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Emphasizes Many New Student Services

Senate Evaluates Its Fall Programs

Student Government officers evaluated the accomplishments of the fall Senate programs in a joint executive meeting Sunday. "We wanted to make sure where we were and where we were going," said Layne Kruse, Student Government president. "In general, there was some good continuity in the programs

this fall, including an expansion of programs continued from last year."

"Special emphasis should be placed on the work of services provided to the students now and in the future such as the day care center, book exchange program, shuttle bus and student attorney by the Student Government," said Kruse.

"I think we did more new things then I can ever remember being done by the Senate during one semester," said Barb Sears, chairman of external affairs.

"There have been cases when there haven't been a good response and there were breakdowns constituted among the senators, but on the whole the Senate is a good representative body."

"I wish the only thing the senators would do is to have more and better communications between them and their constituents."

The National Student Lobby, polling places on campus, bike

registration, dead week and more students on university committees were also some of the Senate's accomplishments.

"The voting box to be placed on campus will have a big effect between the campus and the city of College Station," continued Kruse.

"It will bring the students on campus closer to the community beginning with the April City Council elections."

Other items accomplished and put into effect by the Student Senate include yell leader regulations, the campus police, radar unit, Phase II of dorm improvements, Aggie Sweetheart, voter registration drive, Aggie Blood Drive, Free University, Student Discount Programs, tutoring program and the student handbook.

"Next semester we are looking forward to such things as completion of the student attorney program, car service center, credit union, Student Service Fee allocations, student radio station, rules and regulation revisions and

increasing pass-fail hours," said Kruse.

"The Fair Housing Commission will also put out two publications concerning the legal rights of apartment tenants and a list of major apartment complexes and an evaluation of their facilities and landlords," said Sears.

The date for Student Government elections was set for March 29 with run-offs being held April 5. The last Senate meeting for the year will also be held at this time.

Symphony To Play Here

The Dallas Symphony Orchestra will string its bows Thursday for a concert under auspices of the Rotary Community Series.

Anshel Brusilow will conduct the orchestra in the music of Berlioz, Mendelssohn, Strauss and Stravinsky. The performance at the Bryan Civic Auditorium will begin at 8 p.m.

The program will include Berlioz's "Roman Carnival Overture," The "Death and Transfiguration" tone poem by Strauss, Mendelssohn's "Italian Symphony" and the Suite from "The Firebird" by Stravinsky.

Rotary Series season tickets will be honored and a block of seats are available to TAMU students and their dates at two dollars each, announced Town Hall Chairman Philip Goodwin.

The Dallas Symphony is presented by the Rotary Community Series in cooperation with Texas A&M and the Town Hall committee of the Memorial Student Center.

The 85-member Dallas Sym-

phony plays some 170 concerts a year in a variety of offerings. The 72-year-old orchestra, one of the six oldest major American symphony orchestras, was recipient in 1969 of a special award for its 20th-Century Gamut

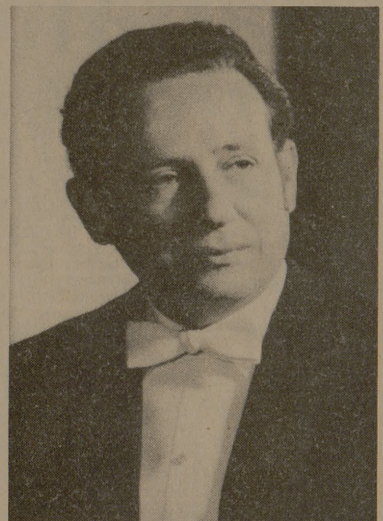
Series. The award by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers cited contributions to contemporary music.

During a typical season more than 120,000 young concertgoers hear the Dallas Symphony in performances designed especially for them. It plays annually to 450,000 people.

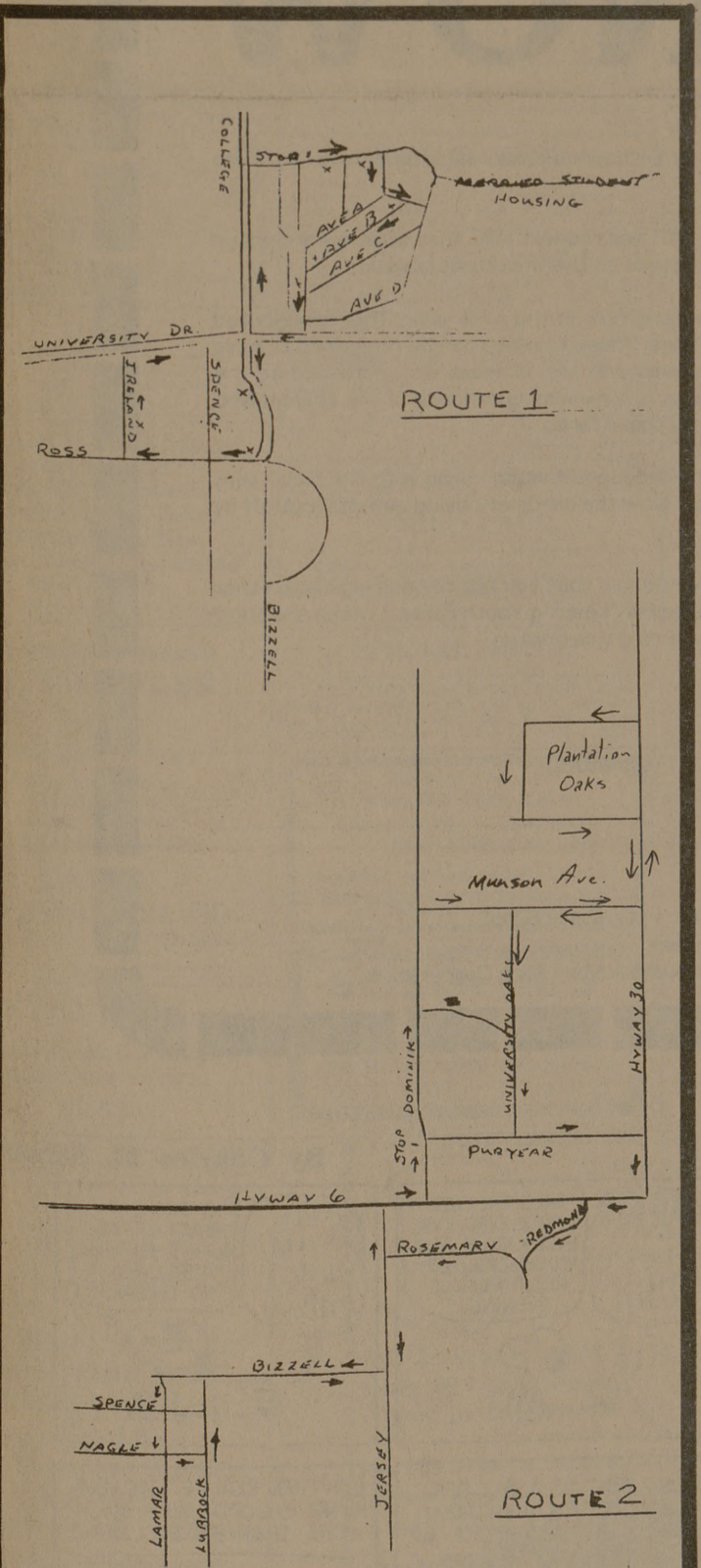
Among its many services are subscription concerts, Dallasound Concert Series, educational television tapings, free State Fair Concerts, Dallas civic opera and civic ballet performances, park concerts and free in-school concerts.

The orchestra's Dallasound recording, using special arrangements of the most popular hit tunes, became a collector's item. Brusilow led the DSO in one of America's first performances of the rock opera, "Jesus Christ Superstar," in the first season.

Student-date tickets for the concert are on sale at the Student Program Office in the MSC daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Anshel Brusilow



This Semester's Routes

Rt. 1—One bus every 10 minutes from 7 a. m. until 7 p. m. on weekdays. The bus will leave the campus on its final run at 6:45 p. m.

Rt. 2—Four buses will run every 10 minutes between 7 a. m. and 1 p. m. Three buses will run in the same manner between 1 p. m. and 7 p. m. and one bus will run between 7 p. m. and 8 p. m. The last bus will leave the campus at 7:45 p. m.

Committee Plans Next Year's Shuttle Bus Operation, Funding

A proposal for the level of service and financing arrangements for the 1973-74 Shuttle Bus operation was discussed in a Monday meeting of the Shuttle Bus Committee.

A proposed number of ten buses totaling 55 hours per week per bus was presented to the committee. It has two buses on the inner-campus periphery route, one bus to Hensel-College View, five buses on Route 2 (Monaco, Barcelona, Tanglewood, Plantation Oaks, etc.) and two buses to the North Gate apartments.

Approximately \$120,000 will be needed to support the nine months operation of 10 buses at \$7 per hour with each bus running a total of 55 hours per week.

The funding of the operation would be a combination user and student service fee with each user paying \$18 per year to ride the bus.

"We estimate 3,000 riders with the addition of the North Gate area and the extension of Route 2," said Ed Davis. "These population figures were derived with the help of the College Station City planner."

Estimated costs from the Student Service Fee would be \$66,000.

"Any Student with an I.D. will be able to ride on the inner-campus periphery route," said Kent Caperton, committee chairman.

"This answers the question about some aspect of the service not being available to all the students."

"The \$18 user fee leaves the off-campus student with the choice of using the money for the

bus or for parking fees," said Dean of Women Toby Schriber.

Non-student riders include the student wife at \$18 for nine months and the faculty-staff at \$22 for nine months. The faculty-staff fare was arrived at through computing the cost to each student for bus service.

If the proposal is accepted a coupon book would be available for occasional riders at 10 rides for \$1.50.

Through the sponsorship of the National Student Lobby and Continental Marketing Corporation, the Coalition to Retain Air Discount Fares (CRADF) has been formed.

On Dec. 7, 1972, the Civil Aeronautics Board announced the results of their Domestic Passenger-Fare Investigation: "that youth standby, youth reservation and family fares are unjustly discriminatory and that family and youth reservation fares are also unreasonable." The board did defer cancellation of these fares pending further hearing on the question of an adjustment to normal fares.

The purpose of CRADF, in the words of Russell Lehrman, president of Continental Marketing Corporation, a youth fare card sales concern, "will be to alert every traveler affected, advise them that they may lose from 25 per cent to 33 per cent air fare

reductions if they don't act now, and provide them with a vehicle to express their views so that they will be heard."

An open appeal is being mailed each college newspaper in the form of an ad that can be placed by the editor as a service for his readers. The ad will carry a tear-out letter, to be signed by readers, appealing to Congress to act on legislation that can pave the way for continuation of these discount fares. The letters will be submitted to the CRADF Office in Washington, D. C., where they will be systematically sorted by Congressional District, counted to measure response, and finally forwarded to the proper Congressmen.

National Student Lobby leaders will then go into action. They will visit the members of the House and Senate Commerce Committees in an effort to get at least one Republican and one Democratic sponsor for necessary legislation from each committee. They will work with staffs of

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the committees, airline representatives, senior citizens and other groups interested in preserving the discount fares.

On Feb. 28 a National Student Lobby Conference will be held, with students from all parts of the country in attendance, to consider this problem. At that time, the delegates will visit with their own legislators to urge positive and final action to retain these important fares.

In January, 1968, CAB examiner Arthur S. Present ruled that discount fares limited to persons 12 to 21 years old are "unjustly discriminatory" because age alone isn't a valid distinction between passengers. Shortly thereafter, present received mail from college students by the sack load. Their expression of opinion was so overwhelming that the CAB ruled that airline youth fare discounts don't unjustly discriminate against adults. The board put off any decision on a petition to abolish the discounts until a study of whether the fares were

reasonable in relation to carrier costs was completed.

Originally youth fares were challenged by National Trailways Bus System, a trade association of bus companies, and by TCO Industries, Inc., formerly Transcontinental Bus System, Inc.

Over \$300 million is spent by young people on youth fare tickets annually. Each year over 1 million youth fare cards are bought by young people who believe that they are entitled to its benefits until age 22. If the fare is abolished, privileges of the card would be evoked.

A special Air Hot Line has been set up to receive telephone inquiries for up-to-date information on this issue. Since CRADF is a non-profit organization, collect calls cannot be accepted. There is, however, a number in Houston, Texas for Western callers and another number in Washington, D. C. for Eastern callers.

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