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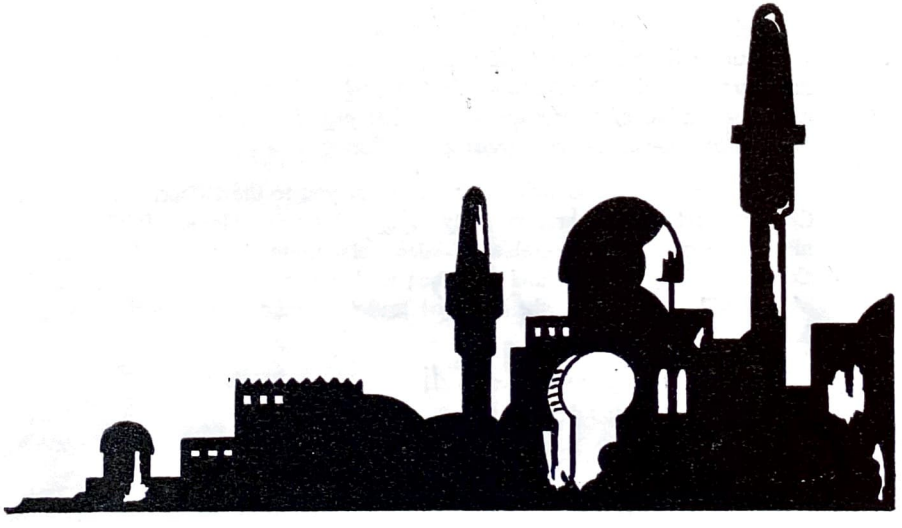

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As you know, our Society this year celebrates its Golden Jubilee — 50 years continuous production of Musical Comedy and Light Opera in the district, during which time it has provided musical education and entertainment for countless thousands of people, as a result of which several thousands of pounds have been donated to local charities. This is something of which we are justifiably proud.

The years have seen the Society progress from a small number of pioneers, who sometimes had quite a struggle to get enough people to complete the cast of quite small productions, to its present company of talented artistes who are capable of producing shows which compare favourably with any Amateur Society in the country. All of this is done from within the Society by its members and includes production, musical direction, dancing, scenery, stage management, lighting, make-up and pianists for rehearsals and orchestra. Indeed, quite a few of the costumes etc. are made up by some of the ladies in order to reduce hiring charges.

This year we have chosen for our Golden Jubilee production "Chu Chin Chow" and although this was originally produced many years ago, it has recently been re-written for amateur societies. The story, if such there be, is familiar to almost everyone, but the great attraction of the production lies in the picturesque Eastern setting, the music and the wonderful Oriental atmosphere which those taking part endeavour to create and which, we hope, will find its way over the footlights and into the audience.

All of this would not have been possible Ladies and Gentlemen without you, our audience, and may I therefore, on behalf of the members of the Farnborough and R.A.E. Operatic Society, take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of your support over the past 50 years and may we look forward to your continued interest in the future.

We were pleased to welcome so many of you to the Gilbert and Sullivan Concerts and the Celebration party organised by our Golden Jubilee Committee. To conclude the Golden Jubilee Celebrations there will be a Grand Concert on July 2nd, 3rd and 4th when we hope to see you all again. Details of this will be found on the enclosed leaflet, together with priority booking form.

I sincerely hope you will enjoy CHU CHIN CHOW.

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ALI BABA (Kasim's poor brother) ..... IAN WOOD

NUR AL-HUDA ALI (Ali Baba's son) ..... HAYDN THOMAS

ABDULLH (Kasim's Steward) ..... BRIAN PEARSON

OTBAH (A stall keeper) ..... HANDEL HALL

BABA MUSTAFA (A Cobbler) ..... NICOL MOWAT

MUKBIL (Slave auctioneer) ..... TREVOR MANN

MUSAB (Member of Abu Hassan's band) ..... ROY DUFFETT

KHUZAYMAH (Member of Abu Hassan's band) ..... BRIAN BUSBY

ALCOLOM (Kasim's head wife) ..... MILDRED TYSON

MAHBUBAH (Ali Baba's wife) ..... MICHAEL GARROOD

BOSTAN (Mahbubah's servant) ..... VERA MACK

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ACT 1

Scene 1 KASIM BABA'S PALACE
Scene 2 MARJANAH'S WINDOW
Scene 3 THE CACTUS GROVE
Scene 4 THE SILK STALL
Scene 5 KASIM BABA'S PALACE

ACT 2

Scene 1 KASIM BABA'S PALACE
Scene 2 IN THE CAVE
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Musical Numbers

ACT 1

1		Prelude	
2	Scene I	Song "Here be Oysters"	Abdullah and Chorus
3		Entrance of Chu Chin Chow "I am Chu Chin Chow"	Hasan
4		Javanese Dance	
5		Song "Cleopatra's Nile"	Marjanah and Chorus
6		Finale — "I'll Sing and Dance"	Ensemble
7	Scene II	Serenade "Coraline"	Nur Al-Huda and Marjanah
8	Scene III	Song "My head, my head"	Ali Baba
9		Song "When a pullet is plump"	Ali Baba
10		Robbers' March "We are the Robbers of the woods"	Chorus
11	Scene IV	Trio "Why should I repine"	Ali Baba, Marjanah and Nur Al-Huda
12		Song "I love thee so"	Marjanah
13		Duet "All my days till end of life"	Marjanah and Ali Baba
14	Scene V	Song "Behold"	Abdullah
15		Finale "The Robbers' March"	Chorus

ACT 2

16		Introduction	Orchestra
17	Scene I	Dance	Ensemble
18		Song "I long for the sun"	Alcolom and Chorus
19		Song "Mahbubah"	Ensemble
20	Scene II	Jewel Ballet	Dance
21		Reprise "The Robbers' March"	Chorus
22		Song "The Scimitar"	Hasan
23	Scene III	Duet "Anytime's Kissing Time"	Alcolom and Ali Baba
24	Scene IV	The Cobbler's Song	Baba Mustapha
25		Bazaar Music	Ensemble
26		Song "We bring ye fruits"	Fruit Girls
27		Mannequin Scene "From Cairo"	Otbah and Ensemble
28	Scene V	Duet "How dear is our day"	Alcolom and Ali Baba
29	Scene VI	Song "Olive Oil"	Abdullah and Chorus
30		Finale "Wedding Procession"	Ensemble

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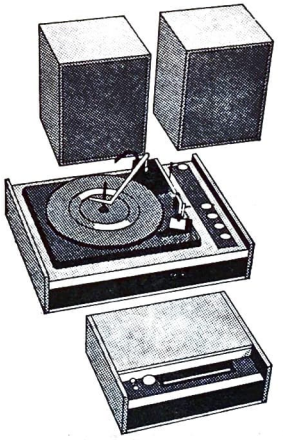

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