

Children's Theater Group Tours Dillingham Area

A Fairbanks Children's Theatre troupe is playing this week in the Bristol Bay area. The actors left Sunday evening on Wien Consolidated Airlines for Anchorage, King Salmon, Dillingham and Bethel where they will present "Jack and the Beanstalk," an hour production.

Presentations will be in the elementary and high schools and by request evening performances will be given for adults. It is estimated that approximately 3,000 children will see it.

Directing and appearing in the production will be Hap Ryder, assisted by Virginia Cultice, who also appears in the play. Other members of the troupe include: Miss Richie Verhagen and Don DeWitt, both instructors at Lathrop High School; Mrs. Deann Hawman, Jennifer Jolis and Guy VanDoren, all veterans of the Children's Theatre.

The audience is encouraged to participate by choosing the actors for the parts and offering advice as the play progresses.

Now in its sixth year, the Fairbanks Children's Theater is sponsored by the Fairbanks Drama Association in conjunction with the Alaska State Council on the Arts. The object of the tours is to bring live, professional drama to the children of Alaska, in many cases their first experience with it.

The present schedule is for performances at King Salmon on Monday; Dillingham on Tuesday; and Bethel on Thursday. Fairbanks performances in the Alaskan Theatre are set for Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 9 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Admission will be 75 cents for children and students and 1.00 for adults. Chaparones will be in attendance.