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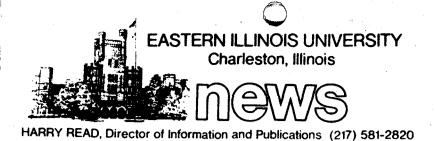
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--In honor of Johann Sebastian Bach's 300th birthday, Eastern Illinois University's Music Department will sponsor a performance by Lionel Rogg, Swiss recording artist and international authority on the works of Bach, on Tuesday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. in Dvorak Concert Hall.

Rogg, an organist and pianist who teaches at the Conservatory of Geneva, has performed in the world's major cities in Europe, the U.S., Canada, Australia, Russia, Japan and South Africa.

<u>Le Figaro</u>, a newspaper in Paris, France, called Rogg's performance
"a first class recital." <u>Le Tribune de Geneva</u> said he displayed "a rare balance
between intelligence and sensitivity." <u>The St. Louis Post Dispatch</u> said,
"Lionel Rogg played a recital of firm and elegant character."

A "brilliant improviser," Rogg has composed works for voice, chorus, organ, piano and chamber music. His recordings include three versions of the complete organ works of Bach, among others.

At Eastern, Rogg will perform the Prelude and Fugue in C (BWV 547), Sonata VI in G, the Toccata and Fugue in F, five of the Schuebler Chorales, and the Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor.

Tickets, available at the door or through the Music Department office, are \$3 for the general public, and \$2 for students and senior citizens.

The concert is also sponsored by the EIU Guild Student Group and the Lincoln Heritage Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Rogg's organ class at the Conservatory of Geneva attracts students from around the world. He has given master classes at Cambridge, Oxford, Harvard, and Northwestern, among others.