

Exotic Music Society in Holland

AN Exotic Music Society has been founded in Holland. Its members are those interested in Asian and African music. In the society, members can listen to each other's gramophone records and tape-recordings; they can also discuss music and read books and magazines on the subject.

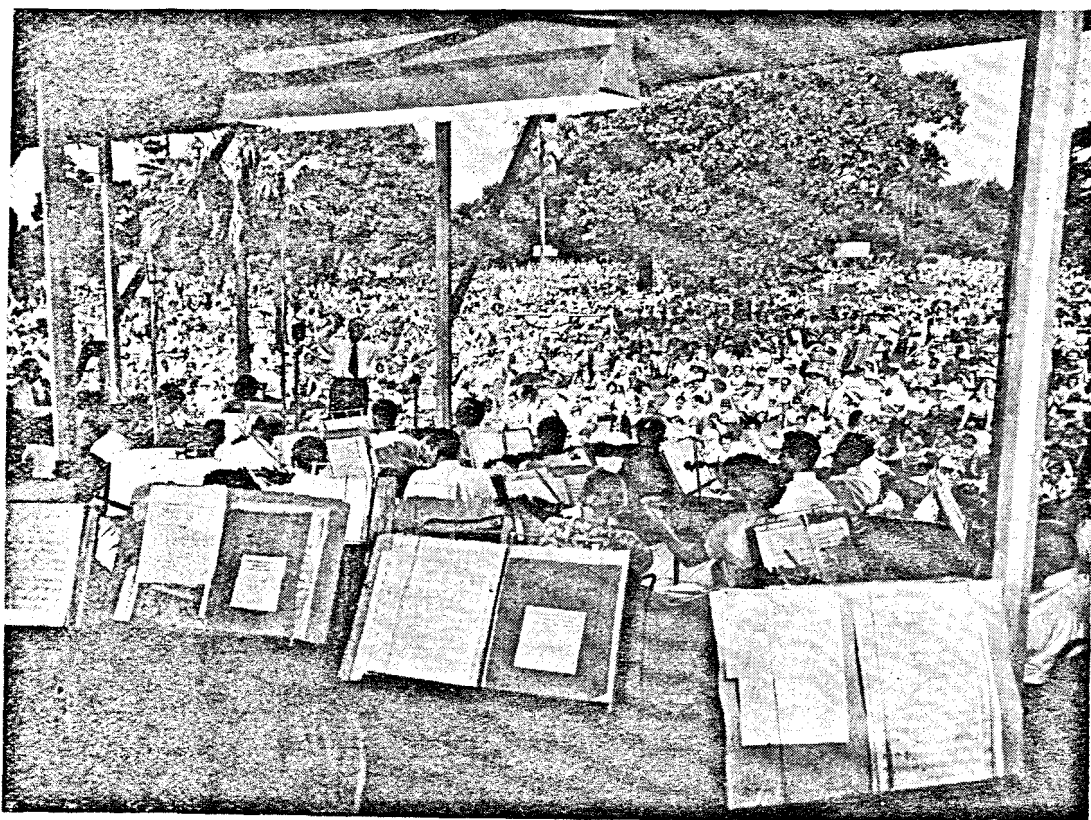
Membership of the Society is not restricted to amateurs; professionals, employed in museums and other institutions are also its members. Besides, the Society organises special music performances in Holland. These demonstrate, for instance, how a guitar is played in countries outside Europe.

Members of another Society, called Youth

& Music, can listen to music from Asian countries with the help of the Exotic Music Society. The Society was very active when the Indian musicians, Ravi Shankar and Chatur Lal, gave a recital in Holland.

The Exotic Music Society recently played musical instruments dating back to about 1500 B.C. before members of the Archaeological Work Community. One of the members played the sitar during the Gandhi Memorial Meeting held in Amsterdam.

The Royal Tropical Institute, which is keen to arouse interest in exotic music, gives members of the Society an opportunity to play the different instruments in its collection.



Music for the Australian people : More than 100,000 people attend free open-air symphony concerts which are given periodically throughout the summer in Melbourne's Botanic Gardens. Picture shows Mr. Hector Crawford conducting the Australian Symphony Orchestra.