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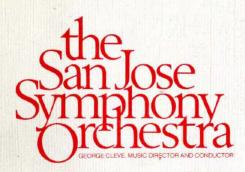
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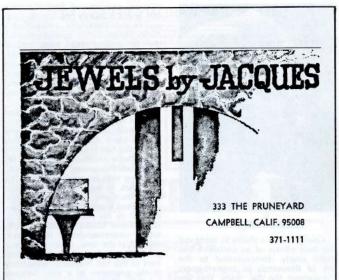
evening concerts at Flint Center), and guest conduct the Mostly Mozart Festival Orchestra in New York's Avery Fisher Hall to rave reviews by the discerning New York critics! Last April George Cleve received the 1975 San Jose Fine Arts Commission Community Arts Program Award because of "his contribution to and advancement of the arts in the comadvancement of the arts in the community.

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losophy professor and mother a teacher of French and French literature. The family moved to New York in 1940 where Cleve attended the Mannes College of Music, studying the viola with Paul Doktor and the piano with Paul Emerich and Sey-mour Lipkin.

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Born in 1899 in Mexico City, Chávez was
acquainted from childhood with Mexican
Indian and Mestizo music and some of
his compositions reflect the excitement and
vigor of these native cultures. His background is anything but limited, however.
His early studies in Mexico City were classical and his later works have been abstract
in design.
The first public concert of Chávez's music
was presented in Mexico City in 1921. In
the next two years he traveled in Germany
(where some of his piano works were published), Austria, and France.
Returning to Mexico City he organized
and conducted the Musica Nueva chamber
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In 1928, at the invitation of the union of musicians in Mexico City, Chávez founded the Orquesta Sinfonica de Mexico which he was to conduct for 21 years, vigorously encouraging Mexican composers. Since 1936 he has conducted all the major orchestras of North and Latin America and Europe.

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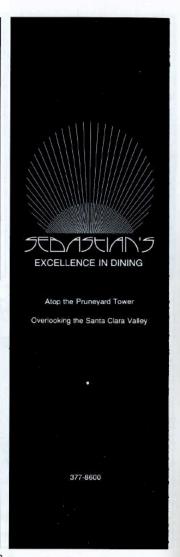
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PROGRAM NOTES-Alborada del Gracioso

Maurice Ravel (1875-1937)

Alborada is the fourth of a set of pieces for piano composed in 1905 called Miroirs—"mirrors" of Spain; that is, both reflections of the Spanish character in music, and pieces of music which themselves constitute the mirrors in which we see—hear—those reflections. "The fascination of this music," says H. H. Stuckenschmidt, "is that it makes the line between serious thought and its parody difficult to discern." The French poet Francis Ponge has given us a term for this sort of thing: "A momon is a masquerade, a sort of dance done by masked figures, ending with a challenge delivered by them... One ought to be able to so name, by extension, any work of art including its own caricature, or one in which the artist was to ridicule his means of expression. La Valse of Ravel is a momon. The genre is

by Charles Shere

peculiar to periods in which rhetoric, dying, examines itself." A very useful way of seeing Ravel's place in the revolution of early 20th century music.

Alborada is an aubade, a morning song; but the lyricism of this song is contrasted with the unconcerned, inevitably rattling Spanish guitars breaking in cruelly on the languid dreamlikemusic. Stuckenschmidtsays of this procedure: "Ravel becomes the painter of a psychopathological state of luctuation in which the state of normal awareness and that of illusion merge, then separate. To this end, tonal ambiguity and chords containing three chromatically neighboring tones play important roles. The piece was orchestrated shortly after its composition, by the composer, and it represents, along with Pictures at an Exhibition and Bolero, one of his most brilliant orchestral works.

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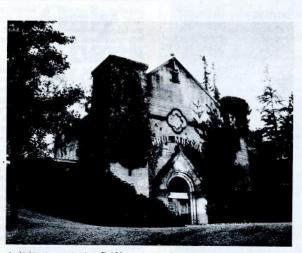
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Sol, tú siempre nos ayudas Y tú nos iluminas, Dándonos el sustento.

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Me miras con el arado, Luego con la rozadera, Una vez en la llanura Y otra vez en la ladera.

Me miras lazando un toro, Me ves arriando un atajo, Pero diario yo te pido Que no nos quites tú fuerza.

Sol, tú que eres amoroso Para darnos tó calor, Fecunda toda nuestra tierra Y no nos quites tó luz Y no nos quites tó luz.

Sol, tú que eres—tu que eres—amoroso Para darnos tú calor Fecunda, fecunda toda nuestrá tierra Y no—fecunda toda nuestra tierra—y no Nos quites tú luz.

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Sol redondo y colorado Como una rueda de cobre, De diario me estás mirando Y la tierra das riqueza ¡Sol! ¡Sol!

Translation courtesy of Beatriz E. Morales

THE SUN

Sun of the golden hair That is looking out towards the east, Rise that you may make warm The wet earth . . . The wet earth.

It rained all night With wild fury, (It rained) cats and dogs, as the people say, And it (the seed) is hard, almost frozen

Sun, Sun, Sun, Warm it so it (the seed) will sprout, And make the flower bloom All painted with your color.

Sun round, golden, and warm The farmer at his plow and you (the sun) to the east . . . The farmer at his plow and you (the sun)

to the east.

Sun, while they (the farmers) plow You are warming the earth, And the warm earth Makes fertile the seed that it covers.

Sun, you always help us . And you shine on us, Giving us our food.

Now you come with us Because we have a common task to do, You are a farmer and you also work. (We pray) that the earth gives us all that is good!

Sun round and golden Like a copper wheel, Daily you look at me And to the earth give riches.

You look at me behind the plow. Then later with the scythe, One time on the plain And another on the hillside.

You look at me roping a bull, You see me taking a short cut, But daily I ask that you Not take away our strength.

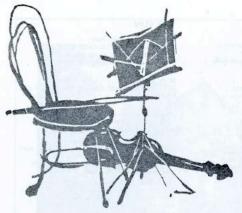
Sun, you that are loving (enough)
To give us your warmth,
Fertilize all our earth
And do not take away your light . . .

Sun, you that are—you that are—loving (enough)
To give us your warmth,
Fertilize, fertilize all our earth—and don't—fertilize all our earth—and don't
Take away your light.

Sun round and golden Like a copper wheel, Daily you look at me And to the earth give riches.

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LARGO from Symphony No. 2

Blas Galindo (1910-Born in 1910, from 1947 to 1961 the director of the National Conservatory in Mexico City (which he attended from 1931-1944), Galindo is one of the numerous students of Carlos Chavez to have continued the growth of Mexican serious music. He followed a nationalist orientation until his Mariachi Sounds, composed in 1941; thereafter he combined Mexican folk-melodies and rhythms with free atonal procedure, avoidance of exact repetition, and other ideas suggested in Chavez' own music. Recently, Galindo has been working with mixtures of polytonal and atonal principles, combining such procedures with electronic sounds. The Second Symphony was completed in 1957.

DANCES from The Three Cornered Hat

Manuel de Falla (1876-1946) Born in Spain in 1876, from 1907 to 1914 a friend of Debussy, Ravel,

to 1914 a friend of Debussy, Ravel, Dukas and Roussel in Paris, Falla is best known now as a composer of picturesquely "Spanish" (really Andalusian) music: La Vida Breve, Nights in the Gardens of Spain, El

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Amor Baujo and the present work, the last in which he relied so heavily on the orientalisms of Moorish Spain. The Three-Cornered Hat was composed in 1919 for Diaghilev, who produced it that year in London. It is a reworking of a score composed two years earlier, El Corregidor y la molinara, based on the Boccacciesque story of two jealous

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SUITE from the **Ballet HORSEPOWER**

Carlos Chávez (1899-

Born in Mexico City in 1899, Chávez followed formal piano studies for a number of years and studied harmony for one year with Juan B. Fuentes. To a great extent self-taught as a composer, he has always followed a rigorously thoughtful approach to his work, sometimes exhaustively investigating modern applications of the findings of earlier composers (Bach, for example); at other times applying modern, arbitrary devices such as atonality, nonrepetition, and soundtextural ideas to his own always individual work. He has been active as a composer for over 50 years, as a conductor nearly as long. In 1928 he assumed the directorship of both the Mexico Symphony Orchestra and the National Conservatory in Mexico City, assuming thereby the most influential role in the development of new music in that country-a role which he has continued relentlessly ever since, both in Mexico and on guest podiums all over the world. (In this country, for example, he was the director of the Cabrillo Festival from 1970-1973.)

The primitivisms of the pre-Columbian heritage of Mexico combined with the modernisms animating the music of the 1920s (for example, in Stravinsky and Varese) particularly fortuitously in the ballet Horsepower, composed in 1926. The final

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(Continued from preceding page) scene of the ballet-the only one not included in the suite-was given that November at Aeolian Hall, New York; the complete ballet was premiered at the Metropolitan in 1934 under Stokowski, the score having been premiered previously by Chavez with the Mexico Symphony in 1931.

The scenario, by the composer, is divided into four sections: Dance of the Man; Boat to the Tropics: agile dance, tango, general dance and interlude; The Tropics: huapango and zandunga (native dance rhythms), interlude; Dance of the Men and Machines. Of these, the final scene, second interlude and the general dance were omitted from the suite, which is scored for full orchestra with two saxophones add-

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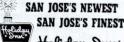


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Choros No. 10

Heitor Villa-Lobos (1887-1959)

The best known, most influential The best known, most influential and certainly most prolific of Brazilian composers was born in Rio de Janeiro in 1887, had his first lessons from his father, was inspired to compose probably by Darius Milhaud's stay in Brazil in 1917-18, and finally, thanks to a government travel grant, studied abroad (chiefly in Paris) from 1923-30. His enormous output of some 3,000 titles (some of which, according to recent discoveries, may have been no more than titles) is of uneven quality and diverse styles, but all his work betrays a Brazilian inflection, through folk music traits like syncopation, lush harmonies and chord progressions, broad melodic lines and the like, or through nostalgic atmosphere or a primitive kind of energy.

Fourteen Choros were composed between 1920 and 1928. The title, Nicholas Slonimsky has explained, refers to a street band which plays popular tunes—the Brazilian equivalent, perhaps, of the Mexican mariachi. But according to Villa-Lobos, the choros became for him "a new form which synthesizes the different modalities of Brazilian, Indian and popular music, having for principal elements rhythm and any typical melody of popular character..." The composer went on to compare the choros to the traditional serenade.

The Choros No. 10, titled Rasga O Coracao, was composed in 1926. According to his own description, it "represents the reaction of a civilized man to stark nature; his contemplation of the valleys of the Amazon and the land of Matto Grosso

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(Continued from preceding page) and Para. The majesty of the land-. the sky, the waters, the woods, the birds fascinate him. But little by little his humanity asserts itself; there are living people in this land, even though they are savages. Their music is full of nostalgia and of love; their dances are full of rhythm. The Brazilian song, "Rasga O Coracao" is heard, and translates into "the Brazilian heart beats in unison with the Brazilian earth.'

EL SOL

Carlos Cháves

El Sol is a setting for mixed chorus and full orchestra of traditional verses and of poems by Carlo Gutierrez Cruz. It was composed in 1934, a year in which Chávez af-firmed musically his sympathy with the common man in such works as the Proletarian Symphony, the Republic Overture, and the present work, which is subtitled "Mexican Ballad." In addition to the original setting for full orchestra, El Sol has been reduced for piano accompaniment and transcribed for band. For translation of the vocal text see



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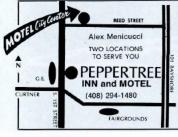


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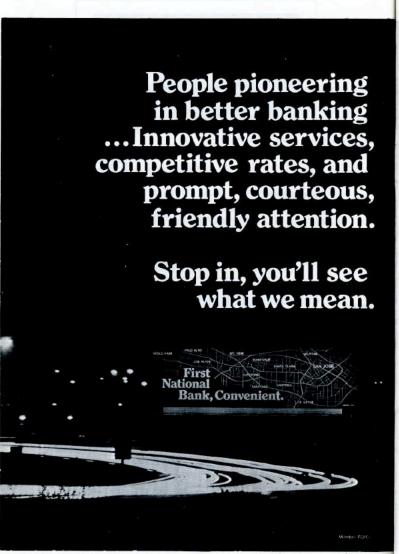
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