



### Our Singing Club

By PEPITA OZOA

(16 YEARS OLD)

AT our school there is no time for teaching music, although there are many of us who like music very much. We think it would be more practical if we learned some music instead of some of the other things which are taught us. One of our teachers is a very musical woman, plays the piano quite well, and is a good singer. So she said to some of us, "Let us organize a singing club. You can meet at my home one or two evenings each week, and we can learn some splendid songs. We will all enjoy it, and besides, it will be learning something worthwhile."

So the new club was announced. Nearly sixty boys and girls wanted to join. Our teacher "tried out" all the voices. "We must have our chorus well balanced—just the right number of sopranos, of altos, of tenors, and of basses, and a wait-

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### A Day at Asin

By PABLO PAGILO

(13 YEARS OLD)

NEAR Baguio, where I live, there are some hot springs called Asin. The electric company has made a dam there to secure water power for generating current. A fine swimming pool has been constructed, and there is a splendid place for having a picnic.

Two bus-loads of us went one morning to spend the day at Asin. We took bathing suits and plenty of food for a picnic, such as dozens and dozens of sandwiches, cakes, melons, fruits, etc. We arrived at Asin about ten o'clock in the morning, and within a few minutes many of us were in the swimming pool having a glorious time. Others went to a natural swimming pool below the dam.

At noon the mess-call was sounded and we all trooped to the eating place. Such a feast as it was! We were all hungry, so we ate and ate. After every one

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### Learning to Skate

By NATY FLORES

(12 YEARS OLD)

IN our town a skating pavilion was opened. Many of my friends wanted to learn to skate, and so did I. None of us had ever had roller skates on, and we were all afraid to try, but finally a few were brave enough to make a beginning. I was one of these. At the skating pavilion were attendants who would teach girls unable to skate.

As soon as our skates were strapped on, an attendant placed me on one side of him and my friend on the other and we started. At first I was afraid I would fall, but I soon learned to keep my balance. If my friend or I began to lose our balance, the attendant took us by the arm until we were again steady.

In a little while I was not afraid at all, and my friend was no longer afraid either. Then the attendant left us, and my friend and I went skating together,

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ing list to fill vacancies which will occur from time to time. So she chose 45 of the best singers, and made a waiting list of ten more.

We meet two times each week—Tuesday night and Friday night—from 7:30 to 9:00 o'clock. Our teacher has a number of High School Chorus Books and we learn to sing well many songs from these. Each group practices their part separately, and then we all sing together. We have now learned about twelve very good songs. As soon as we have enough songs learned, we are going to give a concert.

At each meeting of our club we always have a few visitors who like to hear us sing. Some of these are good singers, and they join in with us in singing some of the selections.

We all enjoy our singing club very much, and hope that other schools will follow our example.

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had eaten until it was impossible to take another mouthful, we sat down to rest a little while.

After about an hour of resting, into the water we

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again at the lower dotted line, as shown in Figure 13.

Now take the head and fold it down into itself, as shown in Figure 14. The last step is to pull the tail down so that it slants outward as shown in Figure 15.

The flapping bird is now folded, but you must know how to make it flap its

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arm in arm.

We go to the skating pavilion each Saturday evening, and enjoy skating very much. Sometimes we have a skating party, and then we all have a very happy time.

Skating is good exercise, and affords a very happy pastime. I think all boys and girls should learn to skate. It is much easier to learn than I thought before I tried it.

went again. How we did enjoy it! We splashed, and dived, and swam just as long as we wished. About four o'clock we began to dress and get ready to go home.

On the road home we talked and laughed and sang songs. Everybody agreed that our day at Asin had been a great success.

wings. All you have to do to make it move is to hold the part marked "lower neck" and pull its tail. This will make the wings go down. Let go the tail and the wings will go up. The bird may require a little loosening up before it flaps satisfactorily.

This is quite an amusing toy and is a good example of paper-folding. It is not so difficult to make as it sounds when you first read these instructions.

**ARRANGING NUMBERS**

So far THE YOUNG CITIZEN has received three different correct solutions to its Arranging Numbers Puzzle published in the July number. One of the solutions had the numbers arranged thus:

8	1	6
3	5	7
4	9	2

Little Josefa Pascua, age 10, of the Puzol Barrio School, Pinili, Ilocos Norte, sent in the first correct solution. Others who have sent in correct solutions: Noime Gutlay, Corazon Cera, and Federico Quinto, all in Grade VI-3 of the Mangaldan Elementary School, Pangasinan; Filipina G. Bumagat, Grade V, of the Burgos Elementary School, Ilocos Norte.