

*In London*

*Scene of so many famous*

~~Though London's ancient Guildhall is an unusual setting, there was nothing unusual about this party for orphaned and poor children. It~~

was given by the Variety Club of Great Britain, ~~this year, the club~~

~~is staging~~ the 22nd annual convention of the Variety Club's

International, the world charity movement that ~~brings~~ happiness into ~~the lives of children who don't~~ ~~amongst~~ under-privileged children.

~~This interest in youth welfare~~ *It all* began in 1928, when a little girl,

abandoned in a Pittsburg Theatre on Christmas Eve, was adopted. ~~By~~ *SHAWMEN.*

Since then, the organisation has spread ~~and today~~ *far round the And* Norman Wisdom

entertained the youngsters in Guildhall.

~~That same evening in Guildhall~~ *That night* there was a Welcome Banquet for the

800 overseas ~~members~~ *delegates* (representing four countries) attending the

Convention.

The Lord Mayor was a guest of honour ~~with~~ *So was* Admiral Earl Mountbatten

who spoke of the "big heart of show business" ~~✓~~

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