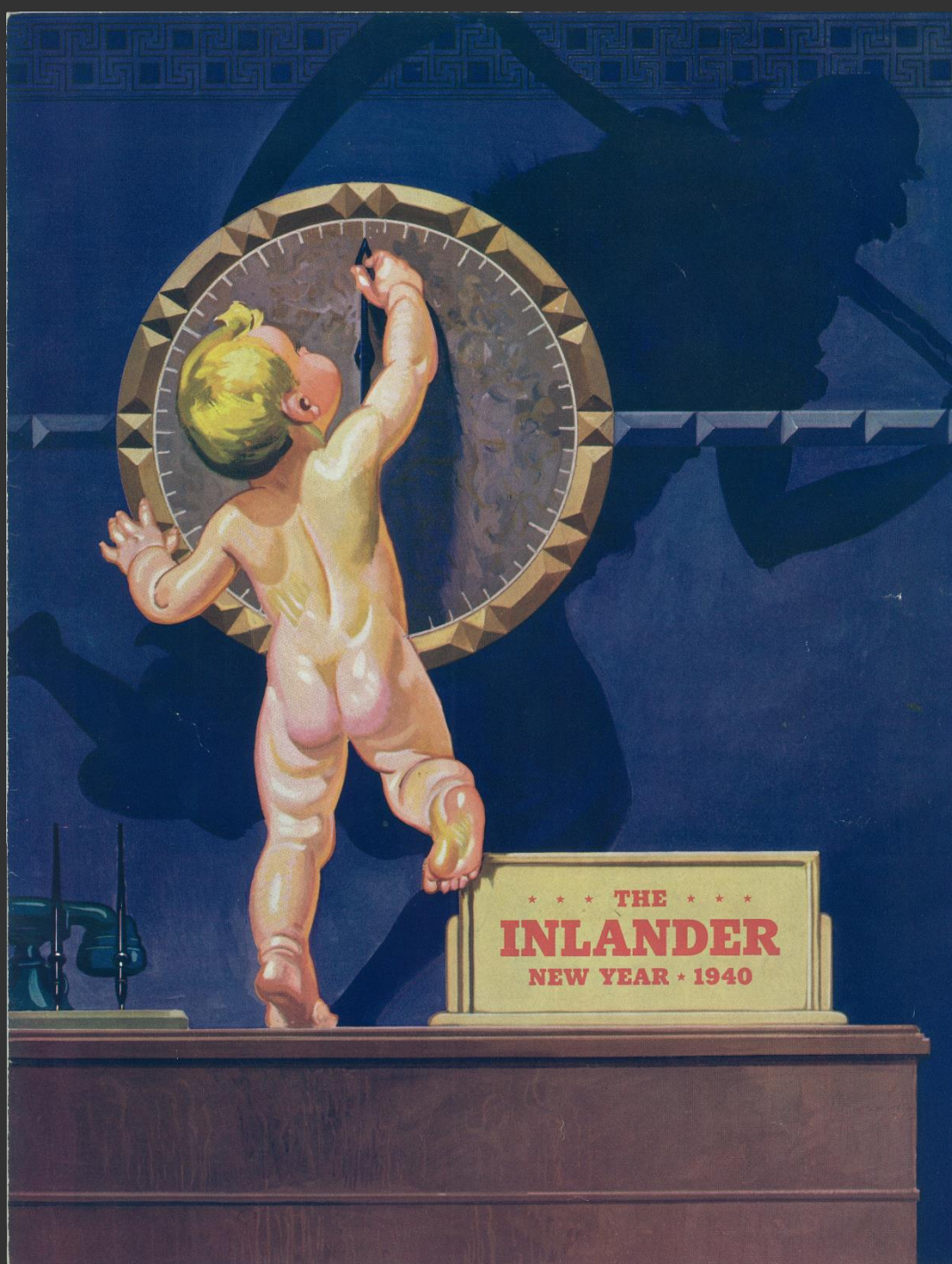


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**T**HE YEAR just ending has been another one of progress for Inland. Our performance has increased the confidence of others in us and has reaffirmed our confidence in ourselves.

There is every evidence that the Country is facing 1940 with genuine prospects of greater opportunities. Because of the efforts of every member of this organization during 1939, Inland can and will share in whatever new opportunities 1940 may bring.

I wish to express my appreciation of the contribution each one of you has made to Inland's continued progress and to wish every member of this organization a very happy and prosperous New Year.

*W. S. Wheeler*  
General Manager.



**EAGER ARRIVALS** at the 17th Annual Christmas Party included Carl Braunschweiger, Tool Crib, with his sons Eugene and Dale, and Robert Zweisler, Shipping Department and his son, Robert, Junior.



**A THRONG OF EARLY ARRIVALS** jammed Memorial Hall lobby just before the doors were opened.

**THE JOLLY OLD FELLOW** that everybody knows needed no introduction when he popped out of the fireplace to appear here with U. L. Moler, Personnel Director.



**THRILLED AND PERHAPS A LITTLE FRIGHTENED** are Stuart and John, sons of Ray Scott, Payroll, when they are greeted by the Great Friend of all good little children.

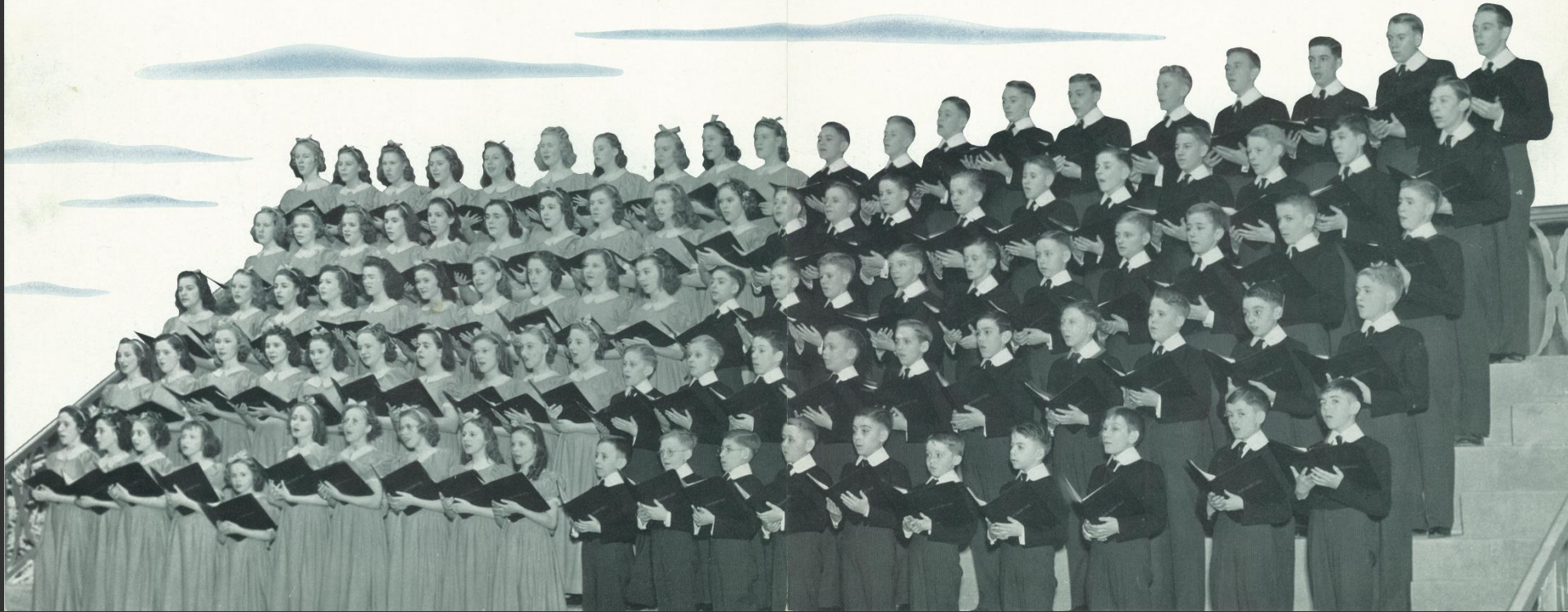


**TICKETS PLEASE** says genial usher, Ralph LeFevre, Rubber Wheel Department, at the auditorium door.



**IT'S THE BIG MOMENT** as Santa and his assistants distribute toys to wide-eyed children.

**THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE ANNUAL APPEARANCE** of the famed Inland Children's Chorus was the bright highlight of the Christmas Party. Sorry, but there just wasn't room in the photograph for Director Richard Westbrook and accompanists, Mary Warner MacCush and Urban Deger . . . The chorus is composed of 175 children of Inland families. Only 100 children appear in the concert group.





HERE'S THAT JOLLY MAN AGAIN with Darlene Fiala, daughter of Reggie Fiala of Standards Department and Linda Jo Schlecty, daughter of Glenn Schlecty.



TURKEY DINNERS FOR SANTA'S HELPERS. A. J. Albers, Manager of the Cafeteria, serves a dinner of turkey and "trimmin's" to members of the Children's Chorus. Thanks to the cooperation of the cafeteria employees, all of the 400 assistants to St. Nicholas enjoyed turkey dinners.



GIFT DRUMS FROM SANTA CLAUS and the sight of the photographer quieted these happy youngsters—for the time being.



HE'S KEPT BUSY. Robert Metz of the Payroll Department explains again that his daughters, Marjorie and Barbara, are not twins.



TWO OF THE TINIEST at the party were Donna and Carol Olseki, granddaughters of Stanley Olseki, of General Service Department.



FUN BACKSTAGE between parties as these members of the Children's Chorus demonstrate that their talents are not entirely vocal.



HAPPY ABOUT THE WHOLE THING is Patty Lou Weaver, member of the Chorus and her Dad, Joe Weaver, of the Plant Protection Staff.



THE END OF A PERFECT PARTY for these gift-laden children. With a final look at the photographer they start happily towards home.



APPRECIATION GIFTS to Chorus members are distributed by W. S. Whittaker, General Manager, assisted by Richard Westbrook, Director of Chorus and Ernest Gorham, Personnel Department. The boys monopolized this picture—but not the gifts. Girls received manicure sets and bracelets while the boys got footballs.

**BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER!**  
That was the happy verdict of the 8,200 and more children and parents who attended the 17th Annual Inland Christmas Party at Memorial Hall, Saturday, December 23, 1939.

It was a grand party and Inland Management is happy to express its heartfelt appreciation to the 400 volunteers who unselfishly contributed their time and efforts to stage three great shows beginning at 12:30, 3:30 and 7:00 o'clock.

And we believe it fitting to add the sincere thanks of all Inlanders to the Children's Chorus, the ushers, the toy distributors, the Plant Protection Staff (also, our City Police and Firemen), to Delco Products for the use of parking space and to all others who cooperated so splendidly to make the 1939 Christmas Party a grand success.