

Third annual Scottish concert is a success

The Renfrew Recreation Centre echoed to the skill of pipes and the beat of drums last Saturday night when the Renfrew Highland Pipes and Drums "kicked off" the third annual Scottish Variety Concert.

A capacity audience heard the band, under the direction of Pipe Major Morris Burton, play many martial tunes before the concert got under way.

The entire cast of the show was piped into the Recreation Centre by Warrant Officer Fred Hodgson of the 48th Highlanders of Toronto. The

group marched through the audience onto the stage to a thundering round of applause and from curtain time until the end of the concert. Those present viewed some top notch entertainment.

The Scottish Accent, a talented group backing the performers, started the show with a series of lively Scottish tunes.

The audience received Christine Scott, who appeared with the show last year, with enthusiasm as the talented soprano sang many of the old Scottish favorites. Warrant Officer Fred Hodgson of the 48th Highlanders of Toronto. The

Soprano Christine Scott, who has appeared on stage throughout the world, was one of the acts of the third annual Scottish Variety Concert. She is shown above wooing the audience in the Recreation Centre.



Miss Scott has appeared throughout the world. She has been on stage, radio and television and has appeared many times on the 'Pig n' Whistle.

Holding the show together for the three hours was master of ceremonies and comic Ian Adair. He kept the audience in stitches with his stand-up jokes and his vaudevilian routines.

Talented Bobby Brown headed the Scottish Accent and the show. He is musical director of the Cape Breton Symphony Orchestra on the television show. He led the group and performed several accordian solos which had the audience's feet tapping and hands clapping with the music.

Another favorite with the crowd was Wilfred Gillis. He also is a member of the Cape Breton Symphony. He played many lively fiddle tunes which brought round after round of applause.

Piper Hodgson, in addition to rendering a few bagpipe selections, had the pleasant duty to play for Georgia Watson of Toronto. Georgia has won awards for her dancing throughout the world and is considered the best in the business in Canada.

Finishing off a pleasant three hours was Peter Glen, well known tenor. Peter has also appeared throughout the world on stage and on television. He sang many of the old favorites to an appreciative audience. The entire show appeared this year at the Canadian National Exhibition.

People came from throughout the county to see the show and weren't dissatisfied. A busload of retired teachers from Lanark County, who have come to all the concerts, were in attendance once again on Saturday night.

The concert was sponsored by the Renfrew Scottish Dance Group. President of the dance group is Betty Jamieson. Concert organizer was Marg Mackenzie.

