

### Critical Audience Approves Portland Symphony Music

By FRED ZIMMERMAN

It is regrettable that the Portland symphony orchestra is to make but a single appearance in Salem this season, for the performance of the musicians from the metropolis, under the expert guidance of Arthur Fiedler, at the Salem high school auditorium Tuesday night, was all that any critical audience could ask.

The program, featuring Handel, Haydn, Dvorak and Tchaikowsky, with a musical novelty by Walter Piston thrown in for good measure, was well balanced, and not

too difficult for the average listener. Those present for the symphonic treat constituted about the average-sized Salem audience for a program of this nature—probably not sufficient to warrant a return engagement.

The "Royal Firework Music" suite by Handel, originally written for an orchestra of 40 trumpets, 20 horns, 16 oboes, 16 bassoons, 8 sets of kettle drums and flutes and fifes, was later recast by Sir Hamilton Harty for the modern symphony group. It was entirely

pleasing, especially the "men- uetto". One could speculate concerning the production when given under the original score.

The "Symphony No. 88 in G Major" was a typical Haydn production—lovely in its melody and the variations that were introduced during the four parts.

"The Incredible Flutist" by Piston, a native of Maine, is a descriptive number that introduces the talents of the entire orchestra. It was composed for presentation during a Boston Pops orchestra program by Fiedler in 1938. The "arrival of the circus" portion was enlivened by whistles and calls from the orchestra personnel, who entered into the situation with considerable enthusiasm.

Conductor Fiedler, who responded to repeated curtain calls, succeeded in drawing the best from his musicians without resorting to violent gestures.

Two Slavonic dances by Dvorak, and Tchaikowsky's "Capriccio Italien", concluded the evening's performance in spite of continued efforts of the audience for an encore. The dance No. 7 in C minor, one of the more familiar works of the Prague-born composer, with its contrasting moods, may well have been the high spot of the evening, although the Tchaikowsky number that concluded the performance, described as a "bundle of Italian folk songs", most certainly could not be overlooked.

Directors of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club, meeting at the Senator hotel Tuesday, announced that Neal Miller of Woodburn was re-elected president of the club by a vote of 118 to 89. His opponent was Mancel Melott of Hillsboro.

### Neal Miller Jersey Head

Other officers elected, and who will be installed at the annual meeting of the club at the Marion hotel December 5, were: Vice president, Jeff Modlin of Otis; secretary, Ed Blinkhorn, Oregon City; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Couche of Sherwood. Presidents of coun-

ty clubs are the board of directors. The voting was by mail.

The club will be well represented at the annual meeting of the Western States Jersey association at the Multnomah hotel in Portland December 11 and 12. Chairman of the western association is Neal McPherson of California, and Neal Miller vice chairman. Harriet Groos of Vancouver is secretary.

An interesting feature of the annual meeting of the Oregon club will be production awards to 10 youths. Harold McHugh of Albany, new youth activities chairman, in a talk on plans for the year, suggested a pool system whereby youths could buy top animals a little

### Leslie Students to Revise Constitution

A committee of Leslie Junior high students is revising the school's constitution which has become outdated in the past few years. The committee consists of chairman John Harvey, Merry Lee Smith, Sue Jackson, Bob Levy, Mary Wilbur and David Perry.

Another committee, appointed recently by President Steve Berglund, is looking into the idea of publishing a student handbook. The committee consists of Bruce Wulf, Penny Albright, Jerry Hagen, Barbara

Henkin, John Allen and Karen Harris.

The constitution committee held a meeting Wednesday morning. The student council met Tuesday and discussed these two ideas but must wait until the committees report back.

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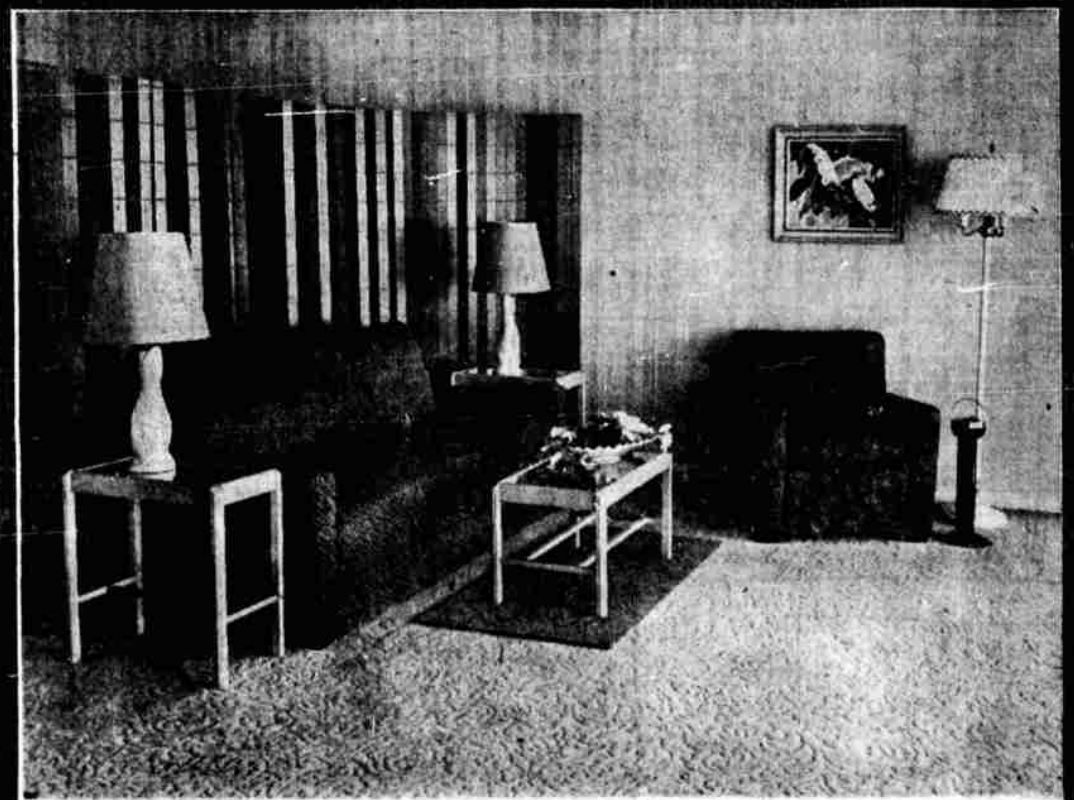
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