

# Philly Band Puts Eugene In Big Time

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Eugene, at long last, has hit the cultural big time. On May 24, the University will hear the touring symphony in the country.

The note on any social calendar is to hear the Philadelphia orchestra under veteran leader Eugene Ormandy, in its first Eugene appearance since starting its annual cross-country jaunts in 1936.



Disc ban or not, Ormandy and company (110 others,) are off again on their regular record-boosting tours, with an eye on past years when one-night concerts rocketed their symphonic disc sales. As a result, Columbia has never used red ink on its books, despite a heavy (\$150,000) expense ticket for each tour.

Heading Ormandy's program for May 24, according to preview albums sent ahead to music editors (us, by gosh!), are Brahms symphony No. 3 in F major, and "Der Freischutz Overture" by Weber.

Back in 1817, Karl Maria von Weber was a fairly good composer, off a classical Tin Pan alley, but he was getting ambitious. Weber wanted to compose a strictly German opera, something to stir Teutonic tempers. One day, while idly thumbing through a volume of ghost stories by Apel, an obscure title made him pause, intrigued. "Frei Schutz"—"Free Guard"—something nicely revolutionary—

Weber quickly composed a theme to this first great work of his, but the drab business of earning daily bread and wine forced him to shelve it again and again. Finally, in 1821, "Der Freischutz Overture" received its Berlin premiere. The results were awesome.

After the introduction of the majestic but restrained theme, an entire audience of stiffly-monocled and stiffly-corseted Prussian nobility rose to its feet, stamping and shouting. The scene was repeated in opera halls in city after city as audiences, inflamed by German nationalism, hailed Weber as their prophet.

Critics and some musicians raised colder eyebrows over the stormy overture, but the German fanaticism went beyond the critic's rules. In Berlin, the overture was played 50 times in only a little more than a year, and in Vienna drew record crowds for 60 consecutive nightly performances.

Oddly enough, Weber is not remembered for his great overture, but rather for a showy little piece called "Invitation to the Dance," which he wrote years later. That was followed by "Till the End of Time," "Full Moon and Empty Arms," and other melodies from the classics.

Pops notes: This guy Dorsey can't seem to make up his mind. Despite rave reviews for his latest discs, "Tchaikowski Melodies for Dancing," TD is changing bands again.

Ziggy Elman, one of the better name horns, is on the outside again, after signing with the Sentimental Gentleman for a trial run. The Town Criers, notable for one Gordon Polk, have quit too, and soloists Stu Foster and Audrey (Neckline) Young went along with them.

While the old Dorsey rep is still holding together, catch "Just an Old Love of Mine," backed by "The Piano Tuner." Waxed not long ago with better than fair vocals, and novelty on "Tuner." Danceable, too,

# Resolution of 1948 Forensic League Asks New U.S. Policy Toward Russia

Editor's Note: Following is the resolution passed by the 1948 Assembly of the Pacific Forensic League, when it met early in April in Reno, Nev. The convention was attended by 17 delegates from 10 coast schools. Warren Miller, senior in political science, and Ralph M. Teters, junior in psychology, represented the University, with W. A. Dahlberg, associate professor of speech and drama, as faculty adviser. The Emerald prints the resolution without endorsement as a matter of information.

WHEREAS it has become evident that the peace of the world is being threatened by the following acts:

- (1) Economic Warfare
- (2) A race to military power
- (3) Misuse of methods of public information
- (4) Fomenting of spurious nationalism

AND WHEREAS those and similar acts are aggravated by a mutual fear among nations generated by a desire for security, coupled with a lack of understanding.

AND WHEREAS the result of such acts constitutes a crime against the peoples of the world, and specifically those represented by the United States and Russia.

AND WHEREAS these peoples are desirous of acquiring an equitable basis for the prevention of war.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this assembly urges the following immediate remedial steps be taken by the United States with regard to its foreign policy toward Russia:

That the President of the United States officially and publicly announce and initiate the following changes in foreign policy and the organs of its administration:

- (1) Removal of all personell whose policy it has been to advocate officially or unofficially a policy based on the supposed inevitability of conflict, or who have encouraged the use of American military forces in maintenance of governments other than those occupying defeated axis nations, or who have encouraged the use of American production and commerce for the purpose of controlling the internal policies of independent nations; or who have wilfully and knowingly distributed erroneous and/or inflammatory information regarding the preceding or, by doing so, have contributed to the growth of spurious nationalism.
- (2) That the American Foreign Policy be altered as follows:
  - a. American economic action for rehabilitation and reconstruction shall be carried out through the United Nations rather than on its present unilateral basis.
  - b. The United States rescind its restrictions on trade

with Russia, in order to encourage commercial intercourse wherever possible.

c. Reciprocal agreements be instituted to foster full interchange of information of an industrial and agricultural nature.

(3) That all military troops, military supplies, military funds, and military advisors, except in the case of an actual occupation, be withdrawn from the support of foreign governments, and wherever possible governments should be operated by the state department with the help of any other governmental branch necessary.

(4) That misuse of public information facilities be prevented by the extension of criminal slander and libel laws on an international basis to protect governments and government personnel; and that the lack of understanding be ameliorated by active programs to promote the exchange of information between countries pertinent to their economic, political, and social systems, and by the exchange of residents, i.e. college students, and business and professional representatives.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to more completely achieve this program the delegates of the ten Western colleges and universities hereby call upon President Truman to invite the leader of the Russian state to meet with him for the purpose of formulating mutually compatible foreign policy on the basis of the foregoing requested change.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that inasmuch as this is not a request for a policy of appeasement, but rather one based on a policy of mutual cooperation, that the delegates from the aforementioned colleges and universities, in the adoption of a platform embodying these principles and a candidate, for the presidency, who will support them.

### APPENDIX

The ultimate success of our foreign policy depends upon whether the peoples of the world believe it is sincere; their belief in its sincerity partially depends upon whether our domestic policy is synchronized with it; their belief as to our domestic policy's synchronization with the foreign policy partially depends upon the passage of the following measures:

- (1) Establishment of a civil rights program
- (2) Abolition of the house committee on un-American activities.

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