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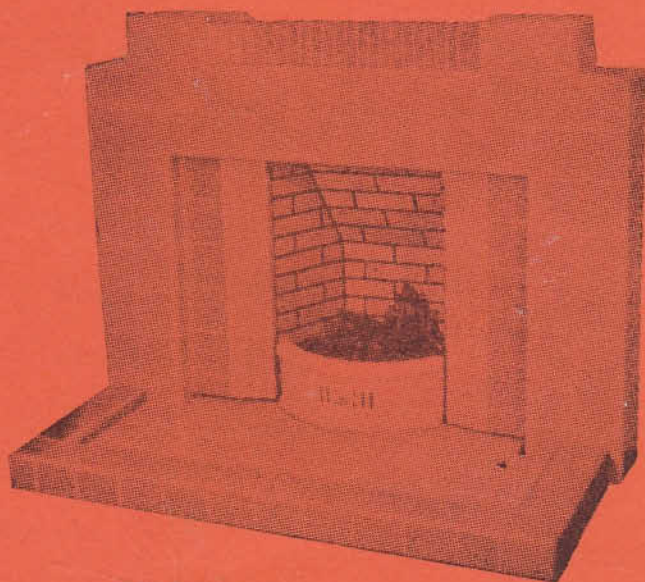
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ARLETTA (Zsupan's daughter) .....	NAN LACY
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MIRABELLA (Zsupan's housekeeper) .....	RACHEL ELLIOTT
CZIPRA (Queen of the Gipsies) .....	JANET McINNES
SAFFI (A Gipsy Princess) .....	DOROTHY MACTAVISH
COUNT KARESKA (A Civil Commissioner) .....	THOMAS MACILWRAITH
SANDOR BARINKAY (A young returning exile) .....	IAN McNAB
CAPTAIN OF HUSSARS .....	HAMISH MACKINTOSH
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## MUSICAL NUMBERS

### ACT I

Overture .....	The Orchestra
Up in the Morning .....	Mishka, Pali, Franzi, Vanya and Chorus
I Haven't Found the Right Man Yet .....	Arletta and Gipsy Men
Tact .....	Zsupan and Chorus
Melos .....	The Orchestra
Strange are the Powers .....	Saffi, Czipra and Chorus
Birds in their little nests agree .....	Arletta, Mirabella, Otto and Zsupan
Danube, River of Dreams .....	Barinkay, Principals and Chorus
I've Lived a Sheltered Life .....	Arletta and Ensemble
Melos .....	The Orchestra
These I have Loved .....	Saffi and Barinkay
See Who Stands Before You .....	Saffi, Czipra and Chorus
Finale, Act I — Sweet is Gipsy Life .....	Ensemble

### ACT II

Entr'acte .....	The Orchestra
Hail, Midsummer Morn .....	Saffi, Czipra, Barinkay and Chorus
Gipsy Ballet	
Money-Money-Money .....	Arletta, Mirabella, Otto, Kareska and Zsupan
The Treasure Waltz .....	Principals and Chorus
Dare I believe my heart .....	Saffi and Barinkay
Recruiting Song .....	Homony and Chorus
None but the Brave Deserve the Fair .....	Principals and Chorus
Finale, Act II .....	Ensemble

### ACT III

Entr'acte .....	The Orchestra
When Vienna Sings .....	Saffi, Arletta, Mirabella and Girls' Chorus
Reprise — Birds in their little nests agree	
Marching Along .....	Barinkay and Ensemble
Finale, Act III .....	Ensemble

## SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

- Act I—The Gates of Zsupan's Residence
- Act II—The Grounds of the Castle
- Act III—A Stateroom in Vienna

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## SYNOPSIS



A wealthy pig-breeder, Kalman Zsupan, who is also Mayor of Zrinuyi, Hungary, rears his pigs on the estate of Sandor Barinkay. The estate is the site of a large gipsy encampment and who regard Sandor Barinkay as a friend and his exiled father as a "Gipsy Baron." The Gipsies, arrive with their Queen, Czipra, to inform the Mayor how their Queen has dreamed that exiled Sandor will return to occupy the Barinkay estate. The Queen's dream is fulfilled and Sandor Barinkay returns to a rousing welcome from the villagers.

Count Kareska, a Civil Commissioner, who has accompanied Sandor, confides to Zsupan that a vast treasure is hidden in the Barinkay Castle. Sandor is unaware of this and both Kareska and Zsupan plot to share the treasure. Arletta, Zsupan's ambitious daughter, is encouraged by her father to seek a proposal of marriage from Sandor, but the latter turns her down to the delight of Otto, who loves her himself.

The Gipsies support Sandor and acclaim him their "Gipsy Baron." He and Saffi, the grand-daughter of Czipra, fall in love and a Gipsy marriage is arranged.

Kareska virtually threatens Barinkay with exile for associating with Gipsies but this does not materialise when Czipra disclosed that Saffi is the daughter of The Turkish Pasha, who before his death left his wealth in her care. Amidst great rejoicing, Czipra bestows such a wealth to Sandor and Saffi.

However, such joy is short-lived, as Graf Homonoy, Governor of the Province, arrives on a recruiting campaign for the Turks have invaded Hungary. Sandor, and his gipsy followers enrol and form a troop of Hussars. Zsupan, and Otto, are foxed into enlisting. Homonoy makes Kareska responsible for the custody of the treasure and welfare of Czipra and Saffi.

The Turks are defeated. In Vienna preparations are made for the return of the victorious army, including the Hussars. In the palace Czipra and Saffi place themselves under the protection of Homonoy to save Saffi from the unwelcome attentions of Kareska, who is virtually banished and sent into retirement.

Sandor returns and is regarded as a hero. He is duly created a real Baron, and the treasure restored to him. He is reunited with Saffi and both look forward to a happy life together.

Arletta finds solace in the arms of faithful Otto, and Zsupan succumbs to a proposal of marriage from his housekeeper, Mirabella.



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