



TODAY'S COVER

Today's cover of *Leisuretime* is designed to bring to mind an afternoon or evening of music, chamber style, with a twist. If the vision is of antiquated music, nothing could be further from the truth. Chamber music may range from a trio or quartet to a wind orchestra and the Colorado Springs Chamber Music Society, grown to 55 members in three years, takes the outsized definition. The society is professional, large, non-paid, youthful in outlook, and completely devoted to bringing area audiences the best and sometimes most difficult in music, all done in informal style. Aimed at pleasing the young to the old, personally arranged works and airing of rarely heard pieces has brought an audience to the group which is predominantly of college age. They have proved that there is an audience out there of contemporary and good taste that hungers to be fed. The musicians provide a fully rehearsed performance, faced over a distance of many miles of traveling to get together, and done for a love of music, a chance to play that of their choice. Performances are done without tails, with informative explanations of the works offered, and with a hearty effort to take the medium out of the "Sunday parlor" atmosphere. The upcoming schedule and the story of the group may be found on pages 22-23 of this issue of *Leisuretime*, with pictures by John E. Hall, Gazette Telegraph staff photographer. Attendance to and support of the group is deemed to be a crucial step toward expansion of community cultural experience and base, although audiences go with no other purpose in mind than to enjoy that which they cannot get elsewhere, either recorded or live, in an opportunity unique to a multi-state Rocky Mountain area.