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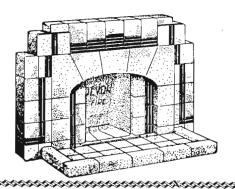
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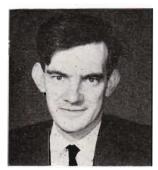
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INVERNESS OPERA COMPANY has been in existence since 1927. The Productions since the war have been as follows:—

1947	THE MIKADO	1954	CONCERTS, ETC.	1963	WHITE HORSE INN
1948	Iolanthe	1955	The Mikado	1964	SHOW BOAT
1949	The Gondoliers	1958	Maid of the Mountains	1965	CALL ME MADAM
1950	PIRATES OF PENZANCE	1959	The Gypsy Baron	1966	New Moon
1951	THE QUAKER GIRL	1960	THE MERRY WIDOW	1967	Rose Marie
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Hon. President's Remarks

Culcabock House, Inverness.

This year, the Inverness Opera Company are giving Inverness something different from their previous productions, in presenting "Summer Song," with music adapted from original compositions of Anton Dvorak. They trust you will enjoy their production in every aspect, and are certain that "Summer Song" is a worthy successor to their previous Shows.

As in the past, despite inevitable changes in Membership, the Opera Company continue to delight Inverness audiences. This is due to

the hard work done by all the Company, and those dedicated people who train them and those who work so assiduously behind the scenes. As usual, the Company have designed and created their costumes, sets and scenery.

You can help the Company by becoming Associate Members, and so ensure that, despite rising costs, the Company will continue to flourish, thereby treating us annually to an evening of colour, song and dance, blended together by a degree of professionalism which truly reflects credit on all those participating in front of, and behind, the scenes.

The Company thank all who have helped them in various ways, and hope that you all enjoy "Summer Song."

Thank you.

KAY GRIGOR.



The Story



It is on record that Anton Dvorak, the great Czech composer, weary of conducting concerts and teaching music at the National Conservatory in New York, spent some weeks of Summer, 1893, in a settlement of Bohemian lumbermen in the Middle West; and that he was at the time exasperated by his own inability to complete the "American" symphony which his admirers expected of him. Dvorak was a lover of Nature and the simple life, one of his principal hobbies being a passionate interest in steamships and railway trains. From that Summer of 1893 emerged one of his greatest and best-beloved compositions, the Symphony in E minor ("From the New World"). We would not pretend that the characters of *Summer Song* ever existed or that the events in "Willow Falls" actually took place. Our play is no more than a musical fairy-tale, although it is certain that its hero's inspiration for the "New World" Symphony came from his belated discovery that the real America did not consist entirely of hotel rooms, Pullman cars and concert halls.

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Feeney





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Millie



Ma Flannigan

SUMMI

CAST

(in the order of their appearance)

Abe, a Negro man-of-all-wo	rk					CHARLES SINCLAIR
Milli, Marek's daughter						Louise Munro
Blodek, a lumberman						BOB McCorkindale
Karolka, a young Czech imi	migrant					LINDSAY McClure
Uncle Marek, Karolka's un	cle					James Gordon
Ma Flannagan, the "Boss"	of Will	low Fa	lls			JANET MACINNES
Mr Gilmore, a New York I	railroad	magna	ite	,		Duncan Chisholm
Shaun, Ma Flannagan's son						JOHN MASON
Tomashek, an oboe player						HAROLD MISON
Anton Dvorak, the famous of	composei	r				CALUM McDougall
Feeney, a saloon-keeper						JIMMY MORRISON
Joe, a travelling salesman						DONALD MATHESON
Jake, a tax-collector						James Pringle
Barstow 1					(ARCHIE SOLOMON
Jeff card players	••••					JOHN DOYLE
Priest						Ian Mackenzie
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Violincello: Chris. V. Turner Bass:

Frank Gale Percussion: Frank Miller Piano: Muriel McCulloch

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SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

ACT I

Scene	1	The Town Squar	e, Willow	Falls,	Illinois.	A	summer	afternoon	in
		the year 1893.							

Scene 2 The Fringe of the Forest. Night.

Scene 3 The Interior of the Blarney Stone, Willow Falls. Night.

Scene 4 The Fringe of the Forest. Night.

Scene 5 The Fringe of the Forest.

Scene 6 Milli's Bedroom, Willow Falls.

Scene 7 The Town Square, Willow Falls. Night.

ACT II

Scene	l	The Interior	of the	Silver	Dollar	Casino,	Centerville.	Night.
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Scene 2 The Town Square, Willow Falls. Morning.

Scene 3 A room in the Flannagan House, Willow Falls.

Scene 4 Little Old New York, 1893.

Scene 5 The Conductor's Room of the Concert Hall, New York.

Scene 6 Finale.

Murphy's Pig

MUSICAL NUMBERS

ACT I

Prelude	Orchestra and Chorus
Flannagans' Trees	Abe and Chorus
Once a Year is Not Eno	ugh Milli and Men
Karolka's Entrance	Orchestra
Just Around the Corner	Karolka, Chorus
	and Dancers
Be She Dark, Be She Fo	air Shaun, Girls
	and Dancers
Exit Music: Just Aroun	d the Corner Chorus
Cotton Tail	Abe
Scene Change and Meld	os Orchestra
No-One Told Me	Shaun
Scene Change and Sing	Me a Song Men
	and Chorus

Saturday Girl Karolka and Shaun Exit, Melos and Dvorak's letter Orchestra One Boy Sends You a Rose Karolka and Milli Ballet: Saturday Night in Willow Falls
Deep Blue Evening Abe and Chorus

Orchestra

Scene Change Music

Deep Blue Evening
Melos
I'm Not So Certain
Melos
Reprise: Saturday Girl
Melos
Duet and Finale
Milli, Joe and Chorus
Orchestra
Milli, Joe and Chorus
Aerolka, Shaun
and Chorus

ACT II

Entr'acte and Centerville Song	Men	Sce
Ballet: Burlesque	Dancers	Smo
Scene Change and Te Deum	Chorus	Nev
The Day You Hit the Highway	Abe and	Mel
	Chorus	1'11.
Weddin' Gown Milli,	Joe and Chorus	Rep
Furiant Ballet	Dancers	Fin
Exit of Dancers	Orchestra	
Summer Song Kare	olka and Chorus	Reg
Melos and Reprise: Just Aroun	nd the Corner	Rej
-	Chorus	Î

Ma Flannagan and Chorus

Scene Change Music
Small Town Sweetheart
New York 'Ninety-Three
Melos
Orchestra
I'll Be Rememb'ring
Reprise: Once a Year is
Milli, Joe,
Reprise: No-One Told Me

Orchestra
Shaun
Chorus
Rarolka and Chorus
Karolka, Shaun,
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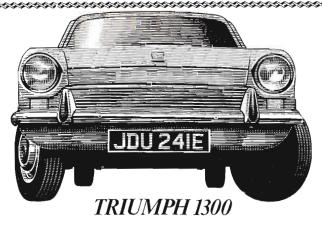
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