

Rachmaninoff Plays To Enthusiastic Audience

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HARLINGEN—A wildly enthusiastic audience applauded the world-famous pianist, Sergei Rachmaninoff, in the Civic Music Concert at the Municipal Auditorium last evening.

His transcendent artistry was a revelation of brilliant tone and remarkable finesse, an eloquent blend between dynamic energy and lofty poetic feeling.

The program was composed of compositions by Bach, Beethoven, Schubert, Rachmaninoff, Chopin and Liszt.

Rachmaninoff has won a pre-eminent position as a piano virtuoso and is considered one of the greatest of the more conservative composers of our time. With this in mind, the audience was delighted to hear a group of his own compositions, especially the famous Prelude played with inimitable beauty and power.

His playing is many-sided, and is chiefly distinguished by its subtle grace and charm. There is no end to his artistry, and the more he plays, the more the interest increases. It was a brilliant affair and a great triumph for the Valley's Civic Music Association.

The final concert of this season will be the Houston Symphony Orchestra, March 27.

RACHMANINOFF TO LEAVE VALLEY TODAY

HARLINGEN—Sergei Rachmaninoff, famed Russian pianist who pleased a large crowd of Valley listeners, when presented in concert by the Valley Civic Music Association at the city auditorium here Thursday night, arrived here Thursday morning with his wife and his manager, R. C. Heck. They were registered at the Madison Hotel.

Rachmaninoff and his party leave here Friday morning by train for Corpus Christi, where Friday night he will give a recital. He is being presented in Corpus Christi by the civic music association of that city.

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