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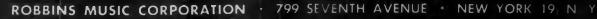
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When I visited President Eisenhower at the White House a year ago last December, among other things discussed, the question of the establishment of a Federal Department of the Arts arose.

I informed him of the sad plight of the musicians today, and it seemed at the time that the President had a genuine sympathetic understanding of the problem.

It was therefore heartening to me, as well as others interested in the state of culture in our nation, to hear the President say in his State of the Union message, delivered to the Congress on January 6, 1955:

"The Federal Government should do more to give official recognition to the importance of the arts and other cultural activities. I shall recommend the establishment of a Federal Advisory Commission on the Arts ... to advise the Federal Government on ways to encourage artistic endeavor and appreciation. I shall also propose that awards of merit be established whereby we can honor our fellow citizens who make great contributions to the advancement of our civilization."

Upon the conclusion of his address I sent the following telegram to the President:

JANUARY 10, 1955

HON. DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

IN LISTENING TO YOUR STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS I WAS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN YOUR PROMISE TO SEEK LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FOR THE CREATION OF A FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMISSION TO ENCOURAGE THE ARTS. SINCE I HAD THE HONOR IN DECEMBER, 1953, OF DISCUSSING WITH YOU AT THE WHITE HOUSE THE DE-CLINE OF MUSIC, THE SITUATION WITH RESPECT TO LIVE MUSIC AND MUSICIANS HAS NOT IMPROVED. EUROPE HAS LONG RECOGNIZED THE NECESSITY FOR FEDERAL EN-COURAGEMENT OF THE ARTS. INDEED, OUR OWN GOVERN-MENT HAS PLAYED NO SMALL PART IN MATERIALLY SUP-PORTING THE ARTS AND ARTISTS IN OTHER LANDS. IT IS HEARTENING TO ME AND TO THE QUARTER OF A MILLION MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS TO KNOW THAT YOU RECOGNIZE THE SERIOUS DEFICIEN-CIES THAT EXIST IN OUR OWN COUNTRY IN THIS RESPECT AND THAT YOU ARE PREPARED TO LEND YOUR GREAT LEADERSHIP TO CORRECT THEM. WITH GREAT RESPECT AND SINCERE GOOD WISHES, I AM, SINCERELY,

> (Signed) JAMES C. PETRILLO, PRESIDENT AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MUSICIANS

To this the President made the following reply on January 24, 1955:

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

DEAR MR. PETRILLO:

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ENCOURAGING TELEGRAM IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FED-ERAL ADVISORY COMMISSION ON THE ARTS.

FROM EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST LIKE YOURS, I AM CONFIDENT THAT SUCH A COMMISSION CAN CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO HEIGHTENING APPRECIATION OF THE ARTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

SINCERELY,

(Signed) DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

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"The Fate of Music Should Be Everybody's Concern. The Survival of Music Must Be Everybody's Problem"... James C. Petrillo

Government Aid in the Development of American Music

Remarks of HON. WAYNE MORSE of Oregon in the Senate of the United States Friday, June 18, 1954

DUE TO NUMEROUS REQUESTS WE ARE REPRINTING THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE.

MR. MORSE: Mr. President, the next subject matter to which I wish to turn deals with music. I am not a musician, but I love music. Earlier this week I addressed, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the Convention of the American Federation of Musicians, A. F. of L. I was very much interested in some of the resolutions adopted by that Convention. I became very much interested in some of the employment problems which confront that union. I am not a special pleader for any of the union's policies. It can speak for itself, and it will have to stand on the merits of its own contentions, as issue after issue arises.

However, I believe that we have a problem in our country in helping to protect and develop a very important phase of the American culture. American music is a part of our culture. Of course, our culture is judged by people in other countries from the standpoint of many criteria; but the development of a nation's culture, from the standpoint of its art, is one of the tests of the level of civilization of any people. You and I know, Mr. President, from our study of history that when we come to appraise the civilizations of bygone generations we always take into account in making that appraisal their arts, including their music.

Having said that, I ask the question, in what direction is American music going today? Many authorities on American music tell us that it is deteriorating. They believe that we are living in such a mechanical age that even our music has become mechanical, and that we are not giving support, as a nation and as a people, to the development of the artistic side of our culture as far as music is concerned. I am perfectly willing to leave that value judgment to the authorities in the neld of music, but as a private citizen, having read on the subject matter, I believe that we ahould do something, as a nation and as a people, to develop a high standard of American music.

I note that in his report to his union the President of the A. F. of L. Musicians' Union, James Petrillo, had this to say: "The fate of music should be every-

body's concern. The survival of music must be everybody's problem."

I would add today that the elimination of musical illiteracy is essential to a high national culture. Legislative bodies have a responsibility, by way of grants-in-aid, to assist in sponsoring the development of creative American music. One may ask, "Senator, are you taking the position that the American taxpayers should give some financial support to the development of musical culture in the United States?"

I say, "Yes, I am." I add that we are already doing it with respect to the development of European music. American taxpayers today are spending considerable sums, within the foreign-aid program, for the development of music abroad. A considerable amount of our money finds its way into the development, for example, of operas and orchestras in Europe. But if one suggests that we do anything as a people to help raise the standard of this phase of American culture, the awful word "subsidy" is thrown at him. I think our music is a part of our national wealth. I am not for a hand-out program, but I invite attention to the importance, for example, of urging assistance to musical education in this country by means of musical scholarships. I point out that as a result of our mechanical music, there has been such discouragement in the field of training for the stringed instruments that it is becoming increasingly difficult in community after community in America to find enough musicians trained on stringed instruments even to have a community orchestra. Yet for decades European governments have had the foresight and the wisdom to recognize that the music of the nation contributes to the cultural life of the nation. They have not hesitated to subsidize great musical projects. Music contributes to the patriotic conditioning of the nation. Show me the Italian who does not thrill patriotically over the high standard of Italian music. Show me the Frenchman or the German who does not thrill patriotically over the high standards of French or German music.

I think there is great merit in the point of view being expressed by artists, educatora, and civic leaders who are concerned over the music problem of America. When we come to considering our domestic problems, we should give some consideration to legislative aid in helping to improve and develop the music phase of American culture.

Mr. President, as a part of my remarks and I wish to associate myself with the general principles, philosophy, and point of view of the material—I ask unanimous consent that there be printed at this point in the *Record* a very interesting discussion of the general problem to which I have referred, under the heading "Diminuendo," a publication of the American Federation of Musicians, which is a report which was presented to the membership of the musicians' union to which I have previously referred, and which in my judgment deserves reading by members of the Senate.

There being no objection, the report was ordered to be printed in the Record, as follows:

Diminuendo

The Crisis in Live Music Today

To determine what is happening to live music today it is necessary to know that since 1929, when the introduction of the sound track caused the sudden unemployment of 22,000 theater musicians, so-called progress in recordings and other mechanized music devices have subtracted steadily from the employment of musicians.

Of nearly 249,000 A. F. of M. members, slightly more than half are even largely sup-(Continued on page seventeen)

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

The settlement of the dispute between the American Federation of Musicians and the American Guild of Variety Artists does not mean that our locals should close their eyes to this situation. We must forever be on the alert to see that no mistakes are made and no misunderstandings occur. Please do not make any move in connection with AGVA without consulting the President's office in the matter.

CONDUCTORS George Szell has received the Laurel Leaf Award of

the American Composers Alliance "for distinguished service to contemporary music." ... Alexander Hilsberg's contract as conductor and music director of the New Orleans Symphony has been renewed for the next three years . . . Dimitri Mitropoulos has been reengaged as musical director of the New York Philharmonic-Symphony for 1955-56. This will be his fifth season with the orchestra. Pierre Monteux will be engaged as guest conductor of the orchestra, in celebration of his eightieth birthday, April 4, 1955 . . . "Grassroots maestros" at the recent (December, 1954) Conductors and Music Critics Forum, held in Los Angeles and co-sponsored by the American Symphony Orchestra League and the Los Angeles Philharmonic were given a chance not only to discuss their mutual problems, but also actually to conduct the 100man Los Angeles orchestra . . . The English conductor, Richard Austin, made his American debut when he conducted the Baltimore Symphony on January 12 . . . Heitor Villa-Lobos was guest conductor of the Philadelphia Orchestra for four mid-January concerts in a program consisting entirely of his own works . . . Joseph Rosenstock, General Director of the New York City Opera, is currently conducting opera in Mannheim, Germany . . . Sir Malcolm Sargent made his debut with the Philadelphia Orchestra when he conducted it in the concerts of January 28 and 29 . . . Sir Ernest MacMillan has announced his intention to retire as conductor of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. He sets the date of the relinquishment of his duties as April, 1956, since this will enable him to round out twenty-five years with the orchestra Desire Defauw is conducting the Gary (Colorado) Symphony Orchestra this season.

SYMPHONY AND OPFRA

CURTAIN CALLS The Juilliard Opera The-

ater presented the first stage performances in New York City of Mozart's Idomeneus on January 27, 28, 31, and February 1, 1955. Frederic Waldman was the conductor ... January 17 was the date of the world premiere, in New Orleans, of the Tennessee Williams), "Lord Byron's Love Letter." Patricia Neway created the role of the New Orleans Lady who is depicted as having had a romance with Lord Byron and as later sustaining herself and her spinster granddaughter by allowing passers-by to read his letters to her. Nicolas Rescigno conducted the fifty-piece orchestra . . . The Fisherman's Wile, one-act opera by Leon Stein, received its first performance January 10 at St. Joseph, Michigan, under the auspices of the Monday Musical Club. George Lawner directed . . . With a cast of 200 the Indianapolis Symphony presented on January 23 a concert version of Puccini's Tosca. Fabien Sevitzky conducted.

The York Symphony of York, YOUTH Pennsylvania, gave its first chil-dren's concert under the direction of George Hurst on December 12. The concert was

CONVENTION NOTICE

The 1955 Convention of the American Federation of Musicians will be held at the Cleveland Public Auditorium, Cleveland, Ohio, during the week of June 6.

Information regarding hotel arrangements will be transmitted to the Delegates just as soon as we receive their credentials.

> sponsored by the Junior League of York, and by Local 472, via the Music Performance Trust Funds of the Recording Industry . . . The Cleveland Orchestra gave ten children's concerts during the week of January 10. Rudolph Ringwall conducted these two-a-day concerts . . . "Music of the Theatre" was the subject of the youngsters' program presented by the Philadelphia Orchestra conducted by Samuel Antek at the Children's Concert of January 22.

PRIZES The winning composition of the Ohio Composers Competition was

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performed at the January 6 concert of the Youngstown Philharmonic. It was "Four Pieces for Orchestra"--Prelude, Dance, Noc-turne and Burlesk-by Robert Witt. Mr. Witt, who is a faculty member of the Emma Willard School for Girls of Troy, New York, received besides performance rights, a prize of \$100 . . Fritz Reiner chose as the winning work of the first composers' contest sponsored by the Artist Advisory Council, Concerto Grosso for Four Solo Instruments, Coloratura Soprano and Orchestra by the New York composer, Frederick C. Schreiber. The work was given its first performance anywhere on March 3, by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Mr. Reiner's baton ... Daniel Kunin, a twentyfour-year-old piano student at Juilliard School of Music has been named winner of the Duluth Symphony Orchestra contest held January 7 and 8. He will play with the orchestra, under Herman Herz, in the March 25 concert,

Correction: Herry Farbman, whose picture appeared in the January, 1955, issue, with the caption "assistant conductor of the St. Louis Philharmonic," is instead the assistant conductor of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestre.

Television Film Jingle and Spot Announcement Agreements with the A. F. of M.

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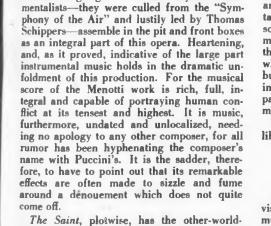
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Saint, but No Sinner

The Saint of Bleecker Street, by Gian-Carlo Menotti, now in the first months of what promises to be a long Broadway run, will assuredly hit the highways and byways of America before the year is out. At the New Year's Day performance at the Broadway Theater, it was a heartening sight to see the fifty-six instrumentalists-they were culled from the "Symphony of the Air" and lustily led by Thomas Schippers-assemble in the pit and front boxes

The Saint, plotwise, has the other-worldliness of Parsifal but with the roles switched -the "saint" a young girl and the "evil" influence a young man, her brother. Though

Jacob Krachmalnick



the locales measure all the distance between the mythology of the Northland of Europe and the slums of present-day New York, both operas show a conflict between earthly impulses and religious aspirations.

Here similarity with Wagner ceases, however. For, unlike that master of basic human emotions, who, in his Parsi/al, made the struggle worth the candle, by presenting "the flesh as a most potent and fearful adversary, Menotti makes the human element so vague, so poorly motivated, as to render the battle itself uncrucial. Nowhere do we become sure of just what the brother wants for his invalid sister bent on taking the veil, or of what he wants for himself or for his world. That world of "evil" which the brother sets out to portray is, in fact-at least the little of it which he expresses -- so devoid of humanness that we have no hankering after it, no urge either to flee it in alarm or embrace it in surrender. This is surely a lack in the play's plotting, in that it makes the saint's struggles seem unreal. Moreover, the words given the actors in this drama are not words used at times of crisis either by gods or men. For at such times, phrases fall into a sort of impulsive rhythm which gives them, for all their simplicity, a telling grandeur. The words of this opera are (aside from certain ecclesiastical passages) unformalized and stereotyped.

The quality of the music here deserves, to my way of thinking, better treatment than to be pulled about between confused issues and held back by pedestrian lines. I maintain that, orchestral, dramatic and vocal resources being what they are today, and the musical genius of Menotti being what it is, there is ready to hand material for an opera which is not only Broadway stuff for this age but box office for the Great White Way of immortality. Even in this opera the birth pangs are apparent. There lacks only one element to bring it to being.

Is there, perchance, in this emergency, a librettist in the audience? —H. E. S.

Bach at His Best

As good Mohammedans make periodic visits to Mecca to renew their faith, so good musicians should come in contact at intervals with Bach, to find out again what music is really meant to be. The Philadelphia Orchestra happily provides this opportunity often,

and it was particularly generous in the concert it presented in the Mosque in Newark, New Jersey, on January 11, 1955. For Jacob Krachmalnick, the orchestra's concert master, was that evening soloist in the Bach Concerto in E major.

Both the manner of his and of the orchestra's delivery made this about as pure Bach as it is possible to find. Conductor Eugene Ormandy saw to it that none of the threads got tangled. Aside from that, he wisely let the music have its own way. Krachmalnick, with easefulness and delicacy of portrayal, gave music its proper place-not as dramatics, not picture painting,

not imitation, not anything but sounds in joyful and magnificent mixture.

This Philadelphia Orchestra concert was one in a series which is being presented in Newark, New Jersey, this season under the auspices of the Griffith Music Foundation. Other orchestras which it has engaged for Newark during the current season are the Cleveland and the Boston.

Training Ground

As a training orchestra, the National Orchestral Association conducted by Leon Barzin fulfills its mission not only in introducing young players to the

actualities of orchestral procedure but also in introducing to the repartoire new works. At its Carnegie Hall concert ou January 4, 1955, the opening works were Comedy Overture, No. 2, Op. 53, and Piano Concerto in C major, both by Svend Erik Tarp and both in their first American performances. The lat-



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ter, a brittle, sharply etched piece, did little to set off the positive qualities of pianist Ellen Gilberg. These, limpidity and dexterity, were shown to better advantage in the Mozart Piano Concerto in C minor.

The after-intermission soloist, Zvi Zeitlin, had, it was evident from the first measure of Beethoven's Violin Concerto in D major, utter sincerity and a sensibility rare in these days of rip and roar. His voicings, not in rivalry with but in cooperation with the orchestra. respected the melody line whether it lay with him or elsewhere. The Concerto was thus what Beethoven meant it to be, a work in which many instrumentalists unite, with one assuming at key points the leadership.

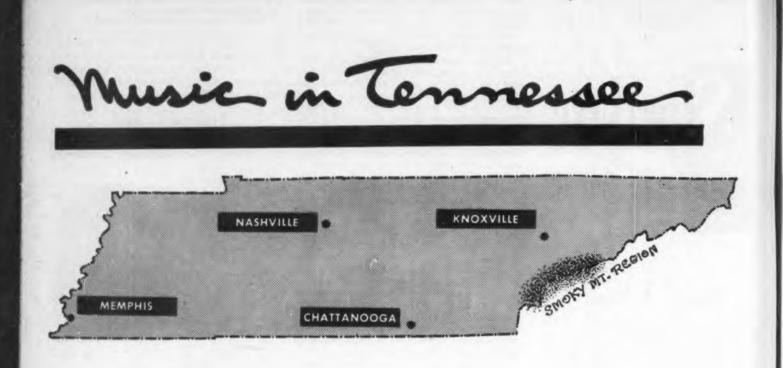
Keyboard Eloguence

Myra Hess is accepted as a great pianistas was demonstrated, were there not other signs in abundance, by the crowds rushing the ticket office at Carnegie Hall the afternoon of January 8th, by the wild applause, by the convergence on the platform of the audience during encores. One element she has certainly in abundance, in common with all greatness, this the quality of eloquence, an almost verbal persuasiveness. We had the cerie sensation in listening to her that afternoon that words were being spoken, words, though, which have died and been resurrected without the earthly garments of vowels and consonants - pure, celestial expression, like the telepathic utterances between friends. We fancy she achieves this by just the right emphasis on every note, just the right evaluation of outer and inner melody.

The works by Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Scarlatti and Schumann played that afternoon, thus conceived in the wordless language of the spirit, brought to the listeners the real messages of these composers.

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• If we think of Tennessee as a musical picnic table, with four place cards. Nashville, Memphis, Chattanooga and Knoxville. where the lushest collections of delicacies are set forth, and, along the right-hand side of the table (the southeastern border of the State), the liquid refreshments, i.e., gushing spring of folk music in America, we shall find ourselves with a banquet fit for the most avid musical gourmet.

To sip the wine of folk music first, the Smoky Mountain region runs a steady stream of it—and it is of a rare vintage. For here is music which figured among the first to be offered in the New World. In fact, they were singing ballads in the Smoky Mountain region before Bostonians had had their tea party or John Hancock had sprawled his name across the bottom of the Declaration of Independence. They were singing about "Barbary Ellen," "The Unquiet Grave" and "The False Knight Upon the Road" before Chicago was so much as a place on the map or the great West had even been thought of; before there was a single road to connect the towns of the east coast or carriages to ride if there had been roads to ride on.

A Ballad a Day

Brought over as part of their heritage from Scottish highlands and English moors, these ballads were part and parcel of the early settlers' lives. No sconer had they got to the new country, foraged along Indian trails and up the rough terrain of the mountains, discovered and built huts in the unbelievably beautiful forests of the lower Appalachians than they began to add new ballads to their repertoire: ballads, that is, about their immediate surroundings — bucking mules, turkey buzzard shootings, Indian massacres, anything they could string out into narrative verse and sing doleful or gay music to as they sat on their front stoops of a moonlit evening, beat on their anvils, spun their cloth or drove their cows home from pasture.

Time Passed Them By

Hemmed in from outside doings, through the eighteenth century and well into the nineteenth-the Stamp Act, the first stage coaches, taverns, hoop-skirts, wigs, printing presses. cotton gins, steamboats, gold discoveries all but passed them by-they went on through the years singing of knights and ladies, of princesses and pilgrims, of lads and lasses, of broken faith and parted lovers. When the din of machinery and the pulsation toward power drowned out folk singing in the more thickly populated regions of the United States, here, during shuckings, apple peelings, molasses stir-offs and quiltings, they hummed old ballads and created new ones. It was as though for them time had called a truce. had ceased to wage war against childish delight and folk creativity.

Even today singing in the Smoky Mountain region is almost as common as talking. Often it is done to the accompaniment of instruments—of fiddle, "gittar," "banjer," or even sometimes still, the duloimer. These instruments are often made to suggest nature's overtones—cries of the loon, rattle of leaves in fall, gurgling of springs. Most of the songs are sad:

Oh the honeysuckle vine

That's a-windin' 'cross the door, An' the rooster chantin' at the break o' day,

An' the bird a-singin' loud, All are snarkin' at my heart,

All are snarkin at my neart, An' a-drippin' me with tears o' lonesomeness.

Notable also are the religious songs of these mountaineers, originating in the camp meetings that began to dot the scene in the early 1800's. Held at dusk in an open parcel of ground as large, say, as a campus stadium, they were the focal point of hundreds coming in wagons and building cabins for the week or so of their stay. Bonnetted women sat on split logs, their children in their laps; bearded men stood, arms crossed and faces stern. Up front, preachers carried on a sort of exhortation marathon. At intervals hymns were sung, emotion piling up a natural *crescendo* interspersed with sobs and exclamations. The preacher composed a song on the spot with embellishments added by the listeners. "I'm a Lonely Pilgrim Here" and "Let's Go Down in the Valley to Pray" are among the songs said 'to have been born of the great camp meetings. orch at n to 0 Mos teac

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One is tempted to linger on this side of Tennessee's musical table until one gets heady with the rush of song. But, for all it races the blood and tingles the spine, folk music alone doesn't constitute a balanced diet for skilled and mature musicians. Let us see then what else Tennessee has to offer.

Knoxville for All Needs

At Knoxville, some fifty miles in from the border of the State, a city of about 125.000 population fanning out from river banks into nearby hills, we find musical life linking up with the great Western tradition: Bach, Beethoven, Wagner, string quartets, oratorio, symphony. Yet there is a community feel about it, too. For one thing, there is a neat dovetailing between academic and civic interests. The University of Tennessee, with its excellent Fine Arts Department and the symphony orchestra, all of twenty years old, supplement each other in personnel and in activities. The orchestra's conductor, David Van Vactor, is head of the college's music department and teaches flute, composition and conducting there. His Hosanna is being premiered by the

orchestra this year. Van Vactor also lectures at meetings held to brief audiences on what to expect in forthcoming musical concerts. Most of the orchestra's first desk players are teachers of their respective instruments in the music department. The concert master, William Starr, not only teaches in the fine arts department of the college but also assists with the student training orchestra. He is, moreover, first violin in the University String Ouartet.

The musical level of the orchestra's programs is high—this year guest soloists Alexander Brailowsky and Nathan Milstein are playing major concertos—but the orchestra is not above earning its keep through such popular attractions as "Water Follies," "Fun Night," "Crazy Concert" and the selection of "Miss Symphony of 1955." All this is in accordance with the statement of conductor Van Vactor: "To keep going one includes in the schedule just about everything human ingenuity is capable of dreaming up."

Forward-Looking

This town's musical program looks to the future. Through the University Training Orchestra, a large class of young players is being made ready to take their places not only in the home orchestra but in orchestras all over the country. Many of them naturally will become a part of the Knoxville symphonic picture. The programs their group gives—called "Concerts in the Round" because they take place in the university's round Carousel Theatre—serve as an inspiration for the regular orchestral series.

Thus in Knoxville, too, we see that music is a direct product of the people, a folk expression, so to speak, at a more sophisticated level.

Near enough to Knoxville to be counted in the same general locality—in fact, only seventeen miles northwest of it—another tasty dish is set for music lovers. It is the Oak Ridge Symphony, its membership chemists and atomic workers of various sorts, plus housewives, clerks and enough B.A.'s, M.A. and Ph.D.'s to stock a college campus. In fact, the orchestra consists of a good cross section of a very special population.

Chemical By-product

The history of this orchestra bears directly on its leader, Waldo Cohn, who came to Oak Ridge as a bio-chemist at the National Laboratories back in 1943 when the landscape was mostly bulldozers and mud. From the moment he appeared there, he began making musical history. "Just for fun" and to relieve the tension after periods of top-secret delvings, he started practice sessions for chamber groups. The chamber groups became a symphonette, and, a few months later, joined by woodwinds, a symphony. During the "secret city" days, music was a solace as well as an outlet, and still may be given the credit for making all the difference, in this town of concentrated activity, between living and mere existence. Its sponsor is the Oak Ridge Civic Music Association. Incidentally, it is an all-American orchestra, if ever there was one, its members coming from at least twenty-two states.

Appropriately enough, on December 8 at this center of atomic research in the United States, the Randolph Singers gave the premiere of Avery Claffin's modern madrigal, "Design for the Atomic Age."

About 100 miles northeast of Knoxville and therefore in the same general locality is another "planned" city-Kingsport, its population including hundreds of scientists as well as hundreds of music lovers. Ever since the mid-'40s, this town had wanted an orches-tra—in fact, started a chamber group under the baton of Roger Barrigar. Of the personnel, one-third held Ph.D. degrees. Kingsport's mayor was the first baseconist. However, the going was so hard that they were about to give up when in 1952 Richard Alvey, Tennessee Eastman Company man, became president and announced that string instruction in the city was needed if the orchestra was to continue. Now organizations began to be founded to assist the orchestra and a fund-raising campaign set in motion to raise money for it. In January, 1954, the orchestra announced that Arpad Kurinsky was to be its conductor, A drive for money realized a \$5,000 goal. Now the community is taking pride in its orchestra and attending enthusiastically its four concerts a season.

Chattanooga Choos-Choos Ahead

Next, rounding the State clockwise, one arrives, at the lower eastern end, at Chattanooga, its population 200,000. What is spread out here is no afternoon tea confection, no tid-bits of haphazard concert giving. Here is an orchestra operating on a budget of \$70,000 a year with seventy-five players under contract for twenty weeks, an orchestra which plays high-level music with high-level skill. Moreover, they sight horizons that five years ago would have been fantastically out of range of vision.

Even back there they were somehow stick-

Knoxville Symphony Orchestre, David Van Vector, conductor



Chettanooga Symphony Orchestra, Joseph Hawtharna, conductor



ing together, as a by-product of an organization sprouted from an earlier twenty-five-piece unit formed by Joseph O. Cadek. In the middle thirties, they gained Dr. Arthur Plettner as conductor via a Juilliard Foundation grant to the University of Chattanooga. On Plettner's* resignation in 1949, came Joseph Hawthorne; and the small three-concert-aseason orchestra began to grow with the rapidity of Alice-in-Wonderland munching the magic mushroom.

No Small Task

It wasn't as easy as munching mushrooms, though. To present Mahler's difficult Symphony No. 2, to give Honegger's King David with costumes and staging, to schedule three youth concerts which draw the entire area and are heard by between 15,000 and 20,000 children a season." to go on tours covering at least seven regional towns, requires, besides the proper amount of fervor, faith and inspiration, that basic element of all great endeavor perspiration. No doubt at all, this orchestra. which is the source of those pure and marvelously compelling sounds periodically issuing from Memorial Auditorium. works very hard indeed.

It works, moreover, to good purpose.

thorne. For his is the belief that an orchestra must not only strive constantly toward perfection but must also reach out toward wider horizons. He feels. in short, that the concerts should be heard not only by a small group of music lovers in the "regular series" but that it should influence the surrounding communities and offer a variety of programs in Summer as well as in Winter. So the Chattanooga Symphony is expanding not only in musicianship but in time and space as well. As Hawthorne himself puts it, "We may not have blue grass here, but we have lots of grass-roots. and they are growing!

Thanks for this must go to conductor Haw-

Mr. Hawthorne is a native of Provincetown, Massachusetts, a graduate of the Juilliard School of Music and a recipient of the Damrosch Scholarship for study with Nadia Boulanger at Fontainebleau. He was graduated from Princeton University and was for two years conductor of the Princeton Orchestra. He has toured the United States and Canada with the Ballet Theatre. During the war years, while he was stationed with the Navy, he was conductor of the New London Symphony. Immediately prior to his engagement in Chattanooga, he was assistant conductor of the Dallas Symphony under Antal Dorati and was first chair violis: with the group. He studied viola under William Primrose, and his attainments on this instrument are considerable.

Chamber Groups Trained

Developments since 1949 are proof that the meeting of Hawthorne and Chattanooga has been a fruitful one. Since his advent, all sorts of musical innovations have gone forward in the city. Through a playing-scholarship arrangement with the University of Chattanooga, a number of talented students have been attracted. A major student activity is the training of chamber music groups. A Women's

Nashville Symphony Orchestra, Guy Taylor, conductor

Memphis Concert Orchestra, Noel Gibert conductor

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Guild was organized four years ago to further the activities of the orchestra, a feat it is accomplishing with exemplary energy. Then there is the conductor-exchange system unique, as far as we know, with Tennesseans. Guy Taylor of Nashville and Joseph Hawthorne of Chattanooga periodically exchange podiums—with interest increased thereby in both towns. Waldo Cohn of the Oak Ridge Symphony pinch-hits for Knoxville's Van Vactor.

In amicable relationship with the Chattanooga Symphony is the Chattanooga Opera Association, an organization which emerged some ten years ago when Dr. Werner Wolff and his wife, Emma Land Wolff, settled in Chattanooga and began teaching in the music department of Tennessee Wesleyan College. They got bored with the recital routine, and, for something new, decided to put on an opera. Der Freischütz was the first choice, with Dr. Wolff acting as coach, conductor and pianist. The auditorium was crowded to capacity. Il Trovatore and Carmen, which followed, were received with equal enthusiasm. Thereupon the civic leaders established the Opera Association, and within ten days sponsors, donors and guarantors had made it possible to arrange for three performances a year.

For Every Palate

There is the Memphis Sinfonietta, for instance, under the direction of Vincent De Frank, an organization which upholds admirably the symphonic tradition. (The old symphony orchestra which was led for eight years by Burnet Tuthill and one year by De Frank went into decline in 1947.) Moreover, it is of such calibre as to lend substance to the prediction that a full-fledged symphony may be in the offing, especially since the Memphis Orchestral Society, Inc., whose president is the enterprising Troy Beatty, is the motivating force behind it.

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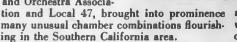
The sinfonietta gave five excellent concerts last season with guest soloists on each program. The budget was balanced through box office and special voluntary gifts from members of the Board of Directors.

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SPEAKING OF MUSIC

Los Angeles Horn Ensemble featured in Western States Instrumental Music Clinic

The Western States Instrumental Music Clinic, presented in Los Angeles at the turn of the year, and sponsored jointly by the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Associa-



The Los Angeles Chamber Symphony, conducted by John Barnett, gave a demonstration of its unusual sight-reading abilities, playing off impromptu excerpts from works by Barber, Ibert, Vincent, Schoenberg, none of them easy reading on any counts.

The Los Angeles Horn Ensemble, a group of professional French horn players (twentytwo, at its maximum membership) gives concert performances of original works and transcriptions for multiple horns. Its predecessor, the Horn Club, had provided it amply with original pieces realized from a competition held two years ago.

The Symphony in Reeds conducted by Buddy Baker presented George Poole as composer, arranger and instrumental soloist.

The Southern California Woodwind Ensemble—Wade, flute; Rathbun, oboe; Frantz, French horn; Herzberg, bassoon, and Stokes, clarinet—during the ten years it has been playing together, has appeared in the County Museum Series, in Evenings on the Roof, and with the Fine Arts Foundation of Glendale. Two years ago, the ensemble was featured as an educational program in the Ojai Festival,



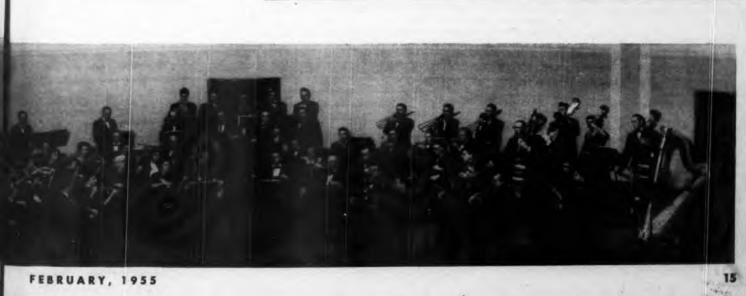
and gave the final evening concert at the statewide convention of the Music Teachers Association of California. At present the group has been engaged for the Chamber Music Workshop, educational series sponsored jointly by the Los Angeles City Schools and Local 47, to give concerts to elementary schools. It is unusual to have such concerts arranged for lower grades.

The Clinic also provided free-to-all demonstrations on the string bass by Robert K. Stone; a discussion on dance orchestra instrumentation led by Lawrence Welk, and an "Evening at Disney's."

Sam C. Rowland was the coordinator of the Clinic.

Piano Symphony

Twenty-two pianists and a solo piano playing at a dozen keyboards, directed by Carle Knisley, appeared at the Stanley-Warner Theatre in Philadelphia recently. They appeared here in film, though they had previously been touring as an "orchestral" group. They play Mozart, Bach, Chopin, Shostakovich and Gershwin, according to the press reviews, "with symphonic sweep." Their work is produced by 20th Century-Fox as a short and entitled "A Miracle in Music"—a film which will shortly tour the world.



WHERE THEY ARE PLAYING ...

EAST

The Johnny Dee Trio is appearing at the Tropical Garden, South River, N. J.

Frank Master continues at Bernhardt's Steak House in Great Neck, Long Island, N. Y. . . . "The Melo-jesters" (Fred Mayer and Tony Polera) are doing an indefinite engagement at the Hotel Hamilton, Utica, N. Y. . . . The Jeani Parker - Allen Keller Trio with Bob Columbo are the attraction at the Lampliter in Valley Stream, N. Y.

Organist Stan Conrad has picked up a six-month option at the Vogue Terrace in Pittsburgh ... The Tony Luis Trio is currently on location at the Rendezvous in Philadelphia ... Following his stay at the Colonial in Toronto, Jack Teagarden checks into the Rendezvous on February 14.

NEW YORK CITY

Pianist - vocalist Ethel White opened an indefinite engagement on January 7 at the "Parrott Inn"... Carmel Alcaro will give a private piano recital on March 27 at the Morrison School Monica Witni, organ and piano, is at the Raleigh Room of the Warwick Hotel.

MIDWEST

Don Glasser Orchestra played for the Auto Show in Moline, Ill., from February 3 to February 6 ... Jack Medell is performing at the Schroeder Hotel in Milwaukee, Wis.

The Six Fat Dutchmen Orchestra, heard six nights a week over radio station KFAB, Omaha, Neb., is directed by Harold Loeffelmacher.

CHICAGO

The Mickey Mann Band is touring Chicago's colleges and universities . . . The Preview presents Muggsy Spanier and his Dixieland Band on February 16 .: Eddy Howard headlines the National Boat Show at the Amphitheatre from February 4 through February 13 . . . Jimmy Blade Band is closing at the Camellia House of the Drake Hotel after a three-year stand . . . Russ Bothie and his Local 10 Dixielanders started their fifth consecutive year at the Paradise Ballroom on January 6. Russ celebrates his twenty-fifth year as a band leader this month.

SOUTH

Finishing their stay at Maynards in Washington. D. C.. "The 3 Jacks" (Bill Abrenethy on the keyboard, James Calomeris on saxophone. Joe Burch on drums, and all doing the vocals) moved into Romano in Colmar Manor. Md., for an indefinite stay on February 1.

Accordionist "Ramoni" and his Mambo Band are playing for parties in and around Miami Beach, Fla... Pianist Jan August completed a nine-day date at the Monte Cristo in Palm Beach, Fla., the end of January.

WEST

Fred Waring finished at the Sahara in Las Vegas, Nev., on February 1. This was his first cafe appearance in twenty-five years ... Teddy Phillips and his Orchestra have been held over at the Flamingo in Las Vegas until mid-February ... Gene Krupa and Trio (Eddie Shu. saxophone and trumpet: John Drew. bass; Bob Scott, piano; Gene Krupa, drums) at the Last Frontier, Las Vegas, until the end of February ... The Mary Kaye Trio has been signed for an opening there the middle of March for a two-month run.

A sudden change of schedule finds the Sal Carson Orchestra opening a six-month engagement by popular demand at the Capitol Inn, Sacramento, Calif., on February 8... The Four Freshmen booked for a February 11 date at Fack's in San Francisco. Calif... Les Elgart is serving the dancers at the Hollywood Palladium on February 15, following the current stint of the Harry James Orchestra.

ALL OVER

The Joe Jay Quartet has been reorganized and is doing one-

nighters at clubs, dances and banquets. The assemblage includes Joe Jay on saxophone and clarinet, Johnny "Dee" DeLorenzo on trumpet. Ralph Ertle on bass and Steve Prez on piano. accordion and vocals.

Ralph Flanagan and his Orchestra are doing a one-nighter schedule (primarily at colleges and universities) through April which will take them through Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and Michigan.

Bob Anthony, former vocalist for Harry James. Glen Gray and Eddy Duchin, has been promised a small acting and singing part in Frank Sinatra's next musical, "Guys and Dolls."

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Left to right: BOB ELLIS is playing a steady ongagement at the Loungs Cafe in Brooklyn, N. Y. . . . DICK LASAUE bogins an indefinite stay at the Baker Hotel in Dalles, Toxas, February 7 . HENRY JEROME continues at the Hotel Edison in New York City . . . Hammond organist COLEEN BRADY began her setund year at the Tromar Roller Rink in Oos Moines. Iowa, this month . . . The "2 Commanders" (FRANK BUSSERI and BRUCE HOUGHTON) are appearing at the St. Charles Tavera in Torento, Canede PPCT

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CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

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ported by music. The thirty-two major symphony orchestras in the United States and Canada employ fewer than 2,270 musicians. These elite instrumentalists of the music world work an average of only 22.4 weeks a year at an average weekly pay of \$81.00. Not more than 2,200 musicians in the 2,636 broadcasting stations of the United States (or less than one musician per station) enjoy a full year's employment. Between three and four thousand more are used with fair regularity in single broadcasting engagements.

Theaters provide jobs for about 2,000 musicians. The motion picture industry affords more or less steady work to about 350 staff musicians and for some 4,000 non-traveling musicians. An indeterminate number of traveling musicians, amounting to perhaps 50,000, work most of a year.

These are the favored few whose livelihood is fairly secure. Others, in addition, are among the 60,000 musicians who share an income of approximately \$2 million a year for making recordings. Their product, by contrast, earns for the machine-music vendors a gross income of some \$164 million annually.

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Those who earn the major part of their livelihood from music may be said to number 72,000. Thus, it is apparent that a staggering total of some 175,000 professional musicians must supplement their income by other means.

That this is not a healthy atmosphere for music is proven by the fact that it becomes more difficult each year for conductors of top orchestras to find skilled string musicians. Although there has been a gain in recent years in the number of small symphony orchestras established throughout the country, the trend now is slowing, due in part to the fact that competent string instrumentalists are not available.

When Junior goes to school he is very apt to join a school band. His tendency is to favor a trumpet or a saxophone, not a violin, cello, or other stringed instrument. Scholarships based on some of these instruments are going begging. Many leaders of small symphonies are avidly canvassing large cities for string talent but the best they can offer are part-time jobs in industry or business, because music employment alone will not suffice.

The "name" band business is also drying up. Large community brass bands are mostly relics of a happier past except in a few favored cities such as Long Beach, Calif., St. Petersburg, and Miami, Fla.

Famous orchestras are faltering from lack of new blood. Booking agencies blame ballroom operators for not supporting their efforts to build up new "name bands." New orchestras that have gained fame in recent years may be counted on the fingers of one hand. Secondary orchestras are finding it difficult to get good talent or important dates. It is all part of a pattern of declining inducements.

Since the profession of music faces such a dreary outlook, there are those who ask: What is the musicians' union doing about the problem?

The answer is manifold and subject to documentation. Out of the long, uphill struggle of the American Federation of Musicians has been born a means of self-help which has developed into an instrument of widespread public service, not only contributing wages to unemployed musicians, but major benefits to the public. This is the free, live music project established first by President Petrillo in 1947, and now carried on by the music performance trust funds of the recording and television industries.

Instead of providing sickness, accident, or other fringe benefits as do most union welfare funds, this project creates jobs for unemployed musicians as well as contributing largely to public knowledge and appreciation of music. In the first three years of its operation under union supervision, it furnished \$4,500,000 in free public music, providing more than 30,000 performances, at a total administrative charge of less than one per cent. Veterans' and other hospitals, public park concerts, charitable causes, and teen-age dances to combat juvenile delinquency—all being admission free—were beneficiaries of this free live music.

The funds operate today under an independent trusteeship. In 1953, they spent \$1,950,000 for 21,000 public performances in which some 200,000 musicians participated. Recent contracts with the recording and television industries assure continuation of the funds for at least another five years. Administrative costs are much greater under the trusteeship, but the funds are growing and the pattern and extent of their public service is unchanged.

This project which started out as a means to gain employment for the live musician whose livelihood had been curtailed by the machine, has been directed into channels of continuing public benefit, bringing high praise from the forty-eight States and Canada, from governmental agencies, from the Armed Forces and national welfare groups.

Another major goal of the Federation, and one toward which President Petrillo has worked unceasingly, has but recently been realized in part by the repeal of fifty per cent of the amusement admission tax. This should result in employment for many hard-pressed musicians.

The musicians' union has grown in the past twenty years despite its inability to insure economic security for a majority of its members. Love for music and the desire to have a part in the fight for its survival has caused musicians to seek strength in numbers. Each annual convention of the Federation sees renewed and united dedication to the principle that the vendors of canned music must be made to recognize and perform their obligation to the art that rewards them so richly and to the live musicians who make possible their reckless traffic in the unrewarded labors of others.

The Public's Stake in Live Music

It is a sorry paradox of our times and living standards that while the demand for music—serious music, in particular—is on the increase, the sources to nourish and develop it are steadily shrinking.

The richest and most progressive nation in the world appears content to reject its obligations for world leadership in music and the arts by neglecting to first make them secure at home. Meanwhile the opera houses and concert halls of the Old World are slowly but surely returning to their pre-war eminence through the beneficence of national subsidies and—in earlier postwar years—by grants from United States foreign-aid funds.

Yet at home our own musical organizations, needing sustenance and encouragement as much as do their counterparts overseas, have received no such Federal support. In almost every country outside the Iron Curtain we have seen the cultural arts primed by the flow of American tax dollars. Not so at home.

While this rebirth of cultural music takes place on the continents of Europe and South America, let us look at our own cultural institutions. For the most part they flounder in a morass of debt and doubt, their future always a question mark, and their creative genius shadowed by financial worries. One of the most poignant reminders of this retrogression came early in 1954 when the famed Boston Symphony appealed to civic pride and individual gifts to enable it to play its scheduled concert season. The world-famous Metropolitan Opera has been forced to take its appeal for public subscriptions before nationwide closed-circuit theater viewers, a project to which the Federation of Musicians has lent its aid.

All of our major symphonies are haunted by the ever-present ghost of debt. It is not an atmosphere that nourishes creative artistry or constructive planning for the future.

There is some hope that most of the thirtytwo major symphonic organizations subsisting in metropolitan centers may be able to survive. But in most cities of 300,000 population or less, the days of serious music and skilled musicians are numbered. Even now, the best that some of these groups can offer is ten weeks of employment at near-starvation wages to musicians of demonstrated capabilities. These must seek supplemental income, accepting for the sake of their art the flimsy security of part-time jobs. Without some minimum guaranty of security for musicians serious music in America can only degenerate into a second-class product. That is unthinkable.

Specifically, the Federation of Musicians feels, along with many others, that governmental aid alone—at national, State, and local levels—can prevent the extinction of the remaining 129 little symphonies now waging a hand to mouth existence throughout the United States and Canada.

The problem is as real as death and taxes. The large fortunes of past generations that



once supported serious music and musicians are fewer today. Taxes on individual incomes have dried up new sources of financial support. Without governmental help, the end of this part of our national culture is plainly in view.

"Subsidy." as President Petrillo confesses, is not a pretty word in our language. But we can find no other means under present economic conditions to answer fully music's needs. We have no patience with those who say subsidy will enslave art. The Old World, from which our culture springs, has long recognized that serious music must be subsidized. Europe has practiced music subsidies for hundreds of years without nationalizing the product. Every Province of Australia now has its own regional orchestra, state-supported. Latin American orchestras are growing under governmental subsidies and, thanks to the Government broadcasting stations which retain the instrumentalists on staff. European orchestras are again in a generally healthy condition. We cannot say the same for orchestras in our own country, or for that matter, for any other division of music on this continent. apart from the government-supported units in Mexico. We note with sadness the passing of the famed NBC Symphony, eliminated with the retirement of Toscanini.

One of the finest commentaries on the importance of music to a nation was expressed not so long ago by Korea, cradle of one of the oldest civilizations. James Michener tells in Reader's Digest how:

"In December, 1950, the half-destroyed city of Seoul was about to be captured by the Communists for a second time. Only a few hours remained to salvage precious national treasures, and a government ship stood by for one last-minute cargo. What could be evacuated that would be of most value to the nation? Machinery? Engraved plates for printing money? The government chose to rescue the Seoul Symphony Orchestra. For without music there could be no Korea."

This example of national concern for a basic culture is a challenge to America. Surely it is the duty of our country to make certain that music and the arts prosper, as does the farmer, our commerce, industry, and transportation. all of which are kept healthy through material Government support.

State, County and Community Responsibility

Several State and local governments in the United States—apart from the Federal—have recognized their responsibility to foster and perpetuate the cultural arts, including music, as necessary adjuncts of the American way of life. In many sections of the country, publicspirited citizens, the Federated Music Clubs, legislators, and leaders of A. F. of M. locals have long been active in promoting grants-in-aid or specific legislation at State, county, and community levels to support music and the arts.

These examples of public concern and action are found in widely scattered geographies. For instance, Vermont and North Carolina are among those States which have long appropriated funds for the support of symphony orchestras. Other States are Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Arkansas. Some of these supports are of long standing. Others have been the more recent result of spirited public demand on behalf of symphonies, opera, chamber music, festivals, and folk music.

Counties making such appropriations either currently or in the recent past include areas embracing San Francisco. Los Angeles, Atlanta, Tampa, and New Orleans. As indicated in the State appropriations, these are not the result of a regional pattern but have come about through spontaneous action by interested individuals and public-spirited organizations.

Among cities giving grants are Philadelphia, which sets aside \$50,000 to be supplemented by public and private gifts, and which support is reflected in the fine Philadelphia Symphony. Sioux City. Iowa, has levied an orchestra tax of between \$10,000 and \$12,000 which forms the basis for heightened musical interest in that progressive Midwestern city. Among other cities voting grants are: Chicago. Los Angeles, St. Louis, Indianapolis. Salt Lake City, Houston, Baltimore, Buffalo, San Francisco, Detroit, Raleigh, N. C., and Rochester. Minnesota.

Such support does not come spontaneously from indulgent governmental bodies. It springs, almost without exception, from determined, planned campaigns by groups wise enough to recognize that cultural arts are part of the pulse-beat of a model American community. Coupled with this has been the desire to create an atmosphere in which music and the arts would be virile enough to support their hand servants.

The activating forces in most cases have been committees numbering the area's solid citizens, the owners of music stores, local church groups, people interested in curbing juvenile delinquency, music clubs, teacher groups and members of Federation of Musicians' locals.

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The pattern generally has been for these committees to draft enabling legislation or to force by public petition a voters' referendum on special millage assessments. These legislative requests have been supported by campaign committees able to demonstrate to elected officials the community's real determination in the cause. Some groups engaged in such quests for funds have been fortunate enough to find existing legislation which had been conveniently forgotten. Brought to light and dusted off, such laws have served as short-cuts to arduous campaigning for new legislation.

Community impetus for music can also be sparked through cultural organizations by means of free public concerts financed by the Music Performance Trust Funds. Since the funds are dedicated to the cause of music, this is a useful and legitimate means of sampling the delights of live music in a community, especially if these free performances are matched by local sponsors of paid concerts.

A few examples of varied types of concerts and musical presentations now being offered through the Music Performance Trust Funds and matching community support include: A thirty-member national symphony group playing in the Washington, D. C., National Gallery of Art; children's concerts at the Toledo Museum of Art; chamber music at the Baltimore Museum; Indian and Spanish concerts at the Los Angeles Southwest Museum under the auspices of the Los Angeles Music Commission; concert series at the Jewish Museum, the Museum of Natural History, and the Museum of Modern Art in New York City; at the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis; the University Museum of Pennsylvania; the Delaware Art Center, Wilmington; the Toledo Museum's Instrument Collection and Instruction Group; and chamber music at the Richmond, Va., Museum of Fine Arts.

These examples of organized support for music and the cultural arts prove the existence of a genuine desire for musical expression in our major cities. The desire is no less pronounced in smaller communities, but the facilities and the knowledge of how to provide it often are lacking there.

In any movement that promotes music appreciation there is the promise of employment for competent instrumentalists and music teachers. Therefore the Federation local has both a selfish interest and a public obligation to foster and support such activity.

The so-called Mississippi pilot plan is a case in point. Two years ago, the University of Mississippi's extension division found there were 135 students in State schools studying stringed instruments yet only one public school in the entire State had a full-time instructor for strings. As in most places, the Mississippi school system favored bands studded with brass and other wind instruments.

Difficulties were encountered in recruiting student talent for a symphony orchestra at Mississippi University in the fall of 1952; heroic efforts were required to keep an all-State Teachers College orchestra intact. It became necessary to turn to teachers and adult performers to balance the meager group of student string instrumentalists.

The University extension department noted this trend with alarm; it selected eleven towns in four sections of the State as remedial test centers. Professional instructors are now teaching about 400 youngsters, most of them boys and girls from the fourth grade up. Local and visiting musicians have encouraged and worked in this project.

Most of the Federation's 700 locals are equipped to work with such groups all over the country and many of them are taking the lead in organizing such training. Such programs will, over the long run, do much to spark interest in live music, create an appetite for music of professional quality, and thereby make jobs for musicians.

Music, Business, and Resultant Prosperity

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Plant orchestras, industrial bands, small opera groups, and community symphonies have been born of the joint sponsorship of local merchants, industry, and labor. On this common meeting ground there has likewise been born a new rapport between these groups. Large corporations have found it is good business to be generous in supplying music for their plant communities. Newspapers, department stores, even night club syndicates and public-service companies become regular or occasional sponsors of live community music.

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A large Southern textile mill buys memberships in the North Carolina Symphony Association to the tune of \$10,000 annually for its workers. The Chattanooga Times sponsors student concerts of the Chattanooga Symphony. A Dallas department store sponsors "date nite" concerts and dances for teen-agers. One midwestern dance hall and night club syndicate pays for a series of summer "pop" concerts for the benefit of the city symphony in its section. A Grand Rapids department store contributes \$1,500 a year to promote concert music. A national soft drink concern sponsors square dances each summer in the nation's largest city, and the world's largest electric utility has received a plaque from the New York musicians' local for its series of summer block dances which employ top name bands. More than 100 tickets were purchased by the United Auto Workers, CIO, for the final concert of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra last March, and were sold to UAW members at a reduced rate. Nationally known labor leaders, as well as State and county heads of labor unions, serve on symphony boards and other music sponsoring groups. As in Detroit, A. F. of M. locals in many communities make cash contributions to support serious and popular music.

An outstanding example of cooperative labor, industry, and civic sponsorship occurred last year in the underwriting of the Pittsburgh Symphony for a series of concerts held in mill town areas where steelworkers, miners, and their families, heard this renowned symphony at a cost of only \$1.50 a seat. Cooperating were the A. F. of L., the CIO. the UMW, and Allegheny County mill, mine, and factory managements.

Added incentive for such public music entertainment is that Federal tax laws permit deductions up to fifteen per cent of corporation profits for such public service contributions. Whatever their source, these funds promote music for everyone and employment for musicians.

Such use of music in industrial and community public relations is worthy of serious attention by locals of the Federation.

Organized promotion efforts in these directions, through standing committees or other means, afford local members opportunities to become better acquainted with the business community, to further enlighten their fellow citizens on the public service of the local through its free music program, and to preach and demonstrate the gospel of live music.

A Boston newspaper owner and member of the A. F. of M., who has become one of the financial wizards of his day, was not content with using the facilities of the Music Performance Trust Funds alone. He established his own chamber music group which he retains permanently for public service in furthering charitable, social, and comnunity affairs. The publicity given to this unit has proved invaluable to the cause of music in New England and the good deeds of the group and its sponsor have become widely known.

A survey by a large A. F. of M. local revealed a surprising number of card-holding doctors, lawyers, dentists, architects, and leaders of industry and Government. Most of these successful men are happy to credit music as the means by which they earned money for their schooling and helped them to launch their professional careers. An example is former California Governor and now Mr. Chief Justice Earl Warren of the United States Supreme Court, a former member of the Bakersfield, California local who helped pay his way through college by playing in a dance band.

Upon receiving congratulations from President Petrillo on his appointment as Chief Justice, Mr. Warren replied in a hand-written postcript to his formal letter as follows: "My regards to the brothers of the Federation. Their kindness to me has always been more than a one-time poor clarinet player deserved."

It is to the advantage of A. F. of M. locals and other music-minded groups to poll the prominent citizens of their community who once were active, card-carrying musicians. Herein is a nucleus of understanding persons who are in position to help the cause of music.

A local orchestra, symphony, or chamber music group is not the only means by which music and music employment can be increased. Interest in ballet and small opera groups is again pronounced in many parts of the country, with numerous communities presenting music dramas of smaller and less expensive format.

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Music, business, and a sound economy may very well go handin-hand, provided the effort to meld them is expended by those sufficiently interested. The opportunity exists in almost every community. It needs only to be explored, business by business, industry by industry, and profession by profession to bring about a renaissance of live music in hundreds of large and small cities of the United States and Canada.

Full Support for Our Symphonies

The number of small symphony orchestras in the United States and Canada has increased since the end of World War II, despite the fact that none of them makes money and few sustain themselves on paid admissions alone. This growth in music appreciation and live music activity must be attributed to two known factors—a sound economy and a growing national appetite for good music. Today, there are thirty-two major symphony orchestras and 129 secondary ones, plus some 300 non-professional and school orchestras. The majority of the professional units earn only about fifty per cent of their aggregate \$19 million of annual income per year through sales of tickets, radio, and recording fees. The remainder comes from contributions by music-minded citizens, appeals to the public for individual donations, scattered municipal and county grants, and frenzied drives each year end to make up annual deficits.

The travesty of canned music is that while approximately thirtyfive million people last year attended recitals, concerts, opera and ballet performances, as well as symphony-orchestra presentations, and spent a total of \$50 million to do so, classical-record manufacturers reaped a harvest of \$60 million, only a minute part of which went to the support of these cultural productions, or to the musicians who make the classical recordings possible.

For example, the thirty-two major symphony orchestras played approximately 2,560 concerts in 1952, to audiences totaling about six million people at an overhead cost of about \$19 million. Their deficit was around \$6,500,000, which means that this top strata of music is but two-thirds supported by direct income. Similar averages prevail, generally, through the 129 secondary symphonies and the 300 school orchestras. Thus the support of all symphony orchestras in the United States and Canada annually amounts to around \$22 million, serving ten million people, at an annual deficit of \$8 million or nearly 33 1/3 per cent of its cost.

The thirty-two orchestras described as "major" are so called because they employ musicians at a regular weekly salary. Approximately 2,669 musicians are so employed for regular seasons of from eight to thirty-two weeks. A total of 804 musicians are employed in eleven orchestras in summer seasons of from three to sixteen weeks. The average regular concert season is 22.4 weeks. The average summer season is eight weeks. The average weekly minimum scale for the regular season is \$81.00. Thus the average annual wage for the major symphony season is \$1,814.

It is plain that it is the loyalty of the musician and his dogged desire to practice his chosen profession that is responsible for the life of the symphony rather than the tiny emolument he gets for a lifetime of study.

It is the history of the symphony that audience attendance cannot alone pay the cost. Death and taxes take a heavy toll these days of the wealthy patron. Realistically the only businesslike approach to guaranteeing the life of serious community music appears to be established, continuing subsidies at community, county, State, or Federal levels, or some combination of these grants.

Nowhere is the loyalty of the musician to his art better expressed than in the recent rebirth of Detroit's symphony orchestra, which, after a silence of $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, came back with its bills paid, its musicians engaged for three years, more than \$450,000 in the bank, and a guarantee of community support to assure its continued operation through 1954. More than half of the 4,800 seats in Detroit's Masonic Auditorium were subscribed for the first year's full eighteen-concert series before the orchestra had run through its first rehearsal.

Behind this success story lies an idea, which could be adapted to other cities desiring to refinance their symphonies. The approach was new only in its application to music. It was a modification of the so-called Detroit plan devised some years ago to assure broad community participation in the United-Foundation Charities Drive and the Greater Detroit Hospital Fund.

Two civic leaders, Jerome H. Remick, Jr., and John B. Ford, Jr., adapted this plan to recreate the symphony. They reasoned that no SEECH CENTERED TONE

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orchestra could long survive as a plaything of the wealthy, chiefly because increased inheritance and income taxes had sharply reduced the scale of private philanthropy. Their approach was through the large corporations, educational and charitable foundations, and labor unions, of which the musicians' union was one.

The method used was to limit contributions to \$10,000 a year by any donor except the city of Detroit, which contributed \$25,000. Without advance publicity, and before the new symphony had filed incorporation papers, the two men raised. in twelve days, \$250,000, receiving from most of the contributors pledges of equal donations for each of the succeeding two years. Each sponsoring organization named one member to the symphony's board of directors, a group now enlarged to sixty, including leaders of industry, finance, labor. and minority groups. Sponsors' gifts amounted to \$282,333 altogether.

The president and officers of the Detroit Musicians' Union Local No. 5, A. F. of M., gave solid evidence of their loyalty and support when they approved a three-year contract, providing twenty-two weeks' employment, at a minimum of \$100 a week for ninety musicians.

With its financial future secure and its professional talent intact once again, the Detroit Symphony's morale is such that it welcomes the opportunity to compete with the best of the major orchestras. I proved its worth in its first New York appearance. January 17, 1954, under the baton of Paul Paray. The success story of the Detroit Symphony is an inspiring lesson in how a large city can support a create able symphony.

Another example of community-wide determination to rescue a famous symphony from bankruptcy was the formation of the San Francisco Symphony Foundation to widen and intensify interest in the San Francisco Symphony throughout the area, and to provide basic, long-range financial security for the orchestra.

The start was made in January, 1954, with a concert in the California Palace of the Legion of Honor. More than 900 volunteer workers carried on the fund campaign which was spurred by the enthusiastic support of twenty-two district business associations, numbering over 3,000 neighborhood merchants and their families.

Foundation memberships were set at \$10.00, and on March 2, Chairman Philip S. Boone reported that the symphony, which suffered a heavy deficit in 1953, was "in business for good." A total of 6,207 members, more than double their goal of 3,000, had been enlisted. The previous year 1,771 people had contributed to the support of the orchestra. During the 1954 campaign, 5,624 bought memberships in addition to those who contributed \$25.00 or more to the symphony association, and thereby automatically became foundation members.

In its first year of reorganization it already appears to Chairman Boone that the symphony foundation will be able to contribute \$25,000 to the orchestra's operating fund and \$25,000 to its permanent endowment fund. Because the symphony foundation so far exceeded its goal, three special concerts for members have been scheduled instead of the one promised them originally. Special divisions which made up the 900 volunteers, apart from the merchants' group, included lawyers. physicians, junior chamber of commerce members and a general business group.

Theirs is the story of a great symphony and a cherished civic asset restored by an aroused community. It is a memorable example of what can be done by determined citizens.

Space does not permit detailed accounts of other worthy symphonies fighting determinedly for survival, but the Louisville adventure, whereby a Kentucky symphony undertook to find and play forty-odd new works each year under a \$400,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation is worthy of mention.

Under the terms of the grant, which must be matched by community support, the Louisville Philharmonic guarantees to commission and perform thirty original compositions, two of them 1-act operas. each year for four years. It agrees to find in each of the four years at least ten acceptable compositions by student composers who will receive cash awards as well as performances of their works. It arranges for forty-six Saturday afternoon concerts devoted to these new works each year for four years. It undertakes to make twelve long-playing recordings each year, to sell them on a subscription basis. It broadcasts these concerts, and makes its performance of new works available for relay abroad. Thus a forty-six-week season, instead of the relatively short one of the past, guarantees almost year-around music employment for musicians who heretofore had earned only part of their living by playing with the orchestra.

It must be pointed out that the \$400,000 Rockefeller grant, spread over four years, is definitely not to be applied in any manner to the operational expense incurred during the normal concert season. The S

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project did not originate with the Rockefeller Foundation. It was conceived and presented to the Foundation by the orchestra itself under the urging of Louisville's dynamic mayor and live music enthusiast, Charles Farnsley. If the Louisville adventure works as well as expected it will provide America with an exhilarating example of idealism in practice.

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These noteworthy examples of awakened community conscience in action are forerunners of other, but less spectacular, efforts under way in scores of cities and towns. Some will succeed, others will fail, but in no case will the activity do other than help the cause of live music.

How much better if our Federal Government would lend its broad powers to the common task. If our symphonies are to remain a source of national pride, they seem no less worthy of national support. Happily, there is a growing realization in official Washington that music and the arts must be given realistic and continuing Federal support if they are to survive as healthy props to our civilization.

Numerous pieces of pending legislation backed by such statesmen as Senators James E. Murray, Montana; Hubert H. Humphrey, Minnesota; Herbert H. Lehman, New York; Paul H. Douglas, Illinois; Estes Kefauver, Tennessee; Wayne Morse, Oregon, and equally prominent Members of the House, now propose to Congress various forms of aid for cultural pursuits and the people who practice them.

Implicit in the language of these several House and Senate bills and resolutions is the awareness of these lawmakers that our civilization must not neglect the culture upon which it is founded. Made clear in this legislation also is the plight of the professional musicians. This was ably and eloquently stated by Senator Murray in his remarks before the Senate. Not only does he recognize the inroads by mechanization upon the live musician, but he applauds the efforts of the Federation and President Petrillo to cushion these blows. Senator Murray said, in part:

"In this connection it is interesting to note that while the plight of the musician in these United States is equally serious, he and his Canadian neighbor have done something affirmative to help themselves. Theirs is an interesting experiment that began several years ago when Mr. James C. Petrillo, President of the American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada, was able to cushion somewhat the effects of mechanical music by creating, in agreement with the recording and transcription industry, a royalty fund that spends about \$1,500,000 annually for the employment of live musicians in hundreds of localities to perform free music for the public.

"I was particularly interested last May when I was in Geneva as a United States delegate to the International Labor Organization to find that organization studying the Petrillo formula in working toward a world-wide convention that would establish the rights of artists to a payment for work done when their performances are multiplied mechanically for profit. Unlike the author and composer, these entertainers have no protection under the copyright laws, and I sincerely hope such a convention will be adopted."

Strong support from other fields of the arts, it is hoped, will rally to the aid of this legislation which would benefit all. It is no secret that President Petrillo has been instrumental in initiating the introduction of some of the current legislation and the Federation's members are actively and vocally supporting it.

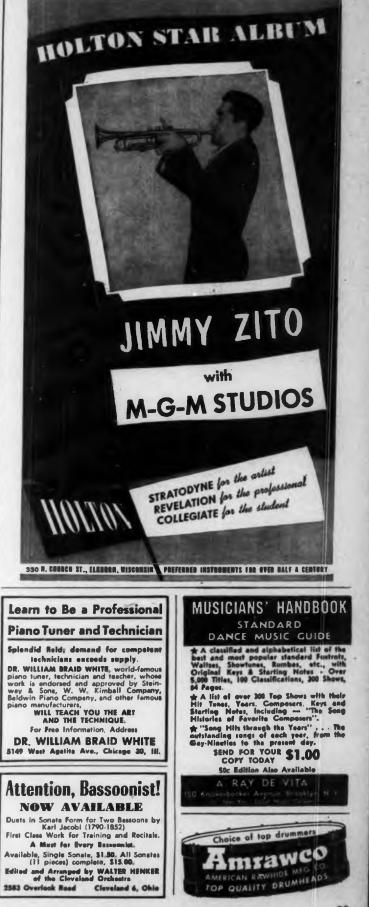
There is opposition, of course, as there usually is, to most forms of legislation. But President Petrillo already has ordered a staff study of the legislation now pending, so that when these bills and resolutions are subjected to final committee study and writing, the Federation can move to its support promptly and effectively in the interest of musicians and their fellow artists.

How A. F. of M. Locals Can Help

In the average community there is no organized group that gives so much time and effort to civic interests as the A. F. of M. musicians. Scarcely a week goes by that some drive or civic program does not seek out musicians to contribute services.

It is fortunate that both the A. F. of M. locals and the communities have a facility such as the Music Performance Trust Funds to rely upon in many such circumstances. The free public music programs, first administered wholly by the A. F. of M. through its recording and transcription fund, and subsequently through the trustee-administered Music Performance Trust Funds, has become the Nation's chief backlog of live music available for public services.

This monument to a union's sense of public responsibility is made possible through a small royalty on recordings and transcriptions



made by the A. F. of M. members. It is paid directly by the manufacturers and is expended solely to bring free, live music to the people of the United States and Canada. A similar royalty pact between the A. F. of M. and TV film producers was also established. These latter accruals are now beginning to contribute substantially to the fund.

Under the trust agreements, the trustee receives semi-annual contributions from the signatories based on their volume of sales at retail price levels. The funds are not permitted to accumulate but must be spent currently. They are allocated for expenditure among 654 geographical areas covering the United States and Canada, according to a fixed table of percentages.

The procedure of bringing the funds into action follows a simple pattern. The funds' office in New York City is notified, either by the local or organization in the area where the performance is desired. Approval usually follows, providing the occasion meets the requirements of the funds that no admission may be charged and that fixed allocations for the area are not already exhausted. Three results are obtained. The organization gets the kind of music it has asked for, the musicians playing for the function are paid at prevailing scale. and the community receives the benefit of the free live music program.

The Music Performance Trust Funds concerts have sparked whole series of paid performances by business, civic, or municipal groups. The funds are providing free rehearsals, music rallies, and public forums which encourage the development of small opera groups, community bands, children's music, and sometimes the creation of self-supporting symphony groups.

MPTF concerts may even serve as the key to promoting legislative campaigns to obtain grants-in-aid for live music. A symphony concert planned and executed before legislators at the State capitol or in the county courthouse would be a certain means of commanding the interest of those who control legislation.

Free live music concerts can also be utilized as the basis of public relations drives to aid the cause of live music and to obtain the support of merchants, newspapers, radio and TV stations, music and civic clubs. Sample concerts continue to be the best means of promoting paid concerts. Salesmanship thrives when practiced under conditions where both parties are happy in the thought that they are cooperating in a worthy cause. It presents an opportune time for the orchestra leader or manager to discuss with the merchant or manufacturer the benefits to be derived from an employees' dance or for a lively orchestra to play for a sales convention.

Active press relations can be maintained and favorable publicity obtained for the A. F. of M. local through the proper handling of free live music performances. Editors like news items referring to public service in their community. The account of such a concert furnished the press or radio often plants the idea on the part of a reader or listener to recommend a concert or dance for some organization of which he or she is the entertainment chairman. Newspaper, radio, and television public-service promotions should not be overlooked although broadcast performances pose special considerations.

For complete public-relations exploitation of a free public music program locals have found it wise to make use of both advance and immediate press and radio releases. Excellent use can be made of the publicity channels of co-sponsors and the published endorsement of officials and other prominent people participating in the program.

Honest editors are in the majority. Too many of them simply know too little about the problems concerning the survival of live music. These difficulties and the steps taken by the Federation's international officers in meeting them should be discussed factually with editors when the opportunity presents itself.

Every editor should have the answers to three important questions vitally affecting the A. F. of M. He should know that the conflict of school bands with professional employment has been handled satisfactorily by President Petrillo's espousal of a music code of ethics now widely accepted by educators everywhere; that the record ban was ended through a formula devised by your union; and that organized musicians have been far-sighted enough to encourage the entertainment industry through fair and considerate wage negotiations. The answers to these and other controversial questions will be effective providing they are backed up with detailed knowledge furnished A. F. of M. members in publications provided by the Federation.

Favorable public opinion, sparked by a friendly press and community relations, is vital to the cause of live music and musicians. It may mean an added vote in the city council when the appropriation for summer concerts is considered. Or it may mute the protests against a misunderstood insistence on a local ground rule. A friendly public is a genuine asset and the free public music project is a means of wooing public opinion. The rewards are well worth the additional effort on the part of all locals of the American Federation of Musicians.

Music Stands at the Crossroads

The problem of the musicians is not that of the musician alone. His economic well-being and the survival of music cannot be considered separately. His problem, therefore, is everybody's concern.

Qualified observers of the music scene see a growth in music today. True, there is a revival of interest in classical music recordings, accented by the recent development of high-fidelity equipment. But the tragedy is that only a few thousand musicians in our country are employed in recording. These are mostly mature, accomplished instrumentalists who served their apprenticeship when there still was opportunity for a young musician to earn a living at his profession.

More than two million school children are being taught instrumental music today. What becomes of them? Where do they turn to cash in on their study and talents? When President Petrillo told these hopefuls recently that the profession of music had become a starvation business he was roundly criticized for discouraging youthful talent. What he did say was that youths planning a career in music should view the prospect—or lack of prospect—trealistically.

The sorry plight of both the serious and popular musician is the deep concern of the American Federation of Musicians. But its implications for the music-loving public go far beyond the question of the professional's job and his future. The truth of the matter is that serious music, at least, is on its last faint bars.

The day fast approaches when there will be no adequate supply of skilled musicians. The present dearth of competent string instrumentalists is desperate enough to evoke immediate concern. Without orchestras and ensembles to employ them the incentive for students to play stringed instruments will disappear completely. One depends on the other and without them, our Nation's heritage of music eventually will consist only of historical libraries of recordings. There will be no new music, no youthful talent coming along to man our symphonies or make new records. There will be only memories of a better day when musical culture was a cherished part of the American way of life. We can hope that our generation won't see the debacle, but it approaches so fast that even we may see that sorry day.

The American Federation of Musicians is convinced that the crisis can be averted only by a widespread, public demand that our Government face up to its responsibility to preserve music and the arts.

MUSIC IN TENNESSEE

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Another musically nutritional offering is the Memphis Concert Orchestra, a forty-piece organization which presents in Overton Park Shell during the Summer both classical and popular selections with distinguished soloists, under the conductorship of Noel Gilbert. This truly fine series of concerts sponsored jointly by Local 71 (via the Music Performance Trust Fund of the Recording Industry), the Memphis Park Commission and various businessmen. brings record crowds to the shell's amphitheater. In August of this year Marguerite Piazza, well-known soprano and a Memphian by marriage, was guest artist, and Frances Greer, Robert Rounseville and George Sawtelle have also recently been soloists there. The final offering each season is a jazz concert, this year Bill Justis and his popular high-tension band, which caters chiefly to the society crowd and college students, and which has played the "Last Nighters Ball" during the Cotton Carnival for the past several seasons.

Besides his summer park conductorship, Mr. Gilbert has his own orchestra, which performs at the Hotel Peabody for Sunday noon and dinner sessions. He is also conductor of a television program entitled "Evening Serenade" which is channelled five days weekly at Station WMCT during the Fall and Winter months.

Heady Concoction

Such music as these groups offer is the sort one may sip and swallow with no dizzying after effects. Of a quite different order is that flesh-tingling, head-spinning potion served up on Beale Street, a region, for all it exists musically speaking only in the memory of a

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Left: Burnet C, Tuthill, composer and eminent musician of Memphia Right: Walde Cohn, conductor, Oak Ridge Symphony Orchestra

few old-timers, is famous as the initiation point for Handy's far-flung "blues"—the "Beale Street Blues" and "The Memphis Blues," even the "St. Louis Blues." He tells in his autobiography how he came to write the latter: "Outside the lights flickered _______ piano thumpers tickled the ivories in the saloons to attract customers, furnishing a theme for the prayers at Beale Street Baptist Church and Avery Chapel. Scores of powerfully-built roustabouts from river boats sauntered along the pavement, elbowing fashionable browns in beautiful gowns. All that contributed to the color and spell of Beale Street mingled outside, but I neither saw nor heard it that night. I had a song to write."

Blind, bent under the weight of eighty-one years, Handy flew back to Beale Street from New York on December 1, 1954, to "give one note in a minor key to start things jumping" at the Blues Bowl charity football game. It was a note, we warrant, that echoed and re-echoed along the rows of irregular old brick buildings, through the thoroughfare where once dangled enough "golden balls to pave the New Jerusalem" and on down to the shanty boats moored to the willow-tangled banks of Mud Island.

Symphony in Sizes

Nashville, capital of Tennessee and roughly in the north-central portion of the State, offers, as its musical fare, the Nashville Symphony Orchestra, notable for its performances for the first time in the South of the nine symphonies of Beethoven consecutively (two seasons ago), for its youth concerts and summer concerts, for its very portable (twenty-three men) symphonette (tours every season and gives free concerts before student bodies) and for a series in the 1954-55 season which includes not only admirable American works—Griffes' *The White Peacock.* Copland's *An Outdoor Overture*, Dello Joio's Variations, Chaconne and Finale—but also such outstanding soloists as Alexander Brailowsky, Nathan Milstein, Gina Bachauer, Jacob Krachmalnick, Lorne Munroe and Nell Tangeman. This orchestra is now in its ninth year, growing from the small ensemble got together on impulse of Walter Sharp on his discharge from the Army after World War II, and coached to symphonic trim by former conductor William Strickland, and its present conductor, Guy Taylor.

The George Peabody College for Teachers upholds a high chamber music tradition for this region. The five chamber concerts presented

Bluff City Concert Band, Louis Werne, conductor



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during the current season have led to a public demand for their continuance. Kees Kooper and Mary Louise Boehm (Mrs. Kooper) together with Dr. Vernon Taylor, musicologist, and Dr. Robert E. Bays, instructor in brass instruments, have already announced a comprehensive program for the 1954-55 season.

Other servings at this part of the table should be sampled for the unique contribution they make to the musical scene throughout the whole United States.

Singers and Song

The Fisk Jubilee Singers have sung to audiences all over the world, and for years were featured on an NBC program, "Magnolia Blossoms," originating in Nashville. It was, by the bye, the original Fisk Jubilee Singers who in 1871, during a tour of the large cities of Europe and the British Isles, made enough money to purchase the university campus and build Jubilee Hall.

Then there is the "Grand Ole Opry." Everyone who has listened in on this half hour over NBC on Saturday nights has witnessed a musical manifestation which, in its twanging guitars, plaintive songs, country fiddlers and general free-for-all fun, is as Tennessean as river boats, game hunting, cotton shipping, mules, Andrew Jackson or TVA. For here is hillbilly music at its most typical—and, we may add, at its most lucrative. Bookkeepers' figures fairly prickle the scalp: a \$25,000,000 music industry with the hub WSM's powerful 50.000watt radio station, now in its thirtieth consecutive year of broadcasting the Grand Ole Opry.

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Local 257, Nashville, has 165 guitarists on its roster. The musical marathon these—plus vocalists and other assorted featurists—put on for four and one-half hours every Saturday night, is heard, in the thirty minutes of it relayed over NBC, by an estimated ten million people. Over five million fans have travelled to Nashville since the birth of the "Opry" to see the show in production. Korean fighting men voted this the American radio show they would most like to see; so a group of the cast packed their bags and flew to Korea to entertain the troops there.

WSM has a large staff orchestra. Owen Bradley is the leader of its nineteen top-flight musicians.

Community Concern

Returning from a discussion of hillbilly singers to the Nashville Symphony, we must of necessity tone down our voices, and smooth out the kinks in our thought waves. This orchestra has no endowment, receives no public funds. Ticket sales to the concerts net approximately only one-third of the annual operating budget. It is the contributions of people who care which insure the continuation of symphonic music in Nashville. Luckily to date there have been enough people (but just enough!) who do care.

So with this, its capital city, we round the table of musical life in Tennessee. Of the something of this and something of that which it has offered, two qualities stand out: sincerity and enthusiasm, these, plus variety—as wide a variety of music to please as wide a variety of listeners as any state in the Union. No one who crosses the borders of Tennessee need depart musically unsatisfied.—Hope Stoddard.

Belew, left: Keyas Keepar, Mary Louise Boehm and Dr. Irving Wolfe, faculty members of George Peabody Cellege. Mr. Kooper (left) is also concertmaster of the Nashville Symphony Orchestra. Belew, right: Edward Shalett and his Continental Strings (Edward Shalett, Bernice Shalett and Earl Van Arsdale) in their thirteenth year in the Green Room of the Read House in Chattomoga.





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PRACTICE POINTERS ON THE BUZZ ROLL

In the last issue I answered an instructor's question by stating that although our Peck's Bad Boy, the buzz roll, is so easily picked up that elementary pupils invariably drift into it like ducks taking to water, I felt that an instructor should insist upon the rudimental two-beat roll being mastered first, with the buzz coming later. The continuation of this premise follows.

After the pure two-beat roll is under control, let down the bars, if you choose, and concentrate on the buzz. The buzz may be applied to a roll executed at any speed at which a roll may be rebounded.

Whereas a single downward pressure of hand and fingers, as a stick strikes its primary blow, produces the single rebound of the twobeat roll, a further downward pressure will give the two, three or several rebounds of the buzz.

Avoid what may be termed the scratch roll, produced by an exaggerated digging down of the sticks double forte *into* the drumhead, with muscles tensed, and at a ridiculously high rate of speed. This is an abomination to the ears of any musician.

Since the buzz is so comparatively easy to execute, one is apt to play it in a slipshod manner, without paying too much attention to a well-timed hand alternation. As in the two-beat, timing of the buzz should be even, whether rolling in or against the rhythm of the music. I have noticed a tendency among pupils and some professionals as well, to execute their buzz rolls with a slightly faster alternation than with the two-beat variety. This may partly be because the buzz is easier to produce. Then again, a player may unconsciously hurry his alternation of the buzz lest it sound uneven—with noticeable spaces between the hand blows.

Break il Down

Here is another problem in teaching most readily solved by the same type of crude yardstick approach dwelt upon in the last issue the mathematical breakdown. To begin, the figure below is a common one in binary measure, showing rolls which may be buzzed, matched to single eighth-note beats.



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Practiced at slow motion speed, the timing of the single heats and the buzzes should be made to follow one another with clocklike regularity. Here is where musically we cringe, for at slow motion our buzzes will sound sad indeed, with great open spaces between them. However, this is as it should be, for at this point the timing is all that matters. When timing is under control, speed of the figure may then be advanced. Naturally, the speed of hand alternation advances correspondingly until, when normal playing tempo is reached, the buzzes have "smoothed up" into that smooth. uninterrupted and unpulsated long tone of the drum, said so aptly to resemble "the patter of raindrops on a tin roof."

The following example shows a further matching of hand movement—that of both the two-beat roll and the buzz, timed by single eighth-notes which set the pattern for either roll.



A similar example, 1 one in six-eight.

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John Carlisle, Washington, D. C., intimates that I am all wet in my sense of chronology, per his postcard quoted below:

"Though not a drummer, I always enjoy your column: I think mainly because you so often delve into such interesting sidelights.

"But in the November issue you have misled the callow youth of today very seriously when you say that 'twenty years ago the boys in the back rooms were saying skiddoo, oh you kid, and twenty-three.'

"Twenty years ago? Why, that was in 1934, man! Even the squarest of the squares had forgotten that kind of jive in 1934. There already were hepcats swinging in the groove then. gate. I was even flatting fifths inyself (although only a few men in the band could take this).

"Please, George, no celluloid collars or silver-plated cornet solos in '34. Regards."

Well, says G. L. S., time does fly, and I guess I was indeed careless in not more accurately fixing the date of the *skiddoo* era. I am hazy on the date myself, and maybe it was nearer forty years ago than twenty. However, leaving all pinpointing aside, it was lo, these many years ago. And thanks for your card, John.

Celluloid collars. These things date back a few years too, although I am going to be more careful from here on in mentioning specific dates.

The well-dressed gent of the celluloid era could wear the same shirt (the collarless variety) for weeks, if he wanted to, and hook on a clean collar every day. If he had a celluloid collar he could use the same one every day, a little soap and water once in a while being all that was needed to keep it clean and white. It didn't matter about the shirt so long as our well-dressed friend was careful to keep his coat buttoned up.

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The "Bach Bow" Racket

I have on several occasions pointed out in this column that the increased public interest in 18th-century music makes it increasingly necessary for performers to learn more about 18th-century performance through study and the use of early instruments. For the past several years I have felt rather lonely knowing that, apart from myself, no one was making any effort to learn to play the 18th-century violin, similar to the effort made by pianists to learn the harpsichord.

It was very gratifying therefore to learn recently that Paul Rolland, editor of the *American String Teacher*, had taken steps to import two early violins. It is encouraging to know that finally others are going to help in this important work.

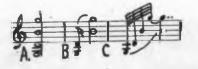
But, together with good news, comes news of a very disturbing nature. It seems that several violinists have appeared in this country and in Europe who are performing the Bach sonatas with weirdly shaped bows which they claim are "Bach bows."

The whole set-up is dishonest. None of these bows resemble any 18th-century violin bow; not one of these players uses an 18th-century violin; not one of them follows the technical and stylistic instructions in the books of L. Mozart, Geminiani and others. They do nothing which is necessary for an authentic performance. They are merely using some strange bows to try to cash in on the interest in early music. This I can only call the "Bach bow racket."

The Myth of the Bow Which Plays on Four Strings at a Time

All of the "Bach bow" racketeers claim to be authentic because with their bows they can sustain chords on four strings at a time. None can offer any historical evidence to prove that in Bach's time chords were played in this way and when one traces the origin of this queer notion the results are comic.

About fifty years ago some musical scholar got it into his head that chords in Bach's time were sustained as written (A) instead of being broken in the modern way (B). Had he taken the trouble to read the instrumental instruction book of Bach's day he would have found out that neither of these ways was used. All instructions were to arpeggiate (C). Not one early writer suggests that chords should be sustained as at A.



In addition to historical facts, two other obstacles stand in the way of sustaining a chord as written: first, no 18th-century bow and no modern bow can sustain a chord: second, even if such a bow existed

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there are many chords in a mon are written in such a way that they cannot be sustained with any bow! Here are some typical ones which cannot be put down to errors because they are identical in all the autographs including that by Bach himself.



In short, "Bach bow" racketeers are less authentic than average modern performers!

But nothing daunts the fearless "Bach bow" racketeers. The historical facts can be bravely ignored. If no 18th-century bow can sustain chords, they can invent a phony 18th-century bow which will sustain chords. If they come to unplayable chords such as those cited above, they can smear over them as well as their own theories about playing chords "as written." Nor are they afraid of the general public and the music critics. The only encouraging thing about their phonograph records is that they are not only musical but financial disasters as well.

As for their claims to being more authentic than the modern performance, a comparison of the three chord versions above shows that the modern broken chord (B) is closer to the correct arpeggiated chord (C) than the sustained one (A).

The average modern performer follows Bach's original bowing signs about fifty per cent of the time. The "Bach bow" racketeer usually ignores the original bowings altogether because they go against the nature of his artificial bow. With a *real* 18th-century bow it is advantageous to follow Bach's bowings practically 100% of the time. The "Bach bow" performance is truly a step backward from the average modern performance with respect to authenticity.

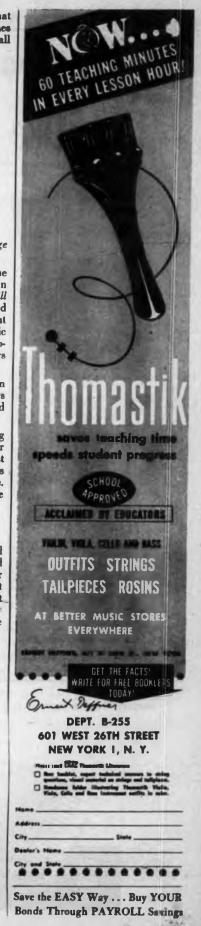
Comparison of Real and Phony 18th-Century Bows

In his article on 18th-century violin technique in the Musical Quarterly (Jan. 1950), David Boyden illustrated various early and modern bows and I must refer the reader to this article for greater details on this subject. Here I can only mention the most important difference between the real and phony 18th-century bows—the fact that the real bow tapers from the middle to the point while the phony one arches upward from the middle to the point in order to leave ample space for playing on several strings at a time.

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All surviving specimens of 18th-century bows taper to the point. None, either in specimens or pictures, look like the phony bow. The real 18th-century bow is good not only for authentic arpeggiated (C) performance of chords, but is also the only bow on which the instructions in the early violin books can be followed in actual practice.

It has not been pleasant to write an article of destructive criticism, but, as long as a lie flourishes, it is necessary to expound the truth and expose the lie.





THE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

One of the marked developments in 1954, in the field of music, was a healthy rise in the number of chamber orchestras. A musically satisfying unit, the chamber orchestra also is a practical one. A community, which would be hard put to it to find the requisite number of musicians for a symphony organization, can procure some twenty or so excellent musicians and support them in a reasonable fashion. The question of year-round salaries comes nearer a solution, since it is easier to transport a chamber group and thus to widen the tours. All but undeveloped resources in the works of great composers lie ready for the enterprise of the smaller group. Concert halls, moreover, may be of smaller proportions, and thus the audience-performer relationship is more intimate. For these reasons the chamber orchestra is becoming the answer to many all but insoluble problems of community concert-giving.

Here are a few chamber orchestras which function from coast to coast:

The Los Angeles Chamber Symphony opened its seventh series of concerts on December 4, 1954, with a program conducted by Lukas Foss, which included Charles Ives' "Unanswered Question," in which off-stage strings were heard and answered by the main body of string. on the stage. Its January 16th program included a performance of Mozart's opera *The Impressario* and the American premiere of Zador's opera, *Forever Rembrandt*. This program was conducted by Jan Popper.

At its first concert January 5th, in Carnegie Recital Hall, New York, the Theodore Thomas Orchestra, whose ambitious project it is



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to "take up the task of continuing that great conductor's work," revealed its devotedness and its skill, though it appeared as yet a bit deficient in conjuring up means for publicizing itself, an ability which Thomas, incidentally, possessed in superlative degree. The evening proved the society is out to accomplish its avowed purpose: the authentic portrayal of baroque music. Handel's Concerto in G for oboe, Telemann's Suite in A minor for recorder and strings and the Scarlatti Quartet for recorder and strings were all rendered in the cleanly, decisive, unobtrusive manner of the period. One of the two harpsichords used at this concert was built by Theodora and Richard Schultze, the orchestra's conductors.

The American University Chamber Music Society, under the direction of George Steiner, presented its third concert of the current season January 11th, in Clendenen Hall on the campus of the University. Sponsored in part through the cooperation of Local 161, Washington, D. C., through a grant from the Music Performance Trust Funds of the Recording Industry, the concert was open to the public free of charge.

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The Nies-Berger Chamber Orchestra in its concert at Town Hall. New York, January 14th, participated in the eightieth birthday celebration of Dr. Albert Schweitzer by presenting a Bach-Schweitzer program. Assisting instrumentalists were Ruggiero Ricci, violinist; Jacob Lateiner, pianist, and Hugh Giles, organist. Proceeds went for the benefit of Dr. Schweitzer's hospital in Lambarene, French Equatorial Africa.

The American Chamber Orchestra, Robert Scholz, conductor, is primarily devoted to the performance both of classical masterworks antedating the massive symphony orchestras of today and of more recent but rarely heard works written specifically for chamber orchestra. In its concert January 18th at Town Hall, New York, the program opened with a composition by the eighteenth century English composer, William Boyce. The soloist was Rudolf Firkusny.

The Phoenix Chamber Orchestra. under the baton of David Sackson, also gives special attention to the revival of little known but worthy works, and of presentations of works written for the smaller groups. At the concert on December 19th, in New York, Alec Templeton's Gothic Concerto for Piano and Orchestra received its first performance.

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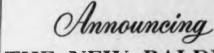
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