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# **Taft-Hartley Law Amendments**

The following are a few of the replies received from Members of Congress in answer to my letter concerning the amendments to the Taft-Hartley Law, which appeared on page 6 of the January, 1954, issue of the International Musician. These are the proposed amendments:

- to permit secondary boycotts needed to protect union members from being forced to scab on fellow members,
- (2) to permit a union to demand increased employment opportunities for its members, and
- (3) to permit employers to contribute to welfare funds giving benefits to persons displaced by their products.

These letters are merely published for your information and to give you an idea how the Congress of the United States reacts to requests sent to them by organizations and individuals.

Space does not permit publishing all received, but these will give you a general idea of their contents.

> JAMES C. PETRILLO, President, A. F. of M.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committee on Foreign Relations January 13, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thank you very much for your most splendid letter of January 7 which will prove to be extremely helpful to me in the course of the Senate debate on the operation of the Taft-Hartley Act. I-know from my previous study as chairman of the Senate Labor and Labor-Management Relations Subcommittee that the Taft-Hartley Act has affected your union adversely.

versely. I was interested in learning today that the President's message on Tait-Hartley attempts to deal somewhat with the secondary boycott provisions. He does not go far enough, however, and certainly does not cover meritorious cases such as the one you described in your letter.

The American Federation of Musicians has supplied a great service to the musicians of America. I know that from my own personal experience and my own personal observation of the work of your organization in Minnesota. I can assure you of my efforts to try to protect your right to organize, your right to defend yourselves, and your right to care for your members as they reach old age and they are displaced from the working force in the industry.

I was particularly interested in the description of your letter as to how the Taft-Hartley Act affects the record and transcription fund which you have established. This certainly should be brought to the attention of the Senate and to the particular attention of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee which will now consider the changes in the Taft-Hartley Act. I can assure you of my support for your objectives.

I am looking forward to my participation at your next convention of the American Federation of Musicians. Thank you for the rain check.

#### Sincerely,

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY, Senator from Minnesota.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committee on the Judiciary January 28, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

This will acknowledge and thank you for your recent letter, with which you enclosed a copy of an article from the "Weekly Labor News Digest."

I appreciate very much your writing me so fully concerning the Taft-Hartley Act, and the possibility of certain changes being made as a result of the President's recommendations. I am glad to know how you feel, and you may be certain I will watch this very closely.

With just every good wish and kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

WILLIAM LANGER, Senator from North Dakota.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committees: Laber and Public Welfare Banking and Currency

January 19, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I appreciate your writing me in regard to three items involving the Taft-Hartley Law which are of importance to members of the American Federation of Musicians, and enclosing a copy of an article which appeared in the "Weekly Labor News Digest."

"Weekly Labor News Digest." As you undoubtedly know, in President Eisenhower's message to Congress last week on amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act, he made two recommendations which would ease somewhat the present restrictions on secondary boycotts. However, i do not believe that these specific amendments would affect the type of boycotts which you mentioned, involving a strike of this kind against radio stations. His specific recommendations on welfare funds are to await another message to Congress, while he made no mention of any amendments involving "feather-bedding."

In any case, the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee, of which I am a member, will begin hearings on these recommendations beginning on the 25th for at least two weeks. I have strongly advocated these hearings for as long as is necessary to bring out relevant testimony of responsible leaders in this field. You may be assured that at the time amendments are being considered in the Committee and on the floor I will keep in mind your statements in regard to the effect of these three items on members of the A. F. M.

Thank you again for presenting your views to me on this important issue.

Yours very sincerely,

HERBERT H. LEHMAN, Senator from New York.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committees: Labor and Public Welfare

Government Operations

January 19, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thank you very much for your recent letter relative to amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act. I believe that the issues raised by

I believe that the issues raised by such proposed legislation deserve careful consideration and you may be sure that when this matter comes before me for action, I shall bear in mind the views expressed in your letter. I appreclate very much receiving your views on this important subject.

With every good wish, Sincerely yours, JOHN F. KENNEDY, Senator from Massachusetts.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committee en Public Works January 19, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I have your letter of January 7 concerning the President's proposals for amendment to the Taft-Hartley Act.

Taft-Hartley Act. The President's message on Taft-Hartley was totally inadequate, as should have been expected. Enclosed you will find a copy of the press release I issued commenting upon it. With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

WAYNE MORSE, Senator from Oregon.

Enclosure:

January 11, 1954. STATEMENT OF

SENATOR WAYNE MORSE (Ind., Oregon) on

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S TAFT-HARTLEY MESSAGE

The President's recommendations for amending the Taft-Hartley Act are unfortunately unsubstantial.

It is particularly weak on the four most controversial and unfair portions of the present law—injunctions, secondary boycotts, the voting rights of economic strikers and national emergency disputes.

The President recommends changes in the injunction provision only as it applies to situations where a "bargaining relationship exists between the parties," and that in such cases "the application for an injunction be made discretionary." These proposals are ambiguous and unclear.

In the interests of fairness and economic use of Government facilities, the present mandatory injunction provision should be changed to vest discretion in the Board's General Counsel as to whether any application should be made. The present law is a strait-jacket. The President apparently proposes to loosen the top button only.

Of the two proposed exceptions to the secondary boycott prohibitions, one is already recognized by the courts. The second would help clarify the law. But, the whole section needs revision with full protection to employees against working on struck goods.

The economic strike vote proposal is round about and does not deal with employee initiated decertification petitions, which can be used to circumvent the proposed ban on employer petitions during an economic strike.

The National Emergency section proposals are fragmentary. The total inadequacy of the present section should have been demonstrated by the threatening situation which now exists on the New York waterfront. All of the Taft-Hartley emergency provisions were used up by Christmas day. There is no further authority to meet new developments.

i intend to urge consideration of a proposal to adopt a more flexible system which would

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# Recording Companies That Have Signed Agreements with the American Federation of Musicians

The following companies have executed recording agreements with the Federation and members are new permitted to render service for these companies. This list contains the names of all companies up to and including May 15. Do not record for any companies not listed herein and if you are in doubt as to whether or not a company is in good standing with the Federation, please contact the President's office. We will publish names of additional signatories each month.

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# CHICAGO SYMPHONY ARTIST

At the age of 9, Renold Schilke was already a trumpet pupil of Del Wright of the U. S. Marine Band. He continued his studies with Edward B. Llewellyn of Chicago. Georges Mager of Boston, and Herbert L. Clark of Long Beach, Calif.

Mr. Schilke has been a member of the faculty of Northwestern University and of Roosevelt College for the past fifteen years. He has played with the Chicago Civic Orchestra, WGN Symphony, Grant Park Symphony and joined the Chicago Symphony in 1936.

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# **REPORT OF DELEGATES TO THE AFL CONVENTION**

#### BY C. L. BAGLEY

Vice-President, A. F. of M.

THE Seventy-second Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor was called to order in the Gold Room of the Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, at 10:10 A. M., Monday, September 21, 1954, by Louis J. Renschen, President of the Central Trades and Labor Union of St. Louis, as Temporary Chairman. In the absence of Bishop Cody, who was to have delivered the invocation, that duty was well performed by Matthew Woll, First Vice-President of the American Federation of Labor.

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An excellent military band, all members of our Local No. 2, directed by Brother Jules Blattner, had entertained the delegates before the gavel fell and continued to function successfully at periods during the morning ceremonies. After the national anthems of the United States and the Dominion of Canada had been heard, and the chorus of the Inter-national Ladies Garment Workers had presented some beautifully rendered numbers, the usual welcome speeches were forthcoming from State, City and Labor officials.

A gavel and striking plate of Missouri wood was presented to President George Meany, who made a fine impression in replying to all the speakers. He was enthusiastically applauded.

William Green who had served as President since the demise of Samuel Gompers in 1924 had passed away during the preceding year. With the appearance of George Meany as President, it at once became apparent that a strong and able hand had grasped the helm of Presidential authority; that in his going from the office of Secretary of the Federation to the chief executive position, the door had opened for the coming in of another very sincere and able gentleman as Secretary—Brother William F. Schnitzler. They certainly are a pair from whom much can be expected.

The last convention of the A. F. of L. held in St. Louis was in 1910. Before the session of this one was called to order I had picked up a copy of the St. Louis Labor Tribune and found the following on the front page concerning that event:

On Monday morning, November 14, 1910, at 10:30 A. M., Owen Miller, President of the Mis-souri State Federation of Labor, pounded his gavej; and the 30th annual convention of the American Federation of Labor held at Liederkranz Hell in St. Louis, got under way for an intensive eleven-day meeting.

For the next thirty minutes the 387 delegates Intened to a diversified musical program pre-sented by the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra under the direction of conductor Max Zach. After which Temperary Chairman Miller introduced per-menent Chairman Samuel Gampara, President of the American Federation of Labor.

Besides being President of the Missouri State Federation of Labor, Miller was at the time President of our Local No. 2; Secretary of the American Federation of Musicians and a member of the Missouri State Senate. It will be recalled also that Brother Miller was the first President of the American Federation of Musicians, serving from October, 1896, to June, 1900.

The report of the Committee on Credentials showed the instant convention to be composed of 707 delegates.

The Fraternal Delegates were Charles J. Geddes and Edwin Hall from the British Trades Union Congress, and Gordon G. Cushing from the Canadian Trades and Labor Congress. Later in the convention they each made interesting addresses.

The total membership of the Federation was stated to be 8,654,921. On roll call our delegation was entitled to 2,418 votes.

#### COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

In the order of their announcement our delegation was given places on committees as follows:

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#### **REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

This was a booklet of approximately 340 pages of detailed matter very nicely put together. It also included the Auditor's Report.

#### RESOLUTIONS

About 152 resolutions and a considerable number of Executive Council recommendations were disposed of by the convention. Among them was one resolution introduced by our delegation. The text thereof is as follows:

**OPPOSITION TO REPORT OF THE** 

FINE ARTS COMMISSION Resolution No. 140-By Delegates James C. Petrillo, Edward P. Ringius, Frank B. Field, Harry J. Steeper, Charles L. Bagley, Pete Klein-kauf, Edward Charette, American Federation of Musiciana.

WHEREAS, The Commission of Fine Arts has recently published a report entitled "Art and Government" on the activities of the Federal Government in the field of art, and

WHEREAS, In conducting its investigation said Fine Arts Commission arbitrarily limited its inquiries to a few, favored indi-viduals and conspicuously failed to consult accredited representatives of numerous organiza-tions having direct and enduring interest in the cultural and artistic life of the country, and

WHEREAS, Organizations in the fields of music, opera. theater, dance, libraries and other fine arts are a source of employment for many thousands of workers and a source of enjoy-ment for millions of citizens, and

WHEREAS, Appointments to the Fine Arts Commission have unduly failed to include rep-resentatives of workers or of the fine arts of music, opera, theater, dance, libraries and others, therefore, he it

RESOLVED, That this convention of the American Federation of Labor register its criticism of the glaring inadequacy and bias of the aforementioned report of the Fine Arts Commission and its vigorous opposition to the recom-mendations therein made, and be it further RESOLVED, That the President of the United

States be requested to appoint representatives of the A. F. of L. and of the heretofore neglected fine arts to the Commission of Fine Arts, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That this convention call upon the Congress of the United States to enact S. 1109 and H. R. 5397, introduced by Senator 5. 109 and H. K. 5397, introduced by Senator Murray and Congressman Howell, respectively, aince these proposals would assign to Govern-ment the desirable and necessary function of promoting and stimulating the cultural and artistic progress of America in a manner consistent with our traditional ideals of democracy and free enterprise.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

The foregoing resolution was reported favorably by the Committee on Resolutions and was unanimously adopted by the convention on September 25, 1953.

#### SPEAKERS - MESSAGES

Speakers were numerous. Among them outstanding utterances came from such notables as United States Senators Stuart Symington and Thomas C. Hennings (Missouri); Wayne Morse (Oregon); Mrs. Mary Ryder, known as the "Mother Jones" of St. Louis; Richard Nixon, Vice-President of the United States; Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health and Welfare (new cabinet position in the United States); John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State; Albert Woll, general counsel; Arthur J. Connell, National Commander of the American Legion; and several other officials and dignitaries from our own and foreign countries. Innumerable telegrams were received -a long one from Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States.

#### A HIGHLIGHT

The Honorable Martin P. Durkin, former Secretary of Labor in Washington, graphically (Continued on page sixteen)

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# MUSIC IN OREGON

THE State of Oregon, which joined the United States of America on February 14, 1859, is regarded by some Easterners as a natural outpost for vacationers and little more: others consider it (at most) slightly provincial in the field of culture, or (at least) a sort of evergreen Garden of Eden wherein the arts are forbidden fruit.

In truth, Oregon's 1,521,341 citizens (1950 census figures) support an expanding series of music festivals and pageants, a major symphony orchestra, several opera companies, dozens of bands, many score dance orchestras, an amazingly progressive roster of musical educators, and—specifically—ten locals of the American Federation of Musicians, representing 2,225 members.

Music in Oregon follows the national pattern in that its highest activity flourishes within metropolitan Portland (population 373,628), with corresponding enthusiasm elsewhere in the State in direct proportion to population. Notable for their musical zeal are Eugene (35,379), Salem (43,140), Medford (17,305), and Pendleton (12,291).

Also following the relatively new tradition of creating American equivalents of Bayreuth, Prades, and Salzburg in such hamlets as Aspen, Colorado, Oregon has attracted national attention during the past decade with its annual Shakespearean Festival at Ashland (7,739), which incorporates concerts of Elizabethan airs, and in Hood River (3,701), which premiered William Schroeder's opera Bridge of the Gods in 1951.

#### **Beauty for Beauty**

Oregon's musical institutions have been neither emulative nor imitative. They are imbued now as in their beginnings with a locally-rooted and inspired thirst for the aesthetic. The only motivating ingredient imported to this Pacific Coast State was the pioneer desire which accompanied the Oregon Territory's first white settlers in 1811—a wish that this land of natural beauty should contain man-made beauty as well.

For example, the birth of Portland's Symphony Orchestra dates to a post-Civil War choral group (singing during the 1860's was the chief musical activity throughout the nation). The originating Philharmonic Society was formed in 1866.

Portland had also during this period a small businessman's orchestra which met regularly for rehearsals, and presented concerts at rather widely-spaced intervals. These usually took the form of a "benefit" concert, since music in those Puritan-minded days became palatable to many only when served up as a "worthy cause." One such concert was presented on August 19, 1873, for the relief of victims of a fire which razed twenty-two city blocks in Portland.

In the '80's another amateur group emerged, under the direction of one of the city's current musical leading lights, W. H. Kinross. but was forced to disband, after presenting but one concert, for the simple reason that members couldn't be got out to rehearsals. During its brief life the group did, however, achieve the title "Portland Symphony Orchestra."

In 1899, citizens were treated to a "surprise concert"—a free program by thirty-five musicians directed by Charles L. Brown. This group, also called "The Portland Symphony," was heard on and off, Edgar E. Coursen succeeding to Brown, during a space of four years, when it also returned to the limbo of lost enterprises.

#### **Festivals Come to Portland**

Then Portland developed that No. 1 stimulator of symphony orchestras, the Music Festival. This movement, that at one time swept the whole United States, occurred rather late in this city—April 10, 11, 12, 1908, as against the 1873 date for Cincinnati. However, once started, it ran true to form. Citizens, at first content to use a visiting unit—the Chicago Orchestra—to supplement the effect of the augmented chorus, began soon to clamor for an orchestra of their own. In 1911, Mose Christenson, a dance instructor and violinist, got



together a group of interested citizens and began rehearsals. On November 12 of that year they gave the first of five concerts. This orchestra worked along lines quite similar to the New York Philharmonic in its mid-nineteenth century beginnings. That is, the fiftyfive members "owned" the orchestra cooperatively, voted themselves in and out, and divided the take at the end of the season. (The first year it came to \$1.75 per member!) They also elected five conductors. This overabundance in conductors rose from the fact that as leaders of small units in local hotels and theaters, these five men felt they couldn't afford to be seen as mere member musicians throughout an entire season. Also to avoid professional embarrassment, all the members were listed alphabetically, and no "first" chairs were allowed. The men drew straws for positions. Democracy in orchestral administration could go no further. In the 1917-18 Festivals, Portland could—

In the 1917-18 Festivals, Portland could and did—use her own symphony orchestra and an ample building to boot, since by then Portland's Civic Auditorium had been erected.

The cooperative venture — for reasons all too obvious—was unsatisfactory, and ended with the appointment in 1919 of a single conductor, Carl Denton. During his six-year tenure ticket sales increased from \$1,500 to \$13,000.

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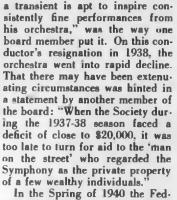
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Another development during these six years: the Portland Junior Symphony was formed by the late Jacques Gershkovitch. Under his leadership it proved for thirty years not only a feeder to the mature organization but a cultural force in its own right, since it "graduated" 2,000 young musicians and built up a repertoire which closely parallels those of our major symphony orchestras. Its thirtieth anniversary concert, February 27, 1954, held in memory of Dr. Gershkovitch (he died in 1953), was conducted by the protege and foster son of its founder, and one of the orchestra's alumni, Jacob Avshalomov, who was recently named as the conductor of the orchestra during its 1954-1955 season. Also Mr. Avshalomov's composition, The Taking of T'ung Kuan, was featured on the program, as well as the performance of the Beethoven Violin Concerto by another "alumnus," Robert Mann, now a member of the Juilliard String Quartet. Other Junior Orchestra "gradhave been Beverly LeBeck, first violinuates' ist in the Los Angeles Philharmonic; Eugene Linden, conductor of the Tacoma Philharmonic, Director of the Opera Company of Seattle and former conductor of the Seattle Symphony; and Geraldine Peterson, violinist in the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

But back to the 1920's and the struggling Portland Symphony. When Mr. Denton resigned in 1925, Willem van Hoogstraten became its conductor. Also in 1926, the Portland Symphony Society, a group of Portland citizens who devote time and money to the administration and maintenance of the orchestra—it had been organized in 1920—was incorporated.

Despite his unquestioned abilities, Van Hoogstraten's conductorship presented difficulties. "No leader who remains so clearly

Portland Summer Band, conductor this summer, John Richards.



In the Spring of 1940 the Federal Music Project of the WPA revived symphonic music briefly, with an orchestra under the direction of Leslie Hodge.

For almost ten years thereafter there was no symphony organization in Portland. On several occa-

sions during the ten-year lapse, Local 99, to keep alive the yen for music among Portland residents and the desire to make music among its own members, reassembled the orchestra, or most of it, to participate in broadcasts, in summer band concerts, in music festivals. Even so, some of the best players began to scatter to other cities.

On the orchestra's reestablishment in 1947, again through the cooperation of Local 99, as well as other interested organizations and individuals, Werner Janssen, who was engaged as conductor, felt it necessary to import some new players.

Now the board was ready to face up to the facts: the age of "angels" had passed. No symphony could hope to exist permanently on the returns of its box-office alone. Never again must the orchestra be allowed to appear as the personal property of "Society." In a word, the entire city—with emphasis on its younger quota—must be represented in the sponsoring organization.

At this rejuvenation of the orchestra, memberships in the Symphony Society, selling for a minimum of \$10, were purchased by some 2,300 persons—a step toward spreading the support for this civic venture over a wide base. Contributions varied between \$10 and \$10,000.

In 1949 came the resignation of Werner Janssen, and another crisis. (The cry had been raised, "too expensive," especially in



Eugene String Quertet at rehearsal. Left to right: Molio Hardin, Cannie Elkina, Holou Johnston, Kathyn Asay, Roberte Lathrop, Ernest Bloch, Gwandelan Lampshira Maydan.

regard to the "import" musicians.) To keep the orchestra from imminent break-up, the members of the orchestra agreed to let the Society raise enough money to pay all the expenses but their salaries. James Sample, assistant to Pierre Monteux in San Francisco, was chosen as conductor. After their one season of "cooperation," the orchestra functioned on a professional basis—that is, the members got paid something approximating a living wage.

At the end of the 1952-53 season, James Sample resigned, and for the next year, 1953-54, Portland audiences heard a series of guest conductors: Arthur Fiedler, Milton Katims, Eugene Fuerst, Dimitri Mitropoulos, Paul Strauss, Boris Sirpo, Fabien Sevitzky, Igor Stravinsky.

Which brings us down to the present.

With all its fluctuations, the Portland Symphony has a praiseworthy record of accomplishment. Not only has it through the years provided inspiration to the community and acquainted them with the literature of symphonic music—it even gave the world premiere in concert form of home-towners David and Alex Tamkin's *The Dybbuk* in 1949—but it also has done yeoman service in the surrounding communities. For instance, as early as 1947, it was visiting Eugene, Corvallis, Bend, Salem, Albany and Newberg, in Oregon. In 1950, aided by Local 608, Astoria, Local (Continued on page fourteen)





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ON April 4, 1954, Arturo Toscanini appeared for the last time as the conductor of the NBC Symphony Orchestra. Though but one or two in the audience and in the great body of radio listeners, and none of the members of the orchestra were aware that this was his farewell concert, everyone knew that it was the season's last Toscaniniconducted program. It followed that Carnegie Hall was packed to the doors. Tickets had been given out as singles and one was lucky to get one anywhere in the house. I was among this lucky number.

In the all-Wagnerian program, Toscanini seemed less propelling than customarily, with less directional force, as though he were listening from outside, as a spectator, to the music. As if to balance this, it seemed the instrumentalists were exerting themselves individually more even than usual.

With the end of the final number, Prelude to Die Meistersinger, Toscanini let his arms fall, and almost immediately stepped from the platform. It was said that he dropped his baton and that one of the orchestra members leaned over, picked it up and restored it to him. If this occurred, I did not see it. However, such an incident fits so well into the picture that it will soon no doubt be woven into a legend, will be elaborated and amplified, be finally told as though Toscanini cast his baton dramatically aside, then received it back indifferently, like a child with an outworn toy.

As the music stopped, someone clapped, nakedly, against the stillness of the house. Then the whole audience was applauding wildly. Toscanini continued to trudge off the stage, and, though the clapping continued for a good ten minutes, that small, stooped, whitehaired figure did not reappear. Perhaps for the only time in his whole career, barring spurts of anger at unmannerly audiences, Toscanini did not receive or answer applause for himself and his men. They said he went to his room backstage, shut the door and would see no one for a long interval.

What his thoughts were in that period, it is beyond anyone to know. Perhaps he thought —this old man sitting in the small room at Carnegie Hall—of that June day sixty-eight years before when as a cellist in a Rio de Janeiro orchestra he was asked to substitute for a conductor who had suddenly resigned, and, for all he was only nineteen years old, had mounted the podium and led them triumphantly in *Aida* without referring once to the score—had, moreover, led then in eighteen other works throughout the remainder of the season.

Perhaps he thought of his work as conductor in the 1890's in Turin, when he launched into the world Madame Butterfly, Manon Lescaut, La Boheme, and I Pagliacci; of his directorship at La Scala in Milan in 1898 where he spread the fame of Wagner and of Richard Strauss: of his first meeting with Verdi and the strong ties that developed therefrom; of the ceremony at Verdi's death in 1910 in which he took part.

Perhaps his thoughts ran to that day November 16, 1908, when he first conducted at the Metropolitan Opera House, initiating, with Gatti-Casazza, an era of great artistic success, or of the time when, after eleven years of conductorship of the New York Philharmonic-Symphony, he gave his farewell concert on April 29, 1936, of the 5,000 music lovers who lined up along 57th from Sixth and Seventh avenues, camping out there from seven o'clock in the morning, blocking traffic, waiting for a chance to stand and hear him.

Perhaps he thought of his return to his native country after World War II—released by the downfall of Fascism from his vow never during that hated regime to set foot on its soil—and of his conducting there with an overflow of 10,000 listening outside to the performance over loudspeakers. Or he may have remembered the time some years before that when he was bodily attacked on the streets of Bologna, Italy, because he had refused to play the Fascist hymn.

He may have thought of the transcontinental tour he made with the NBC Orchestra when he was already eighty-three years old, covering twenty cities, coming face to face with thousands who had for years been enjoying his music over the air.

This all may have flashed through his mind us he sat there alone—faces of the great ones passing before him, times of stress, times of triumph, the celebrations, the hails and the farewells.

Or, instead of all these outward incidents, he may have remembered the high moments when he had achieved a pure interpretation of some great work: a Brahms Overture rendered with nobility; Wagner played as Wagner was meant to be played; Verdi as that composer would have wanted to be interpreted. He may have thought of the time his men stood and clapped for very appreciation after he had rehearsed them in Beethoven's Ninth and of how he stemmed their applause with tears in his eyes: "It isn't me, unen ... It's Beethoven. Toscanini is nothing!"

Now as he sat, small and alone, the house lights in Carnegie Hall went on, and the members of the orchestra, on a word from someone coming from back-stage, left the platform. The audience gave over its clapping and calling and slowly massed toward the doors. Why hadn't he returned? Had he been taken ill? Had they done something? Just about that time the great radio audience was receiving the news: "Toscanini has said farewell to his conductorship of the NBC."

#### Who Carry on the Tradition

Now, as this great conductor, sitting in his locked room, heard the orchestra members passing his door, his thoughts must have turned to the present and to them: the orchestra, founded for him seventeen years before, the beloved child of his old age! These men who were now to disperse after years of superb concert-giving, who, for all his own magnetism, for all his own skill and fervor, were the final makers of the music—what of them? He must have thought of them, he who wrote to his men after the end of a tour, "While writing I feel sad at heart, and it will always be so when beautiful things come to an end."

He thought about his men — as so many others have been thinking about them since that April 4th concert. For, in their dispersal, in the orchestra's break-up, is revealed a type of ruthlessness which could be possible only in the world of music: the very instrument creating a great work of art, the final manifestation of the work of art.—destroyed with the departure of the painter. The Stradivarius buried with its player!

For here is an orchestra which was built up with infinite care and shaped to extreme sensitivity. Its members — artists every one of thenn-had learned the secret of orchestral expressiveness, had made themselves malleable in the hands of the conductor, had mastered to the very last turn of phrase and lilt of measure the ability to respond, until they could interpret the very thought-waves, catch the very heart-throbs of the conductor. Not a one of them but was a virtuoso in his own right. Yet, being true musicians, they knew that the rightful projection of the composer's will is the test, and that it is always the conductor's genius which makes this possible, and

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thus were satisfied to have the glory go to Toscanini. Other great conductors who had stood on the podium, and there have been many of the highest calibre—Leopold Stokowski, Dimitri Mitropoulos, Charles Munch, Erich Leinsdorf, Fritz Reiner and others had found the orchestra adept at allowing the leader's will to speak.

#### **Harvest Discarded**

Now it seems that this fabuious troupe of seventeen years, this dramatis personae of a thousand theatricals, this set of perfectly matched tools, is to be broken up, that this channel for music of a superb order is no longer to be allowed to function, that one of America's greatest cultural achievements is to be left to disintegrate. The National Broadcasting Company which has sponsored the orperiodically assisted by General United States Steel and Socony chestra, Motors, Vacuum, considers it is now too expensive. Not that any expense was ever spared by NBC to bring the orchestra to its height. First-desk players from all over the country made themselves available and were engaged as members of it. Employment for most of them was on a year-round basis, and there were extra dates, recording and such like. But even outweighing these was the glory of making music under Toscanini. The satisfaction was mutual. Toscanini knew they were good, and did not hesitate to say so. Moreover he permitted only highly skilled guest conductors to preside over them. The orchestra's virtuoso calibre, its unqualified integrity, was never



The photographs on this and the next two pages are those of the Arst-desk members of the NBC Symphony. We were unable to procure photographs of the Arst Auto, Paul Renzi, Jr., and the Arst bassoon, Elies Carmon. (1) Frank Miller, (2) Daniel Guilar, concert master, (3) Karl Glassman, (4) Edwin Bachmann. allowed to suffer the least diminution. Toscanini liked to show it off—took it on tours, one to South America in 1940, one acrosscountry in 1950. He led it in great works operatic and choral — which formed milestones in the annals of symphony orchestra programming.

Little wonder that its loss is considered a tragedy not only for the members of the orchestra but also for the whole American public. "Along with thousands of others I was horrified to learn that, with the resignation of Arturo Toscanini, New York is to lose a major orchestra," wrote Marion Bauer. Other correspondents have written, "Like an old shoe, the orchestra was discarded"... "This breezy disbanding of a well-knit group of excellent musicians follows a pattern adopted by other stations"... "The elimination of the NBC Symphony is another step in the wiping out of live music and eventually, therefore, of musicians..."

#### The Trend is Downward

This disintegration of one of our greatest orchestras gives shocking clarity to a trend that had already been indicated with the cancellation in mid-season of the Aero-Willys





contract with the New York Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra of New York, on January 1, 1954; of the Voice of Firestone being stilled after twenty-five years of radio and five years in television; of plummetings from the air-waves of the symphony orchestras of Cleveland, Detroit, Philadelphia and Chicago, and the orchestras of the CBS and the WOR stations, the latter firing its entire staff of forty musicians. True, NBC has contracted the Boston Symphony Orchestra to present a concert series exclusively over its radio network, beginning with the Fall of 1954, a contract, incidentally, which comes thousands of dollars cheaper than the NBC one, and means an impetus to record sales from RCA-Victor, parent organization of NBC.

But what of the one hundred or so members of the NBC Orchestra? What of that group that compositely has superbly painted master works of Wagner and Beethoven and Brahms? These men, many of them with seventeen years under the master - seventeen years which in one way, at least, has been like any other seventeen years, namely in that it has left them that much older-are now walking the pavements, cooling their heels in executive anterooms, consuming reams of letter paper penning application letters-in a word, adding their number to the already swollen ranks of unemployed musicians.

The notice of disbandment came at a most unfortunate time. Symphony orchestras usually have hired men for the next season by



the first of March; therefore orchestral complements in major orchestras were tightly filled by April 5. Besides this, some twenty of the NBC men have contracts running until October and do not therefore know what is in store for them. NBC reports that some of the musicians will be employed in various of its studio positions, in smaller units to purvey salon music, dinner music, jazz for a variety of purposes. If this action of NBC sounds magnanimous to some, to others it sounds like demotion without cause.

In any case, these virtuoso players, with, beaides their Toscanini training, master degrees

months to have a business of his own. Drummer Harry Stitman, who was offered a position with a major orchestra two years ago but turned it down thinking at that time that when Toscanini retired somebody else would take over," now is at sea as to his plans. Violist Herbert Fuchs, who has a Bachelor of Music at New York University and who studied via scholarships under William Prim-rose, Leon Barzin and Milton Katims, besides his Toscanini years, has "no prospects." Fil-ippo Ghignatti, with the NBC for twenty-seven years, seventeen of which were with Toscanini, is "waiting for a job as an oboe and



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in America's outstanding music colleges, and first-desk experience in many major orchestras, now face unsettled futures. "I'll do whatever is necessary to secure a living for my family," says bass player Murray Grodner, who held a Juilliard Scholarship and first-chair positions in the Pittsburgh Symphony and the Houston Symphony. Cellist Paul Clement. who was first-desk player of the Pittsburgh Symphony as well as possessor of a Master of Arts degree at Columbia University. is, at the age of thirtyfour, "looking for another symphony job which I could combine with campus teaching." "I expect for the present to teach and to make contacts for possible recordings, concerts and radio and television dates," says bass player Samuel Levitan, who has held a first-desk position under Toscanini for the past seventeen years, that is. since he was twenty-one. A. Reines, famous contra-bassoonist of a family of famous contra-bassoonists, now under contract until October 10, feels that after playing with the NBC for over twenty years and "sort of disengaging ourselves from the outside music world, it is hard to foretell what the future has in store for us." Clarinetist Harold Freeman, with excellent experience behind him as a member of the Kansas City Philharmonic and the Chicago Symphony, as well as fifteen years under Toscanini, hopes "to find a teaching or chamber music position." Bassist John Mancini, who "saw the hand-writing on the wall a few years ago and prepared himself for a profession outside of music," expects in a few

English horn player or as a teacher of those two instruments." Karl Glassman, tympanist with the New York Symphony until it merged with the Philharmonic, then engaged for the NBC Staff Orchestra, is unable to make any definite commitments since his contract with NBC does not expire until the second week of October and he is not aware of their plans.

Considering their training and their experience. the desire of most of these men is obviously to become members of major symphony orchestras. To date, one-just one-is reported to have succeeded in this purpose. Nathan Gordon has accepted the post of solo violist in the Pittsburgh Symphony.

If all the others — the thirty-two violins, eleven violas, twelve cellos, nine basses, one piccolo, two flutes, two oboes, one English horn, three clarinets, two bassoons, one contrabassoon, five horns, three trumpets. three trombones, one tuba, one tympani, two percussion, and one harp-managed to pin down jobs in major symphony orchestras. it would solve their problems, but, alas, not the problems of some hundred string and wind players fresh from music colleges, or graduating from community to major orchestras. It would not answer the problem of general job scarcity.

Brave and exhilarating is the enterprise of five of the members who have gone into the conducting field: Frank Miller, first cellist. who has been named conductor of the Florida Symphony at Orlando; violinist Samuel Antek, who has now for seven years been conductor of the New Jersey Symphony: violist Milton Katims, who became conductor of the Seattle Symphony as of early this year; violist Emanuel Vardi. who in October will produce and conduct Histoire du Soldat by Stravinsky at the YMHA Kaufman Audi-torium in New York, and, in November, conduct and play solo there in an all-Bloch con-cert; and Charles Jaffe. with Philadelphia

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Orchestra and Curtis String Quartet experience behind him, who has become musical director of the Symphony Society of Long Island, sponsored and managed by a board of directors composed of prominent citizens of the Island and dedicated to the cultural and educational growth of that area.

But this quintuple venturing into conductorial fields does not solve the employment problem either. Memberships in the Florida, Seattle and New Jersey orchestras are fairly stable and few changes in instrumentation are apt to occur; and the Vardi and Jaffe projects will, we hazard a guess, be organizations of the highest musical standards, but ones which, at first at least, will operate on less-thanliving wages to members.

Put it plainly: the future looks dark indeed for symphony players. There are over a thousand symphony orchestras operating currently in colleges, communities and large cities in the United States and Canada today, with around 65,000 capable players numbered in their memberships. Thirty-eight of these orchestras are "major," with around 3,750 members at near-virtuoso level functioning therein at union scale and possessed of yearly contracts. The 962 orchestras not blessed with budgets which include adequate salaries for musicians are seething with 60,000 instru-mentalists aspiring toward major symphony jobs. A bare 600 of these aspirants will ever make it. There just aren't enough paid positions to go around. If all 100 NBC members this year get jobs with major symphony orchestras, there will be exactly 100 more disappointed young applicants.

NBC players, however, will not be in such a competitive position this year. Symphony jobs, as we noted, were closed as of March. NBC members are going to have to wait another year at least. For the older ones, this could well mean forever.

The members are solving the dilemma as best they can. Bassists Harold Shachner and Murray Grodner are at present playing musical shows, and the latter is working meanwhile for a degree of Master in Music Education; Sol Nemkov (violin) is giving talks on music at a small radio station; Joseph J. Novotny (tuba) has resumed his position with the TV show "Mr. Peepers," and will play with the Goldman Band during the summer. Most of the others are "staying in the New York area and hoping for something to turn up."

But it begins to appear that that "something" may never turn up. Jobs for musicians at the higher level are steadily decreasing. Channels that have been coursing live music are being clogged up with the canned variety. "It used to be axiomatic that to have music you needed musicians," stated Howard Taubman in a New York *Times* article on April 18, 1954. "The rule can now be revised: To have music it is only necessary to have had musicians." He goes on to say, "The trend seems to be a steady decline in opportunities for musicians to earn a living at their craft. The irony of it is that all this is happening in a country where more good music is being heard by more people than anywhere else in history."

The whole problem resolves itself into a question of "who pays the piper?"—in this case, one of the world's greatest symphony

orchestras. In a land of high-powered industrial achievement, great corporations, art galleries, libraries, and thousands of miles of superb roadways, we cannot get the funds to hold this one master orchestra together.

If NBC kept it going for seventeen years for Toscanini's sake—and a highly magnanimous, as well as a highly politic gesture this was, not to say a remunerative one, since the recordings which Toscanini and his orchestra made will realize income for RCA for many years to come—surely some music-minded group will think it worth while to keep the orchestra together for its own sake!

It begins to look, however, as though this might not happen. "Everyone is aware," states Mr. Taubman, in the close of his article, "how much radio time is taken by disks. Even on big television shows, where huge sums are spent on productions, musical background is supplied by records. There is money for everything but musicians."

But perhaps in this impasse, it is the NBC members themselves who become the best spokesmen of their own problems. Violist Herbert Fuchs speaks for all of them, undoubtedly, when he says, "The disbanding of the NBC Symphony is a tragic thing for the members of the orchestra personally, and also a sad commentary on the cultural state of our country." Bassist John Mancini puts it more personally when he says, "When you have traveled the course for twenty-five years and then you are suddenly shipwrecked in the middle of a vast sea, it's not easy to reorient yourself."

Then there are those with such unquenchable enthusiasm that one believes they and their ideals will prevail no matter what. Says tuba player Novotny, "When I accepted the NBC position, it was my main ambition to play under Maestro Toscanini as long as possible. During the last five years I have turned down several fine offers but I am happy to say that I have no regrets. I now face my musical future with greater knowledge, for I have played with the Maestro."

The words of the orchestra's first doublebass player, Philip Sklar, if they provide no solution, still do give a sense of courage which may in itself work wonders. "While I feel badly, seeing as fine a symphony orchestra as the NBC being dissolved," he says, "I do feel that the world of good music and the finer things in life will go on. Those of us who are willing and able to adjust to the circumstances of the moment, will survive, even if the powers that be don't appreciate what they are discarding. It has been a great honor and privilege to have had the association of Maestro Toscanini and the fine artists of his great ensemble."

#### **Postscript or Prelude?**

A bill (called HR 5397) now before Congress has for its purpose the encouragement (not the stemming) of private sponsorship, and of community effort, since it would assist only such musical organizations as could obtain at least 75 per cent of their funds from local sources. Congressman Charles R. Howell who introduced the bill describes it as "primarily a pump-priming measure which would recognize the national interest in the fine arts," and further explains, "There is a philosophical difference in viewpoint which must and diffe

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be considered in the evaluation of the measure I have sponsored. The debate is between the proponents of the belief that arts are living and must be encouraged with every resource at hand, and those who regard the arts basically as the product of a past age which must be preserved rather than encouraged. More and more, however, with increasing urgency, cultural leaders and Mr. Average Citizen are demanding that we conserve artistic talent as an important and priceless part of our national heritage. What is imperatively needed is national leadership in the arts."

Bills get passed, as everyone knows, because a sufficient number of citizens agitate for them. One of the ways each citizen can agitate for this bill is by writing to his Congressmen and Senator, stating his belief in it and urging its passage. —H. E. S.



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99, Portland, and the Clatsop County American Legion, it traveled to Astoria to give that town (population 12,331) its first "real live" performance of a symphony orchestra. It may be a small thing—this initiation of some thousand persons into the beauties of Mozart, Wagner, Copland, Tchaikovsky and Sibelius —but to many it must certainly have spelled the beginning of a fuller life.

The Grande Ronde Symphony, which began as a small group in the Fall of 1946, is today a sixty-three-piece self-supporting organization. The Eastern Oregon College makes available to the orchestra the practice room, instruments for playing and its auditorium. In 1949, L. Rhodes Lewis took over direction of the group, and the season 1949-50 marked its emergence as an organized orchestra with regular rehearsals and two public performances. A fund of \$1,050 donated by the dishanded La Grande Municipal Band was turned over to the orchestra and gave it financial stability. An association, formed in 1951, developed it still further. In 1952-53 the orchestra made eleven concert appearances.

The present leadership continuing, the day when the orchestra attains its sought-for strength of eighty-five members and a full season of concert appearances does not appear far off.

The little town of Hood River, situated in a fruit-growing valley about sixty miles up the Columbia Gorge from Portland, manifests pride in equal amounts for its internationallynown apples and its locally-appreciated junior symphony orchestra of twenty-five pieces. Hood River music began in earnest during 1942, when Finnish composer, teacher and conductor Boris Sirpo came to the valley and undertook teaching the violin to seven children in the town. Within a year his group had doubled, offering the roots of a full-scale orchestra.

Parents, relatives, and friends formed the community's Hood River Music Association, enabling Mr. Sirpo to purchase scores for his organization. This zealous support from its agrarian-minded sponsors won for music an exciting role during the first (1948) Hood River Music Festival, four days of music-making on a grand scale with towering, snowcapped Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams as a superlative back-drop. Attended by 20,000, the festival offered a leading Metropolitan Opera singer in a "first" performance of an opera inspired by Indian legend, Bridge of the Gods, as well as Honegger's King David, and compositions by Sibelius to commemorate his eightyfifth birth anniversary year.

Symphonic pioneering in Oregon nicely dovetails with operatic development.

"Our penniless persistence won't wane" is the wry if worthy motto of opera lovers in Portland, Oregon. To date they give every indication of living up to it. Since August, 1949, when the Civic Opera Company came into being, in name at least, this group has presented ten productions, ranging from Menotti to Verdi, to 100,000 listeners (one-third of Portland's population) in gymnasiums, theaters and public parks—anywhere, in fact, where the immense crowds that flock to the enterprise can be accommodated. It sounds like success. It is! A poverty-stricken artistic success.

But to begin at the beginning.

Portland's Civic Opera Company started, like so many inusical enterprises, in the gathering of a group of young people who wanted "to put on an opera." Ariel Rubstein, director of the Portland School of Music, vocal coach, piano teacher and the motivating force in this enterprise, began rehearsing the principals practically on the spot, and, by August 21, 1949, had put on *L'Enjant Prodigue* and *The Telephone* at the Washington Park's natural amphitheater.

The Civic Opera Company dates its actual beginning as an incorporated body to July 18, 1951, when five interested Portland residents —Julius S. Zell (a jeweler), Joseph T. Hallock (a radio announcer), Winifred W. Newberry (a housewife), Helmer O. Huseth (Secretary of Local 99), Harry J. Lewis (a butcher), and Donald Eva (an attorney and voice student), assembled in Eva's office and drew up its corporate charter.

Under this charter, the Association can finance its projects with "fees, dues, contributions and admissions." Payment for opera "ads" from programs constitute the fees; various categories of memberships pay various types of dues; and the contributions and admissions are open to the whole wide world. There are two tricky little clauses in the charter: one says that in the event of its dissolution, residue monies shall be paid to some other public interest and not back to the members; and the charter provides that any monies in excess of cost will be retained as a working fund for future projects. To date neither of these clauses has been of much use, however. In the October 23, 1953, production, the Portland Civic Opera Association was working under a \$5,000 deficit, with five of its board members personally underwriting a \$1,000 loss on that month's presentation, La Traviata.

Three elements have made this civic venture possible. Local 99, the Park Recreation Bureau of the City of Portland, and the cooperation of resident talent. In other words, the bandstand given free, the forty-piece orchestra, and the sixty-voice chorus all have been elements of its success.

Since the purpose of the enterprise is to give operatic experience to as many capable singers as possible-it's either that, for most of them, or go to Europe for the training, and why should America miss the fun?-casts are not identical from opera to opera. At present the Association's singing ranks are made up of a baritone who sells acoustical tile, a bass who is a hotel doorman, and a soprano who is an office worker-singers, in short, who sing because they have the urge, and who work days at other jobs because they must. Also, a pool of approximately 100 interested and able principals exists, with a further, eager waiting list of 500 to 1,000 choral enthusiasts, and a like number of dancers and general supernumeraries.

Deficits and thrills have proved good running mates all along the way—through The Medium, The Telephone, Carmen, The Consul (1951), Faust (1952), Amahl and the Night Visitors, Trovatore and La Traviata (1953).

The Association plans an August presentation of Samson and Delilah—their persistence —and their penury—never waning.

Oregon has had a long and lusty band tradition. Even before railroads began to trav-

Portland Symphonic Brass Ensemble. Left to right: James Smith and Parks Wightman, trumpots; Charles Dietz, French horn; George Phillips, trombone; John Trudeau, trombone.





erse the State in 1870 that is, bands were gracing all sorts of events-one of the most notable of which was organized by Henry Conrad Finck, father of music critic Henry T. Finck. The elder Finck had journeyed to Oregon in 1862 with five youngsters (the mother had died shortly before) by what was then the "shortest" route to the West Coast. That is, they entrained from St. Louis to New York, then took ship to the Isthmus of Panama, which they crossed by railroad "through the tropical jungle and past thatched huts with scantily-clad natives," from thence shipping to San Francisco, and from there, also by steamer, to Portland. Thus they reached their goal in five weeks as against the five months it would have taken them to travel via covered wagon!

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Once in Aurora, Oregon, Mr. Finck found time not only to build up an apothecary's trade but to start a band, which, as the Aurora Band, became speedily a popular unit, in demand through the region for fairs, picnics, "butcher frolics" and political rallies. In April, 1869, the then vast sum of \$500 was paid to the community for the services of the band on the voyage of a Portland party to Puget Sound. The young Henry T. soon enjoyed membership in the band. He writes in his "My Adventures in the Golden Age of Music": "The snare-drum was my chosen instrument because I could learn that in a few weeks. When I chose it I did not know that I would be the most popular member of the band. In remote regions where most of the settlers and their young folks had never heard any real music, the rhythmic rattle of the sidedrum appealed to them even more than the cornet. I was therefore always surrounded by a gaping multitude who greatly admired my deft manipulation of the drum-sticks. I felt as proud as if I had been a Caruso or a Chaliapin."

Bands are still indispensables for public gatherings of many sorts in Oregon, their chief usefulness the entertainment of park gatherings during the Summer months.

The Portland Summer band concerts of today became a reality through sheer determination on the part of a small group of individuals in that city. In February, 1947, Herb Hamilton, Earl Caine, John Dykstra, Napoleon Dufresne and Erna Hoefs met and laid the groundwork for what later was to become the Portland Summer Band Concert Association. In May, 1947, the organizers incorpo-

rated and Mr. Dufresne was chosen as the first conductor, while Mr. Caine became the assistant conductor. During the first Summer, enough funds were obtained to finance a free concert in Portland Civic Auditorium, and one in the Laurelhurst Park, the latter under the auspices of Local 99. For a series of twenty-two concerts given in the various parks in 1948, Local 99 agreed to finance the first eleven from their allocation of the Recording Trust Fund, and the City of Portland the second half. When Mr. Dufresne resigned in mid-season because of ill health, Mr. Caine and William Weber were selected to conduct the remainder of the concerts. Each Summer since then concerts have been given in three Portland parks: Tuesdays and Thursdays in Columbia and Sellwood, and Sunday afternoons in Laurelhurst. Many prominent citi-zens, including Mayor Fred Peterson, serve on the board of directors. The conductor for the coming Summer will be John Richards, director of the Lewis and Clark College Symphonic Band. It has been found that these band concerts in Portland's beautiful public parks promote not only good music but better family and community relations.

The Portland Police Drum and Bugle Corps was organized by former Chief of Police Harry M. Niles with the aid of several publicspirited citizens. In 1939 the unit toured Mexico as representative of the International Association of Law Enforcement Officers, and has since been shown in practically every large city in the West, from British Columbia to Mexico. Membership consists of all ranks in the Police Department from patrolmen to assistant chief (including six sergeants, three lieutenants, one captain, one deputy chief, and the assistant chief). The corps was inactive during World War II since at least seventyfive per cent of its membership were in the Armed Forces.

The Al Kader Shrine Band, organized in Portland in 1912, is comprised of about thirty members of the Al Kader Temple. Its current conductor is Leon L. Handzlik, a member of Local 99 and Local 60. The Elks Band and the Musicians Legion Post Band are other enterprising organizations in Portland.

Local 560, Pendleton, is sponsoring a Summer band in a series of five concerts in hopes that the city next season will contribute something to its support.

In Eugene also, band business picks up when Summer comes around. One of the oldGrande Ronde Symphony Or chestra, L. Rhodes Lawis.

John K. Richards, conductor the Portland Summer Band

est union organizations in the area, the Summer Band of thirty members directed by Douglas Orme—it was formed in 1946—gives two concerts each week during the season, under the dual sponsorship of the MPTF of the Recording Industry as allocated by Local 689, and the city recreational department. The average attendance is 2,500 per concert. The Elks Band and the Eagles Band, numbering respectively thirty-five and thirty members, render services for lodge activities and for city functions.

The Elks support bands in other Oregon cities, too—for instance, in Ashland and in Astoria where they have a twenty-five-piece band, all members of Local 608. Three or four concerts per season are under the sponsorship of MPTF of the Recording Industry.

#### Quartet of the Seventies

In the chamber music field, Oregon is surprisingly active. Again the tradition traces from away back, and again to the Fincka. This family had a chamber ensemble within its own circle, the elder Finck as violinist, his son Edward as flute (and piano) and Henry as cello (and piano). Two young neighbors in Aurora, Lawrence Ehlen and William Schwaderer, often helped to make up a string quartet, coming to the house even when the rain poured down in torrents and their wagon had to plow through mud more than a foot deep. The quartet played Haydn, Mozart and Beethoven—not so bad for a pioneer town back in the 1870's! Since the father was also kept busy giving music lessons to the young fry in Aurora, other ensembles soon aprang up.

Today Eugene is the home of three chamber groups. A brass septet gives "instrumental caroling" at Christmas time (via Local 689 sponsorship) at the town's two hospitals. A string quintet formed about two years ago (Continued on page eighteen)

## **Report of Delegates** to the AFL Convention

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described his experience in that office, and in simple language explained the reasons for resigning his post. His statements were dignified and without rancor or recrimination of any kind. He received an ovation. This matter was so prominently in the press of the country that there would seem to be no use of elaborating on the situation in this report.

#### LEAGUE FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION

The Executive Council had a considerable report on this organization and James L. Mc-Devitt, director thereof, made a full report of its operations. A statement of its receipts and expenditures was made, and the work will be continued.

#### GENERAL MEMORIAL OBSERVANCE

The names of nearly thirty former officers of the Federation or its affiliates now deceased were read and the convention stood in silence in respect to their memory.

#### WILLIAM GREEN MEMORIAL

Many members of the family of the late President were present. Very fine eulogies of the deceased were spoken by President Meany and First Vice-President Matthew

Woll. The Rev. John H. Shanley, from Coshocton, Ohio, who conducted the funeral of the deceased in that city, delivered a touching address. Last of all came former President of the United States. Harry S. Truman, with a magnificent tribute. The Reverend Shanley pronounced the benediction.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

All the officers were unanimously returned to their respective places in company with two new vice-presidents.

Our own President James C. Petrillo is now twelfth vice-president of the American Federation of Labor.

#### NEXT CONVENTION

The next convention of the Federation will be held during September of 1954 in Los Angeles, California.

#### SUMMARY OF OTHER THINGS DONE BY THE CONVENTION

Revoked the charter of the International Longshoremen's Association.

Increased number of vice-presidents from thirteen to fifteen.

Recommended that the Executive Council create a formula for settlement of jurisdic-

tional disputes to be reviewed by international presidents in conference six months hence.

Established "no raiding" pact with CIO.

Called for formation of public advisory group with labor participation re atomic energy committee-also a labor-management committee to make peaceful relations between labor and management.

Demanded full national defense program until world peace is assured.

Urged the government to supplement and regulate the free flow of economic life-and set up a realistic budget and fiscal policy.

Urged the election of a more liberal Congress in 1954.

Urged strengthening of the Social Security system to provide more effectively for elderly people; and requested State legislatures to improve and strengthen unemployment laws.

Authorized a William Green Memorial Fund.

Advocated affiliated locals increase participation in programs for community welfare.

#### COURTESIES

The officials of our Local 2, St. Louis, were very kind to our delegation. Their attentions were very much appreciated by all of us.

#### ADJOURNMENT

On Friday, September 25, 1954, after the singing of "God Bless America" and "Auld Lang Syne," the convention passed into history at 5:25 P. M. by adjournment sine die. This was the shortest convention of the American Federation of Labor I have ever attended.



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MUSIC IN OREGON

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consists of Douglas Orme, Edmund Cykler, Howard Jones, Eric Cooper and Jack Williams who are respectively in their alter egos City Concert Band Conductor, University Orchestra Conductor, local insurance man, owner of heating firm and log processor. A string quartet, who coached for a period with Ernest Bloch, is made up entirely of women: Mollie Hardin, Connie Elkins, Roberta Lathrop, and Gwendolen Lampshire Hayden.

Another all-woman chamber organization, in fact, one of the oldest and most active allfemale groups in the country, is the Alicia McElroy Ensemble, based in Portland. Organized in 1925, and still led by Miss McElroy, who founded it, it plays for teas and banquets, and does some radio work. Its main function, however, is the presentation of two or three concerts annually. The Oregon towns of Salem, Hood River, Newport, Eugene, Corvallis, Oregon City and Camas have stood host to the group, as have Vancouver, in Can-ada; Western State College in Monmouth, Oregon; and the Washington State Normal School at Bellingham, Washington. In the home city it has been presented in five con-certs by the Portland Art Museum, and has been sponsored as well by the MPTF, the Jewish Community Center, the Oregon Federation of Music Clubs, the Music Teachers Association and the Church of Latter Day Saints. During the season just past, the group has added violinist Glenn Reeves to its number, and hence must relinquish its title as an "all-woman ensemble."

To cross over into the category of wind instruments, The Northwest Woodwind Ensemble, organized in 1952 by oboist Joseph Posella, includes besides Mr. Posella, John C. May, flute; Raymond Schaer, bassoon; Charles Dietz, French horn; and Harold Jeans, clarinet—all, with the exception of Jeans (he is director of the Grant High School Band and Orchestra), members of the Portland Symphony Orchestra. It plays at various colleges—Walla Walla College in Washington, the University of Portland, and Portland State College—as well as at the Portland Art Museum under the provisions of the MPTF. The quintet plans this year to expand its concertizing itinerary farther east and south in Oregon and Washington.

The Portland Symphony also fathers the Portland Symphonic Brass Ensemble which has opened up new vistas of music for the Northwest and revealed a wide repertoire of original compositions, including works by masters of the Renaissance and Baroque periods, through the twentieth century. The group was organized in February, 1953, by James Smith and John Trudeau, first trumpet and first trombone, respectively, of the Portland Symphony Orchestra. The remainder of the personnel, also members of the symphony, includes Parks Wightman, trumpet; Charle Dietz, French horn; and George Phillips, bas trombone.

Members of the quintet have widely varied backgrounds. Mr. Smith played with the Los Angeles Philharmonic before being brought to the Portland Symphony in 1951 by its conductor, James Sample. Mr. Wightman studied at University of Oregon and taught at Portland School of Music. Bostonian Trudeau was also brought here by Mr. Sample in 1951. He has played with the New England Philharmonic and the Boston Symphony. He now teaches at Lewis and Clark College. Mr. Phillips, hailing from Butte, Montana, came to Portland to join the Cole McElroy dance band. Mr. Dietz is also personnel manager for the Portland Symphony. Originally from New York, he was brought here sixteen years ago by Willem van Hoogstraten. He has headed the University of Portland's band and is now band director at Pacific University.

The concert debut of the Portland Symphonic Brass Ensemble occurred at Reed College on March 4, 1953, since which time they have been heard at the Portland Art Museum and at the Shakespearean Festival in Ashland, Oregon, where they gave an entire concert of Elizabethan music. Plans for the future include another Shakespearean Festival this August, and, in the immediate future, an all-contemporary music program including the premiere of two works written especially for them, one by Peter Jona Korn of Los Angeles and one by Robert Crowley of Portland.

#### **Rare Works Presented**

The Portland Chamber Orchestra, organized in 1946, has for its double purpose to give young regional artists the experience of ensemble and solo playing, and to give composers a chance to hear their works performed. Seldom-played works are given first choice in arranging the programs. Residents thus have an opportunity to hear the works not only of very early composers but also of such contemporaries as Toch, Milhaud, Thomson, Schoenberg and Bloch. The orchestra gives



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three concerts a year to capacity audiences at the 850-seat Lincoln Auditorium. It is still conducted by its founder, Boris Sirpo.

#### Schools Make Music

To know music in Oregon, one has to examine also the schools' musical activities. The public school system is amazingly alert to musical progress. In Portland twenty-one elementary instrumental music specialists are teaching classes for students interested in instrumental music. Each of the nine high schools maintains a strong and growing instrumental music department, with instrumental specialists in charge of the band and orchestra. The vocal programs are equally impressive. "All-city" groups are also main-tained—an all-city elementary band and orchestra, all-city high school orchestra, band and choir. The Annual Summer Music Camp. sponsored by the Music Department of the Portland Public Schools, is held in three centers-Creston School, Jefferson High School and Lincoln High School for a four-week session each Summer.

Eugene's school system has a well-planned musical program, with chorus, bands, orchestras. The high school string orchestra, numbering thirty members, combines with members of the one-hundred-piece band to form the high school full orchestra. Eugene boasts four junior high bands and four junior high orchestras. In addition, a composite orchestra of Eugene and the surrounding areas. called the junior symphony, presents annually concerts in Eugene, Junction City, Cottage Grove, Drain and other neighboring towns. Formed nineteen years ago, this organization is made up of students in a thirty-mile area.

BELOW, left: Alicia McElroy Ensemble, Portland. Left to right: Mabelle Lilburn, Alicia McElroy, Virginia Shirloy Wright, Jennie Hansen Partridge, Dorig Wildman Herse, Emma Leu Robinson.

BELOW, right: Portland Chamber Orchestra, conductor, Boris Sirpe. Each year Local 689 makes an award to the outstanding Eugene high school band and grants a scholarship to the University of Oregon to a graduating high school student.

The State University located at Eugene, in the heart of the Willamette Valley and in the midst of vast timber lands, has a University Concert Orchestra of full symphonic propor-tions. In Portland, Reed College offers six times a year a "sound experiment" using groups of varying instrumentation, with littleknown or heard modern works, or works commissioned from local composers or student-composers. For instance, the Greek play Antigone, as set to music by a former Reed student, Robert Crowley, was presented as one of these "sound experiments." The University of Portland has a symphony orchestra, as well as a small instrumental group, two bands, three string quartets, woodwind and brass chamber ensembles, and three choruses. Lewis and Clark College boasts a symphony, a symphonic band of sixty members, a pep band, an a cappella choir of sixty, a group of madrigal singers, and a men's glee club. At Marylhurst College, also in Portland, a chorus of forty, a smaller choral group, a string chamber group with piano, and a woodwind unit have been formed in connection with the various musical courses. The Portland School of Music directed by Ariel Rubstein has been instrumental in bringing into being the Portland Civic Opera Association. The Portland State Extension Center gives a two-year music course preparatory to transferring to the University of Oregon at Eugene.

Clark Junior College in Vancouver, Washington, has a choir, a concert band and several chamber groups. It has also formed an interesting liaison with musical amateurs in the community with joint concerts. Every other Wednesday the college presents its music students in informal recitals for campus listeners.

The Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon, is noted for its annual "Music in May" festival during which outstanding high school vocalists and instrumentalists meet on its campus to rehearse and perform publicly. They split into a symphony orchestra of from 75 to 100 pieces, a band of 100 to 200 pieces, and a chorus of 200 or more. Guest conductors work with the group.

#### They Sing as They Breathe

All Oregon can be depended on to singand to sing in groups. Each city has some sort of choral organization. To Portland, however, goes the credit for an organization of two hundred vocalists, the Symphonic Choir, which, during the eight months of the. Winter season rehearses with its director, C. Robert Zimmerman, preparing for its two or three concerts a year. The Choir is now offering many full-scale concerts, oratorios, operas, civic programs and radio appearances. In Eugene, the Bach Society is reportedly rapidly growing in membership.

So near the pioneering days is Oregon that folk music still holds a prominent place—especially in the Basque settlement of Jordan Valley and in the German communities of Clackamas County. There is sure to be singing, and perhaps the strumming of guitars, at such events as the Gold Rush Celebration held in June at Canyon City, at the Fat Lamb Show—also held in June—at Gold Beach, at pioneer reunions, at Old Timers' Picnics.

Dance bands have their innings during such events, too. In Central Oregon, Larry Keown's Band is famous for "smooth rhythms." Coos Bay has about fifteen dance bands to serve the town and environs. Medford lists eighteen "from three to seven pieces."

Of late, Oregon's chief boast, however, has been its symphony and opera development. The lavish natural scenery is finding supplement in the Summer Music Festival, and it is no mere chance that Portland has become known as the "Athens of the West." Oregon's pioneering spirit blended with musical education of a high order will undoubtedly bring about further gains in the symphonic and operatic field in the years to come.

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#### THE GROWING NEED FOR KNOWLEDGE OF EIGHTEENTH CENTURY MUSIC

Each year the amount of early music which is put on phonograph records increases and multiplies; and as I watch this growing pile of new recordings, I shudder to think of the quantity of mayhem on the music of Corelli, Bach, Vivaldi and others which this represents. Most of these efforts to kill deathless music are perpetrated by those who think that success with nineteenth and twentieth-century music qualifies one to wade into the eighteenth century without adequate knowledge of performance practice.

There are few complaints from the critics and ordinary listeners who do not know more than the performers, and so the situation can be improved only by the voluntary efforts of the musicians themselves to improve their knowledge in this important field. To be sure, everyone will not learn at the same rate of speed. A violinist who has been reading the articles in this column, for example, is likely to know more about eighteenth century bowing and phrasing than the average orchestra conductor. However he cannot apply this knowledge in an orchestral performance because he would be disobeying the wishes of the director. In solo work and chamber music he may try to use authentic ideas, and hope that some will eventually penetrate even to conductors.

One of the most important differences between early and modern bowing practice is the manner of articulation.

#### CRESCENDO-DIMINUENDO IN EARLY BOWING

As was pointed out in this column last December, the basic difference between the early and modern bow strokes lies in their respective natural articulations. The modern bow stroke is dynamically even whereas the early stroke had a rising and falling dynamic.



As can be seen, the early stroke tends to produce a small diminuendo between every stroke, whereas the modern even dynamic sustains the sound to give the illusion of an "endless bow." The crescendos and diminuendos of the early bow were not all identical. They were sometimes very gradual, sometimes sudden and sometimes somewhere between.

A good eighteenth century violinist followed Leopold Mozart's basic instructions (1756): Every tone, even the strongest attack, has a small, even if barely audible, softness at the beginning of the stroke . . . This same softness must also be heard at the end of each stroke . . . By means of pressure and relaxation one produces notes beautifully and touchingly (Ch. IV, No. 3). This unequivocal statement regarding the nature of the bow stroke is corroborated in part or whole by every writer on bowing of that period and contradicted by no one. L. Mozart describes four ways of dividing the bow between "pressure and relaxation," all of which ways are merely *versions* of the basic stroke; the basic softness at the heginning and end of each stroke had to be used not only on *long* strokes but also to separate and articulate notes at *every* speed (Ch. IV, No. 10).



Buy Your EXTRA Bonds Now! INTERNATIONAL MUSICIAN In this type of stroke we see the origin of the term *detache*, and in the development of modern bowing we see how *detache* deteriorated until today it means mostly a legato stroke! According to Quantz and others, the only way in which legato could be produced on the early bow was by slurring notes on one bow. Bow connection for the sake of concealing the sound of bow changing was unknown and unneeded.

#### **DIFFERENCES IN ACCENTED BOWINGS**

In the eighteenth century the terms *spiccato* and *staccato* were synonymous. The reason for this can be found in the above quoted statement of L. Mozart, that every tone "even the strongest attack, has a small softness at the beginning." Obviously it is impossible to produce the modern hard, biting *staccato* attack while there is "a small softness at the beginning of the stroke." Thus all short accented strokes were *bounced* onto the string, and inasmuch as *staccato* had not acquired the *bitting* significance which it has today, it meant the same as *spiccato*.

The following musical example sums up the chief differences between modern and eighteenth century accented bowing:

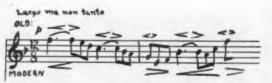


1. Early stroke shortens notes to a greater degree than modern stroke. 2. Early bow's dynamic starts softly to a sudden loudness in the middle of the stroke, whereas modern bow starts with greatest volume at the beginning—such great volume, in fact, that if it were sustained it would result in a scratch. The articulation of the early accent sounds

"la," the modern one is a hard consonant "ta" or "ka." 3. To do their respective bowings naturally, the early stroke must begin and end with the bow in the air—or slightly lifted—sort of an easy bouncing stroke—whereas the modern stroke starts with a biting into

the string. Observe that I do not advocate one bowing as always superior to the other. I simply believe that the early expression should be used where the early composer intended for it to be used, and later bowing styles for later music. The modern trick of starting chords and practically everything but saltando with a biting pressure on the string for modern accuracy is out of place in early music. The gentle attack was universally used, except when special staccato at the point was needed, up to Beethoven.

The following musical example from Bach's Double Violin Concerto shows two typical dynamic versions, the first an early one, the second modern:



There is no question of taste involved in choosing between the two dynamics. One is in good taste for modern music, the other for early music. The old dynamic markings indicated above with their gentle rise and fall of volume on long notes, almost separated eighth notes, and slightly held strong beats, convey the musical phrase more or less as visualized by the composer; the modern dynamic trend, on the other hand, destroys the phrase by disobeying some of the basic early rules, as follows:

A note held over to the beginning of the following beat was invariably played *diminuendo* in order to underline the dying breath before the new breath. The modern dynamic on the other hand has a *crescendo* where the *diminuendo* should be in order to present the whole measure as a "long line." But the "long line" is a modern sustaining invention which does violence to the "spoken" phrasing of the baroque era, and is out of place even in the music of W. A. Mozart.

Thus we see that no great knowledge of early phrasing is needed if we merely observe the rules of *bowing* and permit the natural *diminuendo* which L. Mozart said should occur at the end of the stroke. I should mention in closing that vibrato followed the rise and fall of dynamics, increasing and decreasing accordingly. TONE CONTROL With **Gibson Strings** 

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Life Mambership Contrificate was presented to Frank Cass, the only living charter member of that local. Standing in the photograph left to right are: President A. "Dec" Colmbra, Frank Cass and Mayor Arthur N. Marriman. In making this announcement, Mr. Craven explained, "Local 172 is interested in encouraging these young musicians after leaving school to continue playing their instruments. Those winning these awards will have an opportunity to become acquainted with the musicians in their various communities and the possibilities of band or orchestra engagements."

Local 172 hopes this award will create through the years more interest in the instrumental department of the schools and an earnest endeavor on the part of the students to deserve it.

#### QUARTER CENTURY OF SERVICE

On February 15, 1954, the Board of Directors of Local 20, Denver, Colorado, gave a testimonial dinner at the Woolhurst Club in honor of Michael Muro, who, as of January 19, 1954, had completed twenty-five years of service as President of that local. The guests of honor, Mr. and Mrs. Muro, were the recipients of several silver articles, one of which, presented to them by charter member James A. Gould, was appropriately engraved to commemorate "Mike's" twenty-five years of faithful service as President of Local 20.



President Muro was first installed as President on January 19, 1929 (the year that the A. F. of M. convention was held in Denver), and has been re-elected to that office by a large majority in every election held since. Speeches given at the banquet had as their keynote the wish that Brother Muro may enjoy many more years of good health and uninterrupted service.

#### A MAYOR'S CONTRIBUTION

The board of directors of Local 11, Louisville, Kentucky, has by resolution acknowledged Charles Farnsley's "valuable contributions to the cultural and art program of the city, among these the very successful program of the Louisville Symphony Orchestra, during his term as Mayor of Louisville."

"On more than one occasion," the resolution reads, "Mayor Farnsley has literally saved the symphony orchestra from disbandment and financial collapse; and, by obtaining a substantial grant of funds from the Rockefeller Foundation, he has, it seems likely, placed the orchestra in the position of becoming a self-supporting institution, thereby establishing a precedent in nationwide symphonic activities. "The Board of Directors, on behalf of the local membership and the

"The Board of Directors, on behalf of the local membership and the members of the Louisville Orchestra, extend to ex-Mayor Farnsley our sincere vote of gratitude and thanks for his untiring efforts and numerous contributions to the success of the orchestra as well as to the over-all art and cultural program\_of the city of Louisville."

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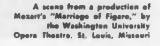
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Local 494, Southbridge, Massachusetts, has changed its headquarters to 38 Central Street of that city. At its election on May 10, at which Henry Zaccardi was the principal speaker, it installed as president (for his fourth term), Ernest Tessier; as vice-president, Paul Hetu; as secretary and business agent (for his eleventh term), Del Derosier; as treasurer, Frank Prince, and as recording secretary, Lee Thomas. The executive (Continued on page thirty-siz)

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The St. Paul Civic Opera Company, started twenty-two years ago, has survived a depression. a war and periodic lapses into deep apathy. For many years its season of two grand operas and musical comedy was supported only by ticket sales and the St. Paul Summer pop concerts, in connection with ice-skating. Since production costs have soared a guarantee fund of \$14,000, annually subscribed by the city's businessmen, has taken up the slack. They have found that for the musicals they need no big names-"musicals sell anyway"-but that for the grand operas they need imports. Here again is that curious distinction, possible only where audiences have not yet really accepted the "grand" variety: light opera is to be understood, is to be intimate, is to be part of the living scene, while grand opera is to be foreign, exotic, imported, apart.

Los Angeles boasts a Guild Opera Company with able directors—Carl Ebert, Dr. Richard Len, Wolfgang Martin, Dr. jan Popper. It is made up of resident young singers. Its orchestra averages forty musicians, chosen from the Los Angeles Philharmonic. An annual feature is a season of opera for the schools, attended by around 30,000 children. All performances are presented in English.

To give opportunities to local talent is the avowed purpose of two opera groups in Cleveland. The Cafarelli Opera Company, a benefit scholarship organization, celebrated its twentieth anniversary last September 27 with a production of Madame Butterfly. The Karamu Playhouse Company, a division of a community project of some forty years' standing, puts on modern operas, among them Wilder's The Lowland Sea, Antheil's Volpone and von Einem's The Trial, each for a run of at least thirty perform ances. This latter company is housed in a building erected with the aid of the Rockefeller Foundation, and thus has some right to the title it proudly claims as "the first permanent regional lyric theater in this country.

# OPERA MADE IN AMERICA

CONTINUED FROM THE MAY ISSUE

The Jackson. Mississippi. Opera Guild since 1946 has given one grand opera yearly for two consecutive days during Thanksgiving week—its slogan, "no dues, no complimentary tickets for members, and every member actively engaged in some work of the production."

The Newport News Operatic Society (Virginia) was formed in 1935 by a group of singers who lean in their performances to grand opera-Carmen, Lucia, Martha. Their orchestra of fifteen to twenty-five members and their regular Spring schedule bring them into the professional field, as do the thirty-seven-member orchestra and the six-performance-a-season schedule of the Delaware Philharmonic.

Typical of the way smaller companies spring up is the birth and growth of the Chattanooga (Tennessee) Opera Association, founded in 1943. Refugees Dr. Werner Wolff and his wife Emma Land Wolff settled in Chattanooga, began to teach in the music department of Tennessee Wesleyan College, got bored with the recital routine, wanted something new, decided to put on an opera. Der Freischütz-the first choice, with Dr. Wolff acting as coach, conductor and pianist, crowded the college auditorium to capacity. Next they tried Il Trovatore and then Carmen. All very successful. Thereupon the civic leaders of Chattanooga established the Opera Association and within ten days sponsors. donors and guarantors made it possible to arrange for three performances a year. A good orchestra was got together-from a group that had been giving concerts in a desultory way. Operas are presented in English, this in compliance with the wishes of the townspeople.

Since most American towns can or will absorb only a few repetitions of one work, and only about one month all told of opera annually, an opera company is almost forced to take to the road to lengthen the season, to forage for new audiences, to balance the budget.

Some companies tour constantly. One of this type, managed by Fortune Gallo, has set some sort of record for mobility. In 1911, Gallo was general manager of the Lombardi Opera Company which traveled for thirty consecutive weeks throughout the United States and Canada-even played three weeks in Honolulu. In 1912 his Pacific Coast Opera Company toured throughout that region as well as in Vancouver and Victoria. For thirty-eight years beginning in 1913, his San Carlo Grand Opera Company toured for twenty-five to forty-five weeks annually throughout the United States and Canada. The company all this while was supported wholly from its seven to eight performances a week. Enough said for the financial advantages of touring!

Charles L. Wagner, another trouper extraordinary, has been transporting seventy-five American singers and players in two air-conditioned buses-singers in one, musicians in the other-with one twenty-eight-foot trailer truck for stage sets, costumes and instruments, now for fourteen years, booking them for six or seven performances a week in cities 100 to 350 miles apart. During the eighteen- or nineteen-week season the company plays 120 different theaters. Lest the imagination quail before this picture. imagine "superlatively comfortable" buses with much card-playing and even guitar-strumming en route. Wagner concentrates on just one operatic work during each Fall or Spring season. He himself, though he now boasts the ripe age of eighty-six, not only travels with the troupe but dashes betimes by bus or plane to points north, south, east and west to line up singers for the next season's productions. The attraction, so reads the prospectus, "sells at \$3,000 to \$3,500 a performance." (The Metropolitan comes at \$18,000 to \$20,000 a production on the road.)

The rehearsal of "La Bohomo" for the San Antonio Grand Opera Fostival. At the table, left to right: Jan Gbur, Colline; Edwin Dunning, Schauserd; Marie del Monece, Rodolfe; Bidu Sayae, Mimi; Giuseppe Valdenge, Mercella.



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Raleigh's Grass Roots Opera Company, through being sponsored by the Extension Department of the University of North Carolina, is able to sell its opera at as little as \$110 the performance. It works this way: a town orders its favorite, and the company fares forth buswise and truck-wise over mountains, rivers and valleys to give, complete with singers, scenery and one lone planist (Aileen Lynn) acting as "orchestra," *Carmen, Traviata* or *Pagliacci*. To date it has given over 300 performances before audiences in eighty-one communities, many of which have never before witnessed real opera. This would seem to be the ultimate in portability, adjustability, and kaleidoscopic economy.

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Most of the larger opera companies tour for at least part of the year. The New York City Opera Company guests in Chicago, Detroit, East Lansing, Michigan, and Madison, Wisconsin. In its sixth season in Chicago, November 18-29, 1953, it presented fourteen performances. The Detroit Grand Opera Association was host to it for the third consecutive year in eight per-formances, November 10-16, 1953. The contemplated 1954-55 season of the Philadelphia La Scala Opera Company will include, besides twelve performances in Philadelphia, twenty additional ones on tour. The company in the past has toured cities in twenty-six States and Canada. The Pacific Opera Company, after presenting a Spring season in San Francisco, pays a visit to Reno, Nevada. The Northwest Grand Opera Association, based in Seattle, goes on opera-performing jaunts to Portland, Yakima, Tacoma, Olympia and Everett, Wash-ington. The Los-Angeles Conservatory's "Dollar Opera" gives performances (with the cooperation of Local 47) in San Pedro, Long Beach, Santa Ana, and Redlands. The New England Opera Theater, based in Boston, travels just about the length and breadth of the land.

The greatest trouper of all these larger groups, without a doubt, is the Metropolitan Opera Company, and it frankly admits this getting around is what balances its books. It started on the road from its very first season in 1883 and has been going ever since, gradually increasing its radius. That February of the first season they encountered a flood in Cincinnati. The San Francisco earthquake and fire caught them in 1906. But it took more than fire or flood to keep them at home. By 1941 eleven cities were being visited during the regular season and many more outside it. The Spring tour for 1954 includes Cleveland (eight operas), Boston (eight), Atlanta (four), Birmingham (two), Memphis (one), Dallas (four), Oklahoma City (one), St. Louis (one), Des Moines (one), Minneapolis (four), Bloomington (two), Lafayette (one), Chicago (six), and Toronto (six). Also the company makes weekly in season visits to Philadelphia.

Clearly, the Metropolitan is the greatest thing that happens, operatically speaking, in many of the cities it visits. It starts mass migrations of opera-lovers from adjacent cities; clubs are organized expressly to further its aims; opera houses are built to house its seasons. The Baltimore Opera Club has sponsored seventy-four Metropolitan Opera Nights in their city without a deficit. In Dallas the Metropolitan has been a powerful lure to audiences of out-oftowners as well as localites. In fact, out-of-town ticket purchasers have registered from as many as thirry other states. Parties come bus-wise and even air-wise from Washington, Oregon, Iowa, Kansas, Wisconsin, Colorado, Arizona, New



A scone from Act II of Verdi's "A Masked Ball," presented by the Louisiana State University

Mexico and California. Large delegations appear from Mexico City and Monterrey. In Cleveland in 1927 the Northern Ohio Opera Association was formed just to insure the annual appearance of the Metropolitan Opera. As a result the season of eight performances is a fixture there. The average attendance is 9,000. There has never been a deficit, never a need to call upon the guarantors. Moreover, in recent years the Northern Ohio Opera Association has made a substantial annual donation to the Metropolitan to buy costumes and to refurbish the sets.

This enthusiasm is all as it should be. The Metropolitan, high of standard, broad in scope, representative of America, should be supported, by those it visits train-wise and air-wise, as well as by opera devotees in the home city. Especially so, since it receives not one penny from city, state or national government. Director Rudolph Bing, citing the instances of the Berlin opera which receives a government subsidy of a million dollars and of the Milan opera which receives a subsidy of two million, added with understandable irony, "But the Metropolitan is broke!"

This adoration for the Metropolitan has proved good for the towns, too. For, by bringing operatic perfection (or near-perfection) into many communities, it has worked as a goal and as an incentive. However, it is a fact that this very perfection has sometimes tended to discourage local effort. To make a parallel, it is as if our operatic activitics functioned on only two levels: five or six companies members of the "major league" and innumerable campus "teams" (opera workshops) carrying on as adjuncts to the educational system. Nothing in between. School stuff or stardom, and no way of getting from one to the other!

From very desperation, many of our singers have gone to Europe to find permanent niches. At the present time there are twenty-eight young American singers with permanent engagements in the opera houses of Aachen, Augsburg, Bremen, Darmstadt, Duesseldorf, Essen, Flensburg, Freiburg, Hamburg, Karlsruhe, Keil, Krefeld, Mainz, Munich, Nuremberg, Oldenburg, Regensburg, Wiesbaden, Wuerzburg—and this is to mention German cities alone! Three winners of the Blanche Thebom Award, which has been granted now for five years, have been engaged by important German and Swiss opera houses to sing leading roles. In what other field of endeavor would America let her top talent be siphoned off to give vitality to foreign countries?

Canada is acutely conscious of this problem. For his graduation address at the Royal Conservatory of Music of Toronto, Dean Boyd Neel told the young students, "If you ask a Canadian working, say, in London or Paris why he left Canada you always get the same answer: 'There was not enough work for me at home.' If he be a singer he will tell you that there was no opera for him to join. Well, that won't be true very soon!... To see such wonderful talent dissipating over the world's surface, when it might be here enriching the life of this great country, makes one very angry."

For the very survival of the Metropolitan itself, if that were all, we need means of developing American singers. The Metropolitan of pre-World War days was based in European talent, a base which has now corroded and crumbled. Now Americans must build from the ground up. Of the eighty-nine members on the Metropolitan roster in the 1953-54 season, forty-four are American-born. A high average, but not high enough.

Another reason for encouraging professional operas in citics throughout the land is the presence in almost every sizable community of orchestras of symphonic proportions and highly skilled membership. There they sit and play their self-imposed programs, practically begging for a chance to be heard. Yet, far from providing opportunities for these instrumentalists, not to speak of the vocalists, we are leaving them with next to no professional outlets.

We cannot think, however, that the picture will remain so dark. Americans in the long run can be counted on to believe in their communal enterprises, to believe in horizontal as well as vertical democracy, to believe that Fruitland, New Mexico, or Thermopolis, Wyoming, has artistic possibilities as well as New York City. Such being their conviction, it seems not too much to look forward to the development of at least fifty opera companies in larger cities, with many more in the smaller communities, these paying their singers, instrumentalists and other workers living wages. A force for culture, this, which will not only graduate talent to the Metropolitan, but will also determine many talented young people to stay right at home, enriching the life of their communities while they enrich their own.

-Hope Stoddard.



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GUIDE TO Accordion Playing



By ALFRED MAYER

#### THE BELLOWS

Most of the TV viewers who have seen accordionists perform are almost certain to see them demonstrating a bagful of flashy tricks. First and foremost in anyone's bag of tricks is the over-done bellows shake. Uniortunately, the trick use of the bellows shake is in great favor, whereas the musical possibilities have suffered. The bellows shake is use of the bellows on the accordion to detach and disconnect tones, rather than the use of the fingers or wrists. It is very similar to tremolo-type bowing in use on string instruments. Whether one cares to be flashy or not doesn't matter; I believe that everyone should have some sort of a basic knowledge of the shake in order to execute some passages and rhythms otherwise impossible. One doesn't learn to do a bellows shake properly in a short period of time. It must be practiced and developed slowly. In fact, one of the big secrets in mastering a shake is to relax and work slowly. The finished product would lead one to believe that it takes a great deal of effort and strain, but such is not the case. The first step in developing the shake is usually to practice simple scales very slowly with hands independently and then combined, thus:



Students who are used to practicing with proper bellows all the time will find it not too difficult to control them for the bellows shake. Those of us who pull out easier than we pull in will have to readjust our method and manner of playing. Of prime importance in rendering the bellows shake is the fit of the straps and the position of the accordion. Many of us can get by normally with a slovenly fit and not suffer thereby too much (though I wouldn't recommend it). With a shake, though, the straps must fit perfectly or else the accordion will be moving in all sorts of directions. The left strap should be shorter than the right and the keyboard should be more or less in line with the chin. In a sitting position, the top corner of the keyboard should fit in (if possible) the right shoulder cavity in the area of the pectoralis major. (Women and men who are of slight build oftentimes find this physically impossible.) The lower end of the keyboard should be stopped by the inside of the leg down near the knee. With these two points of contact, the instrument will remain a bit more stationary and permit the player to perform without any wasted effort. The bellows shake is produced primarily by the left wrist. This must be loose and flexible at all times. The bass strap should be as tight as is feasible in order to conserve energy expended. The bellows shake may be used for repeated individual tones



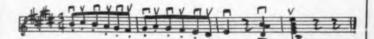




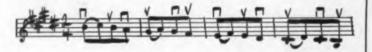
Years ago those in the field who were reluctant to adopt the bellows shake asserted that they could reproduce with their hands anything that could be played with the shake. I don't think they would repeat such a statement today. The bellows shake can also be played with various rhythms:



In addition to all the repeated tones we've talked about, a shake can be used with individual notes for a detached *staccato* far different from the lightest produced by the hand alone:



Shakes may also be used with a combination of normal bellows-ing and alternating between the two:



In many Latin-type compositions where there is a demand for several rapidly repeated chords, the shake is invaluable. This example is not practical without the bellows shake:



Particularly when we try to coordinate the two hands with the same rhythm. Back in vaudeville days, just as the drummers were imitating trains, accordionists imitated the iron horses by depressing several lefthand buttons indiscriminately and simultaneously. The bellows were then used in a shake starting at a grave tempo and very gradually increasing it to a presto. Pauses were inserted intermittently where with their right hands near the tops of their keyboards they would play a diminished seventh chord to simulate a train whistle. Musically, this was rather low and vulgar, but visually and audience-wise it was a real show-stopper. Personally, I believe the shake is a very useful device when used with taste. The late Pietro Frosini gained the admiration and respect of every-

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#### By GEORGE LAWRENCE STONE

#### PRACTICE PAD POINTERS

We all are interested in getting the most out of our drumming and matching its character to that of the music.

While character in drumming is developed bit by bit as we go along, its natural development begins in elementary lessons and on the practice pad, for the pad, not the drum itself, is the beginner's first instrument. On the pad habits are formed—lasting habits—that could persist throughout a lifetime of playing. The would-be drummer is fortunate indeed if he has an instructor who realizes the vital importance of developing good habits from the beginning, and of taking pains to correct the ever-so-many bad ones that spring up unbidden like weeds in a garden.

The pad itself can be a help or a hindrance, according to the way it is used. First of all, it should be firmly affixed—nailed, screwed, riveted, or merely tied with cord—to the chair-seat, table-top or drum stand on which it is to rest. There is nothing more distracting to pupil or professional than to have to follow a jumping, sliding pad around with a pair of sticks.

The angle of the pad playing surface and that of the drum itself is important too. They should coincide. It is a mistake to practice for long, hard hours on a pad tilted at one angle, then to transfer the beats so painstakingly learned onto a drumhead tilted at a different angle; or perhaps lying flat (horizontally). This transference from pad to drum, and vice versa, involves enough variance in the line-up of playing muscles to be a hindrance to top notch execution for some time to come. A slight hindrance, to be sure, but an unnecessary one.

Many a drummer (and not always a beginner, either) practices with his pad set in the conventional way as shown in the drum catalogs; sidewise, with the high side to his left. But when he arranges his outfit, ten to one he twists his snare drum around until its highest side is nearer him than to his left. This involves a decided change in the line-up of playing muscles, thus constituting a further hindrance. And all this can be so nicely avoided by seeing to it that the *angle and twist* of drum and pad coincide.

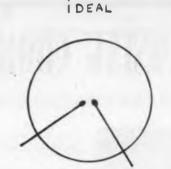
#### PLAYING SPOTS ON THE DRUMHEAD

A Brooklyn reader asks if it is permissible to strike a drumhead off dead centre.

It certainly is permissible to strike the drumhead anywhere and in any way that fits the character of the music involved. Today, in addition to conventional playing, drummers are looking for new sounds. By striking the head on different playing spots (areas) we produce different sounds—some new, some otherwise. In some of the Latin-American rhythms we get a really different sound by striking, not the head itself, but on the side of the drum. Indeed, when we consider the many and various ways we are told to strike our respective instruments (snare drum included) in some of the current novelty percussion ensembles, the sounds, whether we approve or not, seem to be very important. And, back to the beginning, different sounds are largely produced on a drumhead by striking on different areas.

Conventionally, the ideal playing spot on the drum head is dead centre, with stick tips held at right angles and an inch or so apart.

Here we get the true drum tone and, in military drumming, dead centre is a *muss*, for it is on this area that we get maximum power.



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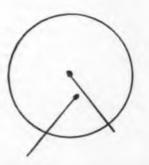
is or ts or a, In art drumming, which embraces orchestral concert, theatrical, symphonic, and concert band work, many professionals strike a little offcentre. This is my own favorite playing spot. Here the drum tone is more musical, the snare action more sensitive and the head more susceptible to delicacy of shading.

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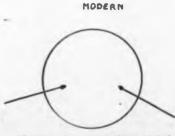


Avoid this, or any other position in which sticks are out of proper alignment and thus strike on different sounding spots on the head.

#### AVOID



In modern combos playing dance work, many of the boys spread their sticks as shown below and strike the head three or four inches in from the hoop (nearer the centre for louder blows). By holding sticks at a low angle, so low that the stick shoulders almost touch the hoop, they can, by the slightest depression of hands, strike head and hoop simultaneously, thus producing rim shots with ease and accuracy. It would appear in the following graph that the playing spots of right and left sticks are quite divergent, but so long as either stick is struck from approximately the same distance in from the hoop the difference in tone, while discernible, is slight.



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Grafton J. Fox GRAFTON JAMES FOX

Grafton James Fox (Daddy Fox) passed away on April 13 at the age of seventy-nine. He had been Secre-tary of Local 94, Tulsa, Oklahoma, for forty-one years. At the time of his death he was one of Tulsa's best known leaders in the organized labor movement, a dynamic man who had pounded city commission tables and faced many business executives during his career. He had been Delegate to many Conventions of the A. F. of M. and also served as President of the Southern Conference of Musicians. He had played in many theaters and parades and forty-five years ago landed in Tulsa on a oneperformance stand at the Grand Opera House and since then had called Tulsa his home. He was a life member of Local 94, A. F. of M., the Tulsa Trades Council, the Akdar Shrine and the Indiana Consistory at McAlester. He also be-came a member of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, a move which furthered employment for many of the members of the local and generally established better public relations for musicians in that area. He was stricken with a heart condition in March due to which he was confined to the Hillcrest Hospital in Tulsa. He was released the latter part of the month and returned to the office to resume his duties in the local. The strain and his advanced age were probably too much. He will be missed by the local and also at the Conventions.

#### FRANCIS PATT, JR.

Francis Patt, Jr., President of Local 187, Sharon, Pennsylvania, passed away on April 17. He was a member of that local's Examining Board two years, a member of its Executive Board three years, and its President two years, and serving his third term when he passed away. Mr. Patt had attended the past two Conventions and was to be a delegate also at this.

For the past seven years he was supervisor of music in Farrell, Pennsylvania, public schools. He also had played piano with various dance bands in this area.

#### WARD BEECHER HARRINGTON

Ward Beecher Harrington, native of New York City, died suddenly on January 29.

In 1934 Mr. Harrington was designated a life member of Local 47, Los Angeles. He served as Financial Secretary of the local from May, 1919, to the end of the 1922 term, and again from 1927 to 1940 inclusive.

He was also a director of the Musicians' Club of Los Angeles from 1932 to 1938 both as Vice-President and Trustee.

#### **ANTONIO "TONY" DOMINGUEZ**

Antonio "Tony" Dominguez, sixty-one-year-old life member of Local 308, Santa Barbara, California, passed away April 9 after a lengthy illness.

His entire life was devoted to the music profession. He played with many outstanding orchestras, among them Paul Whiteman's original orchestra in Santa Barbara's Potter Hotel.

Prior to his illness he was very active in local affairs, having served on the Executive Board for several years.

#### RAYMOND F. OTTO

Raymond F. Otto, Vice-President of Local 67, Davenport, Iowa, for the past seventeen years, passed away on March 13 at the age of fifty-four. He had served the local also as its Secretary for six years. Mr. Otto had been a delegate to many A. F. of M. Conventions.

A member of the Tri-City Symphony under its first conductor, Ludwig Becker, and of the late Ernst Otto and Albert Petersen bands, he also played trumpet in local dance orchestras.

Surviving him are his wife, a son, Jack Frederick; a daughter, Roberta Louise; his mother and a sister. (Continued on page thirty-eight)



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included on the workshop staff are Richard Burgin, concert master of the Boston Symphony; Samuel Lifschey, solo violist of the Philadelphia Orchestra; Walter Heermann, former solo cellist of the Cincinnati Symphony and present conductor of the Madison Civic Symphony, Wisconsin; Willis Page, bassist of the Boston Symphony; the Chicago Symphony Woodwind Quintet composed of James Stowell, clarinetist; Wilbur Simpson, bassoonist; Philip Farkas, hornist; Ralph Johnson, flutist; and Robert Mayer. oboist; William Vaachiano, solo trumpeter of the New York Philharmonic; L. V. Haney, trombonist of the New York Philharmonic; Saul Goodman, tympanist of the New York Philharmonic; Arthur Coop-

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symphony orchestra representa- \* Several special scholarships are tives from all parts of the United open to qualified students in (Continued on page thirty-tico)



Jeseph Seprani, who loured with the USO Camp Shows for four months to Japan, Korea and the Pacific la-lands, will make an appearance with the Philadelphia Orchestra, on its Stu-dents Concerts Series, during the 1954-55 teston.

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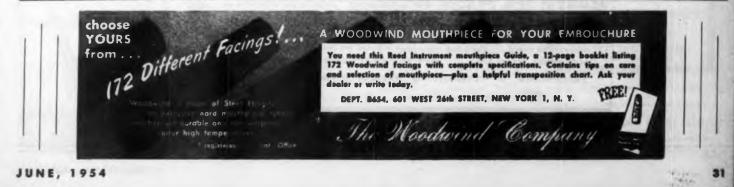
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(Continued from page thirty-one)

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\* The Gotham Concert Trio is at present on a tour of the eastern coast, and during the 1954-55 season will make tours throughout the United States and subsequent tours in Canada and New Mexico. The trio is made up of Diana Steiner, violinist; Ruth Condell, cellist; Seymour Bernstein, pianist. Miss Steiner, who made her debut recital at Town Hall in 1952, is a product of the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia. Ruth Condell, a student of the Juilliard and Mannes schools and Yale University School of Music, toured during the 1952-53 season as a member of the

Metropolitan Ensemble. Seymour Bernstein, a pupil of Alexander Brailowsky, attended the Mannes and Juilliard schools. During two years of Army service, he played over one hundred concerts for United Nations troops in Korea and made a solo appearance with the Korean Navy Symphony. Last Summer he captured the Durand Prize in international competitions at Fontainebleau Conservatory.

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#### WANTED TO LOCATE

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Earl Davis, member Local 295, Pocatello, Idaho. Ronnie Orland, former member

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Local 160, Springfield, Ohio. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the above named are requested to communicate with Leo Cluesmann, Secretary, A. F. of M., 220 Mt. Pleasant Ave., Newark 4. N. J.

#### WANTED TO LOCATE

Fred Waldron, French horn player, formerly member of Local 47. Anyone having information of his whereabouts is requested to com-municate with Phil Fischer, International Studio and TV Film Representative, c/o Local 47, A. F. of M., 817 North Vine St., Los Angeles 38, Calif

#### WANTED TO LOCATE

Herman Berkowitz, alias Gene Reagan, member Local 161, Washington, D. C. Anyone knowing of his whereabouts is requested to advise Secretary J. Martin Einerson. Local 161, A. F. of M., 1105 16th St. N. W., Washington 6, D. C.

#### DEFAULTERS

The following are in default of payment to members of the Amer-ican Federation of Musicians either severally or jointly: **Rio Rita Cocktail Lounge and Joe** 

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Gentry and William Carthen, San

Francisco, Calif., \$58.00. Say When Club. and G. J. Nie-man, San Francisco, Calif., \$2,916.40. (Continued on page thirty-seven)



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JUNE, 1954

#### TAFT-HARTLEY LAW AMENDMENTS

#### (Continued from page five)

induce unions and employers to bargain rather than subject themselves to Government intervention.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committee on Public Works January 12, 1954

#### Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Your informative, five-page comment on the Taft-Hartley Act is acknowl-edged and I want you to know I find it very interesting. I believe you know you can count on me to look at this whole thing in a most fair-like manuer. With warmest of wishes, I am

Sincerely,

DENNIS CHAVEZ, U. S. S. Senator from New Mexico.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE **Committee on Foreign Relations** January 14, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thank you for your letter of January 7 re-garding the Taft-Hartley Law and also for the article which you enclosed from the "Weekly Labor News Digest."

I have read both carefully and with interest. I appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in giving me the benefit of your thinking regard-ing this law and suggested amendments.

While I am not a member of the Senate Comwhile I am not a memory of the Senate Coher such legislation, you may be assured that if this Committee reports out a proposal and it comes before the Senate for action it will have my most careful attention. I will support only such legislation which I believe fair and equitable not only to labor and management but to the general public as well.

Sincerely. JOHN SPARKMAN,

Senator from Alabama.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committee on Banking and Currency January 9, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I very much appreciate the views in your recent communication on the proposed changes in the so-called Taft-Hartley Law.

As you may know, this matter has been under careful study by appropriate committees of both Houses of the Congress for many months and some recommendations are expected early in the new session.

While I am not a member of the Senate Committee considering the proposed changes, I always have and shall continue to maintain a deep interest in a labor-management law designed to serve the best interests of all segments of our economy. Your views will be helpful to me in evaluating any proposed changes in the existing act.

Sincerely, HOMER CAPEHART. Senator from Indiana.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE **Committee on Appropriations** January 11, 1954

#### Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thanks ever so much for your letter of Jan-uary 7 regarding the Taft-Hartley Law and the enclosed release regarding the American Federation of Musicians.

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As you undoubtedly know, President Eisen-

As you uncountedly know, President Elsen-hower will submit the Administration's pro-posals for labor legislation, including revision of the Taft-Hartley Law, to Congress today. I expect to give these proposals my closest study from the point of view of assuring the fairest and most workable solutions of the con-flicting interesticat at state. In this connection flicting interests at stake. In this connection, it is particularly helpful to have your thoughtful comments. You may be sure that I will keep them in mind.

Sincerely yours,

LEVERETT SALTONSTALL. Senator from Massachusetts.

#### UNITED STATES SEMATE **Majority Floor Leader**

Committees: Appropriations, Foreign Relations, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy January 20, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I want to thank you for your letter of January 7 in which you advised me of certain difficulties encountered by the American Federation of Musicians

in operating under the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947. I am sure you have studied the Presi-

dent's recommendations for amending this act which were announced on January 11 and noted his comments with respect to union welfare funds. I am enclosing a copy of this message for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM F. KNOWLAND, Senator from California.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committee on the Judiciary

January 11, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I have your letter of January 7th concerning proposed changes in the Taft-Hartley Act, and thank you sincerely for writing me. The details of your letter, as well as the

article which appeared in the November 5, 1952, issue of "Weekly Labor News Digest," have been noted carefully, and you may be assured that your views on this important subject will be kept prominently before me. Your kindness in furnishing me with infor-

mation about your Federation is indeed appreciated, and I hope you will always feel free to contact me about any questions of government in which you are interested. With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

JOHN MARSHALL BUTLER, Senator from Maryland.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE

#### Committee on Agriculture and Forestry January 11, 1954

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of January 7 in regard to changes which you think should be made in the Taft-Hartley Act.

I shall be glad to give full consideration to this measure when it comes before the Senate for hearing, and I have read with interest the changes which you suggest.

which you suggest. I cannot agree with you with refer-ence to secondary boycotts. I think this is wholly unjustified, and I do not think that a boycott of a playhouse in New York should be justified because of a disagreement between employees of a playhouse in Detroit, even though they are using the product of the same musicians. This is carrying the matter entirely too far. I am opposed to let-ting any organisation tie up the indus-try or business of the nation.

#### Yours very truly,

CLYDE R. HOEY, Senator from North Carolina.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE **Committee on Banking and Currency** January 12, 1954

#### Dear Mr. Petrillo:

This will acknowledge your letter of recent the concerning proposed amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act. I appreciate receiving your views on this subject. They are most helpful to me in my consideration of proposed amendments to this law.

> Sincerely yours, IRVING M. IVES, Senator from New York.

UNITED STATES SENATE Committee on Finance January 14, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

This is to acknowledge a recent letter from your office in regard to the Taft-Hartley Act.

I will give the contents of your letter, and enclosed memorandum, my closest attention just as I have given my full attention to President Eisenhower's recommendations this week.

Thank you for furnishing me the views of your organization. I will give those points you mention every consideration.

Sincerely, GEORGE W. MALONE, Senator from Nevada.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE Committee en Appreprietiens January 19, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I have your recent letter concerning the numerous aspects of the Taft-Hartley Act, as it applies to members of your union. I will not comment on each of them, but wish to thank you for making this material available to me.

Kindest regards. Sincerely,

WARREN G. MAGNUSON, U. S. S. Senator from Washington.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE

Committee on Appropriations January 11, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thank you for your letter of January 7th outlining the views of the American Federation of Musicians with respect to possible changes of the Taft-Hartley Act.

I am very glad to have this detailed expression of the views of your organi-sation and will be glad to keep them in mind when the subject comes up for consideration.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

HOMER FERGUSON. Senator from Michigan.

#### UNITED STATES SENATE **Committee on Foreign Relations** January 12, 1954

#### Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of Januany 7th with regard to the Taft-Hartley Act and the attached copy of the November 5, 1952, issue of the "Weekly Labor News Digest" pub-lished by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Labor Department.

Sincerely,

GUY M. GILLETTE, Senator from Iowa.

Office of the Majority Looder CONGEESS OF THE UNITED STATES House of Representatives Washington, D. C. Januory 11, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 7th, which I am filing for appropriate consideration in connection with proposed changes in the Taft-Hartley Act. I am.

Sincerely yours, CHARLES A. HALLECK, Congressman from Indiana.

#### CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES House of Representatives Washington, D. C. Morch 3, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Since receiving your letter of January 7, 1954. concerning the proposed revision of the Taft-Hartley Act. I have written to the Chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor, the Honorable Samuel K. McConnell.

While I am not a member of this Committee, I have recommended to the Chairman that thought be given to an amendment to the Act which would recognize the unique nature of the Recording and Transcription Fund. I am sure that the members of the Committee will give this matter their sympathetic consideration.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours. RICHARD W. HOFFMAN, M. C., Congressman from Illinois.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES Hause of Representatives Washington, B. C. Jonuary 21, 1934

My dear Mr. Petrillo:

I have for acknowledgment your letter of January 7th which I found upon my desk when I returned to Washington.

In this letter you discuss the Taft-Hartley Act at some length. I am, naturally, very happy to have

your letter, but may I point out to you that when the original Taft-Hartley Act was before us I voted against it, and I voted against passing it over the President's veto. I think my record is quite clear with respect to my position on the Taft-Hartley Act. I didn't think it was a good law then, and I don't think it's a good law now.

Sincerely,

GEORGE P. MILLER, Congressman from California.

#### CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES House of Representatives Weshington, D. C.

January 1, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

I hasten to acknowledge receipt of your communication of January 7th outlining in considerable detail how you are affected by the Taft-Hartley Act.

Taft-Hartley Act. I also wish to acknowledge receipt of the article which appeared in the November 5, 1952, issue of the "Weekly Labor News Digest" published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Labor Department.

I appreciate having the benefit of your observations 'concerning your problem and it might interest you to know that the day that the Taft-Hartley bill became a law, over former President Truman's veto and my vote, I committed myself to the repeal of it.

JUNE, 1954

The measure was conceived in a spirit of antagonism towards labor and I am still firmly convinced that outright repeal is a prerequisite to cementing better understanding in labor management relations. I shall therefore continue my efforts to have this obnoxious antilabor law repealed.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

JOHN J. ROONEY, Congressman from New York.

## CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

Washington, D. C.

January 11, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Many thanks for your communication of January 7th in which you suggest certain amendments to the Taft-Hartley Act.

Like you, I believe Taft-Hartley has failed to deal equitably with the problems of both labor and management, and, therefore, has resulted in strikes, stoppages, and discord. President Eisenhower recognized this fact in his State of the Union Message in 1953 and 1954 when he stated "We have now had five years' experience with the Labor-Management Act of 1947, commonly known as the Taft-Hartley Act. That experience has shown the need for corrective action, and we should promptly proceed to amend that Act." He had previously stated that "in the

He had previously stated that "in the field of labor legislation, only a law that merits the respect and support of both labor and management can help reduce the loss of wages and of production through strikes and stoppages, and, thus add to the total economic strength of our nation." Surely, the Taft-Hartley Act does not meet that test. If by amending, we can achieve the objective, a fair, equitable, and impar-

If by amending, we can achieve the objective, a fair, equitable, and impartial law—one that can serve our nation and our people well—all factors equally —then I certainly would not hesitate to support such amendments. However, if the contemplated changes continue to prejudice the rights of one group—then certainly—I shall stand firmly opposed. The views which you have expressed

on this issue are appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

PETER W. RODINO, JR., M. C., Congressman from New Jersey.

#### CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES House of Representatives Washington, B. C. January 14, 1954

JUNUARY 14

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thanks so much for your most kind and informative letter of January 7 relative to the Taft-Hartley Act.

As a member of the Congress, I shall be better able to approach legislation on this subject because of the valuable suggestions contained in communications such as yours. I appreciate your interest.

Sincerely yours, DONALD L. JACKSON, M. C., Congressman from California.

#### CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES Hause al Representatives Washington, D. C. Jonuery 29, 1954

Dear President Petrillo:

Please excuse the tardiness of this reply to your very fine letter of January 7th. I say "very fine" because it certainly sets forth in the most explicit language the plight and problem of the musician of today. I agree 100 per cent with your analysis of the situation, and I take this opportunity to commend you for the fine arguments set forth in your letter on behalf of the membership of the American Federation of Musicians. Please be assured that I will do every-

Please be assured that I will do everything in my power to repeal, and if that is not possible, to drastically modify the Taft-Hartley Act and the punitive provisions of that law which have worked such hardship on the members of organized labor. As one who had the privilege, in my former capacity as Secretary of the San Francisco Central Labor Council and also as President of the California (state Federation of Labor, of working with the musicans' locals in California (particularly with Local 6 in San Francisco) I have a fairly good understanding of, and certainly a very definite sympathy with, the situation confronting your organization and its members. The problem of amendment of the Taft-Hartley Act and consideration of the President's recommendations to the Congress in that respect are now being considered by the House Committee on Labor and Education and by the similar Committee of the Senate. At this time nobody seems to know definitely what may come out of the Committee in the form of a bill for action on the floor. Personally, however, I am not too hopeful that any great improvement in the law will be proposed by the Committee. I do feel, nevertheless, that this session of the Congress will see a floor fight on the Taft-Hartley law, and there are those of us who will do everything in our power to eliminate as many as possible of the extremely harsh provisions contained in that Act.

With kindest regards and best wishes to you and your organization, I am

Fraternally and cordially, JACK SHELLEY, M. C., Congressman from California.

#### CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

January 27, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thank you for your letter explaining in detail the situation of the musicians under the Taft-Hartley amendments proposed by the President. As you know I voted against the Taft-Hartley Act, understand the situation of your union and am very sympathetic to it.

I might say I have sponsored legislation here for a national establishment for theatre and music along the lines of the British Arts Council. I agree with you that we should utilize the musical talent we have and give it greater opportunity. You may be sure that I will do all I can to help advance this fundamental objective.

With best wishes, believe me, Sincerely,

> J. K. JAVITS. M. C. Congressman from New York.

#### CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES Name of Representatives Washington, D. C.

January 16, 1954

Dear Mr. Petrillo:

Thank you for your very interesting and informative letter discussing the relationship of your organization to the Taft-Hartley Act.

Taft-Hartley Act. I shall be very glad to bear your unique situation in mind in the consideration of the proposed changes in this law.

law. With my thanks for your interest, I am

Sincerely yours. GEORGE H. BENDER, Congressman from Ohio.

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# Guide to Accordion Playing

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one for his discovery of the shake and his successful demonstrations of it. Frankly, I don't relish the thought of hearing a shake in *every* selection rendered, whether necessary or not. In playing a string part, nothing else will do; bending over backward to use it all the time as an attentiongetter merely brings discredit to the performer. In hearing many of the amateur hours, I've always wondered what the accordionists would do if they had to play *two* selections. The shake is mystifying and aweinspiring in the first selection. However, when the same player goes on to use the same device in a second and then a third number, the gimmick merely becomes monotonous. Though not a shake, here is a more modern usage of the bellows:



# LOCAL HIGHLIGHTS

board comprises the above officers and Tony Lada, Ramould Robert and Lionel Lavallee.

Local 19, Springfield, Illinois, at its meeting of May 11 elected Dewey Blane, president; Howard Wikoff, vice-president; John Gorsek, financial secretary; Horace Sweet, recording secretary; August Rusch, business agent. The board of directors includes: Eugene Bradley, John Underwood, William Moshier and Lou Hahn.



Mayor Robert F. Wagner, New York City, proclaims May 2-9 Music Week. In picture, left to right: Al Knopf, Vice-President, Lecal 802; Al Manuti, President, Local 802; Mayor Robert F. Wagner; and T. E. Rivers, Secretary, Notional and Inter-American Music Week Committee.

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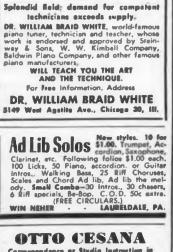
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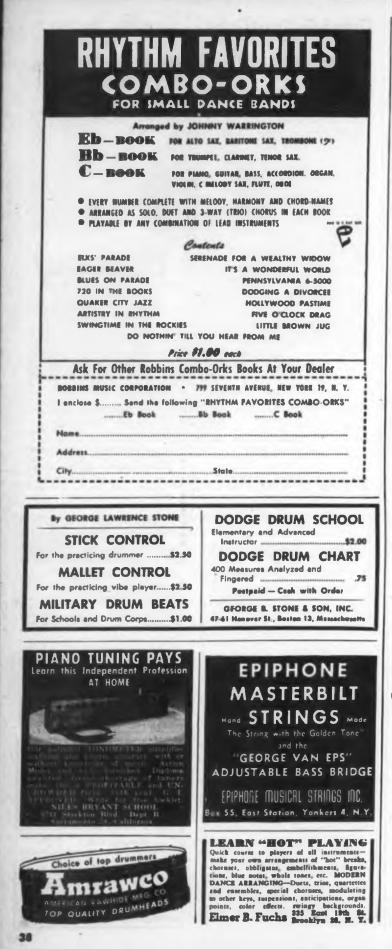
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# **CLOSING CHORD**

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### J. E. PETERSON

264, Keokuk, Iowa, for thirty-one the Illinois Conference of Musicians, years, passed away on February 9, 1954. He was stricken with a heart attack several days before, but until then had had no indication of the seriousness of his condition. He had been delegate to many conventions of the Federation and had looked forward to attending the next one in Milwaukee. His wife, to whom he was married for forty-three years, died on September 2, 1953, which was a great blow to him and no doubt was in part responsible for his condition. He was a capable officer JOHN F. CAM of his local and his passing away will be a loss not only to the local Local 486, New Haven, Connecticut, but to the Federation.

### **GLENN E. TOWN**

Glenn E. Town, Secretary of Local 268, Lincoln, Illinois, passed away suddenly at his home on April 3 at the age of sixty-two.

in 1923 and for most of the ensuing well known for his square dances years served as its Secretary. He also served as delegate to a number of conventions.

He was very active in dance orchestras as leader and sideman in the 20's and early 30's, and was also formerly a member of French's Mili- local about 1936, which office he tary Band.

At the time of his death he was J. E. Peterson, Secretary of Local Executive Member of the Board of

### PAUL C. LEHMAN

Paul C. Lehman, aged eighty-four, died at his home in Columbus, Ohio, on March the 24th. Brother Lehman joined Local 103, Columbus, on December 28, 1899-just three days before the local received its charter.

He was the head of the violin department of the Capitol College of Music, where he had taught since 1898-in fact until within a few days of his death.

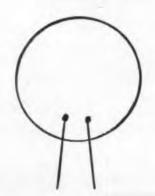
John F. Cam, Vice-President of passed away on May 5 of a heart attack. Born in Woodbury, Connecticut, June 14, 1867, he started his musical career at the age of nine, playing stringed bass. After many years of association with his brother, he organized his own dance band Brother Town joined Local 268 which was very popular. He was and his calling throughout New England and New York State till 1925, at which time he disbanded to become associated with New Haven bands. He joined Local 486 in 1929. He became vice-president of the held until his unexpected death.

## TECHNIQUE OF PERCUSSION (Continued from page twenty-nine)

Now comes a question from a Brooklyn reader who has deserted the conventionalized left handhold so universally recommended in textbooks and by instructors and, with his drum adjusted horizontally, holds his left stick exactly as his right, in the same manner as the vibe player. This deserter from the rank and file (or shall we call him pioneer in new fields?) asks where to strike the head for best results.

My suggestion is to strike on about the same area as that shown in the graph I have labeled Modern, but of course with the line up of the sticks as shown below. (Nearer the centre here, too, for louder blows.)

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OLIVE BRANCH: 44 Club, and Harold Babb ONEIDA: Rova Amvet Hall STERLING: Bowman, John E. Sigman, Arlie

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