

TO: Elementary School Teachers

FROM: Charles W. Dodrill, Director of Theatre, Otterbein College

CONCERNING: Otterbein Children's Theatre's presentation of "Hansel and Gretel" on
January 14, 15, 1966.

We would appreciate your distributing the enclosed flyers concerning our forthcoming production of "Hansel and Gretel" to all students in grades 1-6. You will note that the flyer supplies all necessary information concerning dates, time of event, place of event, and cost of tickets. In addition, tickets will be available at the Cowan Hall Box Office immediately preceding each performance. We would appreciate your announcing this production to your students at your earliest convenience and then distributing these flyers to them on Tuesday or Wednesday, January 11 or 12. We would of course hope that the students would take the flyer home to their parents, thus insuring their seeing the production.

"Hansel and Gretel" is based upon the traditional fairy tale, and our production will be a very complete one. Beautifully imaginative settings have been designed and built by our designer Professor Fred Thayer, and we are also building complete costumes for the show. In addition, we have added music and dance sequences which utilizes the Humperdink music for the opera "Hansel and Gretel." Several children from one of the local church choirs will be singing under the direction of Mrs. Louise Burns, and fourteen young dancers, under the direction of Miss Joan Moos, will be featured. The entire production will last approximately one and one-half hours, and I am sure it will be a delight to young people's creative imaginations.

Thank you for your cooperation in making this production a success. We will be delighted to provide you with a free ticket for the production. Simply ask at the box office upon your arrival at the theatre, and the box office girl will see that you receive a complimentary ticket. If there are any questions about any phase of this activity please do not hesitate to contact me at 882-3601. It is our hope that we will be able to continue producing at least one Children's Theatre production a year. Your cooperation is much appreciated.