

NAPIER FRIVOLOUS MINSTRELS



Present
The Sparkling Pantomime

“SIMPLE SIMON”

—
SOUVENIR
PROGRAMME
6d.

Annual Performance

The Frivolity Minstrels

.. P R E S E N T . .

T H E I R 1 9 5 3 M I N S T R E L S H O W

President—WALLY IRELAND.

Secretary and Business Manager: SID. HENNEY.

Producer: BILL QUARRIE.

Stage Manager: L. HARDGRAVE.

Stage Assistants: ROY GIRLING, RON WILLIS, CORBETT WHITTON.

Ballets and Dances arranged by IVENA POTHAN.

Musical Orchestration by EDWARD COLLIER.

Scene Cut-Outs painted by IAN BARBER and CON. PIRIE.

House Manager: NORMAN ETHERIDGE.

An All-Star Cast of Popular Players

Bones:
LEN DADSON
TREVOR DOCKERY

Interlocutor:
BILL QUARRIE

Tambos:
DICK PREBBLE
DON LIPP.

June Pothan, Doreen Brown, Stella Chambers, Doris Jensen, Dawn Duley, Lorraine Exeter,
Vonda Daniels, Isobel Eckholds, Joan Leonard, Mona Owen.
Vic Viggers, Bill Mayo, Noel Owers, Bruce Campbell, Merv. Batt, Brian Simmonds.

Frivs. Grand Orchestra

Piano—Winifred Quarrie, A.T.C.L., I.R.S.M. (*Musical Directress*). **Violins**—Edward Collier, George Stuart.

Flute: Cedric White, Alan Clarke. **Bass**: Dorothy Smith. **Cornet**: Bert Boston.

Clarinet: Gladys Start. **Trombone**: Percy George. **Drums and Effects**: Jock Seaton.

PART ONE

- Episode 1—The "Friv." Orchestra in an Overture: - - - - - "Down South."
Episode 2—The Company in their Opening Chorus; - - - - - "Whistle and Blow Your Blues Away."
Episode 3—Vonda Daniels sings a Popular Number: - - - - - "You Were Meant For Me."
Episode 4—Trevor Dockery with his Cornermen in: - - - - - "The Midnight Choo-Choo."
Episode 5—Stella Chambers sings the Latest Request Number: - - - - - "Napier's Bay."
Episode 6—Joan Leonard steps out to the American Hit: - - - - - "Soft Shoe Song."
Episode 7—Doris Jensen renders an English Number: - - - - - "When I Grow Too Old To Dream."
Episode 8—The Frivette Girls sparkle in a Part Song: - - - - - "Maggie Blues"
Episode 9—Dick Prebble in a Military Number: - - - - - "Soldiers of the Queen."
Episode 10—Accordianaires (*Isobel Eckholds, Bill Mayo, Noel Owers, Bruce Campbell*): - - - - - in "Southern Melodies."
Episode 11—Len Dadson and his Tap Troupe in: - - - - - "Alabama Jubilee."
Episode 12—Mona Owen Sings a Pleasing Ballad: - - - - - "Make A Wish."
Episode 13—The Harmony Boys in a Comedy Sextette: - - - - - "It Ain't No Fault of Mine."
Episode 14—Stella Chambers Renders a Waltz Number: - - - - - "Vienna — City of Dreams."
Episode 15—Don Lipp sings an Old Favourite: - - - - - "I'm Sitting on top of the World."
Episode 16—Vic Viggers in a Novelty Number: - - - - - "Captain of the Fire Brigade."
Episode 17—A Farce by the Company.

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PART TWO

The Frivolity Minstrels

PRESENT THE SPARKLING PANTOMIME

"Simple Simon"

A Revised and Original Adaptation — A Sparkling Musical Presentation in Three Scenes.

Written by SID HENNEY.

Cast of Characters in Order of Appearance:

Dame Goose (<i>Mary's Mother</i>)	-	Bill Quarrie	Ali Bye (<i>The Grand Vizier</i>)	-	Len Dadson
Ponsonby (<i>The Fiennan</i>)	-	Trevor Doekery	Bye Bye (<i>Leader of Riff Raff Tribesmen</i>)	-	
Mary (<i>Quite Contrary</i>)	-	June Porhan		-	Dick Prebble
Simple Simon (<i>Not a penny left</i>)	-	Vie Viggers	Sultan of Bagdaddi	-	Vie Viggers
Boy Blue (<i>In love with Mary</i>)	-	Vonda Daniels	Delores { <i>Sultan's</i>	-	Stella Chambers
Zebena (<i>Sultan's Favourite Dancer</i>)	-	Joan Leonard	Afnan { <i>Favourite Singers</i> }	-	Doris Jensen

SCENE ONE — "AT THE FAIRGROUNDS IN TOYVILLE."

Episode 1—Entr'acte: " <i>Virgin Islands</i> "	-	-	-	-	Friv. Orchestra
Episode 2—Opening Chorus: " <i>If You Smile At The Sun</i> "	-	-	-	-	Village Girls and Boys
Episode 3—Dame Song: " <i>Solid, Substantial and Thick</i> "	-	-	-	-	Dame Goose
Episode 4—Action Song: " <i>Heartbreaker</i> "	-	-	-	-	Mary and her Suitors
Episode 5—Song: " <i>I'm Just a Little Boy Blue</i> "	-	-	-	-	Boy Blue
Episode 6—Chorus: " <i>The Daughter of Rosie O'Grady</i> "	-	-	-	-	The Merry-Makers
Episode 7—Accordianaires: " <i>Medley</i> "	-	-	-	-	The Village Band

SCENE TWO — "THE OUTSKIRTS OF TOYVILLE."

Episode 8—Song: " <i>My Recipe</i> "	-	-	-	-	Simple Simon
Episode 9—Duet: " <i>My Happiness</i> "	-	-	-	-	Mary and Boy Blue

SCENE THREE — "THE SULTAN OF BAGDADDI'S PALACE"

(*Two Years Later*).

Episode 10—Interlude: " <i>Persian Market</i> "	-	-	-	-	Orchestra
Episode 11—Song and Dance: " <i>In Old Thibel</i> "	-	-	-	-	The Harem Girls (Afnan, Soloist)
Episode 12—Duet: " <i>My Harem</i> "	-	-	-	-	Ali Bye, Bye Bye (Assisted by the Harem)
Episode 13—Song: " <i>Song of India</i> "	-	-	-	-	Delores
Episode 14—Dance: " <i>Bagdaddi Skuffie</i> "	-	-	-	-	Sultan and Ali Bye
Episode 15—Finale: " <i>If You Smile at the Sun</i> "	-	-	-	-	Company

BALLET — Lorraine Exeter, Dawn Duley, Doreen Brown, Mona Owen, Isobel Eekholds,
Joan Leonard, Stella Chambers, Doris Jensen.

MEN'S CHORUS — Bill Mayo, Merv. Batt, Bruce Campbell, Noel Owers, Don Lipp, Len Dadson,
Dick Prebble, Brian Simmonds.

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