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PETRILLO
Little Caesar of symphony and swing wages war on juke boxes, musical children, Army bands
by ROBERT COUCHLAN

Last July 10, in a fortnight when every day seemed to bring fresh danger to the American people and their allies, James Caesar Petrillo made his own peculiar contribution to the cause of unity, sacrifice, and national morale. An orchestra of 160 boys and girls had been scheduled to broadcast over NBC from the National Music Camp at Interlochen, Mich. All arrangements were made; proud parents were listening in. What the parents heard, however, was not the adolescent tootlings of their young but the music of a studio orchestra. The Interlochen broadcast had been canceled on Petrillo’s orders because the boys and girls were not members of the American Federation of Musicians which he heads. Since their average age was 15, they were not eligible for membership in the union, whose minimum age requirement is 16.

The contradiction didn’t worry Petrillo, who has a flexible mind. “They’re amateurs,” he said. “When amateur musicians occupy the air it means less work for professionals.” The way out would be for the authorities at Interlochen to hire 160 professional musicians at union rates to “stand by”—i.e., do nothing—while the youngsters played.

Although laymen may find it hard to see the difference between this and the regulation “shake-down” as employed in an ordinary racket, the “stand-by” is an institution with the A. F. M. So, for that matter, is Petrillo’s dislike for children who play musical instruments in public. A few years ago, when Chicago’s civic-minded Daily News bought a giant panda and arranged to have it welcomed by a corps of Chinese Boy Scout bugglers, Petrillo insisted that an equal number of his men be hired to stand by. This created an uproar. After several days of buck-passing among the News, the Zoo and the Boy Scouts, the panda arrived and was promptly put on Petrillo’s “unfair” list. Since the supply of musical children is unending, Petrillo’s problem is chronic.

His vigilance never flags, however. Last winter he successfully prevented broadcasts by children in Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Louis and San Francisco.

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ever since its founding in 1881. When Petrillo undertook to right this ancient wrong, his reception was disappointing. Unlike Dr. Stock of the Chicago Symphony, who does “whatever Mr. Petrillo says,” Conductor Sergei Koussevitzky was aloof. The orchestra’s players, who are paid as well as, or better than, players in any other big-league symphony in the world, were on the whole indifferent. Rebuffed, Petrillo notified broadcasters and recording companies that the Boston orchestra was banned from the air and phonograph records. “They’re washed up,” he announced, perhaps too sanguinely. “They’re through.”

To cripple the orchestra on its home grounds, he also staged a raid on the American Guild of Musical Artists, an A. F. of L. union which included virtuosos such as Iturbi, Spalding and Zimmerman. “They’re money,” he declared. “They’re musicians and they belong to us. Since when is there a difference between Heifetz and a fiddler in a tavern?”

Rather than sacrifice concert work in A. F. M. territory, which includes every important musical outlet except Boston’s Symphony Hall, most of the virtuosos have signed up with Petrillo, which automatically means that they fill no more dates with the Boston Symphony.

The fact that Koussevitzky and his men continue to play brilliantly and unperturbably despite all this is almost more than Petrillo can bear. Since becoming president of the A. F. M. he has met and routed a dozen seemingly stouter opponents, including the U. S. Army. A year and a half ago, to promote interest in national defense, the Mutual Broadcasting System scheduled a series of variety programs from Fort Dix, using Army talent. Petrillo announced that Army bands couldn’t be allowed to play over the air—at least not until he and Secretary of War Stimson had had a chance to talk it over and mark out terms. “Sure, Stimson,” he explained. “Why shouldn’t we sound with these little guys? We got to get this thing straightened out.”

As it turned out, Stimson was busy with other matters and Petrillo was reduced to negotiating with some generals. “You know how them generals are,” he remarked later. “Pin a couple of tin medals on ‘em and you can’t do a thing with ‘em.” Petrillo soon had them eating out of his hand, however. The upshot was that Army bands could play, provided Petrillo was notified and gave his consent beforehand.

Last week Petrillo found that the Army was giving him trouble again. When the Times Square Service Men’s Center in New York City had its formal opening, the orchestra from This Is The Army was asked over to help make the dedication merry. Like all the performers in the show, the musicians are Army men, subject to no authority but the Army’s. However, the head of the New York Defense Recreation Committee dutifully asked the New York local for permission.

He had found the local “most cooperative” in the past; but this time presumably in line with Petrillo’s orders, he was refused. Local Head Jake Rosenberg explained it this way: “If the Army is going to go around playing benefits we might as well fold up. We don’t want them to compete with us.”

PETRILLO and “The Star-Spangled Banner”

Although this incident stirred up criticism, Petrillo gives way to no man when it comes to patriotism. At his order, his members play The Star-Spangled Banner before and after every program, whether it be in a night club, a Hollywood set or a recording studio. In New York City alone, it is estimated, patriots now stand for the national anthem some 20,000 times a week.

The picture of New Yorkers standing and sitting en masse at his direction doubtless gives Petrillo considerable satisfaction. One of the first constitutional rules he suspended was the one that required the international president to live in New York, seat of A.F.M. headquarters. “What a town!” he says, feelingly. “Everybody in it’s a lawyer. I get to town and sit down, and bam!—there’s a dozen lawyers, all tryin’ to serve a paper on me!” He is happier in Chicago where Local 10 has its own two-story, $600,000 building on West Washington Street, and where his office is better suited to his own tastes. Its centerpiece is a mahogany desk: “the biggest damn desk,” he assures visitors, “I could find at Marshall Field’s.” The floor is covered with a deep-pile Oriental rug—“You should know what it costs,” says Petrillo. In Chicago, too, there is much less trouble with lawyers. Chicago law has an easygoing quality for those well connected, and Petrillo’s connections are impeccable. He is on bosom terms with Mayor Ed Kelly.

Although unsympathetic persons call him a dictator, Petrillo is devoted, he says, to the principles of American freedom and democracy, and he often points to himself as an example of what can be accomplished under the American Way. He was born in 1892 in a
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bedraggled section of Chicago's West Side, one of five offsprings of an immigrant Italian sewer digger. He was ambitious from the beginning. As a boy he sold newspapers in Loop office buildings, and drove a delivery cart. He was an indifferent student, however. After nine years of school he was still bogged firmly in the fourth grade. His schoolmates hung the nickname "Yellow" on him because, he recalls, of his extraordinary courage and pugnacity.

When Petrillo was 8 years old his parents bought him a trumpet. Soon he was tootling in both Jane Addams' Hull House band and the Daily News newboys' band. By the time he was 14 he had his own eight-piece dance orchestra. After a season at such places as the Hod Carriers Hall and the old West Side Auditorium, he decided to give up his losing fight with the fourth grade and devote his life to music. A few years later he "lost his lip" and had to switch to the drums. Finding the market thin for his services as a drummer, he opened a cigar stand, and later helped run a saloon.

If Petrillo hadn't intervened, Petrillo might have stayed in the saloon business happily, in time becoming power in his precinct, ward and district. As it was, however, his political talents were forced to find an outlet in the American Musicians Union, a Chicago independent which was then competing vigorously with the A. F. M.'s local unit. At 12 Petrillo was elected president. After three years he was defeated, which so annoyed him that he joined the A. F. M. His first job there was to organize the town's Chinese restaurants. Petrillo's methods, while lacking in tact, were extremely effective. The Chinese signed up in such droves that Local 10, impressed, elected him to a vice presidency. He became president a few years later, in 1922.

He gives "the boys' service"

The subsequent affairs of Petrillo and Local 10 merge like a lovers' knot, but the mutual harmony can be briefly outlined. In 1924 the Local had 4,000 members. Prohibition had ruined the cabaret and family saloon, and with them had gone hundreds of jobs for musicians. When talking pictures came along a few years later, hundreds more jobs went. As a result the union "scale," such as it was, was unenforceable fiction. Today Local 10 has 75,000 members. The wage scale is not only rigid as a Baptist's morals but far above what it was in 1922 and substantially higher than that of any of the A. F. M.'s 5,750 other locals. "I done it," Petrillo says, "by giving the boys service.

One of Petrillo's moves as president was to form an alliance with George Browne, head of the stagehands' union, who is now serving a prison term for extorting the movie industry out of $550,000. Together, Browne and Petrillo saddled theater managers with such a stiff payroll for musicians and scene shifters that today, out of the 16 legitimate houses that Chicago supported in 1912, only four survive. The alliance proved in such large-scale deals with the "presentation houses," which combine movies with stage shows, and with the opera. Operating on his own, Petrillo tackled the radio stations with such effect that today even the "pancake turners"—the men who turn over the phonograph records on recorded programs—are A. F. M. men. There are several dozen of them in Chicago, each drawing $60 a week.

Petrillo's service has also included preventing musicians, who are notoriously fond of music, from playing for the simple pleasure they get out of it. Chicago's swing musicians, for example, had been in the habit of dropping in after hours at small night-spots and joining the small bands in late jam sessions. Petrillo put a stop to it. "Why," he demanded, "should the customers at them places pay for a seven-piece band and get 12 pieces?" By the same logic, when Alec Templeton and Tommy Dorsey were posing for studio pictures after a broadcast and struck up a tune to pass the time, the Fisk Tires' agency which handled their show got a bill from Petrillo for $5,395 over time.

Petrillo's rule against free music is not invariable, however. Three years ago, to celebrate Mayor Kelly's re-election, he gave a party at the Chicago stadium. Twenty-three high-priced orchestras were "invited" by Petrillo to donate entertainment. Among them were Fred Waring, Tommy Dorsey, Paul Whiteman, Wayne King, Kay Kyser, Bob Crosby, Herace Heid and, for class, the National, Columbia and broadcasting company orchestras and the Chicago Symphony.

Most notably of all, Petrillo service has been directed against mechanical devices which put live musicians out of work. After he became head man of Local 10 he forced both political parties in Chicago to give up sound trucks in favor of van loads of union musicians. Later, in 1936, he forbade Local 10's members to make radio or phonograph recordings. The ban lasted 18 months and cost the
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Chicago musicians an estimated $875,000 in recording fees, an example of such nobility that finally the A. F. M. convention passed a blanket anti-recording resolution. The radio and recording companies didn't wait for this resolution to be put into effect. After negotiating with the union, the record firms agreed to pay bigger fees to musicians. And at the same time the radio chains and their affiliates agreed to take on an extra 1,000 musicians, at a cost of more than $2,000,000 a year. The bargain lasted until a few weeks ago, when Petrillo refused to renew the recording companies' licenses and started the current battle.

As might be supposed, all this service was not performed without opposition. Petrillo has been bombed, sued, investigated by the Department of Justice and reprimanded by the courts. With equal lack of success so far his opponents have tried reason, threats, bribery, religion, and tears. Throughout it all, Petrillo has remained physically indestructible and emotionally unmovable. His only real challenge came from another labor leader, John L. Lewis, who in 1937 offered the remnants of the old American Musicians Union a charter in the C. I. O. Petrillo reacted like a victim of the hot-foot. Putting on a counterdrive of his own, within a few days he had gathered most of the A. M. U.'ers into his own fold. Though the victory was speedy and complete, Petrillo has never ceased to regard it as a menace.

When two Broadway shows whose scripts mentioned Lewis and the C. I. O. came to Chicago, Petrillo ordered the lines deleted. "Far be it from me," he announced, "to favor anything like censorship. . . . But can't they write a play without us in it?" After a barrage from the press, however, Petrillo backed water. "I was left carrying the torch," he recalls sadly. "They said I was un-Constitutional and all that stuff. I never had nothing like that in my mind."

Since 1935, following the experience of one "Angie" Cavallo, no one has ever bothered to try opposing Petrillo inside Local 10. Cavallo had been a boyhood friend and mentor of Petrillo's, his parents having fed and sheltered the elder Petrillos when they came to Chicago from Italy. Disapproving of some of Petrillo's methods, however, he brashly decided to run against him for the presidency. Petrillo won by a huge majority. Soon after, Cavallo lost his job in the pit of the Star and Garter burlesque and it was several years before he found another job in another State.

The great kidnaping mystery

The 1933 election was not only the last in which Petrillo was opposed but probably the dirtiest political contest that ever took place outside Central America, being featured by the alleged kidnaping of Petrillo himself. According to a Bill for Accounting and Injunction filed by two Local 10 dissidents, Petrillo told his union executives at a midnight meeting that he expected to be kidnapped and that the ransom demand would probably be $50,000. Sure enough, according to the Bill, "it is widely rumored" that Petrillo was snatched at a suburban night club called the Villa Venice and the ransom paid. Thenceforth the story resembles a murder mystery in which nobody can find the corpse. Petrillo denied that he had been kidnapped or even threatened. When G-Man Melvin Purvis showed up to take charge of the case, Petrillo refused to see him. The whole affair, he told reporters, had been cooked up to embarrass him in the Local 10 election, which was only four days away. To prove that no money had been paid, he published a C. P. A. audit of the union books. However, the audit covered only the period after the alleged payment. A few years later the A. F. M.'s international secretary testified that "one of our executives was held and kidnapped for $50,000 ransom, which we had to pay to obtain his return alive." Petrillo was, and remains, untroubled by this statement. "It's a lot of hooey," he says.

As a sequel to the kidnaping, Petrillo increased his retinue of bodyguards to five (including four Petrillo relatives), bought a bullet-proof car and installed a bulletproof storm window in his office. The car was sold a few years ago but the bodyguards were later increased, estimates ranging to as high as seven. The functions of this miniature Schutzstaffel are both protective and punitive.

Up to 1930 Petrillo was merely president of the Chicago local. The national president was one Joe Weber, a petulant gentleman in his 70's. To Weber's mounting annoyance Petrillo began referring to himself as "the tail that wags the dog" and made it clear that he considered himself heir apparent to the presidency. Finally, in 1930, Weber swung what he imagined was a haymaker. In a front-page editorial in the union paper he pointed out that Petrillo was not "the big cheese" in the union and that all the supposed benefits he had won for Chicago's musicians were "pure bunk." "The best interests of the union," he went on, "are best served by attending to business..."
Tradition on the American buying calendar is the August Fur Sale. Every year, thousands of women look to it for their Winter coats. This August, furriers report, customers are choosing fur with greater care. Asked why, they answer, "Today... you must know that its beauty will last."

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quietly and not dispensing hot air." Two years later Weber retired—and Petrillo was elected president of the A. F. M.

Today, two years later, Petrillo is in his physical and mental prime. He loves his work. "Not for the dough," he explains. "I don't need it any more. I just live for my boys." His business day, a ten-to-twelve-hour bedlam of long-distance calls, conferences and sudden alarms, leaves him little time for the finer things. He reads a book a few years ago but didn't care much for it. Aside from beer-drinking, his chief pleasures are baseball and prize-fighting. He also plays a game which resembles golf. "I skip all the greens," he says. "When I go out there I don't go to get myself agitated and them damn greens aggravate me." He is not fond of music. He goes to shows occasionally, doesn't enjoy them much because of the actors. Petrillo loathes actors and holds that they have the mentality of imbeciles. Though the actors' and musicians' unions have had working agreements in all the other cities, he has never permitted one in Chicago.

Petrillo is devoted to his home town and would like to become its mayor when and if his friend Ed Kelly decides to retire. As a member of the park board and founder of the famous Grant Park summer concerts, he is already well known to Chicago's masses. Petrillo started the concerts in 1935 with union money as a relief project for Local 10's classic musicians. They caught on so well, however, that he was able to persuade his fellow commissioners to put up the money to keep them running. "You feed the animals in the zoo," he pointed out, "so why not feed my boys?"

Petrillo stands high with his colleagues in the A. F. of L. He has the personal gratitude of President William Green, a by-product of his antipathy for John L. Lewis. When Green was ousted by Lewis from the United Mine Workers and found himself in the embarrassing position of being a labor leader without a union, Petrillo promptly enrolled him in the A. F. M. Green is adept at the musical comedy.

Petrillo returns the Federation's regard. He does not, however, approve of all the tactics used by its member unions. A year ago, for example, the New York local of the teamsters union served notice that when out-of-town bands arrived at theaters in taxis and buses, union teamsters must carry the instruments across the sidewalk—at $10 a day and $10 a night. When Petrillo refused to tolerate such an idea, the teamsters threw picket lines around all the presentation houses in town. Petrillo told his men to pay no attention. "Can you imagine them guys?" he recalls indignantly. "They were being unreasonable!"

Last week two branches of the Federal Government came to the simultaneous conclusion that James Caesar Petrillo himself was being unreasonable. The Justice Department filed a bill under the antitrust laws to restrain him from enforcing his ban on recordings. At the same time the Federal Communications Commission, spurred on by Senator Vandenberg, demanded "a full statement of the facts" from him as to why he canceled the Interlochen broadcasts.

It looked at last as if Petrillo had collided with a power greater than his own. But the wise men of the amusement business were making no bets. Petrillo has tangled before with units of the Government, including the antitrust division of the Justice Department. He has always won.
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