

MUSIC AS AN ART ALMOST FINISHED, AVERS COMPOSER

PARIS (UP)—Real music as an art is almost finished, in the opinion of Reynaldo Hahn, well known French composer and orchestra leader, who has recently completed a new opera and a new ballet, as well as having just published a long volume of his memoirs.

"This is the beginning of the end," said Hahn, as he strode nervously up and down his study. "Music as an art is dying and won't be born again for another century. The public of today does not know what it wants. Critics of today are ignorant and lack all sincerity."

"Why do people go to hear Toscanini conduct a concert?" he expostulated. "I know that Toscanini is one of the world's greatest musicians, but does the public know it? Of course not, the public attends because everyone says he is good, although they don't really appreciate him."

"This is a great century for money," he continued. "It is a great century for sport, which is a great enemy to all the arts, for electricity, for mechanics and for science. It is not a great century for music. Because the world has gone scientific and mechanical, people think they must like ugly and complicated music."

Hahn was equally explosive regarding "mechanical music." "You must see music, feel music and get the atmosphere of music really to appreciate and get the most out of it. You can get the sound from a phonograph or a radio, but you can't get the real thing. The radio is fine for educational purposes, I suppose, but it is causing the decay of the concert and the theater. Real music will start up again in about 100 years, when people have become more used to scientific and mechanical things and can again genuinely appreciate and understand real music."

Hahn, a Venezuelan by birth, has lived in France since he was a child of two and has become a naturalized French citizen. A student of Massenet, Hahn has been composing since he was a small boy. When he was only 23 his "Nuits d'Amour Bergamasque" was played at one of the Concerts Colonne in Paris. His musical career was interrupted during the four years in which the composer saw active service in the war, but since then he has been working constantly.

His most recent work is an opera, "Le Qui des Jeunes Filles," from Moratin's book. The music for this opera was written in collaboration with Rene Fauchois. He has just composed a ballet with Abel Hermant, contemporary French author, which will be given shortly at the Paris opera house.

HUSKIES TACKLE OREGON TONIGHT
EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 31.—(P)—The big Oregon basketball team, which does everything in a big way, whether it be winning or losing, meets the super-speed boys from University of Washington here tonight and tomorrow night.

The undefeated Huskies set a whirlwind pace and swept the Webfoots off their feet in two games at Seattle last week. However, Coach Howard Hobson believes it will be a different story if his men find their shooting eyes again.

The Huskies showed up every little defect in the Oregon attack and the Webfoots have brushed up their game from every angle this week.

Ken Purdy, little left-hander from California, probably will start at one of the guard positions to speed up Oregon's passing game.

Oregon, in third place, needs at least one win this week to retain any reasonable chance at the conference championship.

RABBIT ROUNDUP PLANNED SUNDAY
HERMISTON, Ore., Jan. 31.—(P)—Jackrabbits which infest eastern Oregon's range country will be rounded up and slaughtered at Garvis Butte, 15 miles south of here, Sunday in one of the largest rabbit drives ever planned in eastern Oregon.

Shouting men and boys armed with clubs or pick handles will beat the brush and herd the rabbits toward movable wire corrals where the trapped animals will be clubbed to death.

Rabbits which escape the tightening lines will be picked off by marksmen armed with shotguns or .22 caliber rifles. No larger rifles are permitted.

The public is invited to participate in the drive arranged by Harold W. Doherty of the United States biological survey and W. A. Sawyer, assistant county agent of Umatilla county, Stanfield CCC camp men will help.

Boy Scout Chief Visits Portland
PORTLAND, Jan. 31.—(P)—Commander Thomas J. Keane, national director of senior scouting of Boy Scouts of America, arrived here today for a four-day inspection and promotional tour of this district.

The scouting program for boys over 18 years of age is being expanded.

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Townsend Plan Not Cockeyed Declares Crews in Rebuttal

Mr. Nealon says in his reply that "The Townsend Plan is cock-eyed." "No, the plan is not 'cock-eyed,'" he simply views it in a "cock-eyed" way. It is very evident that Mr. Nealon has never read the McGroarty Bill, now pending in Congress, introduced for the purpose of putting the Townsend Plan into effect. It therefore can be fairly said that he does not know what he is talking about. Now the plan is offered for the following purposes:

"To provide for the general welfare of the United States by supplying to the people a more liberal distribution and increase of purchasing power, retiring certain citizens from active gainful employment, improving and stabilizing agricultural and industrial production and general business, and alleviating the hazards and insecurity of old age; to provide a method whereby citizens shall contribute to and receive a retirement annuity; and for the raising of the necessary revenue to operate a continuing plan therefor; and to provide for the proper administration of this act; and for other purposes."

Mr. Nealon wants to know what evidence we have that the two percent transaction tax will raise sufficient funds to meet the requirements of this bill. While there are other sources of revenue provided for, in said bill, I shall confine myself to a consideration of the transaction tax.

Mr. H. B. M. Miller, a well-known, accredited and accurate statistician, states in his article on the transaction tax as follows:

"In my opinion, based on the information in my possession, which has been obtained by me from one or more of the different departments of the Government at Washington, or from sources to which I have been referred by those departments, and from standard work on statistics, an amount amply sufficient to pay the pensions stated in that plan can be raised by a two percent tax on business transactions alone, for the following reasons:

(1) That the total aggregate value of all business transactions being consummated in this country at the present time is not less than the sum of \$600,000,000,000 a year, or \$50,000,000,000 a month.

(2) That the amount which the Townsend Plan will put and keep in circulation in all the various channels of trade, if it becomes a law in this country, will increase that business at the rate of not less than twenty percent a month up to the time it reaches \$1,200,000,000,000 of business that was transacted in the United States in the year 1929.

(3) That, commencing with business at the rate of \$50,000,000,000 a month and increasing that business at the rate of twenty percent a month for the first five months from the time pensions are payable under that plan, a tax of two percent will not only produce an amount sufficient to pay those pensions, but an amount exceeding \$1,000,000,000 by the end of the first year during which said plan is in operation."

We could cite other authorities "ad infinitum" to the same effect. Congressman Mott, who has given the matter careful consideration, in his recent speech at Salem stated to his audience that he had "information from high authority that a two percent transaction tax on the transactions of the Stock Exchange alone would almost pay the entire annuities to all persons qualified to receive the same. But suppose, Mr. Nealon, that it was not sufficient. What difference does it make with the working of the plan? The bill provides that "the total amount available for each month shall be divided by the total number of annuitants entitled to share therein, not to exceed \$200 per month."

This annuity shall not be payable to any person who, directly or indirectly, receives from any source a net income of \$2,400 per year. Now the Townsend people are willing to take their chances that the method provided in the bill will be sufficient to pay the \$200 per month. If not, there is no one hurt. They would simply take what is raised, and be satisfied.

Mr. Nealon, your reference to the California State Sales Tax has absolutely nothing to do with the case. This is not a sales tax. Do you know the difference between a sales tax and a transaction tax? You ought to know that a sales tax is paid by the BUYER, while a transaction tax is paid by the SELLER.

Your last analysis, wherein you state that "there are only four people over the age of sixty years that are capable of earning an income, and that the average income of these four persons was only \$1,000 per year," and you wonder if I realize that, I answer, "No, and I don't believe anyone else does. To me, your entire analysis is simply nonsense, without meaning, or application to the controversy."

When one attempts to discuss the Townsend Plan with its critics, few of whom have ever read the McGroarty Bill, and therefore know nothing of the proposition, they simply throw up their hands in "holy horror," and shout, "\$200 per month, and \$24,000,000,000 per year would bankrupt the country." They have given the purpose and object of the plan no intelligent consideration. They know that there has been a depression, and they hope for a recovery.

ery. Now the Townsend Plan is offered for that purpose. They know that there are in this country about 8,000,000 old people who are broke, and out of employment, and who, by reason of their age, are barred from any remunerative work without any fault of their own. This nation is confronted with that situation. It is not a theory. It is a fact. Mr. Townsend has offered a plan for their relief. What are you going to do about it? If you have a plan, let us have it. Don't be contented with being a "knocker," but be a "doer."

Respectfully,
W. E. CREWS.

Medford, Jan. 31.

AUTOMOBILE SALES NEAR ALL-TIME HIGH

DETROIT, Jan. 31.—(AP)—R. L. Peik & Company announced today that retail sales of new passenger cars in the United States in 1935 totaled 2,749,908 units. The total has been exceeded only three times in the industry's history—in 1926 when 3,228,401 were sold; in 1928 with 3,139,579, and in 1929 when the total reached 3,860,206. Total sales of passenger cars in 1934 were 1,888,577.

Autoist Suffers Injuries in Skid

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 31.—(AP)—E. N. Nerhaugen, Port Dage, Iowa, was brought to the Mercy hospital here last night suffering from scalp wounds, severe bruises and possible internal injuries as the result of an automobile accident near Oakland. The car in which he was riding with H. S. Frost of Portland skidded off icy pavement and rolled over a steep embankment. Frost was unhurt. Numerous wrecks occurred yesterday on a short stretch of icy pavement just south of the city limits of Oakland, but, aside from Nerhaugen, no one was seriously injured.

Wheat in Wasco Looks Promising

THE DALLES, Ore., Jan. 31.—(P)—W. Wray Lawrence, Wasco county agent, said today that a good wheat yield is in prospect next summer if average weather follows. The wheat is much smaller than usual at this season and the roots are less developed, due to the long drought last fall. However, nearly six inches of moisture in January offset the previous dry spell.

86 Major Cities Cut Auto Deaths

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The commerce department reported today that 86 major cities made a slightly better automobile accident record in 1935 than in 1934. In 1935 the death rate per 100,000 of population was 23.5, compared with 24.2 in 1934.

RICHFIELD AUCTION BID MILLIONS SHORT

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 31.—(P)—Auction of the vast Richfield and Panhandle American petroleum properties failed today when a bid of only \$19,500,000 was received. Special Master William A. Bowen, acting as auctioneer, said a further effort would be made to sell the two companies February 19. B. B. Stonecipher, Grand Junction, Colo., oil man, made the only bid which was more than \$10,000,000 short of the minimum of \$20,855,510 set by federal court.

EASTERN REGION WILL BE COLDER

By the Associated Press
A new drop in temperature was in store for parts of the country tonight, and little prospect of relief from the two weeks old cold wave was in sight for the week-end.

New England shivered in temperatures ranging as low as 20 degrees below zero. The mercury was near zero in Chicago, St. Louis and Minneapolis. New York's forecast for tomorrow was "slightly colder."

Many places in the south were still digging out of the snow which blanketed wide areas in Georgia, Alabama and the Carolinas and Virginia.

Shipping along the Atlantic coast was still impeded by ice floes. The threat of a fuel shortage continued in some parts of the south and the middle west.

Coal operators sought a six-day truce with the United Mine Workers of America to get out coal for smaller Alabama and Mississippi cities.

Coose Improvement Held Inadvisable

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 31.—(AP)—United States army engineers recommended against further improvement of the Coos river at this time, Colonel Thomas M. Robins, division engineer, announced today.

In response to a request for flood control measures to prevent erosion of the banks, the engineers replied that damages are small, confined to a few places, and have caused "no appreciable shoaling in navigable channels."

Buck Jones Coming To Roxy Saturday

Buck Jones is one of the fearless members of the Royal Northwest Mounted police sworn to break up a criminal gang in "Border Brigs" playing Saturday only at the Roxy theater. The fifth episode of "Talispin Tommy" will be on the same program.

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