NEWS SECTION

Composers

RICHARD RODNEY BENNETT. Anniversaries (première)—9 September / Royal Albert Hall Prom / BBC Symphony Orchestra c. James Loughran

BERNARD BENOLIEL. Symphony (première) —29 September / Manchester / BBC Northern SO c. Edward Downes.

PIERRE BOULEZ. *Répons* (UK première)— September / Royal Horticultural Hall Prom / Ensemble InterContemporain c. Pierre Boulez.

JOHN BULLER. Kommos (première)—21 June / St. Bartholemew's Festival, London / Electric Phoenix.

CORNELIUS CARDEW (d.1981). Octet '71 (première)—16 May / Royal Festival Hall (Cornelius Cardew Memorial Concert) / AMM, Scratch Orchestra, Eisler Ensemble, etc.

JACOB DRUCKMAN has been commissioned by the Metropolitan Opera Association to compose an opera entitled *Medea* to a libretto by Tony Harrison, for the 1985/6 season. He is also composing an orchestral work for the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association.

PETER RACINE FRICKER. *Rondeaux* for horn and orchestra (première)—14 July / Cheltenham Festival / Ifor James, City of London SO c. Richard Hickox.

ALBERTO GINASTERA. Cantata para América Mágica (U.K. première)—21 October/ St. John's, Smith Square / Lontano c. Odaline de la Martinez.

HANS WERNER HENZE. La Miracle de la Rose (première)—26 May / Queen Elizabeth Hall / Anthony Pay (clarinet), London Sinfonietta c. Hans Werner Henze.

ROBIN HOLLOWAY. Divertimento No.3 (first public performance)—19 June / Wigmore Hall / Rosemary Hardy (soprano), Nash Ensemble. Second Concerto for Orchestra (London première)—10 August / Royal Albert Hall Prom / BBC Symphony Orchestra c. Michael Tilson Thomas.

WITOLD LUTOSLAWSKI. Grave-Metamorphoses (UK première)—19 May / Wigmore Hall / Alexander Baillie (cello), Kathron Sturrock (piano). Mini Overture (UK première) —2 August / Brompton Oratory Prom / Philip Jones Brass Ensemble.

IGOR MARKEVITCH. Partita (UK première) —13 May / Edinburgh / Michael Lester-Cribb (piano), Camerata c. Alasdair Mitchell.

DAVID MATTHEWS. Symphony No.2 (première)—13 May / St. John's, Smith Square / Philharmonia c. Simon Rattle. Serenade (première)—17 May / Jerusalem / English Chamber Orchestra c. Raymond Leppard. Matthews is at present composing a Violin Concerto.

NICHOLAS MAW. Night Thoughts for solo flute (première)—10 June / Wigmore Hall / Judith Pearce.

PETER MAXWELL DAVIES. Black Pentecost (première)—11 May / Royal Festival Hall / Jan DeGaetani, Michael Rippon, Philharmonia c. Simon Rattle. Salome (US première) —25 July / Santa Fe / Dallas Ballet.

NIGEL OSBORNE. *Sinfonia* (première)—2 August / Royal Albert Hall Prom / BBC Symphony Orchestra c. Lionel Friend.

ARVO PART. Johannespassion (première)----7 May / Munich / Bavarian Radio Chorus c. Gordon Kember.

ARIBERT REIMANN. Chacun sa chimère, ballet for tenor and orchestra (première)— 17 April / Düsseldorf / Deutsche Oper am Rhein c. Friedemann Layer. 3 Songs on poems of Edgar Allan Poe (première)—5 September / Berlin / Catherine Gayer (soprano), Berlin PO c. Hans Zender.

ROGER SMALLEY. Symphony (première)— 25 August / Royal Albert Hall Prom / BBC Northern Symphony Orchestta c. Edward Downes.

NARESH SOHAL. *The Wanderer* (première)— 23 August / Royal Albert Hall Prom / BBC Symphony Orchestra and Chorus c. Andrew Davis.

IGOR STRAVINSKY 1882–1971

Scherzo fantastique, Op. 3 (1908) For orchestra Study score ED 3501

Fireworks, Op. 4 (1908) For orchestra Full score ED 49 Study score ED 3504 Piano reduction ED 2190

Pastorale (1908) Song without words for soprano and piano ED 2295 Version for soprano and four woodwind (1923) Piano reduction ED 3399 Version for violin, oboe, cor anglais clarinet, and bassoon (1933) Score and parts ED 3313 Piano reduction ED 2294

The Firebird (1910) Ballet in two scenes Full score ED 6461 Piano reduction ED 3279

Concerto for two solo pianos (1935) ED 2520

Jeu de cartes (1936) Ballet in three deals Full score ED 56 Study score ED 3511 Piano reduction ED 3296

Concerto in E flat 'Dumbarton Oaks' (1938) For chamber orchestra Full score ED 2851 Study score ED 3527 Transcription for two pianos ED 2791

Symphony in C (1940) For orchestra Full score ED 3840; Study score ED 3536

Tango for piano (1940) ED 4917 Transcription for chamber orchestra (1953) Study score ED 4569 Bluebird pas de deux from Tchaikovsky's 'The Sleeping Beauty' (1941) Transcribed for small orchestra by Stravinsky Study score ED 4409

Danses concertantes (1942) For chamber orchestra Study score ED 4275

Four Norwegian Moods (1942) For orchestra Study score ED 6332

Circus Polka (1942) For orchestra Study score ED 4274 Piano reduction ED 4282

Ode (1943) Triptych for orchestra Study score ED 5942

Elegy (1944) For unaccompanied viola (or violin) VLB 47

Scènes de ballet (1944) For orchestra Study score BSS 90300

Sonata for two pianos (1944) ED 4015

Scherzo à la russe (1944) For orchestra Study score ED 4553 Transcription for two pianos ED 10646

Babel (1944) Cantata for male chorus, narrator and orchestra Study score ED 4412 Vocal score ED 4342

Symphony in three movements (1945) For orchestra Full score ED 99 Study score ED 4075



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GILES SWAYNE. Countdown (première)—23 May / St. Mary's Church, London / Merton Festival Choir c. Nicholas Cleobury.

TORU TAKEMITSU is writing an orchestral work for the 100th anniversary of Waseda University, and a chamber-orchestral one for the London Sinfonietta.

SIR WILLIAM WALTON. Prologo e Fantasia (première)—25 August / Royal Albert Hall Prom / BBC Northern Symphony Orchestra c. Edward Downes.

HUGH WOOD. Symphony (première)—23 July / Royal Albert Hall Prom / BBC Symphony Orchestra c. Gennadi Rozhdestvensky.

Stravinsky Symposium

An international, interdisciplinary symposium in honour of the centenary of Stravinsky's birth is to be held at the University of California, San Diego, 10-14 September. The programme includes lectures, panel discussions, and concerts presented by many of Stravinsky's friends, such as Robert Craft, Lawrence Morton, Virgil Thomson, Ernst Krenek, Gilbert Amy, and Milton Babbitt. The symposium is funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the California Council for the Humanities, ASCAP, Boosey & Hawkes, and the UC San Diego as well as private foundations. For further information contact Prof. Jann Pasler, Project Director, Music Department, B-26 UCSD, La Jolla, Calif. 92093.

Piano Music for Children

The first symposium 'International Days of new Piano-music for Children' took place in West Berlin on 5-10 June at the Amerika-Gedenk-Bibliothek, Blücherplatz, and featured colloquies, conferences, concerts and lectures. Gyorgy Kurtág's Játékok, Books I-III, was featured on 7 and 8 June in performances by Peter Roggenkamp.

Periodicals

NEUE ZEITSCHRIFT FUR MUSIK March-April 1982. Sigfried Schibli, Skrjabin spricht—sieben Stich-

worte zu einem Problem, pp.22-26. Detlef Gojowy, Warschauer Herbst 1981, pp.50-53. MENS & MELODIE

January 1982 Ernst Vermeulen, Onthulling van twee Schönberg-beelden, pp.31-32.

MUSICAL QUARTERLY Vol. LXVII, No.4 October 1981. Thomas De Lio, Structural Pluralism: Open Structures in the Music and Visual Arts of the Twentieth Century, pp.527-543.

NUOVA RIVISTA MUSICALE ITALIANA October/December 1981

David Sorani, Ritroviamo Ernest Bloch: un'analisi dell'opera da camera, pp.556-576. Marialisa Monna, Un seminario di Stockhausen, pp.642-648.

Books received

(A listing in this column does not preclude a review in a later issue of TEMPO)

HOW WE TREAT OUR COMPOSERS by Alan Rump (report commissioned by the Department of Education and Science); available from the Arts Council Shop, 8 Long Acre, London WC2 (price £2.00 plus £1.25 postage and packing.)

INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRO-ACOUSTIC MUSIC by Barry Schrader. Prentice-Hall, Inc. (no price supplied).

PORTRAIT OF ELGAR by Michael Kennedy (revised and enlarged edition). O.U.P., £6.95 (paperback)

HANNS EISLER: POLITICAL MUSICIAN by Albrecht Betz, translated by Bill Hopkins. Cambridge University Press, £25.00.

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF MUSIC IN CANADA edited by Helmut Kallmann, Gilles Potvin, and Kenneth Winters. University of Toronto Press, £45.50.

THE COUNTER TENOR by Peter Giles. Frederick Muller, £12.95.

THE SONG CYCLES OF OTHMAR SCHOECK by Derrick Puffett. Verlag Paul Haupt (Bern and Stuttgart), Fr. 58/DM 68. (Publikationen der Schweizerischen Musikforschenden Gesellschaft, Band 32).