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Dear Mr Slater.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. The new Delius Society now has 150 correspondents, including a few in U.S.A, Sweden, & Holland, and I have been contacted by representatives of the Bradford Delius Festival, the John Ireland Society & the Schubert Society of Gr. Britain Ltd. Also plans are well advanced for our autumn informal recital.

Before the society is established on a proper legal basis & we approach the Delius Trust etc. for material assistance for more ambitious concerts, may I ask you to do just one more thing towards increasing our numbers. Would you please write a letter this week to :-

The Editor
"The Gramophone"
The Glade

Green Lane, Stanmore, Middlesex,

- (1) referring to the fact that there was an article in a recent issue on the Bradford Delius Centenary Festival
- (2) asking what is being done, in view of the centenary, about new issues of Delius recordings
- (3) mentioning our new Delius Society.

Later on I shall send everyone invitations to our autumn recital,

Yours sincerely
Roland Gibson.

Dear Mr Slater,

Please excuse this brief reply to your very interesting & powerful letter. It contained a wealth of ideas & suggestions. Your point about catering for our provincial correspondents was very important - it was something which was vaguely worrying me & your suggestions were therefore very welcome. I agree with you that it will be tricky keeping this society going. Mr Emanuel of the Delius Trust recently contacted me & mentioned the possibility of future material assistance for our ventures.

One of our correspondents is very anxious to trace the letter written by Bartok to Delius. I am wondering whether you know anything of their whereabouts.

Yours sincerely
Roland Gibson