

Teo Repel was born in Raba-yzna, Poland, the youngest of e children raised by a strict holic mother and a farmer/ p-keeper father. Teo revealn exceptional musical abil-t an early age when, in

The Fit Sixtand s covered prizes. Under Mr. Repel's direction 'O choirs cons trophies th In a typical 14 of 16 first .

When word spread of Teo Re-

pel's music skills he was sec-

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the Kiwanis Music Fest. ... A. times he had as many as 15 different ensembles tackling ev-Repel with former students, circa 1980. REPEL FAMILY PHOTO erything from spirituals and masses to madrigals and motets. required boosting morale.

"Teo was probably one of the finest teachers I ever watched," says Fred Turner, Vancouver

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Internationally acclaimed soprano Edith Wiens was among Mr. Repel's many students. She now lives and performs in Europe and has gone on to teach

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