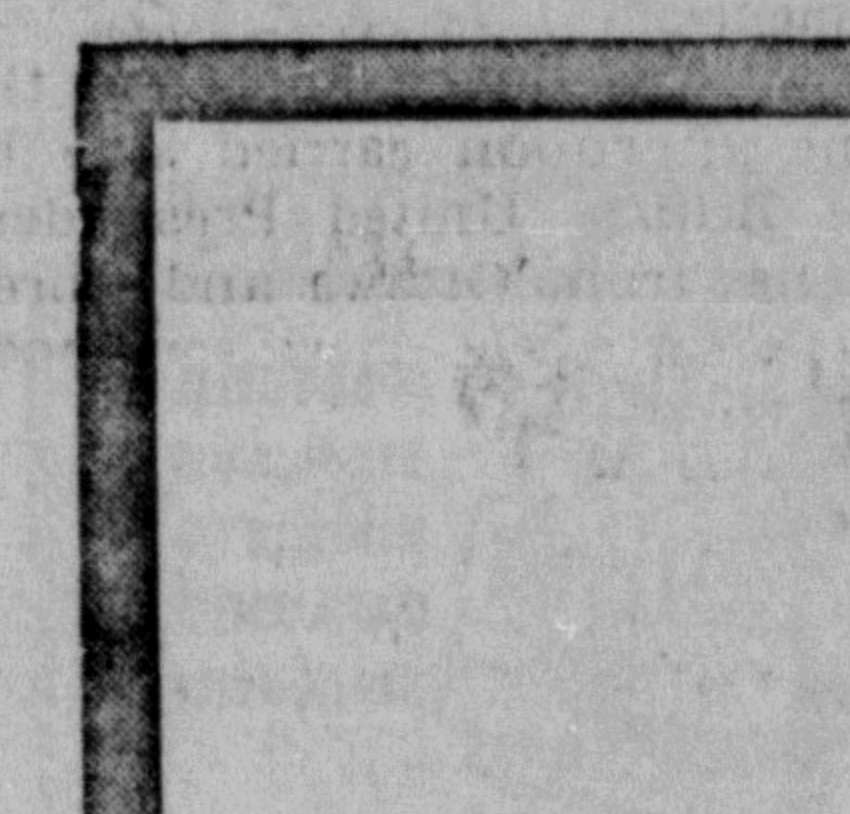
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