



Serious Dancing In America Sick, Needs Some Lessons

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD — Serious dancing in America is sick and can take some lessons from the Russians.

Who says so? Marge and Gower Champion.

Many Americans who have seen the Moiseyev dance company on its current tour have wondered: "Why don't we have something like that?"

The impact of these gifted Soviet dancers can scarcely be measured. Many are predicting that their advent to these shores will have as profound an effect on American dance as the original Ballet Russe. Or more so.

Foremost Dancers

Still stimulated by seeing the Moiseyev troupe, I sounded out Marge and Gower Champion. They, after all, are the foremost exponents of the dance in this country today. Both are schooled in the classics. Gower is a noted choreographer.

"The Moiseyev company was fantastic," Gower agreed. "I don't think this country has seen anything like it."

"It's a crying shame that we don't have something to match the Russians. After all, Moiseyev has only taken the traditional Russian dances, routine them superbly and trained magnificent dancers to do them."

"There's no reason we couldn't do the same. Our dance heritage is just as rich, if not more so. We have Indian dances, the square dance, the Mexican-style dances of California, the whole New Orleans tradition of jazz."

Our Dances As Good

"And our dancers are as good as theirs," Marge added. "We have hundreds of dancers who are awaiting recognition. We have acrobats and tumblers who can do the same leaps and spins and can be taught enough dancing."

The couple deems Russian dancing notable for its vigor and masculinity. American dancing, they feel, has become feminized and sick.

"There's no reason it should be sick," Gower declared. "We've got enough rugged young men to do the dancing. But the tradition has been toward the classical ballet or limp-wristed kind of dancing, even in the modern dances."

"American dancing needs to become masculine."

They think the whole trend could be changed by a movement like the Moiseyev in the Soviet Union or the Sadlers Wells in England.

"The same thing could be done here," Marge said. "It would take some driving force to start a small group of dedicated dancers, train them rigorously and develop utter precision."



'NATURE BOY' HAS NEW SONG

Eden Ahbez, the bearded barefoot outdoor lover whose "Nature Boy" record was a big hit in 1948, listens to a recording of the song's sequel, "The Lesson of Love," soon to be released. Ahbez emerged from ten years of seclusion during which he's been "just thinking." To complain about the increases in living costs. He said it used to cost \$3 for all the fruits, nuts and vegetables he and his wife could eat. Now it costs \$10 he says.

Suggestion Made Salmon Be Towed Off Shore

PORT ANGELES (AP)—A Port Angeles man has suggested that young salmon be towed from Puget Sound in bait boxes and released offshore to avoid polluted waters.

W. H. Gwynn, a local leader in fish conservation efforts, made the proposal at a meeting of the State Pollution Control Commission here.

Gwynn suggested that industries with pollution control problems pay for such a fish transportation plan. Milo Moore, state director of fisheries, said the idea would be studied.

The commission spent two days hearing reports on pollution control problems of local industries and on city sewage disposal operations.

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Russian, American Jets In Air Shows

VANCOUVER, B. C. — Big Russian and American jet airliners and two British delta-wing Vulcan jets went on display here Saturday at the British Columbia Centennial air show after the crew of the Russian TU104 made a strenuous journey from Moscow.

They arrived here Friday night after covering the estimated 7,000 miles in about 13½ hours' flying time.

The planes also were on display Sunday. The crew of the Soviet airliner made the trip from the Russian capital with only a few hours of sleep in London and whatever they could snatch aboard the plane.

On their arrival, although bleary-eyed with weariness, they cheerfully took part in welcoming ceremonies before a throng of 3,000 persons at the International Airport.

T.T. Frolov, pilot-in-chief, a veteran of almost 3,000,000 flying miles with about 16,000 hours of flying time, made a brief speech in Russian.

Science Shrinks Piles New Way Without Surgery

Finds Healing Substance That Relieves Pain, Stops Itching as it Shrinks Hemorrhoids

New York, N. Y. (Special) — For the first time science has found a new healing substance with the astonishing ability to shrink hemorrhoids, stop itching, and relieve pain — without surgery. In case after case, while gently relieving pain, actual reduction (shrinkage) took place. Most amazing of all — results were so thorough that sufferers made astonishing statements like "Piles have ceased to be a problem!"

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DEFENDANT COLLAPSES — Members of his family carry George Bledsoe out of courtroom in Stillwater, Okla., June 12 after the 33-year-old former Cushing, Okla., detective captain collapsed on the witness stand. Bledsoe, on trial for murder, had just finished two hours of testimony in which he said he fired at Ray Abbott in self defense. Abbott and an accomplice were shot to death during their attempted burglary of a Cushing drug store last Christmas Day. The state contends Bledsoe shot the men to clear himself of a burglary payoff ring. (AP Wire-photo)



SUPERCHAIN SMOKER—Puffing up a storm, this experimental heart pump consumes cigarettes at superchain-smoking speed in Minneapolis, Minn. Nonsmoker Dave Sutton, a Minneapolis-Honeywell engineer, lights up another for the voracious machine in a sealed room where designs for electronic air-cleaning equipment are tested. It would remove stale tobacco odors from home or office.

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Right Of Way Agent Is Reinstated On Job

SALEM (AP)—Edwin G. Black, Portland, Highway Commission right of way agent, was reinstated to his job Friday by the state Civil Service Commission.

Black was fired when he was charged with accepting a \$150 bribe, but a circuit court jury found him innocent.

The Civil Service Commission ordered Black restored to his job with full pay since last December, when he was dismissed.

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