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HURCH IN ROCHESTER ORDERS AUSTIN ORGAN

OUR-MANUAL IS PLANNED

hird Presbyterian Will Have Instrument of More Than 4,000 Pipes Old Echo Division Will Be Retained - The Stoplist.

The Third Presbyterian Church of ochester, N. Y., has ordered a four-anual Austin organ which is to be inalled in January, 1952. The specifications ere decided upon by Samuel R. Warren, presentative of Austin Organs, Inc., and heodore Hollenbach, organist and choiraster of the church. The echo division om the old organ is being retained and ill be playable from the solo manual. he new divisions will contain a total of 056 pipes. 056 pipes.

The instrument is to have the following

GREAT ORGAN.

GREAT ORGAN.
Quintaten, 16 ft., 61 pipes.
Principal Diapason, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Bourdon, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Spitsflöte, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Nachthorn, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Nachthorn, 2% ft., 61 pipes.
Super Octave, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Mixture, 4 ranks, 244 pipes.
Cymbal, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Trumpet (in Choir box), 8 ft., 61 pipes.
SWELL ORGAN. SWELL ORGAN.

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Lieblich Gedeckt. 16 ft., 68 pipes.
Geigen Diapason, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Rohrflöte, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Viole de Gambe, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Viole Celeste, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Flauto Dolce, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Geigen Principal, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Waldflöte, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Spitz Fifteenth, 2 ft., 68 pipes.
Spitz Fifteenth, 2 ft., 68 pipes.
Double Trumpet, 16 ft., 68 pipes.
Trompette, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Carion, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Carion, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Carion, 68 pipes.
Carion d'Amour, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Cremolo.

CHOIR ORGAN.

CHOIR ORGAN.
Gemshorn, 16 ft, 68 pipes.
Viola, 8 ft, 68 pipes.
Viola, 8 ft, 68 pipes.
Concert Flute, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Dolce Conique, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Dolce Celeste, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Fugara, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Koppelflöte, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Blockflöte, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Blockflöte, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Blockflöte, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Larlgot, 1½ ft., 61 pipes.
Schaft, 4 ranks, 244 pipes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Schalmei, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Tremolo.

SOLO ORGAN.

SOLO ORGAN.
Hohlflöte, 3 ft., 68 pipes.
Gamba, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Gamba Celeste, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Gamba Celeste, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Cor Anglais, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Cor Anglais, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Trompette Militaire, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Tremolo.

PEDAL ORGAN.

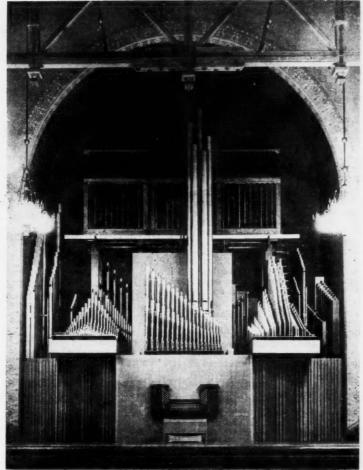
PEDAL ORGAN.

Resultant, 32 ft., 32 notes.
Contra Bass, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Principal, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Quintaten (from Great), 16 ft., 32 notes.
Lieblich Gedeckt (from Swell), 16 ft., 32 notes.
Gemshorn (from Choir), 16 ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 8 ft., 32 pipes.
Spitzfičte, 8 ft., 32 pipes.
Gemshorn (from Choir), 8 ft., 32 notes.
Gedeckt (from Swell), 8 ft., 32 notes.
Gedeckt (from Swell), 8 ft., 32 notes.
Guint, 5 ½ ft., 32 pipes.
Super Octave, 4 ft., 32 pipes.
Blockfičte, 4 ft., 32 pipes.
Blockfičte, 4 ft., 32 pipes.
Bombarde, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Double Trumpet (from Swell), 16 ft., 32 notes.

EDGAR HILLIAR BREAKS LEG; NO RECITALS UNTIL MARCH

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Edgar Hilliar, organist and choirmaster
of St. Mark's Church, Mount Kisco,
N. Y., and well-known recitalist, has
found it necessary to cancel all recital
engagements until March because of a
broken limb. Mr. Hilliar fell in New
York City Dec. 1 and broke both bones
in his left leg.

HOLTKAMP ORGAN OPENED AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY



THE FOUR-MANUAL organ built for Syracuse University by Walter Holtkamp of Cleveland was opened in the audito-rium of Crouse College on Nov. 13 by Arthur Poister, head of the organ depart Arthur Poister, head of the organ department of the university, with a recital which drew an audience that filled the auditorium so that standing room was obtained with difficulty. The recital attracted university and city people as well as many musicians from near and distant colleges and churches. Enthusiasm for both recitalist and the instrument was warmly displayed.

warmly displayed.

The program served well to demonstrate this classical instrument in solo and ensemble use. It was opened with the Bach chorale prelude "We Believe in One God, Father." This was followed by a brilliant rendition of the difficult Second Organ Concerto of Bach. The contrasts of the concerto were sparkling and the registration difficulties were solved as though they did not exist. The Bach group closed with the C minor Passacaglia and Fugue. Later in the program Mr. Poister turned to the contemporary Preludes of Milhaud. These highly in-

dividual and sometimes acrid fragments received colorful and persuasive treatment. At the end of the program the recitalist played the final two movements of the Reubke Sonata and almost literally brought down the house. Interpolated in the program were a few works using various sets of strings. They were a Trio by Corelli, the Mozart Introduction and Rondo for organ and quartet, and the Fifth Concerto of Handel, which had the assistance of twenty-six members of the university orchestra. This was conducted by Alexander Capurso, head of the music division.

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At the end of the program, during the general ovation, Mr. Poister came to the front of the stage to remark that on most occasions the performer and composers receive applause. He wished, in this instance, to express his appreciation and that of the university to the builder of the instrument, Walter Holtkamp of Cleveland, for work which he considered of the finest quality.

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The resources of this instrument are shown in the stoplist published in the January, 1950, issue of THE DIAPASON.

J. LAURENCE SLATER GOES TO ST. PETER'S IN ALBANY, N. Y.

Announcement has been made of the appointment of J. Laurence Slater, A.R.C.O., as organist and choirmaster of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Albany, N. Y. St. Peter's is the second oldest Episcopal Church in the country and boasts a boy choir which won wide fame during the long career there of Frank Sill Rogers. Rogers.

Rogers.

Mr. Slater began his church music when he was a chorister at York Minster in England. There he studied with Sir Edward Bairstow and became his deputy organist and choirmaster. He held this post for eight years. Mr. Slater came to the United States in 1932 to succeed Norman Coke-Jephcott at Grace Church, Utica, N. Y. After ten years in Utica he returned to England to join the British army. He spent four war years there, coming back to America in 1946 to accept the position at the Church of the Heavenly Rest in New York City. He resigned from this position in October.

RENE DOSOGNE AT ST. ITA'S; WILL DEDICATE ORGAN FEB. 4

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Rene P. Dosogne, dean of the Illinois
Chapter, A.G.O., began his duties as
organist and choirmaster of St. Ita's
Catholic Church, Chicago, Jan. 1. Mr.
Dosogne was formerly organist and choirmaster at Notre Dame Church, a position
which he had held since 1942.
Mr. Dosogne will give the dedicatory
recital on the large four-manual Wicks
organ at St. Ita's Feb. 4 at 8 p.m. The
program will consist of compositions
based on Gregorian chant and will include
pre-Bach, Bach and contemporary work's.

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SALES BY MUSIC STORES in the United States amounted to \$337,000,000 in 1948, according to a final census of business figures released by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce. This represented an increase of 418 percent over the \$65,000,000 figure for 1939, the year of the next most recent census of business.

NEW YORK CONCLAVE MARKS HOLIDAY WEEK

A.G.O. MEETING IN NEW YORK

Recitals, Chamber Music, Discussion of 1951 Examinations and Christmas Dinner Party Fill the Program of the Guild.

Christmas week in New York City was devoted by members of the American Guild of Organists and by a number of visitors to enjoyment of a conclave which took on the proportions of a small convention. Specificially devoted to a meeting of deans and regents, the events were open to all members of the Guild and included several recitals, a meeting of the council with heads of chapters from various parts of the United States, a program of chamber music, a festive dinner at the Riverside Church, visits to churches and a valuable forum at which plans of the examination committee for changes in the annual tests were presented and discussed. cussed.

The conclave opened with a recital on the afternoon of Dec. 27 by Marshall Bidwell, Mus.D., A.A.G.O., at the Church of the Ascension. Dr. Bidwell, whose weekly recitals at Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh have been a feature of the musical life of the steel city since he became the latest in a list of distinguished organists under the endowment created by the late Andrew Carnegie, supplemented compositions by Handel, Bach and Loeillet with a list of modern offerings by Bossi, de Maleingreau and Langalis, and three Americans—Virgil Thomson, Robert Crandell and Richard Purvis. He played the Handel work with repose, gave a masterly performance of the Bach Passacaglia and achieved a powerful climax in the de Maleingreau work. The complete program was as follows: Concerto in Emaior No. 13 Handel Asia climax in the de Maleingreau work. The complete program was as follows: Concerto in F major, No. 13, Handel; Aria, Loeillet; Chorale Prelude, "Come, Saviour of the Gentiles," Bach; Allegro, Sonata 1, Bach; Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor, Bach; "La Nativité," Langlais; Giga, Bossi; "Symphonie de L'Agneau Mystique" ("Nombres"), de Maleingreau; Pastorale on a Christmas Plainsong, Thomson; "Pulcinella" (Scherzo) and "Harlequin's Serenade" (Capriccio from "Carnival"), Crandell; "Toccata Festiva" ("In Babilone"), Purvis.

On Wednesday evening the Church of

("In Babilone"), Crandell; "I occara resulva ("In Babilone"), Purvis.

On Wednesday evening the Church of St. Mary the Virgin presented a fine program of chamber music with Ernest White and Edward Linzel alternating as conductor and organist and with the assistance of the Symphoniae Chordae; Dorothy Anne Heerman and Ruth Harvey, sopranos: John Beaven, harpsichordist, and Marie Schumacher, organist for the first number of the evening.

The varied and colorful program began with the Concerto No. 1, in G, by Handel; then proceeded to this reviewer's favorite of the evening, the "Cantata Pastorale for the Nativity," by Scarlatti, which was sung superbly by Miss Heerman. Daniel Pinkham's Sonata for Organ and Strings and Harry Banks "Triptych" gave us two interesting compositions by Americans, followed by Mozart's enchanting and familiar motet "Exultate Jubilate."

The program was concluded with a hair-raising performance of the Concerto.

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The program was concluded with a hair-raising performance of the Concerto in G by Francis Poulenc, in which Mr. Linzel again proved that this large Aeolian-Skinner organ "has it."

The program for Thursday began with an interesting visit to the oldest church of its denomination in the United States—the John Street Methodist. The visitors inspected the relics preserved in this edifice, some of which date back nearly two centuries. The Rev. Arthur Bruce Moss, the pastor, lectured on the history of the parish and showed the Embury Bible, brought from Ireland in 1760. The church observed its 182d anniversary last October. Roy E. McKibben is the organist.

Next the Guild members visited another

Next the Guild members visited another historic church—St. Paul's Chapel, where the Aeolian-Skinner Company recently rebuilt the organ and where Washington's pew is a special point of interest. Here

a recital was played by Bob Whitley, the winner of the Guild 1950 national organ playing competition. The recital afforded a first opportunity for many to hear the organ as rebuilt. The result is a conservative and satisfying instrument.

Buxtehude's much-played Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne showed excellent registration and clean, steady rhythm, but the Chaconne can stand more detached playing. None of the brief movements of Haydn's "Musical Clocks" has any particular musical value, and all except the fugue would sound more realistic on a celesta or harpsichord. The "terraced" dynamics of Bach demand sharper contrasts than Mr. Whitley gave us in the great B minor Prelude, which also needs more flexibility in the beginnings of phrases and at cadence points. And the Fugue could well begin without mixtures following the brilliantly registered Prelude. In spite of very slight technical slips, the playing here had authority and style, with a splendid build-up at the end. One's liking for Sowerby's Arioso grows with repeated hearings. The middle

One's liking for Sowerby's Arioso grows with repeated hearings. The middle section is somewhat artificial in contrast to the warm, flowing first theme, but the total effect is unified and persuasive. A thinner string accompaniment would benefit the opening section. It was well and sensitively played.

These greated old warporse. Franch's

That grand old warhorse, Franck's Third Chorale, was presented for the most part with excellent tempi, although the adagio section was too rigid. Franck's the adagio section was too rigid. Franck's intensive crespendos and rapid diminuendos always offer difficulties, no matter how many gadgets one commands. Mr. Whitley solved most of them with success. The chef of the "Celestial Banquet" might have varied the menu to our and his own advantage. As to Messiaen's "Outburst of Joy," it's a he-man display piece, and the performer made the most of its bravura possibilities.

This writer foresees a brilliant future

This writer foresees a brilliant future for Bob Whitley in his chosen calling. Even more pleasing than his technical gift is the innate musical sense of the young artist. His interpretative powers will mature with time. He is already a redit to his teacher and to the profession. credit to his teacher and to the profession.

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Thursday afternoon was devoted to the A.G.O. examinations and began with a performance of the associateship and fellowship test pieces for 1951 by Harold W. Friedell, F.A.G.O., at Calvary Church. Mr. Friedell played, as always, with competence and with a conception of the character of the music which candidates for Guild certificates must use to prove their qualifications. The associateship pieces were "Alla Breve" in D major, Bach; Andante from First Symphony, Vierne, and "In Te, Domine, Speravi," Baumgartner, and the fellowship numbers were the following: Prelude and Fugue in G major, Bach; Chorale in B minor, Franck, and Prelude on "The King's Majesty," Sowerby.

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The examination committee then met at Calvary community-house, Dr. T. F. H. Candlyn presiding. Dr. Candlyn reviewed briefly the object of the examinations, stressing that the standards were not to be lowered. He also announced the changes being made. These are outlined in detail on the A.G.O. pages. Dr. Candlyn then introduced Harold Heeremans, who discussed the paper work. He stated that cussed the paper work. He stated that preparation for the tests developed the musical mind and that the various questions explored facets of that mind. Seth tions explored facets of that mind. Seth Bingham discussed the practical side of the examination. He mentioned that examiners listened for the following in playing: Accuracy, rhythm, speed, registrational problems, phrases and punctuation, interpretation and style.

tion, interpretation and style.

A large gathering came out for the Christmas dinner in the great hall of the Riverside Church Thursday evening. Those present represented some of the oldest among the members, even including founders, together with those whose careers as organists are just beginning. The inimitable Virgil Fox was master of ceremonics—some of which were hardly ceremonious—and the evening was devoted largely to merriment, including limericks, games and impersonations of great singers in varied circumstances by Gertrude Neidlinger, whose voice was as good as her imitations. The dinner evidently served as an outlet for the holiday dently served as an outlet for the holiday spirits of the group.

On Friday morning three churches were visited. The first was Central Presbyterian, Hugh Giles organist and minister of music. During the delightful half-hour at the new Möller Mr. Giles played the

following compositions "Suite Baroque," Bingham; "Deux Ritournelles," Rameau; "Folktune," Whitlock; Allegro from Second Symphony, Vierne

The next stop was at Christ Methodist Church, Everett Tutchings organist. Edith Tatnall conducted a tour through this beautiful church, explaining the symbols in the marble and mosaics. Mr. Tutchings demonstrated the resources of his organ at the four-manual Skinner his organ at the four-manual Skinner

The group then proceeded to St. Patrick's Cathedral for noonday mass, celebrated by the national chaplain, Msgr. William T. Greene. The beautiful Christmas decorations in this magnificent edifice, combined with the brilliant and sensitive dignity of Dr. Charles M. Courboin's playing, served to offer the crowning spiritual experience of this year's conclave. Dr. Courboin received the organists after the service and demonstrated recent clave. Dr. Courboin received the organists after the service and demonstrated recent improvements in the large Kilgen organ. His beautifully selected program for the service was as follows: Prelude and Fugue in A major, Walther; "Adeste Fideles," Traditional; Cantilene, Mailly; Communion, Purvis; Finale, Sixth Symphony, Widor. Widor.

President S. Lewis Elmer was host to the visiting deans and regional chairmen at the News-Center restaurant after the visit to St. Patrick's Cathedral and afterward the council met at St. Bartholomew's Church with the visitors. An hour was devoted to reports from chapters and to a discussion of various topics of interest to the Guild. Jean Pasquet and a repre-sentative of the internal revenue depart-ment explained the new social security provisions.

provisions.

The closing recital of the conclave was played by John Huston at St. Bartholomew's Church. This is not an easy instrument to play, for much of the tone—with the exception of the gallery and celestial divisions—is pushed out ahead of the player, with the result that what sounds well at the console may not always have that effect on the listener. Mr. Huston, for all his ability at registration, at times suffered because of this defect in placement. For instance, his first number—the Allegro from the Handel Fourth Concerto—was characterized by some —the Allegro from the mander round concerto—was characterized by some really clean and deft playing and an approach and tempo that were quite solid, but it tended to bog down in a thick registration, the pedal of which was all wool more than the proverbial yard wide.

Without attempting to evaluate each piece, it seemed to this reviewer that the recitalist made his best impression with those things that permitted the use of the classic style stops. This was completely apparent in the Bach Prelude and Fugue in B minor. The Prelude was done in what might be termed the vermal second. what might be termed the normal accepted manner—no question whatever as to Mr. Huston's faultless technique—but there was again that tubbiness of tone with its passive pedal thick and indefinite of speech. To contrast with this there was the future which faitly sparkled. Universided speech. To contrast with this there was the Fugue, which fairly sparkled. Unhurried and flowing, it played itself—with a clarity that could be achieved only by using, as Mr. Huston did, the baroque-style gallery section. Some of us might question mixing a baroque with a romantic registration, but it came off and it counted.

Throughout the recital Mr. Huston played with brilliance, technical skill and an unerring accuracy that was evident from the first note. Just around Vierne time he seemed to be in a hurry, and hurry he did, but selecting Mr. Huston to close the conclave was a wise choice that speaks well for his very evident ability..

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[The critique of Bob Whitley's recital was written by Seth Bingham, the review of the concert at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin by Claude Means, the report of the visits to New York churches and to St. Patrick's Cathedral by Alice Gordon-Smith and the review of John Huston's recital by Harold W. Fitter.]

DR. RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday Oct. 12 and as a compliment to him several of his works were broadcast during the week. His new opera, "The Pilgrim's Progress," will be performed for the first time early next summer in the season of international opera at Covent Garden arranged for the Festival of Britain.

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FOR NEW EDIFICE IN BRONX

Nicholas of Tolentine Catholic Parish Will Have Three-Manual Installed in Two Chambers-All Under Expression.

St. Nicholas of Tolentine Catholic Church, in the Bronx, New York, has placed an order with the Kilgen Organ Company of St. Louis for a three-manual organ through its pastor, the Rev. Eugene A. Mauch, O.S.A. The church, built just before world war 2, is a large and imposing edifice. The organ was designed by Eugene R. Kilgen, president of the firm, in collaboration with Dr. Charles M. Courboin, organist of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York. The instrument will be installed in two chambers in the choir loft at the rear of the church and the entire organ will be under expression. Grilles will screen the large tone openings of each chamber, which have been so arranged that practically the entire front wall of each chamber can be opened.

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GREAT ORGAN.

Violone, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Hohi Flöte, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Ortave, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Ortave, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Flute Harmonique, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Rauschquinte, 2 ranks, 122 pipes.
Fourniture, 3 ranks (19-22-26), 183 pipes.
Trumpet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Chimes (prepared for),
SWELL ORGAN.

Chimes (prepared for).

SWELL ORGAN.
Flute Conique, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
Geigen Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Rohrlöte, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Viola da Gamba, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Voix Celeste, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Principal, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Flute Harmonique, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Octavin, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Scharf, 4 ranks (15-17-19-22), 244 pipes.
Waldhorn, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
Trompette, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Oboe, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Clarlon, 4 ft., 73 pipes.

CHOIR ORGAN.
Viola Pomposa, 8 ft., 73 pipe
Concert Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Cor de Nuit, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Unda Maris, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Spitzfiöte, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

PEDAL ORGAN.
(Expressive with manuals.)
Sub Bourdon (Low 12 Resultant), 32 ft., 32 notes.
Contrabasse, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Flute Conique (from Swell), 16 ft., 32 notes.
Violone (from Great), 16 ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 8 ft., 32 pipes.
Bass Flute (ext. 16-ft. Bourdon), 8 ft., 12 pipes. PEDAL ORGAN.

12 pipes. Rohr Flöte (from Swell), 8 ft., 32 notes.

Rohr Flote (from Swell), 8 ft., 32 notes. Super Octave (ext. 8-ft. Octave), 4 ft., Super Octave
12 pipes.
Bombarde, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Waldhorn (from Swell), 16 ft., 32 notes.

CHAPEL ROYAL SERVICE AT TRINITY CHURCH, FORT WAYNE

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Trinity Episcopal Church, Fort Wayne, Ind., used the format of the Chapel Royal in the days of Elizabeth as the foundation for its Christmas Eve mass. Preceding the mass a half hour of caroling, in which the organ, the Trinity caroleers and a brass quintet took part, set the atmosphere for the service to come. At 11:30 organ and brass united in playing Purcell's Trumpet Tune for the silent procession to the back of the church by the crucifer, torchbearers, choir and acolytes. When the choir was formed at the head of the center aisle, the trumpeters commenced a three-part fanfare in which the trombones and organ joined. The fanfare led straight into "Adeste Fideles," with organ, brass, choir and congregation singing legatily while the choir reconded to the straight into "Adeste Fideles," with organ, brass, choir and congregation singing heartily while the choir proceeded to the chancel. At the close of the hymn Father Wood, rector of Trinity, began the mass. Oldroyd's Mass and the propers for the day were sung by the choir, and the anthems were Handel's "Glory to God" at the sequence and the Hallelujah Chorus at the offertory. The mass was broadcast over radio station WKJG. Arthur Thomas, A.A.G.O., is organist and choirmaster of Trinity and his telephone rang nearly all day on Christmas to express praise.



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B ECAUSE of existing world conditions I should like to speak briefly to all who are interested in the development and future of THE AMERICAN ORGAN.

I think it is fair to say that in the past twenty years a greater development has taken place in the character of the organ in this country than in the character of any other art form. The organ now is being recognized as a worthy musical instrument by both the musical public and by musicians. Because of the speed and force of this development, thoughtful persons seek to become aware of extremes in the building and playing of the instruments.

In exactly the same way in the rush to re-arm our Country values must be studied and extremes recognized so that precious things will not be sacrificed for marginal gain. The last war forced American organ building to come to a standstill, while in Germany, where the epitome of resourcefulness was obviously necessary, organ building continued without interruption.

The organ building facts are:

- 1. Materials, although many are critical, are used in such negligible amounts as to be totally disregarded in a war effort.
- 2. Personnel involved are, for the most part, older men not readily adaptable to mass production in skill or temperament.
- 3. Plants and equipment are generally not efficient for unit production because of space and machines designed for artisan-type work.

The most powerful consideration of all, however, is that the organ has earned its place as an integral part of Divine Worship and it is through the Church, in the most important sense, that the struggle for freedom must be fought against the Anti-Religious ideology.

I respectfully call these factors to your attention and can say that the Associated Organ Builders of America are endeavoring to present the details to the proper authorities so that the future may have the heritage protected that so many of us have worked long to create.

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Radio Commentator Fulton Lewis, Jr., as Organ Fan, Organist

Thousands of people who listen regularly to the broadcasts by Fulton Lewis, Jr., famous as a radio commentator from coast to coast, probably never have guessed that he was an organist, choir director and confirmed organ "fan," who devotes his spare time to such tasks as helping a church in the small community in which he lives acquire an organ and exerting his influence over the boys of the town and surroundings whom he has converted into enthusiasts over organ music. How this distinguished radio commentator spends his spare time among organ pipes and at the console is a fasciorgan pipes and at the console is a fascinating story.

In his childhood Mr. Lewis studied the

In his childhood Mr. Lewis studied the piano with the encouragement of his father, who was a singer. In 1920 he entered the University of Virginia and enrolled in the classes in English, theory, composition and piano. Through most of his sophomore and junior years he paid his way by playing the organ at the Lafayette Theater in Charlottesville. He also composed the university's official anthem, "The Cavalier Song," which is still heard on the campus.

On leaving college the young graduate had to choose a profession and decided on journalism, with music as a side issue. He then became more and more interested in organ construction and choral directing.

had to choose a profession and decided on journalism, with music as a side issue. He then became more and more interested in organ construction and choral directing. Late in 1947 Mr. Lewis organized a choir in the Methodist Church of Hollywood, Md., a town of 300 people in St. Mary's County, where the Lewis home is situated. Fifteen boys and girls made up the chorus. These included Mr. Lewis children—Alice Elizabeth, 18 years old, a contralto, and Fulton III, 14, a tenor. But the church lacked an organ. When he took his choir on a trip to Washington the young people heard a fine organ and immediately became possessed of the idea that they must have something of the same kind. They thought \$500 might provide such an instrument, but their director had to inform them that the instrument they had heard cost more nearly \$25,000. But the ambition could not be squelched.

At this point, Mr. Lewis relates, the classified columns of THE DIAPASON came into the picture. There was an "ad" offering for sale the pipes of an old tracker action organ, built by Jardine, in a Jamaica, N. Y., church which was being razed. Seventeen ranks of pipes were to be sold. A truck was engaged by Mr. Lewis and the boys and they drove to Jamaica, returning with the pipes, for which Mr. Lewis paid \$500.

Then began the task to which Mr. Lewis and his choir, with the advice and assistance of one or two organ experts—one of them Joseph S. Whiteford—gave their spare time. Mr. Whiteford, a friend of Mr. Lewis, then was a young Washington lawyer, but is now a vice-president of the Aeolian-Skinner Company, having abandoned the practice of law to yield to an overweening love for the organ.

ington lawyet, but is now a vice-prestent of the Aeolian-Skinner Company, having abandoned the practice of law to yield to an overweening love for the organ. On Christmas Eve in 1948 the organ had been installed and had its opening. Meanwhile many problems had to be met, but help always came. In answer to inquiries from The Diapason Mr. Lewis tells the story in these words:

"I bought the pipes from an old Jardine organ in Brooklyn and from an old Haskell in Philadelphia, and from them we took a few of the best ranks, including a diapason, a melodia, the stopped flute, a salicional, a voix celeste, two dulcianas, one of which we used as an unda maris, and an oboe. I picked up a vox humana which we put on a separate chest with its own tremulant, and in the main organ I had made a gemshorn (eighty-five notes) and a trumpet (sixty-one notes). We used Reisner electrical equipment throughout, except for the pedal contacts, which came from Klann in Waynesboro, Va. Joe Whiteford, now with Aeolian-Skinner but then an amateur, designed the stoplist.

"The entire construction was done in my basement shop by me and the 15 and 16-year-old boys in the choir. Theodore Lewis of Lewis & Hitchcock, in Washington, did what revoicing was necessary and helped in finally putting the instrument into shape and, of course, in the tuning of it. Mass chimes were donated by Leslie Edgcomb of the Edgcomb Steel Company in Philadelphia.

"It was, of course, my first experience



FULTON LEWIS, JR.

with organ building, and we made many, many mistakes, as you can well understand. It inoculated me, however, with a fatal dose of organ-building-itis from which I am afraid I shall never recover. Various laymen over the country have written me, asking for suggestions, and I have urged them to switch their interest to something reasonably non-habit forming.

written me, asking for suggestions, and I have urged them to switch their interest to something reasonably non-habit forming.

"One of the boys, now 18 years old and the chief support of a mother and seven brothers and sisters, caught the infection along with me. I have had him on my payroll ever since and he has evolved into a treasure. We have been working on the construction of an instrument in my own home (sixteen unified ranks) and the work he has produced is really gorgeous. When we get through with that job, which should be only a matter of a few months, we shall completely rebuild the church instrument, probably going to three manuals and eliminating the evil results of some of our early follies.

"In the three years we have worked together the choir has grown from eight children to thirty and there is a waiting list of about a dozen youngsters. I have done all of the directing myself, which includes at least three, and usually four and five rehearsals a week. They have built the congregation of a little country church from eight to ten people per Sunday up to well over 200 (all the church will hold) during the summer season and very little short of that during the winter months. They do a full musical service with choral call to worship, processional, amens, prayer and benediction responses, two anthems, a Lord's Prayer, a congregational hymn and a recessional. Except for one 18-year-old girl and three or four of the male voices, all of the children are under 17 years of age. One little 10-year-old cherub-faced blonde shares in the solo work and, among other things, has handled the soprano solos and obbligatos in Barnby's 'Sweet Is Thy Mercy, Lord' and Shelley's 'Hark, Hark, My Soul' with all the finesse of Jeanette McDonald."

For the information of those of our readers who will wish to know the resources of the Hollywood organ the stoplist is herewith presented:

GREAT.

Diapason, § ft.

Processional Diapason (antiphonal), § ft.

Diapason, 8 ft.
Processional Diapason (antiphonal), 8 ft. Processional Diaps Gemshorn, 8 ft. Dulciana, 8 ft. Unda Maris, 8 ft. Melodia, 8 ft. Gedeckt, 8 ft. Octave, 4 ft. Flute, 4 ft. Piccolo, 2 ft. Oboe, 8 ft. Chimes. SWELL.

SWELL.
Salicional, 8 ft.
Voix Celeste, 8 ft.
Dulciana, 8 ft.
Unda Maris, 8 ft.
Melodia, 8 ft.
Gemshorn, 4 ft.
Gemshorn, 2 ft.
Frumpet, 8 ft.
Fox Humana, 8 ft.
Fox Humana, 8 ft.
Fox Humana Tremulant.
General Tremulant.
PEDAL.

PEDAL.
Bourdon, 16 ft.
Gedeckt, 16 ft.
'Cello, 8 ft.
Flute, 8 ft.
Gedeckt, 8 ft.
Gemshorn, 4 ft.

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proached Mr. Lewis with a proposal for a Sunday night broadcast from coast to coast by his organ and choir. The proceeds from the sponsorship of the program would go into a fund to provide college educations for members of the choir. And so those who read this article may soon be able to judge the valuable results of a labor of love that has afforded recreation for a noted personality, a channel for the enthusiasm of a group of nel for the enthusiasm of a group of young people that suggests the value of similar outlets in other communities, and music for a rural church from Sunday to Sunday.

GORDON M. EBY GIVES VESPER
SERIES IN MILLERSVILLE, PA.
The third in a series of four vesper

The third in a series of four vesper musicales sponsored by the choirs of the Methodist Church in Millersville, Pa., was presented Nov. 26 in the form of an organ recital by Gordon Meredith Eby, organist and choir director of the church, and Elsa Meiskey Rhoades, soprano, of

Lancaster as assisting soloist. One of the organ selections was a manuscript composition by Alfred A. Ashburn, formerly of Lancaster and now of Sar Francisco. The work is entitled "Chanson pour l'Orgue." Other composers represented on the program were Pratela whose composition "A Gothic Cathedral" was one of the outstanding selections; Thomas A. Arne, William Stickles, Massenet and Rubinstein. Mrs. Rhoades chose as her selections "In My Father's House Are Many Mansions," by MacDermid; "Hear My Cry," Milligan, and "The Lord Is My Light," Allitsen.

A descriptive commentary prior to each selection was read by Mrs. Walter L Kauffman.

Approximately 150 persons braved the

Approximately 150 persons braved the storm to hear the program. Mr. Elyfinished his first year as organist of the church in January. Mrs. Rhoades had a noteworthy career in opera, oratoric and concert. She studied with Marcella Sembrich, Dudley Buck and Richard Hageman.

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Stop Specification of New Organ for the Summer Street Christian Reformed Parish of the New Jersey City.

Jersey City.

The Summer Street Christian Reformed Church of Passaic, N. J., has placed an order with the Neill-Johnson Company, Inc., of Upper Montclair, N. J., for a three-manual organ. The organ will be completely under expression and will occupy a prominent position in the front of the auditorium. It is to be installed in September. The Rev. Hessel Bauma is the pastor and Mrs. George Den Herder and Miss Jean Kievit are the organists. The stoplist was drawn up and the tonal details were formulated by Charles L. Neill of the Neill-Johnson staff in collaboration with Mrs. Den Herder.

The stop specifications are as follows:

GREAT ORGAN.

Gemshorn, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
Open Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Open Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Harmonic Flute, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Mixture, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Chimes, 20 tubes.

SWELL ORGAN.
Rohr Flöte, 16 ft., 12 pipes.

SWELL ORGAN.
Rohr Flöte, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Geigen Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Salicional, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Voix Celeste, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Voix Celeste, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Rohr Flöte, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Geigen Principal, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Rohr Flöte, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Rohr Flöte, 24 ft., 61 notes.
Rohr Flöte, 22 ft., 61 notes.
Rohr Flöte, 22 ft., 61 notes.
Rohr Flöte, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Rohr Flöte, 2 ft., 73 pipes.
Contra Fagotto, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
Trompette, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Fagotto, 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Vox Humana, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Tremolo.
CHOIR ORGAN. SWELL ORGAN.

Viola, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn (Great), 8 ft., 73 notes.
Concert Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

Unda Maris, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Dulciana, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Concert Flute, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Dulciana, 2% ft., 61 notes.
Dulciana, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Tremolo.
PEDAL ORGAN.

Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Tremolo.

PEDAL ORGAN.

Resultant Bourdon, 32 ft., 32 notes.
Open Diapason, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Gemshorn, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Rohr Flöte, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Bourdon, 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Gedeckt, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Gedeckt, 4 ft., 32 notes.
Gedeckt, 4 ft., 32 notes.
Contra Fagotto, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Fagotto, 8 ft., 32 notes.

KENNETH GOODMAN TO PLAY AT PHILADELPHIA Y.M.C.A.

Kenneth Goodman of Philadelphia will be the guest organist for a series of Lenten recitals under the auspices of the Philadelphia Central Y.M.C.A. These recitals will be presented on Wednesday

Lenten recitals under the auspices of the Philadelphia Central Y.M.C.A. These recitals will be presented on Wednesday evenings during Lent in the lobby of the Y.M.C.A. Several guest artists will assist Mr. Goodman.

Mr. Goodman played a similar series last year and it was so well received that the Y.M.C.A. hopes to make this an annual event. The public is invited.

Mr. Goodman is a graduate in organ from the Juilliard School of Music, a graduate of the Barnes Foundation in Merion, Pa., and a member of the organ faculty of the Settlement Music School in Philadelphia. He is organist and choirmaster at Tindley Temple Methodist Church in Philadelphia.

The following program was presented by him in the Washington National Cathedral Dec. 3: Concerto No. 2, in B flat major, Handel; Prelude on a Modal Melody, Kenneth Goodman; Finale, Sonata in F minor, Mendelssohn; Arioso, "In dulci Jubilo" and "Fugue a la Gigue," Bach; "Nativity Scenes" (improvisation).

WILLIAM G. BURROUGHS, husband of Marietta Burroughs, died at the Swedish Covenant Hospital, Chicago, in December after a long illness. Mrs. Burroughs is active in the Illinois Chapter, A.G.O., and is vice-president of the Chicago Club of Women Organists.



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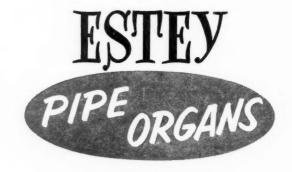
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GREAT ORGAN.
Violone, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Hohlifibte, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Twelfth, 2% ft., 61 pipes.
Superoctave, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Fourniture, 4 ranks, 244 pipes.
SWELL ORGAN.
Rohr Bourdon (tenor C), 16 ft., 61 notes.
Geigen Principal, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Viole de Gambe, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Viole Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Spitz Principal, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Chimney Flute, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Chimney Flute, 4 ft., 73 notes.
Rohr Piccolo, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Nor Piccolo, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Chimney Flute, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Vox Human, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Vox Human, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
CHOIR ORGAN.
Nachthorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

Clarion, 4 ft., 73 pipes.

CHOIR ORGAN.

Nachthorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

Dolcan, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

Dolcan Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.

Koppelliöte, 4 ft., 73 pipes.

Nazard, 2% ft., 61 pipes.

Blockflöte, 2 ft., 61 pipes.

Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

PEDAL ORGAN.

Principalbass, 16 ft., 32 pipes.

Violone (Great), 16 ft., 32 notes.

Lieblich Bourdon (ext. Swell Rohrflöte),
16 ft., 12 pipes.

Octave, 8 ft., 32 pipes.

Principal (ext. Principalbass), 8 ft., 12 pipes.

pipes.
Still Gedeckt (Swell), 8 ft., 32 notes.
Choralbass (ext. Principalbass), 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Flute (Swell), 4 ft., 32 notes.
Bombarde, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Bombarde (ext. 16-ft. Bombarde), 8 ft., 12 pipes.

Bombarde (ext. 16-ft. Bombarde), 6 ft., 12 pipes.
Clarion (ext. 16-ft. Bombarde), 4 ft., 12 pipes.

DAMROSCH FUNERAL MARKED BY ORGAN AND CHOIR MUSIC

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The funeral service for Dr. Walter
Damrosch, noted orchestra conductor,
who died Dec. 22 of a heart attack at his
home in New York, was held Dec. 26 at
St. James' Episcopal Church, New York
City. At the time of his death Dr. Damrosch was 88 years old.

Three hundred persons—musicians,
music-lovers and members of the family—
were present for the funeral. The organist
was Dr. Hugh Porter, director of the
School of Sacred Music, Union Theological Seminary, and the church choir was
directed by Dr. G. Darlington Richards
of St. James.' Before the opening of the
service Dr. Porter played a program
that included Bach's "Hark, a Voice Saith
All Are Mortal," Wagner's "Good Friday
Spell," from "Parsifal," Brahms' "Blessed
Are Ye, Faithful Souls," Bach's "Come
Now, Saviour of Our Race" and "God's
Time Is Best."

As the coffin was carried to the altar
for the service the choir sang Luther's
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." The
recessional was Chopin's Funeral March.
During the service Albert Spalding, violinist, played the second movement of
Bach's E major Concerto, which he and
Dr. Damrosch had played together many
times.

Dr. Damrosch had played together many

times.
The service was conducted by the Rev.
Dr. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, rector of St.

CARL WIESEMANN, DEAN OF NEW YORK CHAPTER, A.G.O.



CARL WIESEMANN, MUS.D., has been appointed organist and choir director of the Park Methodist Church in Bloomfield, N. J. Dr. Wiesemann recently was elected the first dean of the new New York City Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. He is also regional director of the Guild district which includes New York and northern New Jersey, and was the efficient chairman of the committee in charge of the conclave of A.G.O. deans and regents held in New York City the last week in December.

Dr. Wiesemann previously was at Grace Episcopal Church in Newark, N. J., to which post he was appointed in 1945. He went to Newark from St. John's Lutheran Church in Hagerstown, Md.

Dr. Wiesemann has been active in four states for the A.G.O. He helped to organize the Cumberland Valley Chapter and was elected its dean in 1944. As regional chairman of the Guild for Maryland, the District of Columbia and Virginia he promoted the first regional conference, held in Hagerstown. Before going to Maryland, Dr. Wiesemann

James' Church. He was assisted by the Rev. Frank Damrosch, a nephew of Dr. Damrosch and rector of St. Paul's Epis-copal Church in Doylestown, Pa.

VAN HULSE'S NEW ORATORIO MARKS CHRISTMAS SEASON

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The Christmas Oratorio, by Camil Van
Hulse, Tucson, Ariz., composer, recently
published by Harry T. FitzSimons, was
sung in many cities during the holiday
season. The First Baptist Church of
Raleigh, N. C., gave the work Dec. 10
under the direction of Harry E. Cooper,
organist and director of music. The
regular choir was assisted by the vesper
choir and the carol choir. The performance received warm praise, reports Dr.

was dean of the Texas and Denton Chapters of the A.G.O. and regional chairman for the Southwest. As organist and choirmaster of St. Matthew's Cathedral, Dallas, and as head of the organ department of the Texas State College for Women, Denton, Tex., he made an enviable reputation with his choral and organ work. As president of the Texas State Music Teachers' Association and chairman of the music advisory board to the state department of education he did much to improve the standards of the music teacher and to have the state department accredit the private music teacher in Texas.

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Dr. Wiesemann was elected an honorary member of the Texas Music Teachers' Association and was given an award of merit by the Texas Centennial Association for his work at the hall of religion in taking charge of the organ recitals and choral work at the Centennial during the two years of the exposition, and for his eminence in the field of music. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha, Sinfonia Fraternity.

Cooper of the department of music at Meredith College. It was attended by 1,200 people and was broadcast by station WPTF. It was also recorded by the station for rebroadcasting on Christmas

performances between Dec. Other performances between Dec. 10 and 31 took place in Cleveland under the direction of Edwin Arthur Kraft at Trinity Cathedral; at the First Congregational Church of Oak Park, Ill., Dec. 17 under the direction of Mme. Else Arendt; at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind.; at the First Baptist Church, St. Albans, W. Va., and at McPherson College, in Kansas, with D. R. Frederick directing lege, in Kansas, with D. R. Frederick directing. The first broadcast in Tucson was over KTUC on Christmas Eve.

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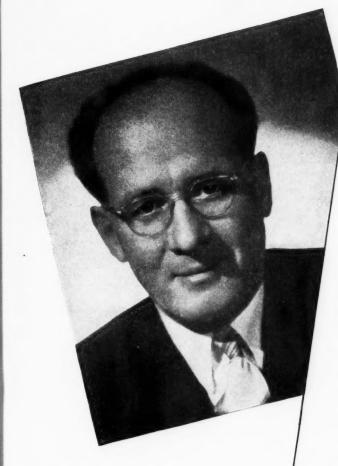
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Bingham Organ and Choral Music Wins Notable Distinction

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During recent years it has become increasingly evident that Seth Bingham is one of our most valuable composers. A casual glance at an organ or choral work never fails to stir a desire to perform his music, and some widening effort of discovery leads to real enthusiasm. A little over three years ago I began in earnest to study the music of Mr. Bingham which I had in my collection. The composer aided me in this task by providing me with certain scores and information. He also hindered the progress in this article

with certain scores and information. He also hindered the progress in this article by writing a lot more music.

This review is not intended to be a detailed critical analysis. Indeed, some works will be neglected, or hardly mentioned. My primary purpose is to point out to fellow musicians a fund of music for our use, inspired music of distinguished craftsmanship. A common experience of all active musicians is the urgent necessity of discovering new practical material. Consequently this appreciation may assist some of us.

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This composer has produced in many fields anthems and service music for varied choral combinations with and without accompaniment, cantatas, organ music for church and concert, orchestral works, a concerto and secular choral works.

His orchestral and chamber works include "Piece Gothique" for organ and orchestra; "Wall Street Fantasy," string quartet in B flat; Passacaglia for orchestra; Suite for wind, "Memories of France"; "Tame Animal Tunes" for chamber orchestra; "The Breton Cadence," and Concerto for organ and orchestra. They have been performed by the New York Philharmonic, the New Haven Symphony, the Letz Quartet, the Boston Symphony, the Columbia University Orchestra, the Cleveland and Chicago Orchestras, and N.B.C. Orchestra and the Eastman School (Rochester) Orchestra among others. His organ works are widely played by the world's greatest organists here and abroad.

It is unnecessary to deal with biography except to indicate that the nature of Bingham's professional duties influenced his composition both as to type and content. Starting as a choir boy at the age of 9, his association with churches has been practically continuous. He was an organist at the age of 14 and a choirmaster at 17. Yale granted him A.B. and Mus. B degrees. After two years of foreign study he returned to the Yale School of Music to teach organ for several years. In 1913 he became organist and choirmaster of New York's Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, where he will be named organist emeritus upon his retirement from active service in June of this year. In 1920 he joined the faculty of Columbia University, where for long years he has been associate professor of music and head of the theory department. There have been frequent periods of travel and living abroad. Part of a recent sabbatical was spent in teaching at the University living abroad. Part of a recent sabbatical was spent in teaching at the University for American soldiers in Biarritz. He has long been active in affairs of the American Guild of Organists, of which he is view president.

An interesting facet of Bingham's personality is his sympathy for French culture. Generally in either his pocket or briefcase there is a small volume of French poetry or essays. This trait is present often in his instrumental music. He is deeply interested in a wide field of literature. present often in his instrumental music. He is deeply interested in a wide field of literature. His sensitive taste is shown in the fine texts which have stimulated vocal writing or programmatic music. He has been strongly attracted to the musical expression of American thought or incident.

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Seth Bingham is esteemed as a wise and Seth Bingham is esteemed as a wise and experienced man. He has been called upon by the national Presbyterian Church body to confer with architects in matters concerning suitable working places for choirs and sensible placement of organs. Many of his articles and lectures have been published in periodicals such as The Diapason, Religion in Life, The Organ (London), The Music Journal, The American Organist, The Protestant World.

Following this introduction our review

will be given in two parts. The first will deal with organ music and the other with choral music. Before beginning the discussion of specific works a few remarks upon his style in general should be made.

sion of specific works a few remarks upon his style in general should be made. There is a conspicuous lack of opportunity in Bingham's music for virtuosic fuss or effect-making simply for the sake of effects. The music has a first-hearing attraction, but under the surface there is a rewarding amount of substance which, upon study, stimulates increasing appreciation. Craftsmanship is logical and economical, particularly in the choral music. His facility in both harmonic and contrapuntal writing is full of invention and fancy. There is a Handelian spirit of false simplicity which overlies impeccable, sophisticated technique. His music scontemporary in feeling as well as generally concise in statement. Rhythms are spontaneous and often irregular. This respontaneous and often irregular. This resourcefulness is one of his most valuable creative assets. There are traces of French and Russian influence in early compositions, but they were easily assimilated into personal expression. There is a frequent, pleasant element of surprise, and avoidance of the expected commonplace through genial fantasy. Bingham is never merely clever, nor does he allow the forward movement of his music to be impeded by purple passages. The over-all impression is of organization and direction. The pleasure given by his music stens mainly from the cumulative persuasiveness of whole compositions rather spontaneous and often irregular. This resiveness of whole compositions rather than from dwelling on a series of effective moments. These are liberally present, however.

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Some of the strong points just now listed make for difficulty in preparation for performance. The unconventional phrase-lengths or shifting rhythmical patterns, derived from the thought span or rhythms of the texts, often trouble singers unacquainted with the magnificent freedoms of early choral composers. The ingenious evasion of the expected calls for considerable caution for both singers and players. players.

An important quality of his music is that he makes it characteristic for the medium which he employs. This is the result of long practical experience, playing and conducting. With the organ music one feels that it is real organ music, made of material to be expressed best in organ tone. A good part of it sounds well on any organ, with or without the wealth of solo stops he suggests. The player feels that everything is well within the capability of two hands and feet, though he may be astonished occasionally at what proof to this point is his own transcription from his orchestra piece Pastorale from "Memories of France." Aside from its real charm, it is most awkward for the hands, unless one of them is holding a baton before an orchestra.

It is interesting to observe that the early rather literary flair for programmatic music ("Pioneer America," "Harmonies of Florence," "Pastoral Psalms," "Night Sorrow") written with romantic color has given way to a sober, thoughtful expression of music which tends to become more absolute. This change of interest may be noted in compositions in classic forms, the three series of hymn-preludes, the organ concerto and the fine editions of Buxtehude and Couperin. Within these self-imposed limitations a growing simplicity has uncovered even richer powers of invention, and Bingham is doing his finest work.

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The same instinct for aptness pervades his choral music. Whether harmonic or contrapuntal (the two styles are generously mixed), voices are called upon to do what voices may do best. There is a merciful management of tessitura. Often there is sensitive awareness of vocal merciful management of tessitura. Often there is sensitive awareness of vocal timbre, the writing of a person much experienced in the possibility of choral color. Still, as indicated before, this quality is a by-product rather than an end itself. There is a happy melding of his talents in choral works accompanied by organ. The organ part usually is independent, and the two forces complete each other. Although organ parts support voices by subtle means, they do not obscure, and actually project them by a canny openness, rhythmical vigor and forward movement.

As the writing of this appreciation of Seth Bingham and his music nears com-pletion, the composer approaches the time of retirement from the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church and Columbia Uni-

versity, both of which he has served with distinction for many years. The musical literature for organ and the church has been greatly enriched by his contributions and by his influence on many composers. It is a fortunate circumstance that the time of his increased leisure comes when he is in top form. We may expect much from him in the future.

A list of compositions and publishers is presented with this review.

Works by Seth Bingham

SIX PIECES, OPUS 9-1. Prelude and SIX PIECES, OPUS 9—1. Prelude and Fugue in C minor. This is a severe, workman-like piece of considerable length and spaciousness, somewhat in French style. It contains numerous impressive climaxes and ingenious contrapuntal exploits. It is comfortable to play. 2. Adoration. The spirit of Franck hovers over this slow and poignantly harmonized cantablle in elegiac mood. 3. Roulade. One of the most popular pieces for organ by an American composer. It is a work which gives possibility for kaleidoscopic registration during its swift course. It was written to display the colorful resources of the large organ in swift course. It was written to display the colorful resources of the large organ in Woolsey Hall, Yale University. It is a piece of headlong invention, refreshing to the ear and technique. 4. Chorale Prelude, "St. Flavian." The melody is set forth in half-notes, adagio, surrounded by a gently moving chromatic accompaniment in six-centh, notes, supported by a feight general content of the cont moving chromatic accompaniment in sixteenth notes, supported by a fairly consistent eighth-note motive in the pedal. There are interesting statements of the theme in double and triple diminution, sometimes in stretto. Unless this piece is given thoughtful care in regard to its subleties, the effect is of extreme chromaticism. 5. Aria. The composer regrets the publication of this piece. 6. Counter Theme. Here is evidence of masterly handling of musical materials in which there is so much spontaneity that it is only upon analysis that the underlying pattern beanalysis that the underlying pattern becomes evident. Two themes are explored with contrapuntal assurance, leading to an impressive full-organ climax.

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FIRST SUITE, OPUS 25—The romantic titles of the movements, "Cathedral Strains," "Rhythm of Easter," "Intercession" and the inevitable Toccata, indicate more or less the intention of the work. It is slightly pretentious in feeling, but contains music which would be welcome in either service or concert.

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"PIONEER AMERICA" (SECOND SUITE), OPUS 26—Once again the romantic idea stifles the composer's real gifts. It is too conscious an effort to be American. Movements entitled "Redskin Rhapsody" or "Along the Frontier" are embarrassing to the king of the instruments. Coming from one who once sat on Buffalo Bill's knee, this high-minded scorn may seem surprising, but it arises because the composer wasted his time and imagination producing music for the sort of virtuoso who effectively maimed general public interest in organ recitals.

"ARMONIE DE FIRENZI" (THIRD SUITE), OPUS 27 ("HARMONIES OF FLORENCE")—Like the "Pioneer" suite so enthusiastically drubbed above, this is a work of romantic impression. Unlike the former suite, which is in part based upon brash (but indestructible) American tunes, this work is the product of personal experiences, freshly original. It has great charm from beginning to end. In it one finds a decided extension of harmonic vocabulary beyond previous work. The melodies are highly individual, often unconventional. There is a fascinating flow of rhythmical variety and opportunities for colorful registration are legion. Altogether a delightful, stimulating suite.

FIVE PIECES, OPUS 36—1. Prelude and Fughetta in F. A brief work, characteristic of Bingham's best vein. The quiet simplicity of both movements is not betrayed by the adroit handling of materials. The work is full of geniality, but there are many flashes of surprise. This unpretentious pair grows in appeal upon acquaintance. 2. "Aganus Deti." A short meditative piece based upon five notes, a figure that seems to sing the words. A very good piece, short, with reverent intensity. 3. Toocata on "Leoni." This is a free and brilliant treatment of the beloved old Hebrew melody found in most hymnals. The piece is rhapsodic and should appeal to the type that enjoys a good rattling toccata. Ther

an encore to the "Ploneer Suite."

"PASTORAL PSALMS" (FOURTH SUITE), OPUS 30—Once again the composer is stimulated by literary or romantic ideas. Among the five movements of this collection one finds titles such as "Unto the Hills," "Voice of the Tempest" and

"Beside Still Waters." These pieces are not as fine as the Florentine impressions, possibly because they did not result from personal experience. There is about them a good deal of poetic charm, and they are well worth playing.

PASSACAGLIA IN E MINOR, OPUS 40—In this extended work the composer has expressed some of his finest music. Both technically and emotionally the Passacaglia is a satisfying piece, one that repays careful preparation and repeated performance. The music is severe, almost reserved, in manner, but does not withhold its inner warmth. A theme of eight-bar length is announced conventionally in the pedals. Thereafter come thirty-one variations in which there is a free flow of contrapuntal invention and happy inspiration. The general tone is serious and earnest. After many changes of mood, including an impressive climax, the music subsides to a peaceful close.

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"NATIVITY SONG"—Although the title implies music for the Christmas season, this delightfully personal music was written to celebrate the birth of a grandchild The theme is made of initials of persons involved. It is an unpretentious piece of music, but its tenderness, harmonic warmth and true sentiment make it mest touching. It is far from easy.

TWELVE HYMN-PRELUDES, OPUS38
—This collection of very useful preludes on well-known Protestant hymn-tunes is published in two groups of six. In them is ample evidence of Bingham's flar for the unexpected turn of phrase, the gentle illumination of fresh harmony. Many of these short pieces give the impression of improvisation by one who is in complete control of his ample contrapuntal vocabulary. Some of them make attractive recital pieces. The composer chose to work on tunes which are universally sungrather than great tunes.

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PASTORALE, FROM "MEMORIES OF FRANCE," OPUS 16—"Pastorale" does not fit easily into any set form. It is a fairly complex set of variations on a main theme which is attended by two others, with short transitions or development groups. The harmonies, melody and tonal treatment naturally have a French flavor. On all counts this is a difficult piece to perform. It is a series of problems in technique, color and interpretation. Perhaps this is because of its primarily orchestral cast, in which form it was first written. The transcription is by the composer. The music repays the effort of learning.

"BAROQUES" (FIFTH SUITE), OPUS "BAROQUES" (FIFTH SUITE), OPUS
41—This suite was written with the
classic organ in mind. The overture, sarabande and voluntary consciously imitate
the form and style of eighteenth century
composers. "Rondo Ostinato" and "Rhythmic Trumpet," the most attractive movements, make use of piquant color effects
characteristic of Couperin or de Grigny.
While this suite may be imitative, it is far
from slavish, or sterile. Indeed, it is new
wine of a good year in a strong old bottle.
The music is pure fun.

SEVEN LOWELL MASON PRELUDES, OPUS 42—The general purpose and style of these pieces is much the same as for the Twelve Hymn-tune Preludes, but the treatment of this set is of greater freedom and extension, with considerable thematic development. These hardy, well-loved tunes receive a variety of treatment, with characteristic harmonic and rhythmic variety. The compress the results and the set of the contract of the contract of the set of th riety. The composer manages to avoid obvious musical statements, despite the rather commonplace material used for

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CONCERTO FOR ORGAN AND ORCHESTRA, OPUS 46—The Concerto for Organ and Orchestra is a very important contribution to a department of organ literature which is notably weak in quality and quantity. The Concerto, a recent work, was given first performance at an Eastman School symposium Oct. 24, 1946 by Catharine Crozier, to whom it is dedicated, with Howard Hanson conducting The Concerto is scored for organ solo with an orchestra of strings, trumpets, trombones, timpani and bass drum. Demands for coloristic effects on the organ are moderate. A great concert instrument is not needed. It is desirable for the sake of clarity to have an instrument with an open, free sound. The concerto is a convenient work to perform, both as to space required and expense of players. These two factors overcome most of the obstacles in the way of organ-orchestra performances in this country. It is hoped that an early publication will make the work available to many people who would welcome it gladly.

Aside from the evident skill in scoring effectively for instruments, the music of the Concerto is eloquent and inspired. The first movement is declamatory, full of vigorous activity and sonorous dissonance. The forces are integrated, but they keep out of each other's way except in times of tension and climax. There is a remarkable sense of complete assurance and logic. The second movement, which begins with the only extended solo passage in the Concerto, is a serene cantabile on a them of expressive dignity. The final movement is a complete contrast to the foregoinf

serious writing. It is a humorous dancing serious writing. It is a numorous dancing movement, with themes suggestive of bucolic revels. Once the movement is begun by a solo violin, an unrestrained square dance is on. There is a strong, natural American feeling to this music, attained in high spirits and good-humored wilmisicality, all controlled by a composer's sure hand.

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EDITING FOR ORGAN—Six Chorale Preludes of Buxtehude, Suite from the Parochial Mass of Couperin the Great and the Bach Praeludium in A minor. Mr. Bingham has made discerning choices of music by classic masters, music generally neglected by American players. Since its publication a great amount of splendid old music has been made available. These selections remain useful because of careful critical markings, and because each short piece is a gem.

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Open Diapason, 8 ft., 61 pipes.

Viola da Gamba, 8 ft., 61 pipes.

Major Flute, 8 ft., 61 pipes.

Octave, 4 ft., 61 pipes.

Cornet Mixture, 4 ranks, 244 pipes.

Trumpet, 8 ft., 61 pipes.

Trimpet, 8 ft., 61 pipes.

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Tremulant.

SWELL ORGAN.
Lieblich Gedeckt, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Violin Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Salicional, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
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Voix Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Stopped Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Harmonic Flute, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Salicet, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Celeste, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Flute, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Nasard, 2% ft., 73 notes.
Flutie, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Mixture, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Obce, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Tremulant.

CHOIR ORGAN.

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Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Melodia, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Unda Maris, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Dulcet, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Blockfidet, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Dolce Mixture, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Tremulant Tremulant.

PEDAL ORGAN

Tremulant.

PEDAL ORGAN.
Open Diapason, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Subbass, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Lieblich Gedeckt, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Violone, 8 ft., 32 pipes.
Bass Flute, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Gedeckt, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 8 ft., 32 notes.
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Octave, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Ophicleide, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Tromba, 8 ft., 12 pipes.

THE TREND TOWARD industrial application of atomic energy is evident in the 1951 edition of "New Products and Services," a compilation of more than 1,000 innovations marketed by over 750 manufacturers, which has just been published by the New York Journal of Commerce. Products utilizing atomic energy range from a variety of new robots to radioactive, "loss-proof" golf balls. Featuring this sixth annual report on the output of more than fifty different industries is a wide range of plastic items. These include among others a miniature four-pound electric organ with a range of two full octaves.

INTRODUCTION AND TOCCATA for organ and Strings by Themes I Craw-

octaves.

INTRODUCTION AND TOCCATA for Organ and Strings, by Thomas J. Crawford, the Toronto composer, which received its first performance at the C.C.O. convention last August, was played by Gerald Bales in Niagara Falls, N. Y., Jan. 16. The work will be heard again in the United States in February, when Dr. Cyril E. Barker plays it in Detroit. Two scores and a set of string parts for the Introduction and Toccata are available on loan for payment of postage and may be procured in the United States through Dr. Cyril E. Barker, 52 Putnam Avenue. Detroit 2.

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At Chicago's St. James' Episcopal Church Leo Sowerby chose for the offertory solo "A Vision," which is a fifteenth century English carol arranged by Regina Fryxell. The anthem at St. James' Christmas morning was Willan's "While All Things."

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A very interesting program of choral music under the direction of Harold Friedell, F.A.G.O., was heard at St. Bartholomew's Church, New York, on the afternoon of Dec. 24. These selections were included: "The Morning Star." Praetorius: "The Jesus Ch'ld My Joy Shall Be," Whitehead; "Ave Maria." Rachmaninoff; "The Three Kings," Willan; "Song of Mary," Friedell; "The Lamb," Wood; "Humble Sanctuary," Horne; "Idyll," Trunk.

Richard Dirksen gave a recital of music by d'Aquin, Willan, Messiaen, Dubois and Brahms before the Christmas Eve service at the Washington Cathedral. For offertory anthems the choir sang Howells' "A Spotless Rose" and Sweelinck's "Born Today." At St. Luke's Lutheran, Chicago, Herbert D. Bruening played Bunjes' new "All My Heart This Night Rejoices." Holst's "The Saviour of the World Is Born" was the anthem. At the Bishop Cheney Memorial Church, Chicago, C. Gordon Wedertz played Edmundson's Second Christmas Suite. At the Dominion Church, Ottawa, Ont., where Allanson Brown, F.R.C.O., is organist and choirmaster, the anthem for the morning of Dec. 24 was "O World in Sorrow Sleeping" by Hollins.

For the candlelight carol service at the

Second Christmas Suite. At the Dom.nion Church, Ottawa, Ont., where Allanson Brown, F.R.C.O., is organist and choirmaster, the anthem for the morning of Dec. 24 was "O World in Sorrow Sleeping" by Hollins.

For the candlelight carol service at the First Methodist Church, Bloomington, Ind., there was an organ and harp prelude based on hymn-tunes and the choir sang a program of Gross, Bitgood, Holst, Niles, Willan, Howells and Dickinson. Oswald G. Ragatz is organist and choirmaster. Beatrice Norling, choirmaster at St. John's Episcopal Church in Jersey City, chose West's "The Hymn of the Angels" for the offertory anthem Christmas Eve.

Bach's beautiful short cantata, "For Us a Child Is Born," did not receive as much attention this year as in other recent years, but at least it was not neglected at the First Church, Congregational, in Cleveland, where Walter Hawkes is organist and Frank H. Henck is choir director. For his Christmas Eve prelude Mr. Hawkes used organ arrangements of four of the many charming American carols collected by John Jacob Niles.

The annual Christmas carol concerts at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, where George M. Thompson conducts the college choir, attracted 5,000 people. The choir of 165 voices sang two numbers from Bach's Christmas Oratorio and "Let Merry Carols Sound" from the Magnificat (the first two were E. Harold Geer's arrangements for women's voices). Several of Clarence Dickinson's arrangements and other carols filled out the program.

Austin Lovelace included arrangements by such moderns as Donovan, Holst and

Howells in his carol service at the First Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, N. C. Also included were his own arrangement of "The First Noel" and such old favor-ites as "Gesu Bambino" and "O Holy Night." This last was written by the nine-teenthy. Night." This last was written by the nine-teenth century opera composer Adolphe Adam and in the early part of this cen-tury became very popular as a soprano solo. Frowned upon by squeamish musi-cians, it had begun to be relegated to the parish-house attic when radio and record-ings resurrected it.

More than 600 people were present to hear the annual Christmas program by the choirs of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, St. Louis, where Walter Wismar is organist and choirmaster.

Lutheran Church, St. Louis, where Walter Wismar is organist and choirmaster. Participating groups were the Holy Cross choir, the children's choir, the ladies' choir and the male choir. Instruments used besides the organ were piano, guitar and two oboes. The idea of using a guitar for carol accompanying is an attractive one and has historical precedent. It is regrettable that plucked stringed instruments other than the harp have almost disappeared from musical ensembles, especially since many carols were originally

disappeared from musical ensembles, especially since many carols were originally conceived to be sung with just such an accompaniment.

Getting around to other metropolitan churches, Donald D. Kettring of Pittsburgh's East Liberty Presbyterian Church has sent in an attractively bound booklet containing all his services from Thanksgiving through Christmas. Particularly pleasing were his three "shoppers" carol services, each on a Friday evening at 9 o'clock, boasting artistic printed programs pretty enough for Christmas cards. These services were made up of organ numbers, choral offerings and congregational singing. For the morning service of Dec. 24 Mr. Kettring chose Roberta Bitgood's "Glory to God" and Erickson's "Catalonian Christmas Carol."

At New York's Church of the Ascension Vernon de Tar gave a pre-service Christmas Eve recital of music by d'Aquin, Bach, Pachelbel, Langlais, Messiaen and Brahms. Annong the choral offerings were de Tar's "O'er the Cradle of a King," a Vittoria motet and Pergolesi's "Glory to God." For the Christmas morning service the junior choir sang a number of carols from the gallery.

In Cleveland Edwin Arthur Kraft used Camil Van Hulse's new Christmas Oratorio. D. DeWitt Wasson, at the Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church in Baltimore, used parts of "The Messiah" on three consecutive Sundays and the day before Christmas had a festival of nine lessons with carols, based on the ancient service held annually in King's College Chapel, Cambridge, England.

Parvin Titus' choir at Christ Church, Cincinnati, sang the following Christmas Eve: "Shepherds, Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep," Besancon; Noel, Gevaert; "The Holy Child," Louise Snodgrass; "Here Are We in Bethlehem," Willan. Eugene L. Nordgren at the House of Hope Presbyterian Church, St. Paul, Minn., chose "In Mirth and in Gladness" by Niedt for the offertory anthem Dec. 24. The anthems sung at the Hanover Street Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Del., under the direction of N. Lindsay Norden were "A Carol of Bethlehem," by Glass; "God I

Congregational Church the Christmas Eve offertory anthem was Stcherbatcheff's "The Shepherd's Pipes and the Star."
Robert L. Mahaffey chose Dickinson's "Shepherds' Christmas Song" and David McK. Williams' "To Bethlehem" for the Christmas Eve service at St. James' Church in Danbury, Conn. Harker's "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night" and Haesche's "The Nativity" were sung at the Second Congregational Church, Rockford, Ill., under the direction of Ralph H. Brigham.

A number of interesting carols and a program of organ music by Bach, Brahms,

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Titcomb and Langlais were heard before communion at All Saints' Church, Atlanta, Joseph Ragan, organist and choirmaster. At Trinity Church, Lenox, Mass., there was a carol service Dec. 10 and W. Douglas Francis played a recital of Christmas organ music Dec. 17. Dr. John T. Erickson, organist of Messiah Lutheran Church in New York, played and directed a variety of English, German and Scandinavian music for two English services and Julotta on Christmas Eve.

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MANY ENGAGEMENTS FILLED BY BRUCE PRINCE-JOSEPH

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Bruce Prince-Joseph, the young organist and harpsichordist, fulfilled a busy schedule in November and December. After giving a harpsichord recital at Hancock Auditorium, University of Southern California, he was engaged to record two Bach albums with the Roger Wagner Chorale and Chamber Orchestra for Allegro Records. The albums consist of Cantatas No. 65, "Sie werden aus Saba alle kommen," and No. 106, "Gottes Zeit ist die allerbeste Zeit." In No. 65 Mr. Prince-Joseph played the realization of the continuo on his Neupert harpsichord, while in No. 106 the continuo was performed on the organ.

Following these recordings he returned to the University of Southern California for the closing of the Bach festival of Los Angeles. In the first part of the program he was harpsichordist in the Bach Suite No. 4 and in the second half organist in the "Magnificat."

Following a busy Christmas schedule at the Church of St. John the Evangelist Mr. Prince-Joseph was engaged by Victor Records to record an album of early California mission chants with the combined Franciscan choirs of Santa Barbara and

fornia mission chants with the combined Franciscan choirs of Santa Barbara and San Luis Rey.

San Luis Rey.

EDWARD F, FOLEY, for the last eighteen years organist of Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church in New York, died Dec. 25 after a brief illness. Mr. Foley was 68 years old. He studied piano under Edward Laubin and Julius Hartt and organ at Yale University, and attended the Institute of Musical Art in New York. For some years he had been organist in motion-picture theaters in New York. A brother, John L. Foley, survives.

WICKS ORGAN INSTALLED IN ALTON, ILL., METHODIST

The Wicks Organ Company has completed the installation of a three-manual organ at the First Methodist Church of Alton, Ill. The instrument has twenty-two ranks of pipes.

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Open Diapason, 16 ft., 61 notes.
Open Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Melodia, 8 ft., 85 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 73 notes.
Octave, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Flute, 4 ft., 73 notes.
Twelfth, 2% ft., 61 pipes.
Super Octave, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Chimes, 25 tubes.

SWELL ORGAN.
Rohrbourdon, 16 ft., 85 pipes.
Geigen Diapason, 8 ft., 85 pipes.
Rohr Flöte, 8 ft., 73 notes.
Salicional, 8 ft., 85 pipes.
Voix Celeste. 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Geigen Octave, 4 ft., 73 notes.
Flute Harmonic, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Violina, 4 ft., 73 notes.
Rohrnasat, 2% ft., 61 notes.
Flautino, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Gboe (synthetic), 8 ft., 61 notes.
Plein Jeu, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Cornopean, 8 ft., 85 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 61 notes.
Vox Humana, 8 ft., 49 pipes.
CHOIR ORGAN. SWELL ORGAN.

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Open Diapason, 8 ft., 73 notes.
Concert Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 97 pipes.
Gemshorn Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Flute, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 4 ft., 73 notes.
Nazard, 2% ft., 61 notes.
Gemshorn, 2% ft., 61 notes.
Dulcet, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Tierce, 1% ft., 61 notes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

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Open Diapason, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
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Bourdon, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
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Lieblich Gedeckt, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Quint, 10% ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Bass Flute, 8 ft., 32 notes.
'Cello, 8 ft., 32 notes.
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Cotave, 4 ft., 32 notes.
Plauto Dolce, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 4 ft., 32 notes.
Trombone, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Cornopean, 8 ft., 32 notes.

DR. T. H. CISLER



THOMAS H. CISLER, ORGANIST AND BACH ENTHUSIAST, DEAD

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Thomas H. Cisler, church organist,
Bach enthusiast and public-spirited citizen
of his community, passed away at the
age of 81 years on the morning of Nov.
29 in Marietta, Ohio, of which city he
had been a lifelong resident. Funeral
services were held Sunday afternoon,
Dec. 3, in St. Luke's Lutheran Church,
of which Mr. Cisler had been a lifelong
member and where he had served as
organist and choirmaster for twenty-six
years.

years.

Mr. Cisler was born in Marietta June 25, 1869. He attended the Marietta public schools and Marietta Academy and was graduated from Marietta College in 1889 with Phi Beta Kappa honors. In 1946 Marietta College conferred on him the honorary degree of doctor of laws.

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Mr. Cisler was especially devoted to the music of Bach. In 1923 he founded the Marietta Bach Society. In the programs of the twenty-eight annual meetings of

the society held at Cisler Terrace Mr. Cisler emphasized the spiritual purpose of Bach. The traditional closing numbers of these programs were Bach's "Come. Sweet Death," played as an instrumental solo and unaccompanied, and his last chorale prelude, "Before Thy Throne I Now Appear."

Appear."
At the time of Mr. Cisler's passing, which came unexpectedly, following a brief illness, there remained open on the organ in his home the copy of Bach's last chorale prelude, "Before Thy Throne I Now Appear," bearing the following inscription by Dr. Albert Schweitzer, dated July 7, 1949 [translated from German]: "Albert Schweitzer, who at his age must also be prepared to sing in his heart 'Before Thy Throne I Now Appear."

Mr. Cisler is survived by two daughters—Lillian E. and Grace.

MRS. DWIGHT C. ORCUTT DIES; 30 YEARS IN GLENCOE CHURCH

Mrs. Grace Leach Orcutt, whose life was spent in Chicago, died Jan. 13 in her apartment at the Orrington Hotel, Evansapartment at the Orrington Hotel, Evans-ton. For thirty years she was organist of the Glencoe Union Church. She was a former president of both the Glencoe and Winnetka Woman's Clubs and former president of the Little World Church

Winner president of both the Winnetka Woman's Clubs and former president of the Little Music Club of Evanston.

Mrs. Orcutt is survived by her husband, Dr. Dwight C. Orcutt, a prominent oculist: a daughter, Mrs. Sheldon W. Vanzwoll: a son, Dwight C., Ir., and a brother, William B. Leach.

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The Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, North Tonawanda, N. Y., announced Jan. 20 the receipt of an order from the New York Quartermaster Procurement Agency for 100 electronic organs as part Agency for 100 electronic organs as part of the procurement program for the United States Army. Where these musical instruments will see service is not known. Wurlitzer organs also have been selected for installation in veteran administration hospitals, among them those in Albany, N. Y., Omaha, Neb., Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Denver, Colo., Little Rock, Ark., and Alexandria, La.

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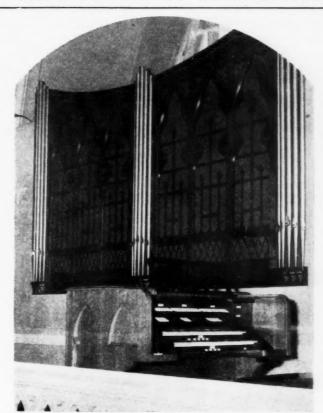
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New Music for the Choir

A competent edition of "The Seven Words of Christ on the Cross" by Heinrich Schütz is now available from the Concordia Publishing-House. The editing is by Richard T. Gore, who has done everything possible to make the work practical for a modern mixed choir with-

is by Richard T. Gore, who has done everything possible to make the work practical for a modern mixed choir without damaging any of its musical values. The work is generally regarded as one of the outstanding pre-Bach church pieces and one can hardly think of a more appropriate choral offering for Good Friday. It is not a long work. The principal change made by Mr. Gore is in rearranging the original SATTB choral setup to SSATB. The instrumentation is for three violins, viola and 'cello.

At the time of this writing only a few publishers have sent Easter music to be reviewed. Frederick C. Schreiber's 'Christ Is Risen' (Gray) is a spirited number written in American festival anthem tradition—the words from Psalm 96. Loyd Hutson's "Easter Alleluia" (Gray) is a setting of the poem "Come Forth, All Creatures of the Light," by Robert R. Bonus. "Alleluia," by W. Glenn Darst (Gray), uses the well-known Wordsworth text usually associated with the hymntune "Hyfrydol." Katherine K. Davis has written a very satisfactory two-part arrangement of a fourteenth century melody with Charles Wesley's "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" as the text (Remick) It would be a good one for jumior choirs. Harold W. Friedell is the arranger of an a cappella version of "Were You There?" (Gray). Kenneth E. Runkel has written an SAB Easter cantata entitled "The Promise Fulfilled" (Remick) with optional soprano and alto solos. The music sarranged from hymns and Bach's treatments of the Passion Chorale.

"Sing We Triumphant Songs" (Gray) was written by Healey Willan for a festival at \$\cappa \cdot \cappa \cdot \cdot \cappa \cdot \cappa \cdot \cappa \cdot \cdot \cappa \cdot \cdot \cappa \cdot \cappa \ca

ments of the Passion Chorale.

"Sing We Triumphant Songs" (Gray) was written by Healey Willan for a festival at St. George's Cathedral, Kingston, Ont., last spring. It is a good, straightforward chorus anthem, but should not be attempted with too small a group. "O Lord, Support Us" (Gray), by Samuel Walter, is a particularly pleasing fourpart motet—not hard, not long and not trite.

"The Raising of Lazarus" (Schirmen)

"The Raising of Lazarus" (Schirmer) is an oratorio for four-part chorus and solo voices written by Stanley R. Avery. It is a very good work of its kind—careful, workmanlike craftsmanship in writing ful, workmanlike craftsmanship in writing
—but both the form and style are of a sort
that is not in great vogue at the present
time. A work after this pattern would
have enjoyed a greater popularity twenty
years ago and greater still forty years
ago. This is not an attempt to evaluate
the style but merely to place it in its
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Of real importance is a new edition of one of the Schütz "Symphoniae Sacrae" issued by Bomart Music Publications. This particular one, "Herzlich lieb hab ich dich, O Herr," is for contralto, two violins and continuo. The editor is Fritz Rikko and the English text is by Henry S. Drinker. Mr. Rikko has provided a realization of the continuo for organ or harpsichord, but the indications of the composer are given for those who wish to improvise the continuo. Instrumental parts are included. Anyone who has a good contralto soloist and two violins available will not regret the money spent on this piece of music.

Two Motets by Paul Creston (Schirmer) are settings of "Adoro Te, Devote" and "Salve Regina." They are accompanied and in that sense are not motets. Two recent compositions by Kenneth E. Runkel, "Today I Saw a Storm" and "Come, Lord Jesus, Heavenly Light," are issued by Schirmer and Hunleth respectively.

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The ambitious Mr. Bedell has added the following to his Edition Le Grand Orgue list: Five Motets for Communion, Three Motets for Communion and Four Two-Part Anthems, all by Max Reger and all on the "Tantum Ergo" text; Three Sacred Choruses by Bruckner, also on the "Tantum Ergo" text; "Therefore We before Him Bending," Bruckner; "Hallelujah" (Easter Introit), Liszt; "Praise Jehovah," Bruno Huhn; "Jesus Christ Our Lord Has Risen," Bruch; "Sanctus," Alfred J. Eyre.

Has Risen," Brucn;
J. Eyre.
C. Albert Scholin has made an a cappella arrangement of "Little David, Play on Your Harp." It is not difficult and will be useful to those who have a place for a number of this type. The publisher is the Hunleth Music Company in St. Louis, who have also issued "Let Not Your

Heart Be Troubled," by Charles H. Marsh, and "I Thank Thee, God," by Helen Marth.

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Five new a cappella numbers by F. Melius Christiansen are available in the St. Olaf Choir Series (Augsburg). Perhaps the most interesting one is "Brightest and Best," which uses the melody by Herbert S. Oakeley. Other titles: "The New Jerusalem," "Thanks Be to God," "We Sing the Praises" and "When Peace Like a River."

Three more titles from Gray deserve mention. "The Fire Came Down," by Robert Elmore, is a dramatic setting for three-part women's chorus with alto solo. Austin C. Lovelace's "Carol of the Mother" is an a cappella number for Mother's Day. Lena Milman and Ellen Kett have compiled a collection of well over a hundred Amens, including all the standard ones and many which are not well known.

well known.

Jean Pasquet's new anthem, "A Canticle of Consecration" (Edwin H. Morris), is a pleasing setting of the St. Francis text "Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace." Pasquet has a nice feeling for choral writing. The bass solo indicated at the beginning is not really a solo in the usual sense of the word and could be taken by the bass section if more desirable. From the same publisher comes a good a cappella number, "Prayer of the Crusaders," by William Rhodes, SATB, with some divisi in soprano and alto.

The Concordia Publishing House, which lately has had the distinction of bringing

lately has had the distinction of bringing out a number of noteworthy anthems, has issued a series of eight "hymn anthems" by the noted Canadian composer Healey Willan. Hymn-tunes used are as follows: "Ratisbon," "Angelus," "Vom Himmel hoch," "Macht hoch die Tür," "Seelenbräutigam" and "Old 124th." These anthems are not hard to learn and are firstrate church music. Also from Concordia, fourteen new titles in the "Treble Series" (all two or three-part for women or

(all two or three-part for women or boys).

"The Eternal Day," by Leland B. Sateren, is an arrangement of a Swedish folktune, a cappella with tenor solo. "This Is the Day," words from Psalm 118, by Paul Christiansen, deserves special mention. It is a cappella, there is some divisi and it would not be advisable to undertake for a small group. It is a skillful bit of writing and should have a special appeal for college choral groups. The last two anthems mentioned are from Augsburg, who also offer a two-part choir collection called "Songs of Devotion."

"The Beatitudes," by William S. Haynie (Mills Music, Inc.), is for baritone solo and mixed voices. Mills also publishes a new short cantata for solo soprano and women's voices, "Naomi and Ruth," by Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco.

Galaxy is the publisher of a solo setting by Syen Lekherg of Lanier's beautiful

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bem, "A Ballad of Trees and the

Master."
"All People That on Earth Do Dwell,"
"All People That on Earth Do Music by Yury Arbatsky (Chantry Music Press), is a song of thanks based on the Crüger chorale "Nun danket all' und bringet Ehr." It is well written and easy to perform. J. S. D.

TOUR BY RICHARD PURVIS IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH

Richard Purvis, organist and master of the choristers of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, will go on a transcontinental tour beginning the first part of February. The dates for his recital are as follows:

Feb. 6-Texas Christian University, Fort

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Feb. 13—Okhanoma City, Okia.
Feb. 20—New York.
Feb. 21—Montclair, N. J.
Feb. 25—Philadelphia, Pa.
Feb. 27—Detroit, Mich.
March 4—National Cathedral Washing-

ton, D. C. March 5--Indianapolis, Ind. March 8—Oshkosh, Wis. March 9—Lawrence College, Appleton,

Wis.
March 12—St. Paul, Minn.
March 14—Mormon Tabernacle, Salt
Lake City, Utah.

DETROIT ORGANIST DIES

Paul C. Fierle died of a heart attack at the organ in St. Theresa Church, Detroit, on Christmas Eve as he was preparing to play for the Christmas mass attended by 2,000 persons. He was born in Pittsburgh sixty-eight years ago and had been organist at St. Theresa since 1920.

ERWIN W. MUHLENBRUCH



ERWIN W. MUHLENBRUCH has been organist-director of the Second Evangelical and Reformed Church, Indianapolis, for twenty-five years. Special recognition was given to his anniversary at the service Dec. 11. He has never been absent from a service except for his annual vacations during his tenure.

Organ playing is an avocation for Mr. Muhlenbruch. By profession he is a stationer, being associated with Stationers, Inc., of Indianapolis. He has been treasurer of the Indiana Chapter, A.G.O., since 1046.

MARRIOTT RECITAL PROGRAM
FEB. 6 AT U. OF C. ANNOUNCED
Frederick L. Marriott, organist and carillonneur of Rockefeller Chapel, University of Chicago, will give a recital at the chapel Tuesday, Feb. 6, at 8:15 p.m. The program is announced as follows: Concerto in F major, Albinoni-Walther; Passacaglia, Buxtehude; Concerto 14, Handel; Toccata and Fugue in E major, Bach; Chorale Preludes, "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now" and "O Lamb

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of God, Pure, Spotless," Bach; Sonata on the Ninety-fourth Psalm, Reubke. The recital will be open to the public without

NEW ORLEANS AND LANSING HEAR RECITALS BY POISTER

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Arthur Poister, head of the organ department of the Syracuse University School of Music, has been heard recently in New Orleans and Lansing, Mich. His recital in New Orleans Jan. 21 was played at the Cathedral, where a large Möller organ has been installed. The Lansing recital, which took place Jan. 25, was to dedicate the Austin organ in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, where Paul Eickmeyer is organist.

One of Mr. Poister's students, Fred Henry, a sophomore organ major, played a Bach request program in the Redeemer Lutheran Church, Reading, Pa., Jan. 28. Forthcoming programs by Poister students include a master's recital by Mary Esther Higgs in Crouse Auditorium Feb. 2 and a Bach recital at the Worcester, Mass., Art Museum by Richard Hudson Feb. 11.

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Frederick H. Candlyn, chairman of the examination committee. This is of vital interest to every member of the Guild and to all who are preparing to take the examinations.

aminations.

Dr. George Mead, chairman of the committee, announces the third Sunday after Easter, April 15, as national Guild Sunday.

Ninety manuscripts have been submitted in the anthem competition. We hope to announce the decision of the judges soon.

Again great interest is being shown in the organ playing competition for anyone 25 years of age or under as of Jan. I, 1951. Write to national headquarters for particulars.

S. Lewis Elmer.

Texas Chapter Meetings.

The December meeting of the Texas Chapter at Dal.as was held at the Gaston Avenue Baptist Church. A turkey dinner was served to about sixty. In the absence of Mrs. Fred Buchanan, the dean, Dr. Fred Gealy, sub-dean, presided over the business session.

business session.

The highlight of the evening was the organ recital by David McCormack, organist of the Highland Park Methodist Church. Mr. McCormack's program was well selected and played in a masterly way. Mr. McCormack is a valuable addition to the musical circles of Dallas, but he leaves soon to answer the call of Uncle Sam.

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On Nov. 20 the Texas Chapter had a record-breaking attendance of eighty-five at its dinner and business session. A real Southern turkey dinner was served in the activities building of Trinity Presbyterian Church, with Mrs. Harry V. Culp as hostess. The business meeting was presided over by Mrs. Fred Buchanan, the dean. All committees reported for the month. A unique Christmas carol program followed in the church, with Dr. Fr. L. Whittlesey, minister of music at the Highland Park Methodist Church, as master of ceremonies. The music for a number of Christmas songs and carols was passed out to the congregation and Dr. Whittlesey, with David McCormack at the Baldwin electronic organ, directed the singing. The second section of the program was directed by the Rev. Temple Barcafer, minister of music at the Tyler Street Methodist Church, Betty Blasingame playing the accompaniments. Then followed Frank Hunter, minister of music at the Northway Christian Church, with Mrs. Sam Parker at the organ.

Alice Knox Fergusson.

Carol Festival in Vermont.

Carol Festival in Vermont.

A Christmas carol festival Dec. 17 was sponsored by Brattleboro members of the Vermont Chapter, the service heing led by seventy-five singers, representing eight church choirs. Details of the service were worked out by the Rev. Edward C. Dahl, chapter member and minister of Centre Church, where the service was held, and the Rev. John W. Norris of St. Michael's Episcopal Church, who is chaplain of the Vermont Chapter. Antiphonal singing by choirs seated in the rear gallery and chor loft, descants, free organ accompaniments and a processional and a recessional were features of the service. Father Norris spoke briefly about the origin of several of the carols used. The choirs were directed by Charlotte Sheldon, First Congregational Church, and Bertram C. Baldwin, Jr., First Baptist Church. James Stearns of Centre Church was organist for a part of the service, William Phelps Rugg of All Souls' Church played the prelude and Mr. Baldwin the postude. An offering of about \$80 was received for a local charity. offering of about \$80 was received for a local charity.

HARRIETTE SLACK RICHARDSON

Examination Committee Announces Important Changes in Requirements

The examination committee has given The examination committee has given much time and attention to the consideration of various comments, criticisms and suggestions regarding the Guild examinations made at the convention in Boston, written to national headquarters and expressed in various conferences. Some of these have come from distinguished memoratic conferences and expression. these have come from distinguished members of our profession. The decision has been reached to make certain changes in the examinations, while maintaining the high standards. It is believed that these changes will add to the interest and value of the examinations.

It is the decided feeling of the committee that the responsibility for the lack of adequate preparation upon the part of so many of the candidates lies largely with their teachers, who are hereby urged to fa-

their teachers, who are hereby urged to fa-miliarize themselves thoroughly with the requirements of the examinations. The candidates are reminded that hard work and application upon their part are absolutely essential for the achievement of

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success.

In May, 1951, certain questions, in
optional form, will be offered to candidates for the associateship and fellowship
certificates. The committee wishes to
emphasize the fact that the candidates
may take their choice, but that it is compulsory to answer either "a" or "b" of
the optional questions.

In the counterpoint questions for both
A.A.G.O. and F.A.G.O., examples of
first, second, third and fourth species will
not be given, only the fifth species being
required. As an optional question for
A.A.G.O., to the adding of two parts in
fifth species to a C.F. in whole-notes, the
following will be given: "Add two parts
for organ in free counterpoint to this for organ in free counterpoint to this C.F." The C.F. will not be in whole

As an alternative to the question for F.A.G.O., involving the addition of three vocal parts in fifth species to a whole-note C.F., the following will be given: "Add three vocal parts in the style of Palestrina to the following."

The string test for A.A.G.O. will remain, but the following alternative question will be offered: "Write a descant to the following melody. Do not harmonize, but indicate the bass."

Improvisation for F.A.G.O.: This year the improvisation must be in A-B-A form (three-part form). First and second subjects will be given and the candidate will be required to add an introduction and coda preferably based on one or both of these subjects.

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Orchestration for F.A.G.O.: Candidates will be given a choice. They may orchestrate a given passage for full orchestrate a given passage for full orchestrate or choose the following question: "Arrange the following material for organ, strings, two trumpets, two horns two trombones and tinpani."

The composition of a hymn-tune for A.A.G.O., or an unaccompanied anthem for F.A.G.O. is no longer required.

Commencing in May, 1952, only the rules of strict counterpoint as given by Jeppesen will apply. The Kitson book will be abandoned and in future candidates must study Jeppesen.

The examination committee feels that the introduction of optional questions will be of great advantage to all and that the sole use of the Jeppesen book on counterpoint, beginning with May, 1952, will serve to clarify matters in this category.

As in former years, both sections of the

Guild examinations may be taken the same year, but beginning with the next examinations, in May, 1951, either section of the A.A.G.O., Ch.M. or F.A.G.O. examinations may be taken singly and the other section in a subsequent year. The fees for either section taken first will be \$15 for A.A.G.O. or Ch.M., and \$20 for F.A.G.O. Fees for the other section taken in a subsequent year, \$10 for A.A.G.O. or Ch.M. and \$15 for F.A.G.O. We believe the preliminary tests are of great value in acquainting the candidate with the examination routine and in enabling him to evaluate his ability and preparation for the associateship examination. The preliminary tests may or may Guild examinations may be taken the

preparation for the associateship examination. The preliminary tests may or may not be taken, at the option of the candidate, but they are highly recommended. The dates for the next preliminary tests have been changed from October, 1951, to Jan. 17 and 18, 1952. The fee is \$10. The committee will publicize these tests and make every effort to obtain a larger number of candidates to take these preliminary tests, which so many members have advocated for several years. If, however, the number availing themselves of this real opportunity is deemed insufficient to justify a continuance of the giving of the tests they may be dropped after 1952.

Hears Her Watchmen's Voices.' The elusive entrances were carefully made. The ensemble tone was warm and rewarding attention was paid phrasing and volume variances. In the final chorus the women's voices merged with the ensemble and soared above it with fine consequences. Mr. Kinsley's final selection was the monumental Toccata in E"

Composers as Guests.

The Brockton, Mass., Chapter joined the Massachusetts Chapter Jan. 8 for its first meeting in the new year. It was Boston's composers and guest night and started off with a turkey dinner.

Brockton Chapter's next meeting will be held Feb. 5.

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Pastor-Organist Dinner in Wheeling.

in the Warwood Lutheran Church Jan.

16, attracted a large group of pastors, organists and choir directors from Wheeling and Oh'o Valley cities, including Bellaire, Bridgeport and Martins Ferry. Dean John K. Zorian welcomed the guests. The program, arranged by Mrs. Pauline Stitt, consisted of a "battle in song" led by the Rev. Lloyd S. Hindman of the Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church, with Mrs. Ruth Dilmore at the piano, the organists and pastors fighting the battle to the tune of various popular songs. The Casavant film "Singing Pipes" was presented by J. Loren Mercer.

Plans are being made for an April recital by a prominent New York organist.

HELEN B. Gordon, Recording Secretary.

At the beginning of the new half-century the American Guild of Organists is following a forward-looking policy, confidently. During the year 1950 our active membership was increased by 1,761. Of this number 168 were reinstatements. Of this number 108 were reinstatements. So many new chapters are being organized that it is now possible for those members who were not located near enough to a chapter to be able to attend meetings regularly to have this situation remedied. This is one of the reasons for such a large number of applications for

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Church musicians of all religious bodies, both organists and directors of choirs, everywhere in the country are recognizing increasingly the value of membership in our idealistic national organization. The conventions held in every part of the United States are doing much to promote the interests of the Guild and to demonstrate its worth.

With the organization as of Jan. 1, 1951, of the New York City Chapter all memberships in the A.G.O. are held through chapters. We urge all of our members to consult the list of chapters in every state, published in the January issue of The Diapason, and if they do not hold membership in a chapter located within reasonable distance, which will make it possible to attend at least some of the chapter meetings, that they arrange through national headquarters to have their memberships transferred to the chapter nearest them. If there is no chapter neare enough, it is recommended strongly that members obtain the required number of organists or choir directors (minimum of fifteen for a chapter or five for a branch) and petition the council for the organization of a chapter or branch in that vicinity. Write to national headquarters for further information.

Some members may prefer to retain membership in their present chapters and to obtain a dual membership in a chapter more conveniently situated. Many have such memberships and pay an extra fee of \$1.40 annually, this being the net amount retained by chapters from the dues of each member.

Emphasis should be laid upon the distinct need of additional chapters in every state, chiefly for the reason above stated. All members of the A.G.O. should have the enjoyment and benefit to be derived from chapter meetings, if it is at all possible. If it is impossible at present there is still great value in belonging to the national organization. In fact, progressive members of our profession can ill afford giving of the tests they may after 1952.

T. FREDERICK H. CANDLYN,
Chairman Examination Committee.

"Clasters Wake" in Worcester.

"Clasters Wake" Met Sing "Sleepers Wake" in Worcester.

The forty-voice choir of Wesley Methodist Church gave what is said to be the first complete Worcester, Mass., performance of the cantata "Sleepers, Awake" at a Bach commemoration service Sunday evening, Dec. 3, under the direction of Frederick Kinsley, minister of music and dean of the Worcester Chapter. It was preceded by two chorale preludes for organ and the first movement of the Second Sonata for violin and organ. A critic for a local paper said: "The men's chorus excelled in the exacting "Zion Hears Her Watchmen's Voices." The clusive entrances were carefully made.

the monumental Toccata in F."

BERTIS H. ADAMS, Secretary.

Mrs. Gertrude K. Bryant, Secretary.

One of the most enjoyable events of the Wheeling Chapter is the annual pastor-organist dinner, and this year's dinner was no exception. The affair, held in the Warwood Lutheran Church Jan. a total for 1950 of ten chapters and two branches organized.

Another 1951 regional convention has been reported by Alexander Schreiner, regional chairman. The date is March 2 and the place Salt Lake City. Twelve have been reported for 1951 and we an-ticipate 100 percent.

The San Francisco A.G.O. convention committee is making great strides in organization. committee is making great strides in or-ganizing our next biennial national con-vent on for June 30-July 4, 1952. Reports are being received at national headquar-ters of definite major arrangements al-ready completed. Be prepared for sur-prises. Our Western conferers have vivid imaginations and amazing organizing

ability.

Your attention is called to the important announcement concerning changes to be made in the examinations by Dr. T.

News of the American Guild of Organists-Continued

Dinner in Boston Marked by a Program of Works of Chapter's Composers

The annual dinner of the Massachusetts Chapter was held at the Old South Church, Boston, Jan. 8, with a record attendance of over 150 members and guests. Edward Howard, chairman of the program committee, told of plans for the Symphony Hall concert in February, featuring Claire Coci, organist, and the Chorus Pro Musica. Regional Chairman Harris S. Shaw presented certificates to the successful Guild examination candidates: Anthony V. Cirella, A.A.G.O., Grover J. Oberle, Ch.M., and Samuel Walter, Ch.M.

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Walter, Ch.M.
Boston's own Edith Lang acted as master of ceremonies for the musical program which followed the dinner and took the form of a chapter composers' night. Two anthems by Dr. Homer Whitnight. Two anthems by Dr. Homer Whitford were sung by the quartet of the First Congregational Church, Cambridge, where he serves as-organist-director. Mrs. Violet Vilanni, soprano, sang three secular numbers and one sacred by Miss Lang, accompanied by the composer. Mrs. Carl Thomas and Paul Wing were heard in a suite for two recorders by Miss Lang, entitled "Three Divertimenti in Canon Form." One sacred and two secular works by Mark Dickey were sung by Ruth Williams, soprano, accompanied by the composer. Concluding a very successful evening, Edith Stearns, Boston pianist, was heard in compositions by MacDowell and Stearns.

and Stearns.
H. WINTHROP MARTIN, Registrar. Lilian Carpenter in Watertown, N. Y.

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The St. Lawrence River Chapter sponsored a recital by Lilian Carpenter, F.A.G.O., at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Watertown, N. Y., Dec. 27. Miss Carpenter played the following selections: "In dulci Jubilo" (two settings) and "Rejoice, Beloved Christians," Bach; "La Nativité," Langlais; Prelude on "Greensleeves," Purvis; Pastorale, Clokey; Prelude and Fugue in A minor and Chorale Prelude, "We All Believe in God the Father," Bach; Allegro Risoluto from the Second Symphony, Berceuse and "Divertissement," Vierne; Meditation from First Symphony, Widor; Chorale in A minor, Franck.

A Christmas party was given in place

Franck.

A Christmas party was given in place of the monthly meeting Dec. 18 at the First Presbyterian Church in Watertown.

EDITH L. HENDERSON, Registrar.

Christmas Recital at Indiana "U."

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The Indiana University Chapter sponsored a public recital of Christmas music Dec. 17 at the First Methodist Church, Bloomington. The program was as follows: Chorale Preludes, "In dulci Jubilo," "Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich," "Vom Himmel kam der Engel Schaar" and "Es ist das Heil uns kommen her," Bach (played by Joan McCandless); Chorale Preludes, "Puer Natus in Bethlehem," Buxtehude, and "Wachet auf," Bach (Lee Belcher); "Num freut Euch," Bach (Euel Belcher); Wocal Aria from the Christmas Oratorio, "Mighty Lord and King All Glorious," Bach (Charles Burr, baritone); Pastorale and Fugue on "Vom Himmel hoch," Pachelbel (Mary Valentine); "O Heiland, reiss die Himmel auf," "Wie soll ich dich empfangen" and "Kommt und lasst uns Christum ehren," Pepping, and "Adeste Fideles" and "In dulci Jubilo," Bach (Hannah Morris).

After the program the annual Christmas dinner was held in the Union Building of the university.

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Hymn Festival in Florida.

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Eight hundred voices, representing thirty-five churches, gathered in the Duval County Armory, Jacksonville, Fla., Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3, to make up the choir for the Christmas hymn festival sponsored by the Jacksonville Chapter annually. Joseph Lupkiewicz of the choral department of the University of Florida was the director, assisted by Claude Murphree, F.A.G.O., organist for the university, and Mrs. T. L. Snowden and Mrs. Claire Gatlin at the two grand pianos.

pianos.

It was thrilling to hear the large choir and capacity audience sing the familiar carols. Descants were sung by the boy choirs of the Church of the Good Shep-

herd and Riverside Presbyterian and a soaring one on the last verse of the processional hymn, "O Come, All Ye Faithful," by the women's chorus of the Riverside Presbyterian.

The instrumentalists provided two ensemble numbers for organ and pianos:

emble numbers for organ and pianos: My Heart Ever Faithful," Bach, and Adoration," Borowski, arranged by Goldsworthy.

Goldsworthy.

This festival officially ushered in the Christmas season in Jacksonville. It is creating the interdenominational bond because of its ecumenical nature.

Kenneth H. Schnabel,
Publicity Chairman.

Pasadena Master Recital Series.

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The master organ series made possible with subscriptions from patrons, under the joint sponsorship of Occidental College and the Pasadena and Valley Districts Chapter, was inaugurated in a brilliant manner on Nov. 28 at Thorne Hall with the superb playing of our own sub-dean, David Craighead, a member of the Occidental College music faculty and organist of the Pasadena Presbyterian Church. Two other artists—E. Power Biggs and Claire Coci—will be presented in this series Feb. 16 and April 17.

The December meeting of the chapter was held on the evening of Dec. 11 in the form of a social and Christmas party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Harlan, Altadena. Dorothy Woolsey, contralto soloist at the Pasadena Presbyterian Church, accompanied by Dorothy Wheeler.

Church, accompanied by Dorothy Wheeler, sang Christmas carols of many nations. Mrs. Marvin D. Kahn, Registrar.

Gregorian Chant Program in Louisville.

The monthly meeting of the Louisville Chapter was held Jan. 2 at the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr. After dinner and a short business meeting a program of Gregorian chant was presented by the Schola of St. Mary's College. The Rev. Charles Schoenbaechler, C.R., was the director and he was assisted by Dom Theophane Gonnelly, O.S.B., organist.

MAIVA DICKSON, Registrar. Dom

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Meeting of Oklahoma Chapter.
The Oklahoma Chapter met the night of Jan. 2 at St. Paul's Methodist Church, Tulsa. Dinner was followed by a program. Thirty-four members were present and plans for the year were announced by the dean, Marie M. Hine, A.A.G.O. In connection with the April regional convention it was stated that the organ soloist representing the Oklahoma Chapter would be Carl Amt, A.A.G.O., head of the organ department of A. and M. College, Stillwater, Okla.

As at the December meeting of the chapter the importance of hymns in the

As at the December meeting of the chapter the importance of hymns in the service was the subject of study; at the January meeting this theme was continued with a paper on "Music and Some Great Religious Movements," read by Mrs. Tom A. Gruwell, a subscriber member. The work of the classes in transposition and ear tests copulated the precision.

ber. The work of the classes in transposition and ear tests concluded the meeting.

John Knowles Weaver, Sub-dean.

Charleston, S. C., Chapter.

The Charleston, S. C., Chapter held its monthly meeting Jan. 8 at the Citadel Chapel. It was decided to have the annual choir festival on the Thursday before Guild Sunday. All the choirs in the city are being asked to participate and some are being invited to render anthems. Plans are being made for organists to play the preludes, postludes and offertory. We are hoping to have several other faiths take part, such as the Jewish and the Greek Church.

Lieutenant Gardner M. Nichols gave a report on the meetings he attended while

report on the meetings he attended while in New York and played several of the selections he heard at the conclave.

(Miss) ELIZABETH MCCRANIE.

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Chapter Studies Lutheran Liturgy.
The Decatur, Ill., Chapter met Jan. 9
at the new St. Paul's Lutheran Church.
Emanuel Unrath, St. Paul's organist, gave
a comprehensive study of the liturgy used
in Lutheran churches. After a discussion
period Mr. Unrath demonstrated the organ.
which had been completely revoiced, and
took the group on a tour of the church
and parish-house. Pastor Alvin Mueller
then joined the group for an informal
social period. Twenty-one members were
present.

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Auburn, N. Y., Chapter.

The January meeting of the Auburn Chapter was held Jan. 8 at the home of Mrs. John Orr. After the business session, conducted by Mrs. Leslie E. Bryant, the dean, and devoted largely to making plans for the recital by Dr. Marshall Bidwell at St. Peter's Church March 28, a Twelfth Night party was enjoyed. The traditional

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Texas Company....... 1,985.48
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Respectfully submitted.

JOHN HOLLER, National Treasurer.

manner of selecting a king and queen gave these honors to two guests. Leslie E. Bryant and Miss Priscilla Titcomb. Games, refreshments and the burning of Christmas greens rounded out a pleasant

evening. LOUISE C. TITCOMB, Registrar.

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Hold Christmas Party in Peoria.

The annual Christmas party of the Peoria, Ill., Chapter was held Dec. 27 at the home of Miss Adelaide Ihrig White, with E. N. Miller as general chairman. The program included selections by Mrs. Richard Isacs, mezzo soprano, and Jacqueline Laidler, 11-year-old soprano, and for the first time in Peoria Mahler's 'Songs of the Wayfarer,' sung by Nino Kirkman. An elaborate three-piano arrangement of Bach's Toccata in F was played by Thomas N. Neal, Miss Mary Deyo and Miss White. The evening was concluded with the singing of carols led by Harvey Six. Refreshments were served by the social committee with Mrs. Harvey Six as chairman. Ruth Black, Registrar.

Hartford Chapter Console Party.

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Members of the Hartford, Conn., Chaper held a console party Jan. 8 at Christhurch Cathedral, Shelley Gilbert, organter held a console party Jan. 8 at Christ Church Cathedral, Shelley Gilbert, organ-ist and choirmaster of the cathedral, was host to the group. Edward L. Graham, organist of the First Congregational Church of Meriden, was master of cere-monies for this informal meeting. Each organist had been asked to bring his or her favorite service number and as the names were drawn from a hat they were asked to play for the group on the fournames were grawn from a nat they were asked to play for the group on the four-manual Skinner organ. This interchange of musical ideas was a stimulating and enjoyable experience. A social hour followed the program.

MRS. MILTON F. JONES,

Publicity Chairman.

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Springfield Mass., Chapter.

The Springfield, Mass., Chapter presented a recital by Robert Stamley Swan of Smith College in John M. Greene Hall, Northampton, Mass., Nov. 27. The following Bach program was given: Prelude in B minor; Chorale Prelude, "Alle Menschen müssen sterben"; Fugue in G minor (the Lesser); Chorale Prelude, "Ich ruf" zu dir"; Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor;

Three-part Fugue in E flat ("St. Anne"); Chorale Prelude, "Nun komm', der Heiden Heiland"; Prelude and Fugue in E minor (Cathedral); Chorale Prelude, "Vor deinen Thron tret' ich allhier"; Fantasie and Fugue in G minor (the Great).

The members of the choir of St. John's Episcopal Church were hosts at a reception in the church after the program.

CHRISTINE METCALF, Secretary.

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Christmas Party in Shreveport.

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The December meeting of the North Louisiana Chapter was a Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Lawton, Shreveport, on the evening of Dec. 29. After a business meeting the members enjoyed a social and refreshment period which included the recounting of embarrassing musical experiences in the church service by various members.

S/SGT. WILLIAM R. LEONARD, Secretary.

Except Michigan Christmas Party.

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Eastern Michigan Christmas Party.

The annual Christmas party of the Eastern Michigan Chapter was held in the sky room of the Hotel Fort Shelby, Detroit, on the evening of Dec. 12. After a turkey dinner a few words of welcome to the Guild members and their guests were expressed by Dean Elizabeth Root Murphy. The remainder of the evening was taken up with dances, old-fashioned and modern, with Jim Schultheis acting as the master of ceremonies.

MARK WISDOM, Secretary.

Chico Chapter Christmas Party.

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The Chico, Cal., Chapter met at the home of Marie Erwin Dec. 15 for its annual Christmas party. Dean Kathrin Thompson conducted the business meeting, which was concerned mainly with a report on the recent A.G.O. rummage sale. Ways and means of raising the remainder of the guaranty for the forthcoming recital by E. Power Biggs were discussed and it was tentatively decided to rely on the contributions of interested sponsors.

After the business session members and guests exchanged "josh gifts" and enjoyed a musical program prepared by the hostess and her co-chairman, Fred McCleary. Mr. McCleary sang three Christmas numbers, accompanied by Mrs. Erwin, and was followed by Joann Meier and Mrs. Erwin at the two planos in several selections. Refreshments brought the evening to a close.

CHARLES VAN BRONKHORST,

Publicity Chairman.

Organ, Strings and Piano Program.

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Organ, Strings and Piano Program.

The Knoxville, Tenn., Chapter met for dinner Jan. 22, at which time a short business meeting was presided over by the dean. Mrs. R. G. Sawyer. After dinner a recital was given at the First Baptist Church by Claudia Wofford Carter. organist at the First Baptist Church of Maryville, Tenn. She was assisted by Nancy Renaker Gibson, pianist, also of Maryville, and the Maryville College strins quartet. The program was as follows: Organ, Chorale Prelude, "Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme," Bach; Pastoral Sonata, Rheinberger; "Es ist Eln' Ros' entsprungen," Brahms, and Chorale in A minor, Franck; string quartet, Quartet in C minor, Brahms; organ, "Benedictus," Reger; "Distant Chimes," Snow: Gavotte, Wesley, and "Canyon Walls." Clokey; organ and piano, "Concerto Gregoriano," Yon.

Mrs. R. G. Sawyer, Dean.

Programs in Eastern Tennessee.

MRS. R. G. SAWYER, Dean.

Programs in Eastern Tennessee.

The East Tennessee Chapter met Nov. 14 and Jan. 9. The November meeting was held at the First Presbyterian Church in Johnson City, where Robert Dix Lincoln and Mrs. D. G. Stout played a piano and organ recital. Mr. Lincoln opened the program with the Schumann Symphonic Etudes and Mrs. Stout completed it with Williams' "Rosemary" and the Franck Chorale in B minor. The group then adjourned to the private dining-room of the Roan restaurant for a social hour.

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On Jan. 9 the chapter met in Elizabethton, in the parlors of the First Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Boyd Grindstaff presented a program of Scotch sacred and secular songs and the Rev. Paul Floyd Jones, pastor of the church, spoke on "Church Music in New York City." At the business meeting plans were made for the clergymen's dinner and for the annual Guild-sponsored organ recital. A pleasant social hour with refreshments concluded the evening.

the evening.
Hugo Doos, Jr., Publicity Chairman.

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Central Tennessee Chapter.

The Central Tennessee Chapter presented a program of early German organ music at the First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Jan. 9. The organists who played are Mrs. J. W. Egolf, Miss Barbara Coker, Mrs. Ewen Pennington, Olaf Grobel and James Carson. Music of the following composers was featured: Muffat, Pachelbel, Hanff, Kuhnau, Homilius and Buxtehude. Biographical notes on the composers were given to each person present. At the business session which followed the program plans were made for the Frank Asper recital, sponsored by our chapter, on the evening of Feb. 3.

Corinne G. Anderson, Secretary.

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First Meeting of New York Chapter.

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The first meeting of officers and members of the executive committee of the New York City Chapter was held Jan. 9. After the meeting there was a formal installation of officers by the national president, S. Lewis Elmer, and an organ reital by Searle Wright, F.A.G.O., at the Chapel of the Incarnation. Mr. Wright's program, played with his usual clarity and sympathetic interpretation, was as follows: "Diferencias sobre el Canto del Caballero," de Cabezon; "Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr'," "Erbarme dich" and Vivace. Trio-Sonata 3, Bach; Fugue, Kanzone and Epilogue (for organ, violin and women's voices), Karg-Elert (members of the chapel choir and Emily Franz, violinist, assisted in this number): Chobers of the chapet choir and Elmiy Flanz, violinist, assisted in this number): Chorale, Roger Sessions; "Psalm 23" (for voice and organ), Searle Wright; "Harlequin's Serenade," Robert Crandell; Pastorale, Milhaud; Toccata, Suite, Op. 5,

Druffé.

The following officers were installed:
Dean, Dr. Carl Wiesemann; sub-dean.
Searle Wright: secretary, Lilian Carpenter; treasurer, Charles E. Billings; registrar, Anne Versteeg McKittrick; librarian, Robert E. Crandell; auditors, Frank Campbell-Watson and Edward Margetson; chaplain, the Very Rev. Msgr. William T. Greene; executive committee, to serve for one year—Alice V. Gordon-Smith, Albin D. McDermott, Jack H. Oosewaarde and Everett Tutchings; to serve two years—Robert Baker, Harold W. Fitter, Frederick Graf and Marie Schumacher; to serve three years—Lily Andujar Rogers, the Rev. Hugh Giles, Anna Shoremount Rayburn and W. Richard Weagly.

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Registrar. Church Music Galveston Topic.

A conference on church music was held under sponsorship of the Galveston, Tex., Chapter at the First Presbyterian Church Chapter at the First Presbyterian Church Jan. 8. The meeting was an open forum led by the Rev. Mr. McDaniel of La Marque, the Rev. Mr. De Forest, who represented the clergy, and Charles Pabor, organist and choirmaster of the Presbyterian Church of Houston, Tex., representing the organists and choir directors. Topics for discussion were "The Place of Music in Worship," "What Is Good Church Music?" "The Importance of Topics for discussion were "The Place of Music in Worship," "What Is Good Church Music?", "The Importance of Using the Best Music," "Our Heritage of Good Church Music" and "Cooperation and Division of Responsibility between Ministers and Organists."

The object of the conference was to create an awareness of the importance of music in the service and to create public interest in a higher standard of music in the churches.

MRS. WILLIAM H. BENSON, Registrar.

Large Audience for Piche.

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More than 600 people turned out Jan.
9 to hear Bernard Piché's second recital sponsored by the New Hampshire Chapter. The recital took place at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Manchester, N. H., and followed immediately the dedication and blessing of the instrument by the Right Rev. Matthew F. Brady, Bishop of Manchester.

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The final meeting of the executive committee for 1950 took place Dec. 15 at the home of the secretary, Miss Josephine Coakley. Plans were made for a recital by Ivar Sjöström in February at the Main Street Methodist Church, Nashua, on the newly-installed Casavant organ.

District meetings dealing with the topic "How to Get the Most Out of a Small Organ," to be conducted by the former dean, Irving D. Bartley, and Robert K. Hale, were planned for Nashua, Manchester, Concord and Laconia to take place in January and early February. A two-reel film on organ building by courtesy of the Schantz Organ Company will be an added attraction at these meetings. A choir workshop conducted by a well-known authority is scheduled for late spring.

At a recent meeting of the chapter it was voted to carry in good standing all members who are taken into the armed services for the duration of their military service.

ROBERT K. HALE, Dean.

Recitals Mark Syracuse Season.

The concert season in Syracuse, N. Y., offers a wide range of musical events and the 1950-51 season thus far has included several organ recitals of interest. Nov. 13 a capacity audience heard the new Holt-

kamp organ in Crouse College auditorium played for the first time. The recital was given by Arthur Poister, head of the organ department of Syracuse University. Virgil Fox greeted his many Syracuse friends following his program at the First Baptist Church Nov. 21. He was assisted by George Oplinger and members of the First Baptist Church choir in the "Messe des Pauvres" of Eric Satie. This recital was under the sponsorship of the Syracuse Chapter, with G. Frank Lapham as chairman.

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Nov. 26 John Carruth played his first Syracuse recital in the Park Central Presbyterian Church. This church was the scene of a series of noontime recitals by Mrs. Gladys Eldrett Bush and Mr. Carruth during the Advent season.

Dec. 3 the choir of the First Presbyterian Church of Baldwinsville, N. Y., was heard under the direction of Mrs. Heddy Killian. The following Sunday Guild members attended a recital by George Oplinger in the First Baptist Church. Later that afternoon the regular December meeting of the chapter was held. This meeting was in the form of a Christmas vesper service in the First Methodist Church, where special music was under the leadership of G. Frank Lapham.

Three Guild members appeared as guest artists for Morning Musicales, Inc., on the Christmas program of that group. The Hendricks Chapel choir sang under the direction of Arthur Poister; Ann Chappell played a Bach-Vivaldi Concerto on the Casavant organ in Mizpah Auditorium and Mrs. Gladys Eldrett Bush served as accompanist. As a benefit for the Syracuse Cerebral Palsy Clinic two special Christmas programs were given by the All Faiths Choir under the direction of Richard Roechlein. The program included the cantata "Rejoice, Beloved Christians" by Buxtehude. Fred Henry provided organ accompaniments. Jan. 12 the graduate recital of Arnold Bauer was played in Crouse Auditorium. Ivan Licht of the faculty of Syracuse University was heard in a recital Jan. 14. He included the Fantasia in G major of Bach and Sonata 1 of Hindemith in this program.

Another busy Guild member is Carl E. Stout, whose weekly organ recitals are heard on radio station WOFC, Fulton, N. Y. Betsy Owen, Secretary.

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The District of Columbia Chapter helds first meeting of the new year Jan. 8. his meeting consisted of a conducted tour its first meeting of the new year Jan. 8. This meeting consisted of a conducted tour of several Washington churches in which electronic organs have been installed. After a business meeting conducted by the dean, Mrs. Marguerite Brice, William G. Peck, in charge of the program, gave a short talk explaining the three methods of tone production used in the instruments to be heard during the evening. He also explained the aims of the makers of electronic organs and the commercial uses of their instruments.

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The third church visited was St. Francis Xavier Catholic, where a new concert model Hammond has been installed. After an explanation and a short demonstration by Mr. Peck, who is one of the local Hammond representatives, the organ was played by William Watkins. His selections were excerpts from "The Nativity," by Langlais, and the Dupré Variations on a Noel. The last stop was at the Second Church of Christ, Scientist. This church recently installed the first Allen electronic organ in the District of Columbia area. After hearing a brief explanation of this instrument and a demonstration of its registrational possibilities Mr. Arnatt played the Fantasia in G minor by Bach.

The chapter showed great interest in this program, as evidenced by the large attendance and the enthusiastic discussion which took place in the buses between stops.

WINIFRED CHAMBERLAIN, Secretary.

Monmouth Chapter Meets.

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The Monmouth Chapter (New Jersey) held its monthly meeting Jan. 8 at St. George's-by-the-River, Rumson. Due to a last minute change, the scheduled program was not given. Instead a recital was played by George M. Hall, Jr., minister of music at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, Asbury Park, and Franklin Perkins, minister of music of the First Baptist Church, Asbury Park. Mr. Hall played Mendelssohn's Second Sonata, the Chorale Prelude "Sleepers, Wake," Bach; Fugue in C minor (Passacaglia), Bach. Mr. Perkins played Handel's Fifth Con-

certo in F major, "The Eternal Manger," by Messiaen, and Fantasie in A, Franck.
The chapter was welcomed by the Rev. George Robertshaw, rector of the church. The business meeting was held immediately after the recital and the report of the Nies-Berger recital committee was given. Plans are going forward for this recital, which will take place Feb. 19 at the First Methodist Church, Asbury Park.
A special meeting will be held Feb. 5. at which time Paul Thomas, minister of music at St. George's Church, will give a short recital.
Arthur J. Reines, dean, reported that we now have sixty members in the chapter.
LILYAN B. CONNELLY, Secretary.

Cumberland Valley Chapter.

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The Cumberland Valley Chapter and the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts jointly presented the Mozart Trio in a recital Sunday afternoon, Dec. 31, in the music room of the museum. The Mozart Trio, composed of Katherine Hansel, soprano: John Yard, baritone, and Joseph Collins, baritone, presented to Hagerstown and the music-lovers of nearby communities a Mozart program chosen with skill and good taste. Fine accompaniments by William Reese added to the excellence of their teamwork.

Saturday afternoon, Jan. 20, members and friends of the chapter participated in a suided tour of the M. P. Möller organ factory.

Ida Mae Beckley, Secretary.

Pastors Are Oregon Guests.

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The Oregon Chapter gave its annual organist-pastor dinner Dec. 9 at the Cape Cod tea-room in Portland. Many denominations were represented and the attendance doubled over last year. A community sing was conducted by Dr. Bowman of the Sunnyside Methodist Church and a "vocal orchestra" was organized to represent each section of a symphony orchestra amid much laughter. Mrs. Lucille Denny gave three readings. Paul Bentley, organist and choirmaster of St. Rose Catholic Church, gave an informal talk from an organist viewpoint. Dr. Larry Nye, pastor of the First Methodist Church, gave an inspiring talk from a pastor's viewpoint. Mrs. Amy Welsh served as toastmistress in the absence of Dean Meta Holm.

Charles O. Gray.

Rocky Mountain Chapter.

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The Rocky Mountain Chapter met Jan. S at the Highlands Methodist Church in Denver, Mrs. Jamison, the dean, presiding. Boyd Gilky, program chairman, announced the program. Mrs. Lillian Haley, director of the Messiah Lutheran Church choir, discussed and directed the singing of these anthems: "Children of the Heavenly Father," Myrvik; "The Greatest of These Is Love." Scholin: "The Beatitudes," H. R. Evans: "Exaltation," F. Melius Christiansen; "An Easter Hallelujah," Vulpius, arranged by Dickinson, and "Sanctus," Cherubini. This was followed by several organ compositions. Miss Dorothy Hurd played "Nef." by Mulet, and Mrs. Alice Fellows the Toccata and Fugue in D minor by Bach. Jack Hoffman, organist and choir director of the Highlands Methodist Church, assisted by two violins and a 'cello, played a Corelli sonata for organ and strings. Mrs. Sybil Butler and Mrs. Edna Demoss were the violinists and Miss Raye Roberts the 'cellist. "My Jesus Is My Everlasting Joy," by Buxtehude, was sung by Mrs. Billie Lindberg, soprano, accompanied by Mr. Hoffman at the organ and the two violinists.

A tape recording of greetings, best wishes and some musical antics was made as a gift for William Spalding, who has been ill for several months.

The Rocky Mountain Chapter will be host to a regional convention of the A.G.O. April 30 through May 2. All organists and choirmasters in the surrounding states are invited to attend. Claire Coci will give a recital Monday evening, April 30. For information address Richard Shaffer, organist and choirmaster, First Baptist Church, East Fourteenth Avenue, Denver, Colo.

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Colorado Springs Events.

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For its December meeting the Colorado Springs Chapter held a Christmas party at the home of its secretary, Frances Pond. The evening was spent in playing games associated with the Christmastide and in the exchange of amusing presents. The meeting closed with a small feast of Christmas pudding and coffee.

The second of the Shove Chapel series of programs arranged by the Guild chapter for Colorado College presented Robert Lynn, organist of the chapel and assistant organist at Grace Episcopal Church, Jan. 7, playing Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D minor, a Prelude and Fugue by Cecil Effinger, six "Kleine Praeludien und Intermezzi" by Hermann Schroeder, and the Passacagila from the Symphony for Organ by Leo Sowerby. Patricia Winter Mendius, contralto, accompanied by Margaret Kelley Smith and Phyllis Rich, violinists, and

Ray Berry, organist, sang the solo cantata "Lord, in Thee Do I Trust," Buxtehude, and Gwendolyn Weide, soprano, sang the solo cantata "Sing We to Our God," by Eric DeLamarter, with Mr. Berry at the organ. An audience of about 200 was in organ. A

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The feature of the January meeting of the Colorado Springs, Colo., Chapter was a talk on Albert Schweitzer by the Rev. Hurley Begun, pastor of All Souls' Unitarian Church. Through the convicesy of June Wood an album of music of Bach was heard, as recorded by Dr. Schweitzer at All Hallow's Church. Barking-by-the-Tower, London. At the business session which opened the evening's program the dean announced that the inter-church activities committee of the Pikes Peak Council of Churches is working toward a special musical program to conclude the community observance of national brother-hood week—a program to present choral and organ music representative of the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant faiths. It was further announced that the Feb. 4 program in Shove Chapel would feature the high school a cappella choir, under the direction of Frank Gilles.

Since the date of the January meeting of the Colorado Springs Chapter fell on the birthday of the dean, the meeting was closed with a surprise birthday-card shower and a birthday cake for refreshments.

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Brigham Young Student Group.

Members of student groups at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, were hosts to Flor Peeters, Belgian organist, during his stay in that city. Mr. Peeters, who recently completed another North American tour, performed on the four-manual Austin in the Joseph Smith Auditorium on the B.Y.U. campus. Mr. Peeters was feted by the Guild at a dinner in the China City Cafe. He gave the history of his own compositions.

The Brigham Young University.

compositions.

The Brigham Young University group is sponsored by J. J. Keeler, university organist, and George W. Fitzroy of the music department. Officers for the 1950-51 season are: Jay N. Jeppson, president: Dale S. Bailey, vice-president, and Lou Jean Compton, secretary-treasurer.

DALE BAILEY, Reporter.

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Lincoln, Neb., Chapter.

Members of the Lincoln, Neb., Chapter gave their first attention at the meeting Jan. 8 to the examinations. Program Chairman Paul LeBar and Professor Karl Hasse explained the details of the examinations. Ray Young played two of the test pieces.

This was a special meeting at Trinity Methodist Church, with the choir directors of the city as guests. Items of interest were presented by Harlyn Abel and his Golden Cords Chorale of Union College and Miss Josephine Waddell, organist-director of Westminster Presbyterian Church. A demonstration of section tuning and unison solos as a preparation for the learning of canons and fugues was presented. Solos used in this demonstration were selected from "The Messiah" "Ifca's Castle," arranged by Harley & Aschenbrenner, an eight-part round, was sung as a basis for the study of the singing of counterpoint. "O Magnify the Lord," by George Lynn, illustrated the more complex form of the prelude and fugue.

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more complex form of the prelude and fugue.

Miss Josephine Waddell conducted the entire group in the reading of four of her favorite choral numbers, which were:

"Surely the Lord Is in This Place" and "Blest Are the Pure in Heart," Norman Coke-Jephcott; "My King Rode In."

Weaver; "The Face of Moses Shone," T. Charles Lee.

South Dakota Chapter.

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The South Dakota Chapter met in Sioux Falls at the home of Mrs. Miles Peckformer sub-dean, Jan. 2. After a business meeting at which Mrs. Allen Bresee was appointed program chairman for the months ahead, the program of the evening centered in the discussion and examination of appropriate organ repertory for church worship. A large selection of musk was brought by several members. Refreshments were served by the co-hostesses. Mrs. Peck and Mrs. Bresee.

The program by Jack Noble at the University of South Dakota Jan. 21 included: "We All Believe in One God, Creator," Bach; Fugue in C, Buxtehude; "A Rose Breaks into Bloom," Brahms; "The Fifers," d'Andrieu; Noel, Volume I, No. I d'Aquin; Prelude, Fugue and Variation, Franck; "Prayer," Jongen; "Landscape in the Mist," Karg-Elert; Scherzo from Doric Suite, Hilty; "Nalades," Vierne: "Carillon de Westminster," Vierne.

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The annual Christmas party of the Suffolk Branch of the Long Island Chapter was held Dec. 12 at Llandrewellyn, home of the regent, Ernest A. Andrews, in Olf Field South. Several musical games were played. Refreshments completed the evening.

News of the American Guild of Organists-Continued

Guild Events in New York

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Feb. 13, 8:30 p.m.—Subscribers' night.
Annual Guild service, Central Presbyterian
Church. Dr. Robert Baker guest organist;
choir of Central Church, Hugh Glies organist and choirmaster. Reception.

March 12, 8:30 p.m.—Lecture by Robert
E. Crandell on "An Organist's Scrapbook
and Some Torn Pages."

April 11, 8 p.m.—An evening of liturgical
music. Choir of Pius X School, the Rev.
Mother Aileen Cohalan director.

May 3, 8:15 p.m.—Ascension Day service, St. Bartholomew's Church. Combined
choirs under direction of Harold W. Friedell, F.A.G.O., organist and choirmaster.

May 14, 6:30 p.m.—Dinner and annual
general meeting.

The regional meeting for New York
State and northern New Jersey will be
held in Buffalo June 18 to 20.

Examination Night in Buffalo.

The Buffalo Chapter held its annual guild carol service Dec. 3 in the Central Park Methodist Church. Several choirs presented an excellent program and a feature was antiphonal singing in the large cathedral-type church. The choral selections included works by the old masters, traditional carols with modern settings and representative works by contemporary composers. Participating choirs and their directors were the following: Central Park Methodist, Wallace A. Van Lier, M.Mus.Ed.; Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd. Frances Gerard Brady; Central Presbyterian, W. William Wagner, Mus.B.; Holy Trinity Lutheran, Dr. Roberta Bitgood, S.M.D., F.A.G.O.; Lafayette Presbyterian, Emilie Yoder Davis, and the Lutheran Motet Singers, Clara Mueller Pankow. Miss Lois Helwig was at the organ in the absence of Mr. Van Lier, who was ill.

The January meeting took place Jan. 8 at the Parkside Lutheran Church. A dinner opened the evening. Guild examination night was observed and a sizable audience of members and guests participated in the program. The program opened with the playing of the examination organ numbers by Hans Vigeland of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. Following this the various portions of the associate and choirmaster examinations were presented under the chairmanship of Helen Townsend Garretson, A.A.G.O., A.T.C.M., Ch.M. Jean Walden Clare, B.S., was chairman of the dinner and Roy W. Clare, B.Mus., B.A., was the host of the evening.

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The Lehigh Valley Chapter held its annual pastor-organist dinner for 12 c.f.

Roy W. CLARE, Registrar.

Pastors at Bethlehem, Pa., Dinner.
The Lehigh Valley Chapter held its annual pastor-organist dinner Jan. 13 at the Linden Hotel, Bethlehem, Pa. Fifty-six members and guests were present. The dean, Dr. Ifor Jones, welcomed the clergymen. Robert Knox Chapman, organist of the Cathedral Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem, and Stoddart Smith, organist of the Presbyterian Church, spoke on the purposes and activities of the Guild. Remarks were made by the Rev. Augustus Welsh, pastor of Christ Reformed Church; the Very Rev. Dean Robert W. Webb, pastor of Nativity Church, and the Rev. Walter Veit, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Easton. Pa. Lillian Knowles Jones entertained with a group of songs, and Robert Knox Chapman sang a group of selections, accompanied by Stoddart Smith. Sue F. Enright, Secretary.

Western Pennsylvania Party.

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The December meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Chapter took the form of a family Christmas party. Members convened at the Pittsburgh Musical Institute Dec. 4 to sing carols and to participate in an illustrated quiz program. The highlight of the party was something new in entertainment: "Chalk-Talky with Marty." presented by Marty Wolfson, instructor in art at the Carnegie Museum.

VALENTINA WOSHNER FILLINGER, Registrar.

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Wedding Music Long Island Topic.
The Long Island Chapter met at the Methodist Church in Great Neck Sunday evening, Jan. 14. The theme of the meeting was "Music at a Wedding Service."

After an informal discussion of the problems confronting organists playing for church weddings, appropriate music was suggested. Several members brought their favorite selections for weddings and an excellent list of pieces was compiled. Jean Pasquet, dean of the chapter, is to have copies of the list sent to the members. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

MARGARET P. BULL, Secretary.

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Maitland Lectures on Improvisation.

The Southern New Jersey Chapter met Jan, 8 at the First Methodist Church in Vineland, where Dr. Rollo F. Maitland presented a lecture-demonstration on "Improvisation." Dr. Maitland began his lecture by stating that the ability to improvise is a definite asset, especially to the church musician, and that anyone with

a normal musical education can learn to improvise, at least to some extent. He emphasized the fact that improvisation is speech in music and that one must learn rhythmic and harmonic patterns as one would a vocabulary. Dr. Maitland illustration of the control o rhythmic and harmonic patterns as one would a vocabulary. Dr. Maitland illustrated his points with examples at the plano. He was assisted by Charles Wright, who later in the evening suggested two themes which Dr. Maitland used, along with "Pop Goes the Weasel," to improvise a symphonic fantasy at the organ.

ELIZABETH ANN MULFORD, Corresponding Secretary.

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Meetings of York, Pa., Chapter.
A meeting of the York, Pa., Chapter was held in the Fifth E. U. B. Church. North York, Jan. 9, Mrs. W. J. Fisher organist and Mrs. Doris Botterbush director. Following the organ and choral program a business meeting was con-

rector. Following the organ and choral program a business meeting was conducted by the dean, Mrs. M. Edythe Wareheim. The members and friends were served luncheon by Mrs. Fisher.

The December meeting of the York, Pa., Chapter was held in the form of a Christmas party at the home of Miss Betty Eyler Dec. 12. The program consisted of marimba solos accompanied on the piano. A baritone solo was sung by Robert Reigle. Christmas carols were sung and played with marimba, piano and organ. A short business meeting was held, Mrs. M. Edythe Wareheim, the dean, presiding, after which gifts were exchanged. Luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Sylvia Eyler.

Eyler.

The York Chapter held its monthly meeting at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Nov. 21. Robert Boyer, organist and choirmaster, was in charge. The program consisted of a lecture by George Rudisill on choral music of the early church dating back to the twelfth century. Chants were demonstrated by the choir, directed by Mr. Boyer.

Doris L. Wareheim, Sub-dean.

Mr. Boyer.

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Lecture-Recital in Youngstown.

Because of the "big snow" which paralyzed traffic and all scheduled meetings, the Youngstown Chapter changed its November meeting to Dec. 8. We met at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Eckstrom, in a setting of festive Christmas attire. A business meeting was conducted by the dean, Mrs. Paul A. Adams, after which we had the privilege of hearing a lecture-recital on German Lieder by Kenneth Kitchen, member of the faculty of the Dana School of Music of Youngstown College. It was an instructive as well as entertaining lecture, and Mr. Kitchen held our undivided attention. A social hour bollowed the lecture, with a Christmas gift exchange, topped off with refreshments served by the social committee.

Mrs. A. F. Soderbeers, Secretary.

Fort Worth Chapter.

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MRS. A. F. SODERBERG, Secretary.

Fort Worth Chapter.

The Fort Worth, Tex., Chapter continued its season's activities by presenting Dr. A. Eugene Ellsworth of the music theory department of Southern Methodist University, Dallas, in a recital at the First Presbyterian Church Jan. 8. He played the following program: Fantasie in A, Franck; Prelude and Fugue in D major, Bach; Suite of Five Improvisations, Rowley; Gregorian Rhapsody, Karg-Elert; "The Fifers," d'Andrieu; Cantabile, Clokey, and as the closing number his own Toccata on "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord." Preceding the recital a dinner and business meeting was held in the First Christian Church parlors with the dean, Janie Craig, in charge. Four new members and one new patron were accepted. This is the tenth consecutive business meeting a which this chapter has accepted new members.

WILLIAM BARCLAY.

The Fort Worth, Tex., Chapter met Dec. 18. Dinner was served to twenty-five members. Miss Janie Craig, the dean, presided at the business meeting. The program was given at Our Lady of Victory College, where the Albertus Choir, directed by William J. Marsh, sang eleven Christmas choral numbers. Organ solos were played by Mrs. Q'Zella Jeffus and Miss Patricia Keith.

Imogene Eickhoff, Publicity Chairman.

Organist-Choirmaster School.

Jan. 5 to 7 the Lubbock, Tex., Chapter

Miss Patricia Keith.

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Organist-Choirmaster School.

Jan. 5 to 7 the Lubbock, Tex., Chapter sponsored the second annual organist-choirmaster school with Dr. E. W. Doty, dean of the College of Fine Arts, Texas University, Austin, as guest director. Last year, at the first annual choir school, Cecil E. Lapo, minister of music of the First Methodist Church, Wichita Falls, Tex., was guest conductor. The Texas Technological College Museum twilight music hour committee collaborated with the Guild in this year's school. The opening session Jan. 5 consisted of a two-hour choir rehearsal. The next day Dr. Doty lectured on the organization and administration of a church choir, hymnology and how to play accompaniments. At noon the Guild honored Dr. Doty with a luncheon at the First Christian Church. The choir rehearsed again on the evening of Jan. 6 Jan. 7 a choral program was presented, with Dr. Doty at the organ of the First Methodist Church. An address on "Music in the Worship Service" was delivered by

D. H. I. Robinson of the First Methodist Church.

The Lubbock Chapter and the Lubbock Music Club jointly presented the initial appearance of the Lubbock Women's Chorus, with Mrs. Carl Scoggin as conductor, Dec. 4 at the First Methodist Church. The forty-voice women's choir sang C. B. Hawley's "The Christchild," arranged by Rob Roy Perry. Soloists were Mrs. Rex Webster, soprano; Mrs. Asher Thompson, mezzo-soprano; Mrs. Jack Boren, contralto; George Pridmore, organist.

Boren, contralto; George Pridmore, organist.

Guests at Catholic Service.
Louisiana Chapter members were guests at the Roman Catholic Chapel of Christ the King on the campus of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge Jan. 7. The male choir of the chapel, under the direction of Frank Crawford Page, F.A.G.O., sang the solemn vespers of the Feast of the Holy Family. This student choir of seventeen voices has had musical discipline in Gregorian chant for several years. The results were high in musical and spiritual values. The Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament followed the vespers. In this the choir sang with fine effect a four-part setting of "Jesu, Duleis Memoria" and a modern hymn at the close. The celebrant for the vespers was Msgr. Tracy, chaplain of the student center. The celebrant for the Benediction was Bishop Caillouet. Many visiting clergy participated in the services. The chapel was filled by an attentive audience which followed the services from complete printed texts in both Latin and English provided by Msgr. Tracy.

Frank Collins, Jr., Dean.

Active Student Group in Georgia

The Guild student Group in Georgia.

FRANK COLLINS, JR., Dean.

Active Student Group in Georgia.
The Guild student group of Georgia
Teachers' College, Collegeboro, Ga., is
enjoying a full year of activity with programs, guest speakers, a trip to the Biggs
and Fox recitals in Macon and Atlanta
and its project for the year—sponsoring
a recital on the campus by Richard Ellsasser Feb. 5. This is a return engagement
for Mr. Ellsasser. This group is learning
about church service playing from experienced organists and choir directors.

Jack W. Broucek,
Associate Professor of Music.

Charlotte Hears Paul Swarm.

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The Charlotte, N. C., Chapter, through the efforts of its dean, Richard van Sciver, was fortunate in obtaining Paul Swarm of Decatur, Ill., for an all-day session at St. Peter's Episcopal Church Jan. 15. The morning session was devoted to improvisation and modulation. Demonstrations were given on both piano and organ. Mr. Swarm's approach to these subjects is based on the ideas of Dr. Frederick Schileder. The afternoon session was devoted to a lecture and demonstration of choir rehearsal procedure. This was followed by individual conferences and discussions until 5 p.m. At the well-attended evening meeting Mr. Swarm delved more deeply into the subject of choir rehearsals. His address was the inspirational highlight of a well-spent day.

At the conclusion of the evening Guild.

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At the conclusion of the evening Guild members had the privilege of browsing through a display of literature, including "Guideposts for Church Musicians," edited by Mr. Swarm.

Mrs. Esther Wainright, Registrar.

Tells of Visit to Boston.

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The Lexington, Ky., Chapter held its first meeting of the new year at Shackleton's Jan. 9. Mrs. Era Wilder Peniston, our former dean and head of the organ department at Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., was the speaker. She gave a report to the meeting of her visit to the convention in Boston last June and her planeride there and back. Mrs. Peniston presented such a vivid picture and inspiring talk on her trip that we felt as if we had been taken on an imaginary visit.

HAZEL I. ADAMS, Secretary.

Clergy as Guests in Virginia.

The annual organist-clergy dinner of the Virginia Chapter was held at the Church of the Holy Comforter in Richmond Jan. 9. The guest speaker was Dr. Churchill Gibson, rector of St. James' Episcopal Church for the last twenty-two years. Holy Comforter is one of the newest churches in Richmond.

William Schutt, minister of music at Grace-Covenant Presbyterian Church, gave a short recital on the new Möller organ.

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Dinner for Birmingham Ministers.
The annual ministers' banquet of the Alabama Chapter will be held Feb. 9 at the Sixth Avenue Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, with Mrs. Minnie McNeill Carr in charge of the entertainment.

Sunday afternoon, Jan. 21, the new three-manual Skinner organ of the First Presbyterian Church was dedicated by Thomas H. Webber, Jr., A.A.G.O., of Memphis, with a brilliant recital before a large audience. After the program Mrs. William Steele and the chapter members entertained at a reception at her home for Mr. Webber and officers of the church.

On Dec. 12 Mr. and Mrs. William Kroh entertained the executive board with a buffet supper at their home. Gordon and Grady Wilson, twin organists, were elected to represent the chapter at the Southeastern regional convention to be held in April in New Orleans, playing a recital.

WILLIAM KROH, Correspondent.

Lynchburg Chapter.

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At its December meeting, held at St. John's Episcopal Church, the Lynchburg, Va., Chapter presented one of its own members, Helen Howell Williams, in a program of organ music appropriate to the Christmas season. Robert Moore, program chairman, spoke a few words of introduction and announced the program as follows: "Vom Himmel hoch," Pachelbel; two settings of "In dulci Jubilo," Bach; Noel in A, d'Aquin; "Weihnachten," Reger; "Lo," How a Rose," Pasquet; Pastoral Dance, Milford; "Westminster Carillon," Vierne. Mrs. Williams, organist and director at St. Paul's Episcopal Church and a graduate of Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, is well known as a capable recitalist. After the program guests and members enjoyed an informal reception in the parish-house.

DOROTHY S. LEACHMAN, Registrar.

Memphis, Tenn., Chapter.

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The Tennessee Chapter met Jan. 12 at the Memphis Conservatory of Music. After dinner at Robillo's the business meeting was held at the conservatory. Mrs. Lillian Martin was hostess. The dean, M. B. McGrew, led the topic for the evening, "Organ Design and Construction." Plans were discussed for a concert organist to be presented under the auspices of the Guild and the First Methodist Church.

Salina Kellogg Acree, Corresponding Secretary.

East Central Illingis Chapter.

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The East Central Illinois Chapter met at the home of Mrs. Earl Kehm in Urbana Jan. 15. Mrs. Kehm is organist at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Champaign. The dean, Mrs. LeRoy Hamp, presided at a short business meeting and plans were made for the remainder of the year. A discussion of music for weddings and funerals took place with the entire group taking part. The evening closed with refreshments served by the hostess.

The East Central Illinois Chapter enjoyed a Christmas party Sunday afternoon, Dec. 17, in the parlors of the Mc-Kinley Foundation at Champaign. Games and charades on Christmas carols were played and there was an amusing gift exchange. Decorations and refreshments in keeping with the season were in charge of Mrs. Harold Iles and her committee, Miss May Messman and Miss Sarah Marquardt.

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Bridgeport, Conn., Chapter.

The January meeting of the Bridgeport, Conn., Chapter was held Jan. 10 in the parish-house of Christ Episcopal Church. Robert L. Lenox, sub-dean, presided and acted as host for the evening. Members brought sets of Easter music and also copies of organ music, which were examined, discussed and sung by those members present.

HARRIS BARTLETT, Secretary.

Play for Rhada Island Chatter.

Harris Bartlett, Secretary.

Play for Rhode Island Chapter.

The Rhode Island Chapter sponsored a recital by Roy P. Bailey, assisted by Joyce Ellen Mangler, harpist, Jan. 1 in All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, where Mr. Bailey has been organist and choirmaster since 1932. Miss Mangler is a freshman at Pembroke College, where she plans to major in music. The program: Concerto No. 1, Handel (Mr. Bailey); "Fileuse," Hasselmans; "La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin." Debussy; "Fraicheur," Salzedo; "Will-o'-the-Wisp," Hasselmans, and Mazurka, Edmund Schueker (Miss Mangler); "The Harp of St. Cecella," Wiegand; Bourree from Partita 1, Bach, and Seraphic Song, Rubinstein (Miss Mangler and Mr. Bailey); First Symphony, Vierne (Mr. Bailey).

Tampa, Fla., Chapter.

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Tampa, Fla., Chapter.

The Tampa, Fla., Chapter had a rare treat Dec. 16 at its monthly program meeting in the First Baptist Church. Mrs. M. Knauf, organist of the church, played the following Christmas program: Christmas Pastorale, Selby; "A Rose Bursts into Bloom," Brahms; "In dulci Jubilo," Bach; Pastorale, Handel: "The First Noel." Balogh. This was preceded by several Christmas numbers by the chapel choir of the church under the direction of E. Renn, minister of music.

WILLIAM F. JENKINS.

Convention "Mavies" in Wisconsin.

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Convention "Movies" in Wisconsin.
The Wisconsin Chapter held its annual
Christmas party at Hawthorne Glen Clubhouse, Wauwatosa, Dec. 6. Following an
enjoyable evening of games the dean, Dr.
O. M. J. Wehrley, showed us "movies" of
the convention in Boston. To make the
evening complete Santa Claus appeared
with a gift for each member who attended
the party. The social committee prepared
an excellent luncheon.

JANE KRENKEL, Secretary.

News of the A.G.O.—Continued

Organ Registration as Applied to Test Pieces in the 1951 Examinations

In anticipation of Guild examination week, May 22-25, which will be upon us before we realize it, Dr. T. Frederick H. Candlyn, chairman of the examination committee, requested that we express our candilyn, charman of the examination committee, requested that we express our opinions on the problems of registration confronting the candidates in the playing of test compositions. Quite naturally this honor was accepted with alacrity; in fact, we soon waxed enthusiastic, not only because of the interest it engendered in the selected compositions, but because it afforded the opportunity of expression of ideas and approach to artistic registration.

If a complete outline of each opus is not given it may be for a very definite reason. Perhaps it may be more helpful to use a different approach to the subject of registration of the test compositions—one that may awaken individual thought on the part of the contestant rather than the following of a suggested outline for each composition.

We all realize the importance of in-

each composition.

We all realize the importance of individuality—individuality of style, color, interpretation and taste. Therefore the prime factor is not "how I do it," but the fundamental rules governing "why" and "how" it is done. By such means the individuality of the player will develop and broaden, and with sufficient guidance (not suppression) will speak for itself.

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The candidate has been advised not to attempt any elaborate plan of registration, but to play the compositions along broad lines of interpretation. This is excellent advice. Truly, by doing so one will turn to his inner self—to his own individuality in expressing the fullest spirit and meaning of the composition and his conception of the registration of the composition.

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Remember, you are the conductor. Remember that the many diverse tonal forces of the organ are your instruments and it rests with you to produce the artistic, life-giving effects music demands. It is the organist's birthright to interpret the spirit of the composition through his conception of color, his gift being the stops of the organ with their colors of many tints, hues and shades spread before him to be used as by a painter ready to create and interpret a picture of depth, warmth, playfulness, joy, energy, spirit and spirituality. His mental conception of the composer's message, the one he sees in his mind's eye, must be translated and transcribed on the tonal palette to an auricular picture through the medium of registration. What a wealth of color there is awaiting the deft strokes of the player! Too often organists place great emphasis on virtuosity but fail to give sufficient attention and thought to the important matter of tonal coloring. We all agree that it is necessary to have a well-developed technique to express the composer's thoughts, but it requires our own application of tonal color to translate these thoughts into our conception of his message. Certainly one would not considerperforming the great works of Bach, Reger, Liszt, Reubke, Franck and scores of others of demanding technical proportions without sufficient technical proficiency through policy in the acceptance of a considerable degree of technical proficiency through the proficiency through the proficiency through policy in the acceptance of a considerable degree of technical proficiency through the proficiency through the profice of technical proficiency through the proficiency through the profice of technical proficiency through to pr tions without sufficient technical development. After the acquisition of a considerable degree of technical proficiency through application to accepted and standard manual and pedal exercises, additional slaving for hours with the great musical (organ) war-horses will enhance that technique and develop particular phases necessary for the successful presentation of any specific composition. But this digital and pedal mastery is but a means to an end. And it is at this point that the organist's knowledge, refinement and culture, and medium of registration assist him in expressing his own individuality to interpret the composition.

We are mindful of Audsley's analogy

We are mindful of Audsley's analogy technique when he wrote: "It may be id to be the skeleton which has to be said to be the skeleton which has to be clothed with the flesh and nervous power of beautiful and expressive sounds—alone secured by scientific combination and artistic registration of appropriate and expressive tonal elements. The most consummate technical skill is altogether insufficient in the presence of a careless and inappropriate registration to produce a truly artistic and expressive rendering of an organ composition." It is perhaps safe to term "technique" as the skeleton which must be clothed with the flesh and nervous power of beautiful expressive sounds which can be brought into being through the art of registration.

through the art of registration. All this is well, and perhaps agreed to, but what can we do to achieve a keener comprehension of registration and to make the tonal forces of the organ an actual medium of expression? Shall we just pull out a few stops at will because the names appeal to us? Is it a matter of merely adding a few stops because we want it louder or is it the matter of actually blending or opposing the qualities of the stops? of the stops?

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Let us consider how we achieve registration through blending the qualities of the stops. Is it through similarity or the contrasting of the qualities of the stops? Both of these two classes, similarity and contrast, are distinct, essential and necessary—in fact indispensable. Let us term them as "tones due to the harmony of contrast." Harmony of analogous tones is produced by the registers of stops of the same family or those closely allied, differing only slightly in strength of voice or in pitch. For example: Registration of a trio form using one or two flutes. The three voices may be distinguished due to variance of pitch. Harmony of contrasting tones, which is much the most effective and important, is produced by the skillful blending of stops of different families contrasting in tonality and variance of pitch. Example: (1) Melodic line; registration, orchestral reed contrasted by flutes. (2) Flutes contrasted by strings.

Every organist must have studied the division and classification of the stops; nevertheless it may prove helpful and worthwhile to refresh one's memory on this subject occasionally. Of course, one cannot feel that his knowledge of the divisions and classification of the stops will develop good taste in registration, but it will create a keener interest in his approach to registration.

We are fortunate that no set rules can be formulated to direct the organist in this all-important subject of registration. If such rules were possible the organist would be deprived of his individuality in tonal coloring. Also, if such rules were possible they would not prove satisfactory or advantageous because there are no universally adopted standards of tones in the stops bearing similar names. A diapason, or a flute, or a string on two different organs may produce quite a different tone quality and character, depending on the builder, the voicing, the installation and the acoustical properties of the building. Further, if we consider the hybrid family, we are dealing with a tone quality that further expresses the individuality and creative ability of the organ builder. Ernest M. Skinner introduced the erzähler. Which, as we all know, has a beauty of quality and refinement resulting from the combination of strings and flute. Many times there is an obvious difference between an erzähler built by Mr. Skinner and those by other organ builders.

Accepting the fact that what may be highly satisfactory and artistic in one organ may be the reverse on another, there are means of approaching the problem and by doing so we will find great assistance in interpreting the tonal coloring of a composition—consult the indications by the composer. It is not difficult to have some degree of understanding of the intentions of the composer if we familiarize ourselves with the stop appointment of the instrument from which the registration was indicated. If one wishes a greater comprehension of the intended coloring of the composer is the characte

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the prerogative of exercising his musical license, but it is well to remember that the character of a composition can be completely changed through misconception of the intentions of the composer. The interpretative atmosphere and general character may be changed through insufficient regard for and lack of comprehension and understanding of his message as suggested by his indicated registration. The nationality and style of the composer and the period in which he writes should be understood, as these factors will influence the quality of the color and the type of registration.

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registration.

All the foregoing comment is but a sketchy outline of the few ways we may increase our capacity and develop our feeling for individualistic and artistic registration. Nothing will supplant or replace the value of the time spent in experimenting with the various qualities of tone in the particular instrument upon which we are to perform. The keen ear and sensitive reactions to certain qualities of tone obtained will dictate the final choice of combinations. combinations.

There is no royal road to learning, and

much of this great subject, artistic registration, this beautiful blending of opposites, this wedding of tone and feeling depends upon our own musical taste, our natural and developed sense of color and a well-trained, perceptive ear.

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News of the A.G.O.—Continued

Inspect New McManis Organ.

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The first meeting in 1951 for the Kansas City Chapter, held Jan. 15, was an experience organists thoroughly enjoyed—examining and playing a new organ. The organ was set up in the Charles W. McManis factory prior to shipment to the place of installation. This instrument was designed architecturally and tonally by Mr. McManis, its builder. The design was classic and it possessed a clear, smooth, brilliant tone. All of the pipework was exposed except that in the swell and the pipes were all functional as well as architectural. The organ is for the Museum of Art, University of Kansas, at Lawrence. A social hour was held, with refreshments served by Mrs. McManis.

JACK R. McCov, Publicity.

Dinner and Program in Detroit.

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The January meeting of the Eastern Michigan Chapter was held at the First Congregational Church, Detroit, on the evening of Jan. 16, with the Rev. Walton E. Cole, D.D., minister of the church and chaplain of the chapter, as host. After a dinner served to about fifty members and their guests, a business meeting was conducted by Dean Elizabeth Root Murphy. Dr. Cole made a gracious speech of welcome. Dean Murphy introduced three new members to the chapter—Mrs. Vivian Smith, Miss Lucille Hebestreit and Joel Anderson.

Smith, miss lather the church's Anderson.

A program was given on the church's four-manual Casavant by Miss Nancy Joan Lewis and Albert Bolitho. Miss Lewis played: Prelude. Fugue and Chaconne, Buxtehude; Fantaisie in C, Franck; "The Hanging Garden" and "Litanies," both by Alain. Mr. Bolitho's numbers were: Toceata, Adagio and Fugue in C minor, Bach; Andante Cantabile, Dethier; Scherzo from First Symphony, Maquaire; "Starlight," Karg-Elert, and "Hour of Joy," Bossi.

Mark Wisdom, Secretary.

Southwest Michigan Chapter.

The Southwest Michigan Chapter held its regular meeting Jan. 8 in the new parish-house of St. Thomas' Church, Battle Creek. Hosts for the meeting were the Rev. William A. Simms, chapter chaplain and rector of the parish, and Earl Mest, the new organist and choirmaster at this church. The sub-dean, James Autenrith of Battle Creek, presided at the business meeting. The program for the evening was a round-table discussion on music for weddings and funerals. The committee in charge of the discussion included Frank Owen, St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo: Max Newkirk, First Baptist Church, Sturgis. Helpful lists of suitable music for both occasions were given to each member present. A pleasant social hour followed, with refreshments served by a group of women from St. Thomas' Church.

Minnesota Chapter.

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The monthly meeting of the Minnesota Chapter was held Dec. 5 at Christ Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. The program of the evening was opened with organ numbers by Rudolph Berryman. Mr. Berryman gave this program after only six weeks of organ lessons. To see a young person play a Bach program after such a short period of training with interpretation and accuracy is a rare privilege.

lege.

The remainder of the program consisted of a talk on the history of the Lutheran chorale by Wilbur Swanson, A.A.G.O. Mr. Swanson's informed approach to this subject was enlightening. His manner in tracing the history of the chorale to its beginnings as a plainsong down to the present modern time was an education in itself.

itself.

The chapter held a meeting Nov. 18 at the Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Minneapolis in the form of a Lutheran service. The choir of forty-five members was under the direction of Paul Manz. Mr. Manz's mastery of the organ as well as his superb direction of his fine choir gave all of us an evening of inspiration.

WILLIAM F. BACHMAN, Sub-dean.

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Oklahoma City Chapter.

The Oklahoma City Chapter enjoyed a Christmas dinner-meeting in Murdaugh Hall at Central State Teachers' College. Edmond, Okla., Dec. 4. The host and hostesses were Paul Roe Goodman, Mrs. Fred Kirkland, Donna Lee Banzett, Mrs. Nelson McGowan and Mrs. J. W. Skaggss. On Jan. 7 a Guild recital was played in the Crestwood Baptist Church. The program was as follows: "Benedictus," Reger: Roulade, Bingham, and Toccata, Lanquetult (Mrs. Harmon Williams); "Ave Maria," Bach-Gounod: "To a Water Lily," MacDowell, and Prelude, Wright (Mrs. D. W. Faw, organ; Finley G. Williams, harp); Prelude and Fugue in D minor. Bach; "Lo, a Rose e'er Blooming," Brahms, and Scherzino, Vierne (James Curtis Chambers); Third Movement, "Evocation," Dupré (Jerry Whitten). The Guild will present Richard Purvis, organist of Grace Cathedral, San Fran-

cisco, in a recital Feb. 13 at the First Baptist Church. The next dinner meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. S. Frank Feb. 5. MARY ELIZABETH MCCRAY, Secretary.

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Service Opens Los Angeles Year.

The Los Angeles Chapter started the year with a festival evensong at St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral Jan. 8. The service was preceded by a dinner and business meeting in the cathedral house. After the processional hymn, "As with Gladness Men of Old." and the intoning of Psalm 150, the choir of thirty men and boys sang Everett Titcomb's setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis. The sermon anthem, by Thomas Tallis, was "O Lord, Give Thy Holy Spirit." The Very Rev. John McGill Krumm, Ph.D., dean and rector of St. Paul's, delivered a short address on the need and influence of music in worship. "Dark the Night," a Welsh Epiphany carol by George Mead, was sung for the offertory. A group of anthems was sung by the choir, Donald Coats organist-choirmaster, as follows: "I Looked and Beheld a White Cloud," Willan; "Say to Them That Are of a Fearful Heart," Titcomb; "Hodie Christus Natus est," Willan; "O Help Us, Lord," Norman Cocker.

After the benediction the Gustav Holst Setting of the Te Deum offered a brilliant climax to what was rightly named festival evensong.

Marvin Blake, Secretary.

San Diego Chapter.

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An enjoyable evening was spent in the First Methodist Church of La Mesa, Cal., Jan. 8 when the San Diego Chapter held its first meeting of the year, conducted by the dean, Charlotte Denise. After a business meeting a program was given by Howell Lewis, organist-director of the place of meeting, and Douglass Duncan. Mr. Lewis played: "Ronde Francaise," Boellmann; Adagio from Second Symphony, Widor; Aria, Peeters, and Prelude-Toccata, Pierne. Mr. Duncan played: "Vom Himmel hoch," Pachelbel; "Beside Still Waters," Charles Marsh; Tuba Tune in D. Lang, and Sortie, Vierne. After this program the members and guests were invited to try the organ, which originally was built by Steere & Son in 1926 and in 1949 was rebuilt with a new console by the Estey Company of Brattleboro, Vt. Al Warral of San Diego made the complete installation. The organ was dedicated in January, 1950.

A social hour made the evening complete with Gwendolyn Myers as chairman. Edith Gottper Annual Dinner.

Members and Guests of the Chico, Cal.,

EDITH GOTTFRID, Publicity Chairman.

Chico Chapter Annual Dinner.

Members and Guests of the Chico, Cal., Chapter met at the Hotel Oaks Jan. 12 for their annual dinner. Dean Kathrin Thompson introduced the Rev. Messrs. Dean Hintz, William MacInnes and William Gould, who led a panel discussion on the general topic of "The Relation of the Music Program and Staff to Worship and the Church." The subject brought out some points of real importance.

At the conclusion of the panel discussion Publicity Chairman Charles van Bronkhorst gave a brief report on plans for the coming Chico recital by E. Power Biggs, scheduled for Feb. 12 in the Bidwell Memorial Presbyterian Church under the joint auspices of the chapter and the Chico Bach Society.

CHARLES VAN BRONKHORST, Publicity Chairman.

Redwood Empire Chapter.

Publicity Chairman.

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The Redwood Empire Chapter had its annual party at the country estate of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Houck overlooking Napa Valley Jan. 2. Songs were sung and games played. Henry Moser, clarinetist, with Hans Hoerlein at the Hammond, entertained the group with music from Bach to bebop. After refreshment time Dean Daniel Ruggles conducted a business meeting outlining plans for the remainder of the year.

Chairman of Publicity.

Program for San Jose Chapter.

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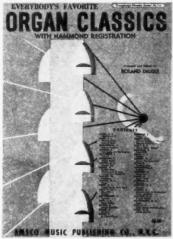
The San Jose, Cal., Chapter held its January meeting in St. Patrick's Church, Watsonville, Jan. 14 at 3 p.m. as guests of the dean and Watsonville members. The excellent program was presented by Irvin M. Smith, organist; Lorean Schweitzer Petrie, organist; Robert Lewis Johnson, tenor, and John L. Flynn, organist. An address on "Liturgical Music in the Catholic Church" was delivered by the Very Rev. John F. Durkin.

UNDER THE DIRECTION of Erich Leinsdorf the newly-formed Rutgers University Choir, the Philadelphia Orchestra and five soloists will present "The Passion according to St. Matthew," by Bach, March 23 in the Rutgers gymasium. The 175-voice choir consists of students from the New Jersey College for Women, the men's colleges and the Newark colleges of Rutgers. Professor F. Austin Walter, director of the new choir, will conduct the group in rehearsal when Dr. Leinsdorf is not on campus. Miss Helen C. Reichard, N.J.C. chapel organist, will accompany the group at rehearsals.

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Changes in A.G.O. Tests

Several important changes in the exmination requirements of the American Guild of Organists are being made, as shown in detail in an announcement in the Guild pages of this issue. These changes are evidence that progress is not lacking and that the examination committee, headed by Dr. T. F. H. Candlyn, is alert to present needs. At the conclave held in New York Christmas week Dr. Candlyn, Mr. Heeremans and other members of the committee explained the reasons that underlie the changes and made it plain to those who heard them that the committee has worked diligently to keep up to date.

The committee and the men who have been at its head through the years have been subjected to criticism from various sources at different times. Some of the criticisms probably have been justified; others have been of a nature that might easily be disregarded. Nor does the committee claim infallibility. And one must never overlook the fact that no examination, however comprehensive, can cover every point and guarantee that he or she who passes the tests is ipso facto a competent organist.

The examinations are regarded as the most important feature of the A.G.O. One should not lose sight of the fact that the Guild was organized principally for the purpose of offering these examina tions and that they provide a measuring rod that no other branch of music has offered through any of its organizations.

It is unfortunate that so small a proportion of the large membership of the Guild has taken the tests in or become academic members. Another unfortunate fact is that the preliminary tests recently established, which provide an excellent stepping-stone to the associateship and a means for every organist to ascertain his qualifications, have failed to

The principal feature of the changes as announced by the examination committee is in the options offered, which create much greater flexibility. No doubt other changes and revisions will follow from year to year and some of these will be

based on constructive criticism, which the men in charge, like all wise and reasonable men, will welcome. They and the entire membership are striving for advancement and improvement.

City's Choirs in Community Event

Probably nothing else will bring people different classes, faiths and tastes together as well as to have them join in song. Realization of this fact has led to a community movement in Abington, Mass. which offers a suggestion to church musicians in hundreds of other cities and towns. For the second year a twilight community Christmas concert has been presented in the high school auditorium and the plan has worked so well that the entire city is enthusiastic over the results.

Under the auspices of the Abington Woman's Club and the leadership of Mrs. Florence Ferguson Thayer the concert was arranged. All of the church organists and choirs, as well as glee clubs, American Legion band and the Rotary glee club, were invited to take part. Individual choirs and a massed chorus sang carols and hymns which constituted an afternoon program Dec. 10. The singers came from Congregational, Methodist, Universalist, Baptist and Catholic churches.

It was felt that this concert would be able to unite all, thereby emphasizing the word "unity" in the word "community." The organists and directors took full charge of their groups and selected the compositions they would use. A free-will offering was taken up each year and the money was used to decorate Abington for

The first concert was given when Mrs Thayer was president of the Woman's Club and this year she headed the committee that worked so successfully. She is organist of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Rockland, Mass., where her husband, Arthur L. Thayer, is baritone

All accounts agree in saying that this project has been welcomed by the town, as indicated by the overwhelming atten-dance. Now all know the organists and dance. choir directors. The Boston Globe made this comment: "The Abington twilight community concert highlights all Christ-mas programs."

MARYLAND CHURCH MARKS

ITS 200TH ANNIVERSARY
As part of its 200th anniversary celebration, St. James' Episcopal Church of
My Lady's Manor, Md., completed recently a series of musical activities featuring guest organists and singers. The series ly a series of musical activities featuring guest organists and singers. The series began May 28 with an organ recital by James Winship Lewis, organist and choirmaster of Grace and St. Peter's Church in Baltimore and head of the diocesan committee on music. He was assisted by Calvin Moss, tenor. On June 25 selections by Clerambault Dupré Couperin Clokey by Clerambault, Dupré, Couperin, Clokey and Bach were played by Arold Henry Ripperger, organist of St. Thomas' Church, the Alameda, Baltimore. Mr. Ripperger also directed a choral evensong sung by is choir, augmented by the choir of St. ndrew's Church.

Herbert Austin, former organist of St.

David's Church, Roland Park, visited St. James' Aug. 27 and played the third recital of the series. Mr. Austin, who was trained in England and came to America in 1924, holds the diplomas of associateship in both the Royal College of Music and the Royal College of Organists.

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Shortly after his return from a concert tour, Robert Morrison gave a recital at St. James' Oct. 15. He was assisted by Marie Erck, soprano, and Elmer Wareheim, baritone. Mr. Morrison amazed his audience with his surprisingly mature musicianship for one so young.

The Nov. 19 recital was by the Baltimore Junior College choir under the direction of Blanche F. Bowlsbey, assisted by R. Warren Glock, organist; Theval Koliber, violinist, and Roy Rea, tenor soloist. Featured were selections covering the span from Palestrina to Roy Ringwald. Dec. 17 Mr. Ripperger returned with his combined choirs and presented the Advent portion of Handel's "Messiah."

These performances were made possible by the efforts of Joseph D. Baker, Jr., vestryman, who supervised the planning of the reposition project were made.

vestryman, who supervised the planning of the renovation project recently com-pleted, which included the installation of

The Things That Remain

[Reprinted from THE DIAPASON of Feb. 1, 1981.]

"If you would see a memorial to Lynmwood Farnam, look about you," said the Rev. Roelif H. Brooks, rector of St. Thomas' Church in New York, as he pointed to the congregation of 2,000 people which filled that large and beautiful church for the memorial service under the auspices of the National Association of Organists on Jan. 13. His paraphrase was indeed apt, for probably never before in history—at least not within the memory of organists living today—has such a genuine and such an overwhelming tribute been paid publicly to the life of any organist. It was an occasion so impressive in its size, in the sublimity of the music and addresses and in the character of the entire program as to appeal acter of the entire program as to appeal to every heart. Paraphrasing Dr. Brooks one might well have added: "If you would judge the real heart of the organ world

Whom did this throng come out to honor? Was it a man whose life had been spent making a popular appeal? Was it one who was able to win the applause of the multitude and who, unlike so many of the passing heroes, had not been forgotten immediately after he made way for another? Was it a performer who by various tricks knew how to make the bester around edure him or who could theater crowd admire him, or who could do "sob stuff" in church better than anyone else? Not if we are to believe the appraisal of the man delivered by the Rev. Dr. Elwood Worcester of Boston, who with keen discrimination analyzed the character of the organist whom he hard induced to come to the United States. who with keen distribution analyzed the character of the organist whom he had induced to come to the United States from Canada. He lived "like an ascetic" and spent his days and nights on the organ bench, practicing. He cared not for the world's applause as long as he could live up to his ideals, and "he knew only one kind of taste—good taste." Further we were told that "he was never a dazzling, sensational or popular organist," and "he was so devoid of self-exploitation that in spite of his superiority other organists were never jealous of him." Summarizing his estimate of Farnam, this clergyman expressed what might well be considered the opinion that all his friends had of the man—that his "great qualities were simplicity and sincerity."

were simplicity and sincerity."

Sometimes the earnest, aspiring youth who enters the organ profession must feel

discouraged when it appears to him as if mediocrity ruled the day and as if it were far more essential to so-called success to have a faultless technique in blowing to have a faultless technique in blowing your own horn than in your work at the console. One cannot escape now and then being disheartened over the manner in which it seems as if many of the meritless forge to the front—temporarily—by insinuating themselves into public favor and into good incomes by means that are disingenuous. But when the bells in the tower of St. Thomas' played the majestic disingenuous. But when the bells in the tower of St. Thomas' played the majestic chorales to proclaim up and down America's most famous avenue that the greatest outpouring on record in honor of an organist was about to begin, they pro-claimed also that amid all the artificialities of the age the highest ideals in organ music are still cherished above all others that we still are willing to give our best and most lasting affection to that which represents "simplicity and sincerity."

a new Aeolian-Skinner organ. Planners of the recitals were Wallace Dow, a parishoner; John Mort, a choir member; John E. MacCubbin, organist and choirmaster of St. James', and the Rev. John Alfred Baden, rector. Public interest in the series was indicated by the large audiences.

DR. ALBERT SCHWEITZER IS NAMED MAN OF THE CENTURY

Dr. Albert Schweitzer, noted Alsatian Dr. Albert Schweitzer, noted Alsatian organist, Bach scholar, philosopher and medical missionary, has been named the "man of the century" by the National Arts Foundation, a private philanthropic organization. The selection was made by prominent artists, writers and musicians in seventeen countries. In making the announcement the foundation referred to Dr. Schweitzer as "the man whose ideas" Dr. Schweitzer as "the man whose ideas, if adopted, would solve the world's problems." He was the choice in fifty-two of 150 replies to the foundation's questionnaire.

e. r. Schweitzer, now 74 years old, ed the United States in the summer Dr

Looking Back into the Past

Forty years ago the following news was recorded in the issue of Feb. 1, 1911-

recorded in the issue of Feb. 2, 1741.

The contract to build a large organ, the gift of Cyrus H. K. Curtis, for the City Hall in Portland, Maine, was awarded to the Austin Organ Company.

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Among subscribers who wrote commendatory letters to The Diapason, expressing themselves as well pleased with the contents of the paper in its first year, were Dr. William C. Carl, Dr. Francis Hemington, Edward Kreiser and Professor Karl Haase.

The fourteenth year of recitals at Yale University was opened Jan. 9 by Professor Harry B. Jepson. Performers in the spring were to be Clarence Dickinson, Homer Humphrey, Henry Dike Sleeper, Henry M. Dunham and Seth Bingham.

Twenty-five years ago the following news was recorded in the issue of Feb. 1, 1926—

The famous organ in the Salt Lake City Tabernacle was being enlarged by the Austin Organ Company and the specification of the reconstructed instrument was published.

Eugene Gigout, the French organist and composer died Ian 1 in Paris at the

and composer, died Jan. 1 in Paris at the age of 82 years. He was the dean of French organists and was the composer of more than 300 pieces for the organ.

Clarence Eddy gave a recital before a virtually sold-out house in Kimball Hall, Chicago, Jan. 14. The occasion was made a tribute to the dean of American organists and the reviewer said: "To see a house so well filled at an organ recital was in itself a delight; to hear Mr. Eddy's performance, with the style that he has always had and his fire and brilliancy not dimmed by age, was a still greater de-

Alfred Hollins, the blind organist of Scotland, was guest of honor at the annual dinner of the American Guild of Organists in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. New York, on New Year's Day.

Ten years ago the following events were recorded in the issue of Feb. 1, 1941-

recorded in the issue of Feb. 1, 1941—
John P. Marshall, dean of Boston University's College of Music and an organist and teacher of national reputation, died Jan. 17 at his home in Boston at the age of 64 years. Dr. Marshall was professor of music at Boston University since 1902 and organist of the First Church, Unitarian, from 1909 to 1926.

George H. Clark, for seventeen years organist and choirmaster of Grace Episcopal Church in Oak Park, Ill., died Jan. 18 after a long illness.

CASAVANT THREE-MANUAL FOR CHURCH IN SYRACUSE

three-manual Casavant organ is to A three-manual Casavant organ is to be installed in St. Anthony of Padua Church, Syracuse, N. Y., about May I. The new organ will have 1,814 pipes. Members of the organ committee are the Rt. Rev. Charles F. McEvoy, pastor of the church; Joseph J. McGrath, organist of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception; Stephen Stoot, technical director of Casavant Freres, and Leo A. Fisselbrand, organist of St. Anthony's Church. Following are the resources of the instrument:

strument:

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Open Diapason, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Hohl Flöte, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Flute d'Amour, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Twelfth, 2% ft., 61 pipes.
Fifteenth, 2 ft., 61 pipes.

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SWELL ORGAN.

Lieblich Gedeckt, 16 ft., 68 pipes.
Open Diapason, 3 ft., 68 pipes.
Stopped Diapason, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Viola da Gamba, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Violina, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Violina, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Flute Harmonic, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Cornopean, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Cornot, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Cornet, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Vox Humana, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
CHOIR ORGAN.

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Geigen Principal, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Melodia, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Dulciana, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Lieblich Flöte, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Unda Maris, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Unda Maris, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
PEDAL ORGAN.
Principal, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Gedeckt (duplex from Swell), 16 ft.
Octave (ext. of Principal), 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Stopped Flute (ext. of Bourdon), 8 ft., 12 pipes.

12 pipes. Still Gedeckt (duplex from Swell), 8 ft.



ROWLAND W. DUNHAM ANNOUNCES his resignation as dean of the College of Music, University of Colorado, in Boulder. He will relinquish his administrative duties in June, 1951, but will continue to teach as professor of music.

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The dean is well known as an educator. Graduating as a pianist from the New England Conservatory, he later specialized in the organ and studied with George E. Whiting, Lynnwood Farnam and Widor. His writings on musical matters have been frequent in The Etude, The Music Journal and The American Organist, of which he has been associate editor over twenty-five years. Activity in ist, of which he has been associate editor for over twenty-five years. Activity in the American Guild of Organists has been maintained since 1917, when he became a fellow. He is regional chairman of the Guild and a past vice-president of the National Association of Schools of Music. Formerly he was chairman of the organ and choral committee of the Music Teachers' National Association.

After twenty-four years in his present position Dean Dunham decided that the relative simplicity of teaching would give more time for certain writings that seemed important to him. Two additional organ texts are to follow his "Pedal Mastery," soon to appear from the Theodore Presser Company.

A successor has not been selected as yet.

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THE LATEST SEMI-ANNUAL number of the Library of Congress' "Catalogue of Copyright Entries, Published Music," which covers all compositions copyrighted in the first half of 1950, lists more than 8,000 titles. Each composition is described under the name of the composer or other person responsible for the work, with lyricists, arrangers and editors listed in the same alphabet. The information given for each composition includes title, publisher, place and date of publication, copyright claimant and registration number.

ROWLAND W. DUNHAM, F.A.G.O. CHOIR COLLEGE TO BUILD LARGE PLANT ON NEW CAMPUS

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A comprehensive program for the enlargement of the work and facilities of Westminster Choir College, Princeton, N. J., involving an ultimate outlay of approximately \$12,000,000, has been adopted by the board of trustees of the college. With a view to a move away from its present cramped location the college purchased in May, 1950, the ninety-eight-acre Lambert estate on Rosedale Road, a short distance outside Princeton. Since that time Dr. John Finley Williamson, president of the college, and Arthur Judson, chairman of the building committee, have been working on a building plan. The principal features of the plan provide for a chapel with a seating capacity of about 1,200, adaptation of the Lambert residence for use as an administration building, an education building with modern facilities for training students as ministers of music, an auditorium with a seating capacity of about 3,500, a smaller auditorium seating about 1,000, an open-air amphitheater seating 15,000, a small chapel, at least eight dormitories, a library, residences for the president and the dean of the chapel, etc.

Removal of the school to the new campus will take place as soon as the present properties are sold.

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westminster Choir College now stretches back twenty-five years. The school, originally in Dayton, Ohio, developed out of the Dayton Westminster Choir, directed from the beginning by Mr. Williamson. Moving from Dayton to Ithaca, N. Y., the school remained there for three years before moving to Princeton in 1932. In 1934 the present campus, the gift of Mrs. I. Livingston Taylor of ton in 1932. In 1934 the present campus, the gift of Mrs. J. Livingston Taylor of Cleveland, Ohio, was dedicated. For many years a Westminster Choir, of approximately forty voices, has made a tour, giving concerts in many cities.

ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHOIR, CHICAGO, IS 65 YEARS OLD

The choir of St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chicago, which was founded in 1885, just one year after the church had been dedicated, observed its sixty-fifth anniversary Nov. 19. The occasion was marked by a special service of music by Bach. Herbert D. Bruening, director of the choir, was assisted by Carl Waldschmidt, guest organist.

The first half of the service featured.

Waldschmidt, guest organist.

The first half of the service featured organ and choral selections based on the "King" and "Queen" Lutheran chorales. The Rev. Adalbert R. Kretzmann, the pastor, spoke on the work of the choir. Bach's Cantata No. 61, "Come Thou, Saviour of Our Race," was sung after the sermon.

In the course of the service Mr. Waldschmidt played the following numbers: Prelude and Fugue in B minor; Chorale Preludes, "Wachet auf," "Wie schön leuchtet," "Nun freut Euch" and "Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend"; "Fugue a la Gigue."

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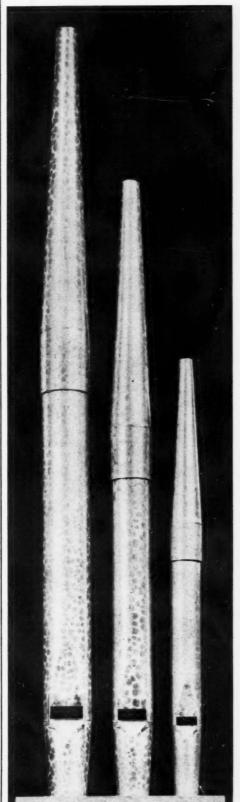
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Visits to Saint-Saens Recalled; Memories of a Famed Organist

[The following article on a famous French organist has been written for THE DIAPASSON by Professor Henderson, organist and choirmaster of the University of Glasgow.]

BY A.M. HENDERSON, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.O.

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Camille Saint-Saëns was probably the most versatile musician of modern times. Distinguished as a composer, pianist, organist, conductor and man of letters, his accomplishments were remarkable. Under the heading of composer we have his brilliant success in such varied fields as opera, cantata, symphonic works, chamber music, piano and organ pieces and songs. As a writer his variety was no less astonishing. Here we have volumes of studies on musical subjects like "Harmonie et Melodie," "Portraits et Souvenirs," "Ecole Buissoniere"; studies in astronomy and mathematics, "Problemes et Mysteres"; his verses, "Rimes Familieres," and his comedy, "La Crampe des Ecrivains." And there are certainly no more readable, well-informed and witty essays on music in the French language than those of Saint-Saëns. His literary work has the same delightful clarity as his music, for there is never are unclear phrase or sentence, and his scintillating wit compels the interest of the reader. One can readily agree with Daniel Gregory Mason's remark: "It is not seemly that one human being should be so clever!"

In the summer of 1906 Saint-Saëns and his fort wight to Ediphyrigh to give

In the summer of 1906 Saint-Saëns made his first visit to Edinburgh to give a recital of his own compositions; and although already over 70 he was wonderfully alert and fit in movement, conversation and performance, and far from being an old man. He was accompanied by Thibaud, violinist, and Hasselmans, 'cellist, and the party came to Edinburgh at the invitation of James Simpson, ever an enthusiast in the cause of French music, who was then head of Methven Simpson, well-known music dealers and publishers. The program on that occasion included the delightful Trio in F and the Sonata for 'cello and piano in E flat, one of the most grateful works in the repertoire

for 'cello and piano in E flat, one of the most grateful works in the repertoire for these two instruments. In addition to taking the piano part in the ensemble works Saint-Saëns contributed as a piano solo his "Caprice on Airs from Gluck's 'Alceste,'" which he played admirably, his clear passage-work and keen sense of rhythm being particularly attractive features of his performance.

After the concert Mr. Simpson, whom I counted as one of my intimate friends, invited me as one of a small group to meet Saint-Saëns. On learning that I had already introduced the ensemble works of the afternoon's program and his Piano Quintet at my own chamber

works of the afternoon's program and his Piano Quintet at my own chamber concerts in Glasgow, the first note of friendship was struck; and when I told him that I had recently had the pleasure of writing an English translation of his entertaining article "My Capping at Cambridge" for an American journal our harmony was complete.

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harmony was complete.

This first visit to Edinburgh proved so successful that Mr. Simpson invited Saint-Saëns to make a return visit in the following summer. On this occasion Thibaud and Hollman were his artistic partners. The second concert was a repetition of the first success and Saint-Saëns delighted everyone by adding as an extra his own charming transcription of the Andante from Haydn's "Surprise" Symphony. After the concert I again had the happiness of meeting Saint-Saëns at Symphony. After the concert I again had the happiness of meeting Saint-Saëns at the house of Mr. Simpson. In the course of conversation he made very interested inquiries about my organ at Glasgow University, adding that when next I came to Paris he would like to show me the two organs which he had played for so many years, at the Church of Saint-Merry and at the Madeleine. At the time there seemed little likelihood of my being able to take advantage of his kind offer, but his proposal was realized sooner than I had anticipated, and by his own arrangement.

In the following summer I was studying the piano with Pugno, staying at his beautiful country house at Gargenville, near Paris. Pugno and Saint-Saëns were intimate friends and one Sunday afternoon Saint-Saëns came out to rehearse his

'Africa" with Pugno. In the music-room at Gargenville Pugno had a very fine double grand piano by Pleyel—really a double instrument in one case, as there was a keyboard at each end—the only one of its kind I have ever seen. This double piano had been designed especially for Pugno to facilitate the playing of works for two pianos the players seated at each piano had been designed especially for Pugno to facilitate the playing of works for two pianos, the players seated at each end being able to hear and see each other perfectly. Pugno had been preparing "Africa," one of Saint-Saëns' most characteristic works, for concert performance and wished to go over it with the composer before playing it in public. Although my acquaintance with Saint-Saëns had been confined to the two meetings in Edinburgh he greeted me as an old friend and straightway suggested that while Pugno played the solo part I should turn over for him while he played the orchestral part (from the full score) at the second piano. This I was delighted to do, and I was again astonished not only by the fluency of Saint-Saëns' technique but also by his readiness and resource in adapting the orchestral texture to the piano. After the rehearsal, as was the custom at Pugno's on Sunday afternoons, tea was served in the garden. In addition to the Pugno family the guests included Nadia and Lili Boulanger, two of the most gifted woman musicians I have ever known. Nadia, then only 20, had recently won the second Grand Prix de Rome, most gifted woman musicians I have ever known. Nadia, then only 20, had recently won the second Grand Prix de Rome, while her younger sister, Lily, then 15, was, a few years later, to be the first woman in history to win the Premier Grand Prix. Unhappily the wonderful promise of her life was cut short by her death at the age of 25.

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In our conversation Saint-Saëns returned to the subject of the organ, saying he would like to have me see the instrument at the Madeleine, where he had held the position of organist for twenty years. So it was arranged that I should meet him the following Sunday afternoon after vespers at the main entrance to the vespers at the main entrance to the

church.

Dallier was at this time organist at the Madeleine. When we arrived, immediately on seeing his distinguished predecessor, he beckoned to him to take his place. The service was concluding. Saint-Saëns moved quietly onto the organ bench and by way of a postlude improvised a fine fugal movement. At the conclusion, after he had introduced me to Dallier, he proceeded to draw my attention to characteristic qualities of this splendid old fourmanual Cavaille-Coll organ, closing by playing his "Marche Religieuse," which then was new to me. then was new to me.

The first organ appointment held by Saint-Saëns was at the beautiful sixteenth century church of Saint-Merry, where there is a fine old Cavaille-Coll organ of three manuals. Saint-Saëns had a particular affection for this organ and was eager to show it to me; so a similar rendezvous was arranged for a Sunday or two later. I had told Saint-Saëns that his fine Fantasie in E flat had long been in my repertoire and he responded by or two later. I had told Saint-Saëns that his fine Fantasie in E flat had long been in my repertoire and he responded by saying that he had composed it at the age of 20, during his first year at Saint-Merry, and that he wished to have me hear it there. On the appointed Sunday, therefore, and after the service, he played the Fantasie to me with evident enjoyment. The opening movement, with the alternating chords on contrasted manuals, was especially effective on this old organ, and in the concluding allegro—where some of the pedal passages are far from easy—he showed that his feet, as well as his hands, had lost none of their cunning.

On the Saint-Merry organ there was a cromorne stop on the choir (a warmtoned, soft clarinet) which delighted Saint-Saëns. To display its quality he improvised with great charm and readiness. When I expressed my appreciation for his fascinating gift for improvisers in England, but few good improvisers. It is an art you do not sufficiently practice or study and it requires to be practiced and studied. You have no improvisers in England to compare with Guilmant or Widor, but that is only because you have not worked at it as we have in France, where the art of improvisation has always been a feature of study in the organ class." Continuing he said: "There are moments in the service where a fetting in the service where the act of improvisers in the service when a fetting increasing in the service when a fetting in the service when a fetting increasing in the service when a fetting i been a feature of study in the organ class."
Continuing he said: "There are moments in the service when a fitting improvisation, meeting the mood of the service, may be much more suitable than any set piece.

My next meeting with Saint-Saëns was some four years later, when he was giving a recital of his own compositions in the Salle Gaveau, Paris. On this occasion he

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I did not see Saint-Saëns again till the summer of 1920. He was now 85, and was greatly changed, being rather feeble and frail. At the Ecole Normale de Musique I was assisting at a course conducted by Cortot. Saint-Saëns came one evening to take part in a semi-private recital of his compositions. He accompanied a few songs only, the other items being played by Cortot and others. He invited me to come and see him at his

apartment on the next Sunday afternoon apartment on the next Sunday atternoon. When I arrived he was looking over some letters he had received as a boy from Gounod. One or two he read to me, and when I expressed my interest he insisted on presenting me with one as a souvenir of my visit.

This was our last meeting for the following the source of t

This was our last meeting, for the fol-lowing year he died in Algiers, where he had gone for the winter. He was ever a very orderly man. Even on the morning of the day he died he had attended to his own correspondence. Having handed his letters to his servant for posting he said he would lie down to rest till luncheon. When his servant returned he had quietly passed over.

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GEORGE E. PERRY



George E. Perry of the faculty of the East Carolina Teachers' College gave a program of music for the organ before an audience of 500 in the Austin Auditorium on the campus in Greenville, N. C., Dec. 13. The recital was sponsored by the Greenville Music Club. Mr. Perry's program was made up of compositions appropriate to the Christmas season.

The new Tellers organ, installed late last summer, was used, and most of the audience had the opportunity to hear it played publicly for the first time.

The following was the program: Variations on a Noel, d'Aquin; Pastorale on "In dulci Jubilo" and Overture to Cantata "Uns ist ein Kind geboren," Bach; Chorale Prelude, "Est ist ein Ros' entsprungen," Brahms; Offertory on Two Christmas Hymns;" Guilmant; "Christmas in Sicily" and "Gesu Bambino," Yon; Carol Rhapsody, "Divinum Mysterium" and "Chartres" (Four Variations on a Noel), Purvis.

Mr. Perry has been presented by the

East Carolina Department of Music in several recitals for the piano since he joined the faculty in 1948. He has appeared before civic and social groups in a number of eastern North Carolina cities. Last February he and Miss Elizabeth Drake of the faculty played a two-piano recital before audiences in Greenville and Raleigh, and in the spring he was soloist with the Concert Band of East Carolina. Mr. Perry is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, has done much graduate study and is a member of the American Guild of Organists.

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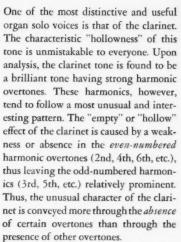
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The A Cappella Choir of Houghton College, Houghton, N. Y., under the direction of Charles H. Finney, F.A.G.O., and accompanied by Marion Senft, organist, has completed a tour which took it to churches in Arcade, Rushford, Geneva, Gorham and Penn Yan, N. Y., and Toronto, Ont. The choir sang numbers by Bach, Willan, Noble, Bairstow, Finney and David McK. Williams. A smaller group, known as the Madrigal Singers, was heard in numbers by Tallis and two Russian anthems. A special feature of its program was "Now Thank We All Our God," from Bach's Cantata 79, performed with trumpets.

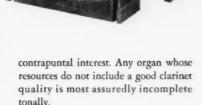
MUSIC OF THE CONTEMPORARY British composer Ralph Vaughan Williams was featured in two programs at the University of Illinois School of Music in January. "Riders to the Sea." a musical transcription of the one-act drama by J. M. Synge, was presented Jan. 12 by the opera workshop of the university under the direction of Ludwig Zirner. Jan. 14 the university chorus of 120 voices and the U. of I. symphony orchestra joined forces in presenting the Festival Te Deum which

U. of I. symphony orchestra joined forces in presenting the Festival Te Deum which the composer wrote for the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth of England. This was conducted by Jay Allen of the music faculty.

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The festival of carols now seems to have a place in the life of the Toronto Centre as an annual event. This year the lovely Deer Park United Church was the locale and the date was Dec. 12. Four choirs participated—Deer Park United (directed by John J. Weatherseed), St. George's United (Henry Atack), Park Road Baptist (Muriel Gidley) and the choir of St. Mary Magdalene under Dr. Healey Willan, this being the gallery choir. After a short organ prelude the choirs entered in processional to the traditional "First Nowell" and as the service progressed, while other congregational carols were sung, the choirs replaced one another in the chancel, each presenting a group of its own choice. Following the singing by the Park Road choir of the Fantasia on Christmas Carols by Vaughan Williams, all the choirs joined in singing the Te Deum in B flat by Stanford, directed by John Weatherseed, with Muriel Gidley at the organ.

The event was well attended and a goodly sum was received for the British Organ Restoration Fund.

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A remarkably interesting meeting of the Toronto Centre was held Nov. 22 in the parlor of the Bathurst Street United Church. Boris Roubakine, a member of the piano faculty of the Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto, and well known as a concert artist and teacher in his native Switzerland, presented a series of color slides, the result of his chief hobby, photography. Accompanying the pictures, which covered mainly the Swiss Alps at all seasons, Mr. Roubakine gave a running commentary of exceptional charm, seemingly to play upon the pictures as an artist on an instrument. Ronald Woollard, organist of the church, arranged refreshments and an enjoyable social time.

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The January meeting of the Toronto Centre was the annual New Year's party, held at the Heliconian Club Jan. 9. Members and guests were welcomed by Chairman Harold Williams. James Chalmers, vice-chairman, was in charge of the evening's program, which began with two brain-teasing games.

John Hodgins introduced a choral group which has gained a degree of fame since its debut at the party a year ago. Messrs. McAlister and Nasmith, under the leadership of Ronald Johnston, gave as their first selection, in the form of a service, the following music: Chorale Prelude on "Three Blind Mice," Bodle: "Nun danket," Karg-Elert; "Everything's up to Date in Ransas City," Hammerstein. This was followed by a clever monologue by character actress Jane Mallett of C.B.C. fame. Especially humorous were the pieces entitled "Channel Crossing" and "Housewife." Johnston and McAlister returned to sing expositions of various members of the centre in a number call, "Really, O Would You Believe It." The third act, after a brief intermission, concerned itself with three street corner singers who told of the lures of various Toronto churches and invited all to come "to the corner of Adelaide and Yonge." The accompanist throughout was Douglas Bodle.

Refreshments and shop talk rounded out the evening. R. Douglas Perry.

St. Catharines Centre.

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The St. Catharines Centre joined with the Music Teachers' Association for its Christmas party Dec. 28 at the Hotel Queensway. A sparkling program arranged by the members was greatly enjoyed. This included a skit on a C.C.O. examination, with Eric Dowling as the nervous candidate and James Hopkirk as the stern examiner, and a hilarious duet by these two gentlemen from "Silbert and Gullivan."

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The January meeting took the form of a massed choir rehearsal for the organchoral program to be presented later in the month. Dr. Roberta Bitgood of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Buffalo, N. Y., was to be guest recitalist for this event. The December meeting of the St. Catharines Centre was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Moore, where suitable decorations added a touch of Christmas.

The Rev. A. Woolcock of St. John's Church, Port Dalhousie, spoke on the origin of our Christmas festival and explained how the Christian celebration took the place of an earlier pagan festival in honor of Saturn. A' lively carol-sing led by George Hannahson was enjoyed.

GORDON KAY, Secretary.

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Kitchener Centre.

Members of the Kitchener Centre were the guests of Joseph Holowaty, choirmaster of the Church of the Transfiguration, for the November meeting. After showing us through his church the meeting was opened in the parish hall by the chairman, Mrs. Eleanor Singlehurst. Mr. Holowaty gave us an enlightening talk on the history of Ukrainian music and music in the Eastern Church. Much of this music is in manuscript and is handed down from one choirmaster to the next. An interesting feature to note is the complete absence of an organ in the church, the singing being entirely a cappella. Members of the church choir served luncheon.

On Dec. 28 the centre sponsored the third annual performance of Handel's "Messiah" in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kitchener. A large audience heard it sung by a combined choir of eighty voices from various twin city churches. Dr. Glenn Kruspe, A.R.C.O., conducted and Ralph Kidd, F.C.C.O., of Guelph was the organist. Proceeds were for the British Organ Restoration Fund.

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The January meeting of the Brantford Centre was held Jan. 13 at the Mohawk Institute. Chairman George F. Sweet opened the meeting. Reporting on finances, the treasurer, Miss E. Muir, stated that to date \$188.82 was on hand in the British Orsan Restoration Fund.

Mr. Sweet turned the meeting over to Robert Odendahl, organist of His Majesty's Chapel of the Mohawks, who introduced the Rev. W. J. Zimmerman, principal of the Mohawk Institute and chaplain of the chapel. He spoke of the history and functions of the institute, which was founded about 1785 as a residential school for Indians. Now that there are conventional day schools on the Six Nations Reserve, the functions of the institute had to be changed, and it is now a residential school for underprivileged Indian children from all of Ontario and parts of Quebec.

This outline was presented to illustrate the peculiar conditions which affect development of a chapel choir among the pupils of the school. The chapel, given to the Six Nations Indians by King George III in 1785, is one of the three royal chapels in Canada. Among the problems mentioned was the difficulty of interesting Indian boys in singing. At the conclusion of Mr. Zimmerman's remarks helpful suggestions were offered.

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Mrs. Maxwell, instructress in handicraft, displayed the children's handiwork, all artistically made.

MARJORIE A. COOK, Secretary.

Oshawa Centre.

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The Oshawa Centre celebrated the bicentenary of the death of Bach by presenting a recital of Bach's works for organ and chorus at St. George's Anglican Church Nov. 13. The guest recitalist was Douglas Elliott, brilliant Toronto organist, who played a fine program. Beginning with the Tocata and Fugue in D minor. he showed, besides artistry and skill in performance, a real feeling for dramatic program building. Six chorale preludes from the "Little Organ Book" were followed by the Allegro from the Concerto in A minor, which brought out the full tone color of the organ.

A local choir of thirty-six voices, under the direction of George Rapley and accompanied by Kelvin James, sang "Be Thou with Me," "Wake, O Wake" and the motet "Come, Jesu, Come" for double choir.

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After the organ offertory was played by Kelvin James, Mr. Elliott resumed his program with two chorale preludes, "Jesu, Come from Heaven to Earth" and "Have Mercy upon Me, O Lord," and Fugue in D major and Toccata in F.

The proceeds were devoted to B.O.R.F.
The annual carol service sponsored by this centre took place in the Simcoe Street United Church Dec. 10. The choir, under the direction of Reginald Geen, sang "What Is This Lovely Fragrance," Healey Willan; "The Little Road to Bethlehem," Michael Head, and "While Shepherds Watched," Arthur Warrell. The choir of the King Street United Church, under the direction of Wallace Young, sang "Lo, How a Rose," Praetorius; "Gloria in Excelsis," arranged by Young, and the seventeenth century "Echo Carol." The Centre Street United Choir, under the direction of Norman Williams, sang "A Star was His Candle," Del Riego; "Let Carols Ring," arranged by Black, and "O'er Bethlehem Town," Mueller.

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Salamanca, N. Y., Dec. dear Mr. Gruenstein:

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Salamanca, N. Y., Dec. 5, 1950.—My dear Mr. Gruenstein:

Having read my good friend Joseph L. Sullivan's "Plea to Restore Pipe Fronts" in the December issue of our magazine let me, at the risk of losing this very valued friendship, say that I hope that time never comes. Mr. Sullivan and I have been "buddies" for many years, and have seen almost eye to eye on matters pertaining to the organ, but in this one thing I should like to take issue with him, because I feel that he may be causing churches with limited organ funds to leave their "pipe fronts," when they otherwise would proceed with their chancelizing in churches in which a remodeling program is going on.

I, for one, am glad the "good old days" of ugly pipe fronts are gone; at least they are going, in most of our Protestant churches where programs of rebuilding and modernization are going on. These are all changes for the best, and I believe in the restoration of the cross upon the chancel altar as the best "silent call to worship" God has given to man in these turbulent days of uncertainty, minus a great array of pipes strung out across the front of the church.

Mr. Sullivan speaks of the pipes being used to masquerade a "pipe organ substitute," and I say that this is an effrontery to the pipe organ industry. But people who resularly attend church can detect for the most part the real and the sham, and so I personally am happy that we are steering our course away from central display pipes toward the restoration of the "holy quiet place" within our sanctuaries. When people enter a beautiful Catholic cathedral what do they see first? Not ugly display pipes signifying that herein is a pipe organ, but rather their very beautiful and deeply holy, high altar. And this is as it should be and

Protestant churches are in some measure seeing the need of this "holy quietness" and are placing "the heart of the Christian faith" in the center of their sanctuaries.

Very sincerely yours, PHILIP F. SMITH.

Organist in Salamanca, N. Y., and a regular DIAPASON reader.

RUSSELL PLATT RAYFIELD was added to the roster of potential Chicage organists Dec. 21, when he arrived as a Christmas gift in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rayfield. The young mans father is organist and choirmaster of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and a well-known concert organist.

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The Church of the Heavenly Rest in
New York has announced the appointment of Charles Dodsley Walker as
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the American Pro-Cathedral Church of
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During the period of more than two years that he was in Paris Mr. Walker organized a number of concerts at the American Pro-Cathedral. The Lenten series in 1949 and 1950 brought to the console of the cathedral's four-manual Cavaillé-Coll organ Dupré, Marchal, Duruffé, Langlais, Messiaen and Litaize. Choral works sung by the cathedral choir, generally accompanied by the Orchestre de Chambre de Paris, included the Brahms Requiem, Bach Magnificat, Palestrina "Missa Brevis," Pergolesi "Stabat Mater," De Lande "De Profundis" and, most recently, the Couperin "Troisième Lecon de Ténèbres." In addition to his work at the cathedral, Mr. Walker gave recitals in France, Switzerland, Italy and Germany, and acted as piano accompanist for his wife, Janet Hayes, lyric soprano, in concerts in those countries and on radio and television programs in Paris.

Mr. Walker, a graduate of Trinity College, holds the degree of master of arts from Harvard University and is a fellow of the American Guild of Organists. His teachers included Norman Coke-Jephcott and Clarence Watters in organ, Tillman Merritt and Walter Piston in theory and Archibald T. Davison in choral conducting and composition.

At the Church of the Heavenly Rest Mr. Walker will play the four-manual Austin organ of some eighty stops and will be responsible for the church's three choirs, in collaboration with Miss Marion A. Engle, assistant organists.

SERVICES OF MUSIC at the First Methodist of Evanston, Ill., in January included "The Mystery of Bethlehem" by Willan, sung at an evensong service Jan. 11; an organ recital by John K. Christensen, organist and choirmaster of the church, Jan. 15, and the Kyrle and Gloria from Bach's Mass in B minor Jan. 21.

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Principal, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Rohrflöte, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Rohrflöte, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Plein Jeu, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Contra Oboe (T.C.), 16 ft., 61 notes.
Trumpet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Oboe, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Cremiant.
CHOIR ORGAN.

CHOIR ORGAN. CHOIR ORGAN.
Viola. 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gedeckt, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Erzähler, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Erzähler Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Spitzflöte, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Nazard, 2½ ft., 61 notes.
Flautino, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Cor Anglais, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Tremulant.

Cor Anglais, 8 ft., 73 pipes. Tremulant. ECHO ORGAN. Viole, 8 ft., 61 pipes. Viole Celeste, 8 ft., 49 pipes. Vox Humana, 4 ft., 49 pipes. Tremulant. Chimes, 21 tubes

Chimes, 21 tubes.

PEDAL ORGAN.
Diapason, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Rohrbourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Rohrbourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Bourdon, 8 ft., 32 pipes.
Bourdon, 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Rohrlöte, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Rohrlöte, 4 ft., 32 notes.
Double Trumpet, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Trumpet, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Trumpet, 8 ft., 32 notes.

Trumpet, 8 ft., 32 notes.

For the dedicatory recital Mr. Marriott chose the following program: Fantasie and Fugue in A minor, Bach; "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here," Sonatina from "God's Time Is Best" and "In dulci Jubilo," Bach; Sketch in D flat, Schumann; Sonata in C major, Mozart; "Invocation," Mailly; "The Tumult in the Praetorium," de Maleingreau; Paraphrasa on "Now Thank We All Our God," Bonset; "Trilliano," "Cathedral at Night" and "Moonlight on the Lake," Marriott; Toccata, Widor. cata, Widor

AUGUSTUS C. FOSTER DEAD; BLOWER EXPERT, ORGANIST

Augustus C. Foster, Boston organist and representative of the Spencer Turbine Company of Hartford, Conn., died Dec. 30 in Needham, Mass. Mr. Foster was known to organ builders and organists from coast to coast and was an authority on electrical organ power. He had been a member of the American Guild of Organists for thirty-five years and held

on electrical organ power. He had been a member of the American Guild of Organists for thirty-five years and held membership in the University Club of Boston. He was also active in Masonic circles, being a member of Washington Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, Washington, D. C., and the Liberty lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Beverly, Mass. Augustus Clark Foster was born in Beverly, Mass., April 20, 1882. He was interested in the organ from a very early age and received his education as an organist from private teachers. At 16 he played at the Baptist Church in Beverly and later went to the Unitarian Church of the same city. Prominent positions he held as organist were at the First Parish Unitarian Church in Lexington, Mass., where he served for twenty-three years, and at the First Congregational Church in Malden, where he remained for seven in Malden, where he remained for seven

years.

Mr. Foster studied electrical engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he was a member of the class of 1905. He had been associated with the Spencer Turbine Company and its predecessor, the Organ Power Company, for about forty years and was known among the organ builders through his many contacts. out the country through his many contacts with them in the interest of the Orgoblo and organ blower problems.

Mr. Foster never married.

THE DURHAM, N. C., CIVIC Choral Society, an organization of forty-three members conducted by Allan Hadley Bone of the Duke University faculty, was heard in a concert of a cappella Christmas music at the First Presbyterian Church Dec. 3. Robert Waddell is accompanist for the group and William MacGowan, organist of St. Philip's Church, was guest organist on this occasion. The program opened with two chorale preludes played by Mr. MacGowan. These were "From Heaven on High to Earth I Come," Pachelbel, and "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming," Brahms, The featured choral work on the program was the "Missa Brevis" of Palestrina. The organ offertory was Guilmant's "Sleep Well, Child of Heaven."

Well, Child of Heaven."

THE ORATORIO CHORUS of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford, N. J., will sing the cantata "The Song of Amos," by Charlotte Lockwood Garden. Palm Sunday evening, April 8. Dr. Garden, minister of music of the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church in Plainfield, has used her own arrangements of the traditional Hebrew melodies of the synagogue in "The Song of Amos" as the musical setting for a text taken from the book of Amos and written by Dr. John J. Moment. The oratorio chorus of seventy voices is under the direction of Mary Elizabeth Bonnell, organist and choir director of the church and a pupil of Dr. Garden. Walter N. Hewitt will be the organist.

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The playing of hymn-tunes proved an attractive subject for the meeting of the Society Jan. 15 at St. George's Church in New York. We were welcomed to the choir crypt by George W. Kemmer, organist of St. George's. The Rev. W. Scott Westerman, minister of the First Methalist Church Columbus. Obio Jed the

Westerman, minister of the First Methodist Church, Columbus, Ohio, led the discussion. For a decade he has assembled tempo and expression markings, using them for the worship in his own church. The evening began with an analysis of the factors in the interpretation of hymns. Various systems, said the speaker, were employed in the hymnals. In some of them one found printed directions, while a few used metronomic markings. Some of the directions were puzzling, such as "slow but with animation." They varied of the directions were puzzling, such as "slow but with animation." They varied considerably for the same hymn in different books. There was also a wide divergence in tempo markings. For example, "Lux Benigna" was given from 66 to 100; "Amsterdam" had 56 to 80, while "Adeste Fideles" was given from 72 to 116! The most satisfactory speed indications occur in the Christian Science Hymnal. Thus "Missionary Hymn" may be used between 100 and 108. Underlying these choices was the principle that the he used between 100 and 108. Underlying these choices was the principle that the music must reinforce the text of the hymn—not distort or supplant it. The latter is much more than a potential danger. Some weak texts have been given undue vogue by the attractiveness of the tunes assigned to them. Again, the music needs words that are compatible with it.

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Mr. Westerman concluded with three thoughts he had found helpful—there should be controlled rubato; mechanical singing is a weakness (Carl Price); we must not lose sight of the marching feel of a hymn (Plunkett Greene).

Following the address we had a new experience. Tape recordings had been made of the seven hymns used at a mass meeting of New York Presbytery Dec. 11 at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, with Dr. Reginald L. McAll at the organ. These recordings were played for uneach one being analyzed. The tempos had been carefully selected in advance and twariations from them were conscious as distinctions from the tempos demanded as the actual singing proceeded—with a congregation of 1,700 people. For example, "Oil Hundredth" was started at 34, but the recording showed that for the last grant climax the tempo was only 68. The organ treatment and the congregational response seemed to fulfill the well-directed commentates are all the organ leadership of a hymn really depended for its success on making the hymn an emotional experience for each and every worshiper—as against the fulfill to of the control of the control of the first or the first of the control of

hymn an emotional experience for each and every worshiper—as against the fullity of half-hearted or routine expression. Two or three methods used in the playing may be noticed. First, there was a comfortable measured pause after each stanza. The formula was the addition of exactly four beats after a strict count of the last note of the stanza. This allowed for real breath recovery. In "Old Hundredth," played in the original form, we hold was made on the final long note of each line.

Four descants were used, one being in

each line.
Four descants were used, one being to "Darwall's Old 148th." On that hymm, as on the final "Jesus Shall Reign," sum to "Duke Street," the last stanza was given great breadth, as required by the sense of climax instinctively felt by the whole assembly.

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This meeting may well be the first of similar clinics—perhaps one on tune composition, or dealing with the creative aspects of the construction of a hymn text.

G. L. K. and R. L. M.

Plans are under way to make these hymns as rendered Dec. 10 available to church musicians in recorded form. We are also eager to collect records of successful congregational hymns, and would like to hear where they have been made. A few copies of the program used at the Fifth Avenue Church are left for those who may desire them.

The next meeting of the Society in New York takes place Tuesday evening, Feb. 27, in the assembly hall of the Church of the Incarnation, 25 East Thirty-fith Street. The Rev. John W. Norris, acting chairman of the committee on the music of the "Episcopal Hymnal 1940," will discuss the long-awaited new edition of the British "Hymns Ancient and Modem (1950)."

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In addition to virtuosity William Watkins has versatility, as proved by his performance at Rockefeller Chapel, University of Chicago, Jan. 16. The organist of the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington made a very favorable impression on an audience accustomed to the best in organ recitals with a program that was divided between the classics and the modern works of modern composers, in the interpretation of both composers, in the interpretation of both of which he showed discriminating style and a technique that was up to every

and a technique that was up to every requirement.

In the Handel Concerto No. 5 and the Bach Prelude and Fugue in E flat Mr. Watkins displayed solid musicianship and good taste, and he avoided the temptation to be a speeder at the console. The Handel opening number was perhaps the most pleasing offering of the evening and immediately put one in the proper mood to enjoy, rather than endure, an organ recital. In the three movements of Leo Sowerby's Sonatina the recitalist used colorful registration. The second movement, labeled "very slowly," was a thing of beauty. Dr. Sowerby is to be congratulated on breaking away from Italian and other foreign nomenclature in naming the movements of his works and in plain English denominating them as "In a placid and easy-going manner," "Very slowly" and "Fast and perky."

The recital closed with Willan's Introduction, Passacaglia and Fugue, a work of colossal proportions but not food for musical infants such as sometimes listen to organ recitals.

to organ recitals.

THE VAN DUSEN ORGAN CLUB of Chicago held its annual Christmas meeting Dec. 18. The following program was presented in the spirit of the Christmas season: "In dulci Jubilo," Karg-Elert (Jack Schneider); "Divinum Mysterium," Purvis (Marjorie Jackson); "Come unto Him," Handel; "The Virgin's Slumber Song," Reger, and "O Holy Night," Adam (Joan Huneryager, soprano; Norris Freed, accompanist); "Noel," d'Aquin (Norris Freed); "Nativity Miniatures," Taylor (Robert Lodine). A social hour was enjoyed by guests and club members, many of whom had come from a distance to share in the Christmas party.

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Open Dianason, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Rohr Flöte, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Principal, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Twelfth, 2% ft., 61 pipes.
Fifteenth, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Trumpet, 8 ft., 68 pipes.

Trumpet, 8 ft., 68 pipes.

SWELL ORGAN.
Gedeckt, 16 ft., 68 pipes.
Geigen Diapason, 8 ft., 68 pipes
Stopped Diapason, 8 ft., 68 pipes
Voia da Gamba. 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Voix Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Octave Geigen, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Traverse Flute, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Piccolo, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Oboe, 8 ft., 68 nines.

CHOIR ORGAN.
(Prepared for.)

CHOIR ORGAN.

(Prepared for.)

Viola, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Melodia, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Dulciana, 8 ft., 68 pipes.
Lieblich Flute, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Lieblich Flute, 4 ft., 68 pipes.
Nasard, 2% ft., 61 pipes.
Flageolet, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Chimes.
Tremulant.

PEDAL ORGAN.
Principal, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Gedeckt, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Stopped Flute, 8 ft., 12 notes.
Trumpet, 16 ft., 12 notes.

YURY ARBATSKY'S Partita for violin and organ was performed for the first time by Carmen Bernendsen and Grigg Fountain at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Cleveland, Jan. 21. Dr. Arbatsky is director of music at Salem Lutheran Church in Chicago.

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Eugene Devereaux, Professor of Organ and Theory Mount Vernon, Ia. Cornell College.

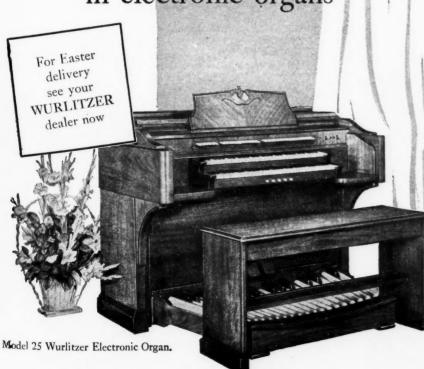
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Toccata on a French Psalm-tune, by Norman Z. Fisher; published by Galaxy Music Corporation, New York City.

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Twelve Organ Pieces in Varied Styles. by H. Alexander Matthews; published by Elkan-Vogel Company, Philadelphia.

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In his foreword the composer explains that "this volume * * * is presented with the hope that its contents may prove useful as preludes to the service, as offertories, or as light numbers in recital programs. All the pieces are of average difficulty and so should appeal to the young organist as well as to the more experienced one. General directions are given for registration, leaving, however.

experienced one. General directions are given for registration, leaving, however, the choice of solo stops to the discretion of the organist."

The dozen titles included in the volume comprise "Solitude," "Chanson Elegiac," Communion. Intermezzo, Canzonetta, Canon, "Soliloquy," Danish Carol, "Chanson de Nuit," Pastorale, Prelude on a Gregorian Theme and "Spring Idyl." The Danish Carol has been reissued as a separate number.

This is all music of literate values, melodic, attractive and effective. We have much fine music that is difficult; much poor music that is easy. This set of pieces adds to the repertory where we most need good music—in the moderately easy cate-

"Alleluia," by Mozart, arranged for organ solo by W. A. Goldsworthy; published by J. Fischer & Bro., New York City.

by J. Fischer & Bro., New York City. The florid vocal solo from a motet by Mozart, known best in this country as a favorite solo in concert by Lili Lehmann, has been transcribed for organ solo. Just where it will fit into the scheme of things I for one do not know. I presume it will find use as a light element for recital use, or as a postlude. The arranger has done a good job; the music is most attractive and of prime quality: and clumsy difficulties have been cleverly avoided. If you like arrangements of coloratura fireworks you will like this well-done job.

Communion and Offertoire, both by Joseph Jongen; "Westminster Humn of Glory," by M. Enrico Bossi; Toccata, by Jac. Bonset; all edited by Robert Leech Bedell; published by Edition "Le Grand Orgue," Brooklyn, N. Y.

Four very interesting and little-known pieces for organ now available in this reprint. Each of the four is a splendid example of this type and will amply repay acquaintance and cultivation.

Four Pieces for Organ ("Hymn." Largo,
"In Memoriam" and Finale), by Flor
Peeters; published separately by McLaughlin & Reilly Company, Boston,

Mass.

The Belgian virtuoso, known best to us as a composer of large-scale opuses for the organ, here reveals himself as a worker in more humble, more practical spheres. These pieces are short, not above medium grade in difficulty, notably tuneful and on the consonant side. But simplicity does not in this case connote dullness or banality. We find many interesting points of individual writing, telling strokes of unusual treatment. The set is both useful and artistic—a somewhat rare fusion of virtues, but none the less welcome.

"Ex Spiritu Domini," by Paul Hastings Allen; published by Whitney-Blake Music Publishers, New York City, Subtitled "Wedding March," this short piece for organ is well worth the attention

of service players. It is tuneful, animated in rhythm, conventional in idiom and easy to play—and it is short.

Fo Music," by Franz Schubert, arranged for organ by Henry G. Ley; "Carillon," by Herbert Murrill; published by Oxford University Press, London.

The Schubert transcription is an expert job; the beautiful melodic song of Schubert is transformed into a grateful lyric for the softer voices of the organ. The other title is a toccata-like showpiece laid out for full organ throughout. It lies well under the fingers and the integral pedal part is equally idiomatic. Given an organ of body and brilliancy, with fluency of speech, and a player with technic superior to the demands of this virtuoso piece, the result should be a stunning finale to a program or a postlude for a festival occasion. The Schubert transcription is an expert

IN CELEBRATION of the university centennial the Northwestern University School of Music is presenting two important musical events early in 1951. The first of these was a performance of the opera "Louise," by Gustave Charpentier, Jan. 24 and the second will be a concert by the a cappella choir in Orchestra Hall Feb. 5. The latter concert will mark the choir's first in Orchestra Hall in many years. The program will include the dramatic oratorio "Jepthah," by Carissimi; the first Chicago performance of the Mass for Mixed Voices and Wind Instruments by Stravinsky, Six Love Songs by Brahms and shorter compositions.

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and shorter compositions.

EILEEN MALTBY, A.A.G.O., was organist and director for a Bach program by the choir guild of All Souls' Unitarian Church, Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 10. Mrs. Maltby played a group of chorale preludes, the Toccata and Fugue in D minor and "Sheep May Safely Graze." Other numbers on the program included the slow movement from the Concerto for Two Violins, chorales sung by the choir, piano and organ duos and Cantata 79.

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UNDER THE DIRECTION of George Norman Tucker, organist and choirmaster, the choir of men and boys of St. Paul's, Church in Steubenville, Ohio, has had an active season, beginning with a two-day Bach anniversary Nov. 12 and 13 which opened Sunday afternoon with a program of organ and string music. Instrumental music included "Sheep May Safely Graze," arranged by Biggs; March, Sarabande, Musette, Bourree and the Air from the Orchestral Suite in D, with organ and strings, and two pieces "a la concertante" for strings alone. Mr. Tucker's organ numbers included the Prelude and Fugue in C minor, Chorale Preludes, "O Sacred Head," "I Call to Thee;" "Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness" and "By the Waters of Babylon."

on."

The second day of the festival was marked by a memorial service of festal choral evensong with St. Paul's choir as host to the clergy of the Episcopal churches of the Ohio Valley. The service, sung to Tallis' Festal setting, included Psalms 121 and 16 and the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in Gregorian tones, and the Bach compositions "Now Thank We All Our God," the Passion Chorale, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," "Come, Sweet Death" (tenor solo) and "In Faith I Quiet Wait" (soprano solo). A reception for the clergy and members of the choir was held in the parish-house after the service. Assisting Mr. Tucker at this service was Owen P. Adams, organist of St. Stephen's, East Liverpool, who played the prelude.

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Saturday, Dec. 16, marked the ordination to the priesthood of two former choir boys of St. Paul's—the Rev. George P. Timberlake and the Rev. Edward Ferguson. A service by the full choir was held in their honor, singing the office of the holy communion by Mr. Tucker and Eric Thiman's "Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire" at the offering.

The choir's second annual Christmas festival of music was sung Sunday evening, Jan. 7. This service, a tradition at St. Paul's, is always well attended and opened with a "community sing" of carols. Choral numbers included among others: "From Heaven Above," Bach; "A Carol from Lapland," arranged by Dickinson; "Still Grows the Evening," arranged by Dickinson; "Angels, We Have Heard," French; "Up on the House-top," Hanby; "March of the Wise Men" and "Sleep, Holy Babe," from the cantata "Babe of Bethlehem," Gaul. Master James Kotora, soprano, sang "The Virgin's Slumber Song," Reger, and the "Song of Mary," Harvey B. Gaul.

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The motet choir of St, Anne's Episcopal Church, Willow Grove, Pa., under the direction of Miles Martin, Jr., will present a concert of unaccompanied motets and anthems at St. Ambrose's Episcopal Church, Howard and Ontario Streets, Philadelphia, Sunday, Feb. 4, at 4 p.m. The choir will sing four groups of works, ranging from Renaissance to presentday anthems. Ralph Edwards, organist and choirmaster of St. Ambrose's Church, will play chorale preludes of Bach and Brahms between the groups.

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The choir numbers some twenty mixed voices and is a volunteer organization.

HAROLD L. TURNER OPENS ALLEN IN HOSPITAL CHAPEL

Fifteen hundred people heard the dedication of the new Allen electronic organ and Maas carillon and chimes Jan. 14 at

St. John's Hospital chapel in Springfield, Ill. Harold L. Turner played the following program: Noel, Mulet; "From Heaven above to Earth I Come," Bach; Fugue in G minor, Bach; "Gesu Bambino," Yon; Sonata in C minor, Guilmant; French Rondo, Boellmann; "Noel Basque," Benoit; Cradle Song, Kjerulf; "In Paradisum," Dubois; "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupré," Russell; "Silent Night, Holy Night," Gruber. Preceding the concert Mr. Turner played a twentyminute carillon recital of hymns while the audience was gathering. audience was gathering. -

MUSICAL EVENTS in January at the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, where Charles Alan Romero is organist and director, included an organ recital by Robert Elmore Jan. 7, a Brahms program Jan. 14, Franck's Mass in A major Jan. 21 and the Berlioz Requiem Jan. 28.

YULE CANTATA BY SCHOLIN HAS FIRST PERFORMANCE

The first performance of a new cantata, "A Christmas Blessing," by C. Albert Scholin, organist and choirmaster of the Kingshighway Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, took place Dec. 17 at the church under the direction of the composer. The cantata was used as part of the annual candlelight service and the chorus, which included a junior choir, numbered a total of 115 voices.

The cantata makes use of themes from many carols. It is based on events leading up to and connected with the birth of Christ. Besides being sung in the Kingshighway Church, parts of the work were heard at a pageant sponsored by the St. Louis Globe Democrat in Kiel Auditorium Dec. 20. The cantata is published by Belwin Inc. Belwin, Inc.

Msgr. Lorenzo Perosi; the Life and Works of a Devout Musician

[The following article on the life and works of Lorenzo Perosi, noted Italian composer of Catholic church music and director of the Sistine choir, has been prepared for The Diapason by Guido Galli of Rome.]

The high regard in which Msgr. Lorenzo Perosi is held by the people of Italy was demonstrated recently after a performance of Bach's "Passion according to St. Matthew" at the Argentina in Rome. Perosi was not conducting the performance, but the audience spotted him in his box and immediately began shouting: "Viva Perosi!" It was the hitieth anniversary of one of his greatest works, "La Risurrezione." When the venerable, white haired man realized that the attention habeen diverted to him he became embarbeen diverted to him he became embar-rassed and withdrew to the back of the

From his earliest years Lorenzo Perosi gave promise of distinction in the world of music. He was born at Tortona Dec. 20, 1872, and received his first lessons from his father, who was mastro di capella in the cathedral of that city. At a very early age he showed pronounced aptitude for composition. He continued his studies at Milan and when 18 years of age went to Montecassino. His stay in the celebrated abbey had a great influence on his career. When he had finished his studies in Italy he went to Ratisbon, where he worked under Francis Xavier Haberl in the school of music.

While in Germany Lorenzo Perosi made many friends, among whom he counts Msgr. Kneip, who has become famous because of the "water cure" that bears his name. Perosi likes to speak of those days. Recalling the inconveniences of the cure, he says humorously: "It was strange; all we had to do was to eat vegetables and walk barefoot in the snow or dew. It was amusing to see elderly gentlemen with top hats and high collars going along barefoot." And he adds: "I never wore a top hat, for I was only a youth. I went without a hat and wore a soft collar with a tiny little tie like this." And he laughs as he indicates the dimensions with his fingers.

On his return to Italy in 1894 Perosi entered the seminary of Imola, where he soon was given the direction of the choir. A few years later he became maestro di capella at St. Mark's in Venice. While in that city he frequently took the early morning boat for Chioggia, some eighteen miles distant. First on board, he would seek a quiet corner in the reading-room and sit composing with a few pieces of manuscript paper on his knee. This traveling back and forth permitted him to divide his work into two distinct parts. Frequently by the time he arrived at Chioggia he had already composer spread rapidly enough, thanks to the success of his first oratorio, "La Passione." In 1900 he was invited to Rome to write an oratorio, the proceeds of which would be used to aid Rome's abandoned children. It was on this occas

the inspiration of his grief he composed the famous "Dies Irae" of his "Messa Grande." This loss was followed by an-other which deeply grieved his sensitive soul—the death of his parents. Overcome with sorrow his artistic genius found a way of expressing itself in his "Transitus Animae."

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The most important and the most interesting of the works of Msgr. Perosi are his oratorios. Coming at a time when theatrical works were in vogue, these compositions mark a return of the religious spirit to sacred music. The life of ious spirit to sacred music. The life of Christ in its divine and human aspects as it was presented in the Gospels is the principal theme of his inspirations. Drawn through his studies to admire Palestrina and Vittoria, as well as Handel and Bach, and sensitive to the great romanticists down to Wagner, he could not but be influenced by them. Nevertheless this did not prevent his character as a composer from developing along original lines.

We might say that characteristics of Perosi are a sweetness both deep and human and a touching expressiveness which penetrates his use of Gregorian chant, not as decorative elements but as a second nature. In an oratorio the choir

a second nature. In an oratorio the choir is of great importance, and Msgr. Perosi uses it to advantage and makes it blend effectively with the orchestra. Polyphonic developments are rare in his works except in the form of fugues in the finale. The same exuberance of lyrical, dramatic expression is found in his liturgical music.

expression is found in his liturgical music. Restrained and limited by the exigencies of religious worship, it frequently reaches a severe nobility of inspiration and an austere brilliancy.

Among the liturgical productions of Perosi are thirty masses and more than 200 pieces, psalms, hymns, motets and sequences. His oratorios form a true cycle around the figure and life of Christ

200 pieces, psalms, hymns, motets and sequences. His oratorios form a true cycle around the figure and life of Christ. Among these we find "La Passione," "La Risurrezione," "Il Natale del Redentore" and "L'Entrata di Gesù in Gerusalemme." Msgr. Perosi should be placed among musicians for whom life has been a religion of art. A born musician, simple by nature, humble in soul, he has always sung with his mind and heart centered on God. With the faith of an artist and with the hope of a man dedicated to a mission, he has continued to direct the Sistine choir since the day he was chosen for that work by Pope Leo XIII. He resides in Rome in a quiet apartment in the Palazzo del Santo Uffizio. Upon entering the house one's attention is attracted by his large study, dominated by a grand piano. His piano stands under an artistic crucifix which was given to him by the city of Milan after his writing of "La Risurrezione." Living with him are his three sisters, who watch over him with maternal care and frequently accompany him rezione." Living with him are his three sisters, who watch over him with maternal care and frequently accompany him to musical performances. Felicia and Maria were with him the evening we saw him at the Argentina. He rises early, celebrates mass and then begins work in his studio. He can be found there in the evening and frequently even late at night drawing melodies from his beautiful piano. Thus his life passes serenely, filled with music and the loving friendship of his sisters.

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In the Vatican, located a few hundred yards from the monsignor's home, another great soul keeps vigil—Pius XII. Msgr. Perosi has known him from his youth. They frequently meet and speak of art, music and God. Msgr. Perosi is blessed in his music and his friends.

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Mrs. Gordon Psalmonds has been appointed music director of the First Baptist Church of McAlester, Okla. For three years she served as organist-director of the First Baptist Church of Bartlesville, Okla. A graded plan of choirs is maintained with four organized choirs, beginning at the age of 9 years.

Mrs. Psalmonds holds a B.A. degree from William Jewell College and M.R.E. and B.S.M. degrees from Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth. Special piano study has been with Walter Robert of the University of Indiana and Wiktor Labunski of the Kansas City Conservatory. Organ study has been done with Jeanne Gentry Waits of Tulsa University and Dr. Robert Baker of New York.

On Oct. 31 Mrs. Psalmonds gave a recital in the Highland Park Presbyterian Church, Dallas, Tex. Her program included: Toccata in C major, Sonatina from "God's Time Is Best" and "In dulci Jubilo," Bach; "In dulci Jubilo," Dupré; "In dulci Jubilo," Karg-Elert; "Piece Heroique," Franck; "Harmonies du Soir," Karg-Elert; "The Squirrel," Weaver; "Carillon," Mulet.

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Jean Price Eisenstein, teacher of organ
at Linfield College, McMinnville, Ore.,
was married to Larry Gene Thompson of
Siletz, Ore., Dec. 28. The wedding took
place at the home of the bride's mother,
Mrs. Leo Eisenstein, in Moberly, Mo.
The bride's mother played pre-nuptial
organ music and the ceremony was performed by Dr. Allen Duncan, pastor of
the Coates Street Presbyterian Church.
Both Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are
graduates of Central College in Fayette,
Mo., and Mrs. Thompson holds the
master's degree from the Cincinnati Conservatory. Mr. Thompson is a teacher of
vocal and instrumental music.

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THOMAS FRANCIS DELANEY, who retired several years ago after serving for many years as an executive of Lyon & Healy, Inc., died Dec. 30 in a Chicago hospital. During his association with Lyon & Healy Mr. Delaney was in charge of the choral music department and was known to hundreds of church musicians. At the time of his death he lived at the Illinois Athletic Club and was active in Catholic charity work. Surviving is one brother, Dennis J. Delaney. The funeral was held Jan. 2 in Old St. Mary's Catholic Church.

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Harold Heeremans, New York City—Mr. Heeremans gave a recital at the Church of the Saviour, Brooklyn, Jan. 14. His program was: Sonata 2, Mendelssohn: "Musette," Handel; "Cebell," Purcell; Canzona in A minor, Karg-Elert; Intermezzo from Symphony 1, Widor; "Nativity Song," Bingham; Fantasie in Gmajor, Bach.

major, Bach.

Charles Peaker, Toronto—Mr. Peaker gave a recital in the Eaton auditorium Jan. 15, assisted by Phillip MacGregor, bass. Mr. Peaker's numbers were: Capricclo, Reger; Aria, Peeters; Fantasie and Fugue in G minor, Bach; "Ecce Jam Noctis," Willan; "Marche Fantastique," Ellsasser; "Carillon," Sowerby; Finale in P. fee. Franck.

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Arthur W. Quimby, New London, Conn.

—A recital was given by Mr. Quimby, head of the department of music at Connecticut College, in Harkness Chapel Jan.

11. The recital was sponsored by the New London Chapter, A.G.O. The program: Prelude and Fugue in B minor, Bach: Chorale Preludes for Trumpet and Organ, "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here" and "Sleepers, Awake," Krebs; Sonata I, Hindemith: "Suite Medievale," Langlais; Fantasia on "The Garden Hymn," Arthur Shepherd. Shepherd.

John T. Erickson, Mus.D., A.A.G.O., New York City—Organ music at the Christmas Eve services at the newly-erected Lutheran Messiah Church in the

Christmas Eve services at the newlyerected Lutheran Messiah Church in the
Bronx by Dr. Erickson included: "Legende," Torjussen: Noel with Variations,
Bedell: "The Nightingale and the Rose,"
Saint-Saëns; Noel, d'Aquin; "Yar hälsad
Sköna Morgonstund," Otto Olsson; "All
Glory Be to God on High," Bach-Biggs;
"O Du Saliga," Bach-Rebling; "Onward,
Ye Peoples," Sibelius.
Earl Barr, Columbus, Ohio—Mr. Barr,
organist of the Broad Street Presbyterian
Church and a student in the school of
music of Ohio State University, gave a
recital at St. Paul's Episcopal Church,
Minneapolis, Dec. 27. He played the following: Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C
major and Chorale Prelude, "Ich ruf zu
dir, Herr Jesu Christ," Bach; "Noel
Grand Jeu et Duo," d'Aquin; "Behold, a
Rose Is Blooming," Brahms; Fantasia in
F minor, Mozart; "A Christmas Cradle
Song," Poister; Pastorale from "Le
Prologue de Jesus," Clokey; Prelude on
"Greensleeves," Purvis; "In dulci Jubilo,"
Karg-Elert.

Bollo F. Maitland, Philadelphia, Pa.—

Song," Poister; Pastorale from "Le Prologue de Jesus," Clokey; Prelude on "Greensleeves," Purvis; "In dulci Jubilo," Karg-Elert.

Rollo F. Maitland, Philadelphia, Pa.—Dr. Maitland was presented in a joint recital with Kathryn Byers Johnston, pianist, by the Philadelphia Music Teachers' Association Nov. 20 in the Church of the New Jerusalem. Following was the program: Organ, Chorale Preludes, "We All Believe in One True God" and "My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord," Bach; plano, Berceuse and Ballade in A flat, Chopin: organ, Fantasia and Fugue on "Ad Nos," Liszt; plano, Nocturne, "Ragusa," Schelling, and Capriccio in Fminor, Dohnanyi; organ, Improvisation on a theme submitted by Agi Jambor, Hungarian plano virtuoso; plano, Concerto No. 1, in E flat, Liszt (orchestral accompaniment on the organ). The response to a demand for an encore was an organ and piano arrangement of the "Caprice Viennois" by Kreisler.

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Stanley E. Walker, A.A.G.O., College Place, Wash.—Mr. Walker, head of the music department at Walla Walla College, music department at Walla Walla College, gave the following program commemorating the 200th anniversary of the death of Bach Dec. 7 in Columbia Auditorium: Prelude and Fugue in C; Three Chornle Preludes (Liturgical Year), "O Hail, This Brightest Day of Days," "The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away" and "In Thee Is Gladness"; Fugue in E flat ("St. Anne"); Sinfonia to "I Stand with One Foot in the Grave"; "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"; Sinfonia to "We Thank Thee, God."

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Nesta Lloyd Williams, F.A.G.O., Columbia, Mo.—Miss Williams was sponsored by the Women's Assembly of the Coates Street Presbyterian Church, Moberly, Mo., in a recital Dec. 17. She played: Toccata on "Sleepers, Wake" and Prelude on "Divinum Mysterium," Martin; "Lo, How a Rose e'er Blooming," Brahms; "Dear Christians, Let Us All Rejoice" and Sinfonia to "For unto Us a Child Is Born," Bach; "A Christmas Lullaby," Stella P. Eisenstein; "How Brightly Shines the Morning Star," Karg-Elert; "March of the Wise Men," Gaul; "Eastern Sages at His Cradle," Douglas; "Ninna-Nanna," Mauro-Cottone; Noel, d'Aquin; Lullaby, Voris; "Christmas," Foote.

Murray Vanderburgh, Halifax, N. S.—

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Mr. Vanderburgh is engaged in giving a
series of six Bach commemorative recitals at St. Andrew's Church. His first
program was presented Oct. 23 and consisted of the following: Prelude and
Fugue in A minor; Chorale Preludes,

"Deck Thyself, My Soul" and "From God Naught Shall Divide Me"; Trio-Sonata in E minor; Fantasia and Fugue in G minor. The St. Andrew's choir sang anthems by Brahms, Weelkes and Stanford.

The second program was played Nov. 21 and included: Prelude and Fugue in B minor; Chorale Preludes, "Before Thy Throne I Stand" and "By the Waters of Babylon"; Trio-Sonata in C; Passacaglia and Fugue. A special group of singers performed English church music of the Tudor period.

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On Dec. 12 Mr. Vanderburgh's numbers were: Prelude and Fugue in C minor: Two Settings of "Come Now, Saviour of the Gentiles"; Trio-Sonata in G; Prelude and Fugue in E flat. Cantata 152, "O Walk the Heavenly Way," for soprano and bass, was sung on this occasion.

John McDonald Lyon, Seattle, Wash.—Mr. Lyon's recital at St. John's Church Dec. 17 consisted of the following: "Piece Heroique," Franck; Chorale, Honegger; "Come, Sweet Death," Bach; "I Am Black but Comely," Dupré; "A Christmas Cradle Song," Poister; "Carillon-Sortie," Mulet.

Thyra Pliske, Phoenix, Ariz.— Miss

Song," Poister; "Carillon-Sortie," Mulet. Thyra Pliske, Phoenix, Ariz. — Miss Pliske played at Phoenix College Nov. 27. She chose for her program: Chorale Preludes, "In Thee Is Gladness," "Jesu, Priceless Treasure," "To Shepherds, as They Watched by Night" and "O Hail This Brightest Day of Days," Bach; Fantasie and Fugue in G minor, Bach; Chorale in E major, Franck; "Litanies" and "Le Jardin Suspendu," Alain; Allegro Vivace and Finale, Symphony 1, Vierne. Miss Pliske was assisted by George Bennett, violinist, and his accompanist, Arnold Bullock.

Lawrence Richard Sears, Washington,

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Lawrence Richard Sears, Washington, D. C.—Mr. Sears began a series of four Sunday evening recitals at St. Patrick's Church Jan. 14. The first program consisted of Handel's Concerto in F major and Arnell's Baroque Prelude and Fantasia. On Jan. 21 he played "Symphonie d'Apres Media Vita" by Bonnal, which is based on the plainchant responsory for Septuagesima Sunday. Mr. Sears' numbers Jan. 28 were "L'Orgue Mystique," Tournemire, and "Cortege et Litanie," Dupré. The final recital in the series will be given Feb. 4. Mr. Sears will be assisted by the solo quartet of St. Patrick's choir. Organ numbers will be "O Guiltless Lamb of God," Bach, and "Scene de la Passion," Leseur.

Herman F. Siewert, Winter Park, Fla Mr. Siewert gave the dedicatory recital on a Baldwin electronic organ at the Forest Lake Academy, Maitland, Fla.. Jan. 7. These were his selections: Chorale Prelude, "In dulci Jubilo," and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," Bach; Trumpet

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Roger Hauenstein, Kingsville, Tex.—Mr. Hauenstein was heard in a faculty recital at the Texas College of Arts and Industries Jan. 16. He was assisted by Reinhold Hunger, trumpeter, and the Kingsville String Quartet. The program was as follows: Concerto in D minor, Vivaldi; Trumpet Tune and Air, Purcell; "Diferencias sobre el Canto del Caballero," de Cabezon; "Now Praise We Christ, the Holy One" and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," Bach; Three Sonatas for Organ and Strings, Mozart; Chorale in B minor, Franck; "Divertissement," Vierne; "The Cathedral at Night," Marriott; Toccata in B minor, Gigout.

Oswald G. Ragatz, Bloomington, Ind.—Mr. Ragatz gave a recital at the First

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Mr. Ragatz gave a recital at the First
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included: Two Noels, d'Aquin; Choraie
Preludes, "Come Now, Jesus, Down from
Heaven," "From Heaven Came the Angel
Hosts" and "From Heaven Above to
Earth I Come," Bach; Pastorale, Clokey,
"La Nativité," Langlais; "Adeste Fideles"
and "Ave Maria," Karg-Elert; "Communion on a Noel," Huré; "Gesu Bambino," Yon; Two Preludes on "Adeste
Fideles," Edmundson; Toccata on "From
Heaven Above," Edmundson. Also included on the program were three vocal
numbers.

Mildred Colt Neth, Rochester, N. Y Mrs. Neth played a program at the Christian Science service in the Masonic Temple Dec. 15. She chose these numbers: Prelude on "Ton-y-Botel," Purvis; Christian Science Pearle, Dipuli, Prelude on "Forestella Dipuli, Pr mas Pastorale, Dinelli; Prelude on "Forest Green," Purvis; Prelude on "O Little

Green," Purvis; Prelude on "Forest Green," Purvis; Prelude on "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Oetting; Fantasy on Carols, West; "Dreams," McAmis. William Sprigg, Frederick, Md.—Mr. Sprigg gave a Christmas recital at Hood College Dec. 14 in which he played the following: Swiss Noel with Variations,

d'Aquin: Pastorale, Corelli; "In dulci Jubilo," Buxtehude; Noel for Flutes, d'Aquin; "Good News from Heaven," Pachelbel; "Behold, a Rose Is Blooming," Brahms; Pastorale in A, Guilmant; Pas-torale on a Christmas Plainsong, Thom-son; "The Nativity," Langlais; "Christ-mas in Sicily," Yon; "Suite de Noel," Templeton.

Templeton.

Bessie Black Young, Des Moines, Iowa—Mrs. Young gave a recital at the University Christian Church Dec. 3. The program: "Rigaudon," Campra; "Basse et Dessus de Trompette," Clerambault; Pastorale. Clokey; "When Thou Art Near" and "Fugue a la Gigue," Bach; Reverie, Dickinson; "Roulade," Bingham; "Bells through the Trees," Edmundson; Toccata in B minor, Gigout.

John Hamilton, Wenatchee, Wash.—Mr. Hamilton participated as organist and

John Hamilton, Wenatchee, Wash.—Mr. Hamilton participated as organist and harpsichordist in a concert of instrumental music by Bach presented by the Friends of Music in the Central Christian Church Dec. 13. His organ numbers were these: Toccata and Fugue in D minor; Chorale Preludes, "O Man, Bemoan Thy Grievous Sin," "Rejoice, Good Christians," "Sleepers, Wake," "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God": Fugue in E flat.

Chorale Preludes, "O Man, Bemoan Thy Grievous Sin," "Rejoice, Good Christians," "Sleepers, Wake," "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"; Fugue in E flat. James S. Constantine, A.A.G.O., Chariottesville, Va.—Mr. Constantine's recital at St. Paul's Memorial Church Jan. 7 was composed of numbers reminiscent of countries he visited in Europe in the summer. The program was arranged as follows: England—"Carillon de Westminster," Vierne, and "Giles Farnaby's Dream," Farnaby; France—"Meditation a St. Clottlide," James, and "Ronde Francaise," Boellmann: Switzerland—"The Nymph of the Lake," Karg-Elert, and "From Lucerne to Weggis," Folksong; Italy—"Twilight at Fiesole," Bingham, and Pastorale, Pasquini: Germany—"Capriccio on the Departure of a Beloved and Pastorale, Pasquini; Germany— "Caprictio on the Departure of a Beloved Brother," Bach; The Netherlands—Fan-tasia in Echo Style, Sweelinck; Belgium— Variations and Finale on an Old Flemish

Koch, Pittsburgh-For cital at the North Side Carnegie Hall Jan 7 Dr. Koch played the following: "Solem Processional," Strauss; Adagio from owing: "Solemn Adagio from Scond Symphony, Saint-Saens; Fugue in Geond Symphony, Saint-Saens; Fugue in G major, Krebs: "The Ancient Chant of Mariners," Kreckel: "Bourree et Musette," Karg-Elert; "Epiphany," Edmundson;

G major, Krebs; "The Ancient Chant of Mariners," Kreckel; "Bourree et Musette," Karg-Elert; "Epiphany," Edmundson; "March of the Magi," Dubois.

C. Gordon Wedertz, Chicago — Mr. Wedertz, who is organist for the La Grange, Ill., Legion Sunday Evening Club, played the following at meetings held Dec. 3 and Jan. 7: "Fiat Lux" and "In Faradisum," Dubois; "Piece Heroique," Franck: "Liebestraum," Liszt; "Marche Pontificale," Lemmens; "Suite in Miniature," DeLamarter; Chorale in A minor, Franck; "Clair de Lune," Debussy; "Semper Fidelis," Sousa.

Mr. Wedertz was organist for a program of Christmas music by the chorus of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Chicago, Dec. 21. As a prelude he played these selections: Noel, d'Aquin; "A Lovely Rose Is Blooming," Brahms; "Christmas," Foote.

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Harold C. O'Daniels, Binghamton, N. Y.

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—Mr. O'Daniels gave a series of Sunday afternoon recitals in Advent. He was assisted Dec. 10 by Shirley A. Miller, harpist, of Syracuse University. Organ numbers were as follows: "Come, Thou Saviour of the Gentiles," Bach; Fantasy on "St. Clement," McKinley; Intermezzo from Sonata 4, Rheinberger; "O World, I E'en Must Leave Thee," Brahms; "Benedictus," Rowley; "Ave Verum" (with harp), Mozart; Serenade (with harp), Schubert; Chorale and Variations (with harp), Widor.
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Maurice John Forshaw, La Jolla, Cal.—Mr. Forshaw gave a vesper recital at the University of Redlands Jan. 14. His program included these numbers: "Incantation pour un Jour Saint," Langlais; Fugue in F, "Christ, Our Lord, to Jordan Came" and "Glory Be to God on High," Bach; "Première Fantaise sur un Texte d'Omar Khayyam," Alain; "Jésus Accepte la Souffrance," Messiaen; Sonata 3, Bach; "Vief et Joyeux," Langlais.

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John Glenn Metcalf, A.A.G.O., Dallas, Tex.—Mr. Metcalf played at the First Methodist Church Jan. 15. This was his program: Sinfonia from "God's Time Is Best," Adagio from Trio-Sonata 3 and Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major, Bach; "Les Fifres," d'Andrieu; "Air Tendre," Lully; Variations on a Noel, d'Aquin; Prelude on "Greensleeves" and Fantasia on "Ton-y-Botel," Purvis; "Feuerbestattung," Karg-Elert.

Jack Laurence Noble, Vermillion, S. D.—Mr. Noble gave a recital at the University of South Dakota Jan. 21. He played the following selections: "We All Believe in One God, Creator," Bach; Fugue in C,

Buxtehude; "A Rose Breaks into Bloom," Brahms; "The Fifers," d'Andrieu; Noel, d'Aquin; Prelude, Fugue and Variation, Franck; "Frayer," Jongen; "Landscape in Mist," Karg-Elert; Scherzo, Hilty; "The Swan," Saint-Saens; "Naiades" and "Westminster Carillon." Vierne. Kathleen Norris, Miami, Fla.—Miss Norris, who is organist-director at the Plymouth Congregational Church, gave a recital at Trinity Episcopal Church Jan. 8. She played these selections: Concerto in F major. Handel: "Bassa at Passant."

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Trompette," Clerambault; Toccata, Adagio, page 19 Jan. Scherzo and Adagio, Peeters; Fantasie in F minor, Mozart.

Anna Shoremount Rayburn, New York City—Mrs. Rayburn will give a recital at Calvary Baptist Church Sunday, Feb., at 2:30 p.m. Her program will consist of these numbers: "Agnus Dei," Bach; Concerto 5, Handel; Chorale Preludes, "Ach Gott, wie manches Herzeleid," "Ach Gott und Herr" and "Helft mir Gottes Gilte preisen," R. B. Rayburn; Arioso, Sowerby; Finale from the First Smphony, Vierne.

preisen," R. R. Rayburn; Arioso, Sowerby; Finale from the First Smphony, Vierne, Myrtle Regier, New York City—Miss Regier, associate organist of Union Theological Seminary, gave a recital at the Chapel of the Incarnation Jan. 28. For her program she chose: "Kleine Prilludien und Intermezzi," Schröder; Chorale Prelude, "Now Pray We to the Holy Spirit," Buxtehude; Toccata in C minor, Muffat; Trio-Sonata No. 6, Bach; Aria from the Twelfth Concerto, Handel; "Sonata Eroica," Jongen.

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H. Winthrop Martin, Wellesley, Mass.—
Mr. Martin, organist and director of music at the Wellesley Congregational Church, presented the following Christmas selections at services in December:

Dec. 3—Elevation, Lang; Communion, Purvis: Lento di molto (Organ Suite).

Lyon.
Dec. 10—"Aria da Chiesa," Anon;
"Speranza," Elmore; Antiphon 1 ("While
the King"), Dupré.
Dec. 17—"From the Depth of My
Heart," Karg-Elert; "Veni Emmanuel,"
Rowley; "Adeste Fideles," Whitford; "In
duici Jubilo," Candlyn; "Adeste Fideles"
(M.S.). Dickey: "In duici Jubilo," Bach.

(M.S.), Dickey; "In dulci Jubilo," Baci Dec. 24—"Adeste Fideles" ("Cathedra Windows"), Karg-Elert; "In dulci Jubilo, Karg-Elert

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Orrin Clayton Suthern II, Lincoln University, Pa.—Mr. Suthern gave a recital at the Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel Jan. 14, playing these numbers: "Psalm 19," Marcello; Air, Tartini; Andante Cantabile, Tschaikowsky; Toccata in D major, Kinder; "Fountain Reverle," Fletcher; "Dreams," Stoughton; Chorale in A minor, Franck.

George E. Christ, Milltown, N. J.—Mr. Christ gave a recital at St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church Jan. 21. He was assisted by Edmund Bittner, bass. Organ numbers were: Fantasie, Bubeck; Bourree and Musette, Karg-Elert; "Bells at Twilight," Groton; "Will-o'-the-wisp," Nevin; Prelude, Jarnefelt; "Carillon," Sowerby; "Cathedral" Prelude and Fugue, Bach; Chorale Prelude, "Have Mercy upon Me, O Lord," Bach; Allegro Vivace, Air and Hornpipe from "Water Music," Handel.

Claude L. Murphree, F.A.G.O., Gaines, "Wille, Fla.—Wr. Murphra's "part of the state of

upon Me, O Lord," Bach; Allegro Vivace, Air and Hornpipe from "Water Music" Handel.

Claude L. Murphree, F.A.G.O., Gainesville, Fla.—Mr. Murphree's program at the University of Florida Jan. 14 included the following: Prelude and Fugue in A minor, Böhm; Elegie, Peeters; Sulte, DeLamarter; "Ach bleib bei uns, Herr Jesu Christ," Karg-Elert; Scherzo and Fugue and "Homage to Franck," Diggle: "Winter Twilight," Scherzetto and "Song of Sleep," Walton; "Chartres," Purvis.

H. Velva Turner, Wayne, Pa.—Miss Turner gave a recital at her home De. 30. She was assisted by Anna Moffo, soprano. Miss Turner's numbers were: "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee," Bach-Turner; "Ave Maria," Schubert: "Holy Night," Buck; Largo, Handel: "Shepherd's Evening Prayer," Nevin: Fantasia, Dubols; Allegretto Grazioso. Tours; "Schönster Herr Jesu," Kreckel.

Luther T. Spayde, Fayette, Mo.—Professor Spayde, head of the organ department at Central College, gave his annual faculty recital in the Linn Memorial Methodist Church Jan. 7. The program was as follows: Voluntary on the 100th Psalm-tune, Purcell; "O Stainless Lamb of God," Pachelbel; Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, Bach; "Behold, a Rose Breaks into Bloom," Brahms; Canon in B minor, Schumann; "Benedictus," Reger; "Ronde Francaise," Boellmann; "Reger; "Ronde Francaise," Boellmann; "Reger; "Ronde Francaise," Boellmann; "Speranza," Elmore; "Thou Art the Rock," Mulet.

William S. Bush, Winter Park, Fla.—Mr. Bush, who is organist-director at St. Barnabas' Church and a student at Stetson University, gave a recital at the Congregational-Christian Church under the sponsorship of the Central Florida Chapter, A.G.O., Dec. 3. His program: "Cancion Religiosa," de Cabezon; "Clausulas," Mode VIII, Tomas de Santa Maria; "Tiento," Mode I, Cabanilles; "Fugue a la Gigue," Bach; "Jesus Comforts the Women of Jerusalem," Dupré; "Ite Missa Est, Alleluia," Benoit.

Recital Programs

John Leo Lewis, F.A.G.O., Aurora, III.

—Mr. Lewis gave a recital at the House of God, Mooseheart, III., Jan. 28. He was assisted by William Welch, baritone. Mr. Lewis' numbers were these: Prelude and Fugue in B minor, Bach; Allegro Moderato from the Fourth Concerto, Handel: Claute, de Maleingreau; Toccata, Sowerby. Ronald K. Arnatt, F.T.C.L., Washington, D. C.—Mr. Arnatt, who is organist and choirmaster at the Church of the Ascension and St. Agnes, gave a recital at the Washington Cathedral Jan. 7, playing the following numbers: Toccata in the Mixolydian Mode, Frescobaldi; Prelude and Fugue in C minor, Sonata in E minor and Fantasia in G major, Bach; "Trois Paraphrases Gregoriennes," Langlais; D Plainsong Prelude No. 1, "Pange Lingua Gloriosa," Arnatt; Variation on "Dominus Regit Me," Dirksen; Toccata from the "Plymouth Suite," Whitlock.

William Weaver, Gainesville, Fla.—Mr. Weaver, a student at the University of Florida, gave his senior recital Jan. 12. He has been a pupil of Claude Murphree for four years. His program: Prelude and Fugue in C minor and Trio-Sonata in E flat major, Bach; Adagio from Concerto in D minor, Vivaldi-Bach; "Noel, Grand Jeu et Duo," d'Aquin; Prelude, Fugue and Variation, Franck; Toccata on "How Firm a Foundation," Murphree: Chorale Preludes, "Light Divine" and "Glory to God," Willan: Variations from the Fifth Symphony, Widor.

Francis Murphy, Jr., Philadelphia—In a recital at Christ Church Jan. 3 Mr. Murphy played the following: Prelude and Fugue in C minor, Bach; Chorale Preludes, "Praise Be to Almighty God," "My Soul Doth Magnify" and "Praise God, Ye Christians," Bach; Adasio from the Fifth Symphony, Widor.

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Blingham; "Contemplation" and Pastorale, Purvis; Finale on a Noel, Henry Clay Banks, Jr.

Ruth P. Richardson, A.A.G.O., Binghamton, N. Y.—In a Christmas musicale presented by the Harmony Club at the Tabernacle Methodist Church Dec. 3 Mrs. Richardson played the following numbers: "Good News from Heaven the Angels Bring," Pachelbel; "Come, Saviour of the Gentiles," Bach; "Benedictus," Rowley; "The Bells of Riverside," Bingham. Other numbers included the "Weihnachtssymphonie," Manfredini, by the string quartet and organ.

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Charles Huddleston Heaton, New York Charles Huddleston Heaton, New York City—Mr. Heaton gave a recital at the James Memorial Chapel of Union Theological Seminary Jan. 22. His program was as follows: Fanfare Fugue in C major, Bach; Noel, d'Aquin; Trio-Sonata in G major, Bach; Rondo for the Flute Stop, Rinck; Variations on a Noel, Dupré: "Arlel," Thompson: "The Palms," Langlais.

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Ruth Pilger Andrews, Madison, Wis.—

A series of weekly half-hour recitals is being played by Mrs. Andrews at WHA (970), the University of Wisconsin radio station in Madison. The programs are given Mondays at 2:30 and began Dec. 11. The following compositions among others have been played:

Jan. 1—"Pavanne," de Chambonnieres; "The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away," "In Thee Is Gladness" and Canzona, Bach; "At the Cradle of Jesus," Bingham; Variations on a Gevaert Carol, Mauro-Cottone.

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Jan. 8—"In Peace and Joy I Now Depart" and "If Thou but Suffer God to Gulde Thee," Bach; "Epiphany," Edmundson; Cantabile, Jongen; "Contemplation," Rowley; "Legend," Karg-Elert.

Jan. 15—"Les Cloches," Le Begue; "Adoration," Dubois; Arioso, Sowerby; "Finale," Franck.

Warren F. Johnson, Washington, D. C.—Mr. Johnson's pre-service music at the Church of the Pilgrims has included the following: Theme with Variations in A flat, Thiele; Prelude and Festal Hymn, E. S. Barnes; Suite on Sixteenth Century Hymn-tunes, McKay; "Absoute," Gigout; Passacaglia and Fugue, Op. 42, Peeters; Festival Suite, Lange; "Unto Us a Child is Born," Willan; Prelude to Christmas Oratorio, Saint-Saëns; Fantasia on "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen," Dow; "Adeste Fideles," Ives; "Rise Up, O Men of God," Bingham; Three Quiet Preludes, Jacobi; Pastorale, Sumsion; Elegy, Candlyn; Adaglo, Ley; "The Joy of the Redeemed," Dickinson.

Dudley Warner Fitch, La Jolla, Cal.—Sunday afternoon, Jan. 14, at St. James-by-the-Sea Mr. Fitch played: "Grand Choeur," Dubois; "Cheerful Fire," Clokey; "Marche Funebre et Chant Seraphique," "Gullmant; Cradle Song, Poister; Prelude and Fugue in A minor, Bach; Offertory in D flat, Salome; "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupré," Russell; "Chant sans Paroles," Bonnet; "Gavotte Moderne," Tours; "Romance," B on s et; Improvisation; "Marche Pontificale," de la Tombelle.

W. Arnold Lynch, Winfield, Kan.—Mr. Lynch gave the first recital on a new Möller organ at the First Baptist Church, Ponea City, Okla., Jan. 5. His program: "Marche Religieuse," Guilmant; "Ave

Maria," Schubert; "In Thee Is Gladness" and Allegro from Sonata in C major, Bach; Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, Bach; Noel with Variations, Purvis; Tocata on "Vom Himmel hoch," Edmundson; "Dreams," Stoughton; "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupré," Russell; Allegro from Symphony 6, Widor.

Mr. Lynch played at the First Methodist Church, Kingman, Kan., Jan. 7. He chose these selections for his program: Fugue in G minor and Sicillano, Bach; "A Fancy," Stanley; Noel with Variations, Purvis; "A Lovely Rose Is Blooming," Brahms; Intermezzo from Symphony 6, Widor; "Angelus du Soir," Bonnet; Tocata on "Vom Himmel hoch," Edmundson; "Exsultemus," Kinder.

John Huston, Brooklyn, N. Y.—A re-

Son; "Exsultemus," Kinder.

John Huston, Brooklyn, N. Y.—A recital was given by Mr. Huston at the Crescent Avenue Church, Plainfield, N. J., Dec. 10. He chose the following program: Prelude and Fugue in B minor, Bach; Fourth Concerto, Handel; Fugue, Honegger; "Pantomime," Jepson; "Twilight at Flesole," Bingham; Symphony in G. Sowerby

Royal A. Brown, F.A.G.O., San Diego, Cal.—Mr. Brown gave a special Christmas Day recital at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion. He played the following: Kyrie and Noel, Franck; Pastorale in F, Bach; "Cantique de Noel," Adam; "March of the Magi Kings," Dubois; "Hallelujah," Handel. Magi F Handel



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In order to come under the act the vestry, session or official board of the church must agree to cover the employes, waiving the tax exemption to the amount which the church will have to contribute, which now is 1½ percent of the employes salaries. A vote is held among the employes and if two-thirds agree to come under the act those who sign up are covered. Deductions to the amount of 1½ percent of salaries are made by the church. Minimum salary requirements are \$200 a year, with a maximum salary basis of \$3,600 a year.

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Further details may be obtained from the nearest office of the social security administration.

administration.

RICHARD ELLSASSER TOUR IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

Richard Ellsasser began his annual transcontinental tour Jan. 19 in Phoenix, Ariz. His schedule included Tucson. Pueblo, Colo., Garden City, Kan., Pratt, Kan., Galveston, Tex., and Memphis, Tenn., in January. He will play in Brunswick, Ga., Feb. 2; Statesboro, Ga., Feb. 5; Columbia, S. C., Feb. 7 and 8; Westerly, R. I., Feb. 11; Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 18; Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Feb. 19; St. Catharines, Ont., Feb. 21; Lansing, Mich., Feb. 25; Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 26, and Omaha, Neb., Feb. 27. Arrangements are being made for a series of New England recitals the week of Feb. 11.

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Robert Van Doren, organist at the University of Columbia and Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbia, S. C., was the consultant for the church and the specification was prepared by him in collaboration with Ferd Rassmann, Eastern representative, and George L. Hamrick, Southern representative, of the Reuter Company.

The stoplist follows:

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Gemshorn, 16 ft., 49 notes.
Diapason, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Claribel Flute, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Flauto Traverso, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Gemshorn, 4 ft., 61 notes.
Quint, 2% ft., 61 pipes.
Super Octave, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Chimes, 25 tubes.
SWELL ORGAN.

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Flute Conique, 16 ft., 61 notes.
Geigen Diapason, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Rohrflöte, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Viole de Gambe, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Viole Celeste. 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Spitzflöte, 8 ft., 85 pipes.
Octave Geigen, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Chimney Flute, 4 ft., 61 notes.
Spitzflöte, 4 ft., 73 notes.
Nasard, 2% ft., 61 notes.
Flautino, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Plein Jeu, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Trompette, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Chobe, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Cremolo.

CHOIR ORGAN. SWELL ORGAN

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Viola (broad scale), 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Concert Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Erzähler, 8 ft., 85 pipes.
Erzähler Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Koppelföte, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Erzähler, 4 ft., 73 notes.
Erzähler Twelfth, 2% ft., 61 notes.
Erzähler Fitteenth, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Erzähler Seventeenth, 1% ft., 61 notes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

PEDAL ORGAN

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Sub-Bass, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Rohrbordun, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Gemshorn, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Octave, 8 ft., 32 pipes.
Flute Ouverte, 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Rohrflöte, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Super Octave, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Gemshorn, 4 ft., 12 pipes.
Bombarde, 16 ft., 12 pipes.
Trompette, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 32 notes.
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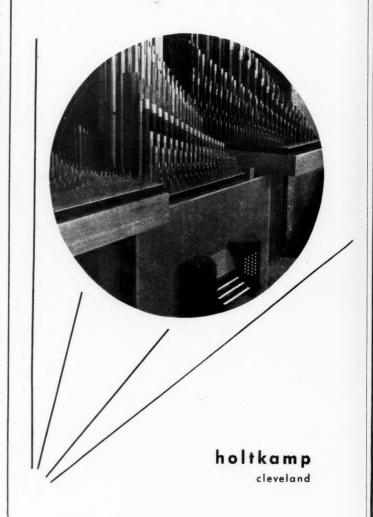
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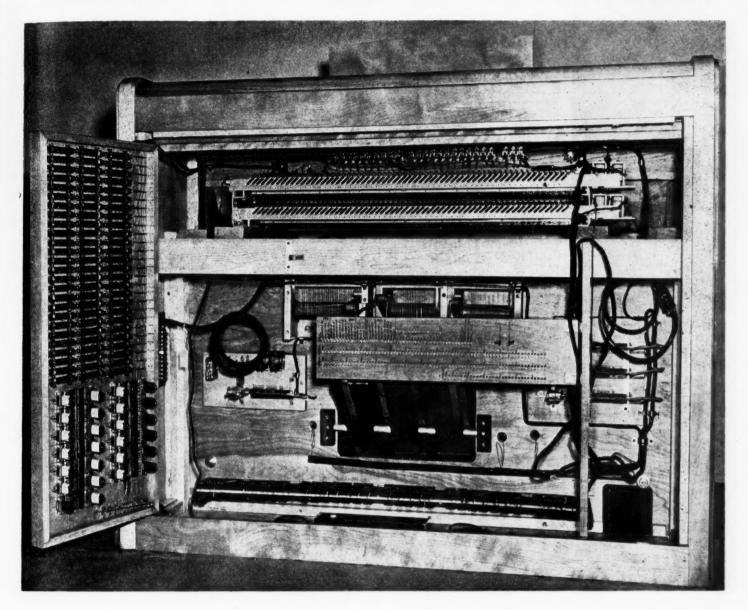
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A series of three recitals is in progress at the First Baptist Church of Detroit. This series has been an annual event for at the First Baptist Church of Detroit. This series has been an annual event for thirteen years and is known as the Chancel Choir Concert Series. The first program was heard Jan. 15 and Edwin Arthur Kraft, F.A.G.O., was the visiting artist. Mr. Kraft played these selections: Festival Fanfare, Wolff; "Subdue Us by Thy Goodness," Bach-Kraft; Minuet in E flat, Beethoven-Kraft; "We Thank Thee, God," Bach; "Ave Maria," Reger; Chorale and Fugue from Sonata 5, Guilmant; Serenade, Rachmaninoff; Finale from Symphony 2, Weitz; "Autumn Song," Elmore; "Toccata di Concerto," Bossi; "Jubilee Suite," Van Hulse.

The second recital was to be played by E. Power Biggs Jan. 31. Mr.. Biggs was to open his program with Handel's Second Concerto and then play Haydn's Suite for a Musical Clock, Soler's Concerto in Gmajor, "Sheep May Safely Graze" and Fantasie and Fugue in G minor by Bach, Schumann's Sketch in D flat and Canon in B minor, "Litanies" by Alain and the Reubke Sonata.

Cyril Barker, assisted by a string en-

rantaste and Fugue in G minor by Bach, Schumann's Sketch in D flat and Canon in B minor, "Litanies" by Alain and the Reubke Sonata.

Cyril Barker, assisted by a string ensemble, will be heard Feb. 12. Featured on the program will be two new works for organ and strings—the Introduction and Toccata by Crawford and Fillmore's Pastorale. Other ensemble numbers will be Handel's Concerto 10 and Bach's Concerto in D minor. These solos will be heard: "Rhythmic Trumpet" and Roulade, Bingham; Toccata from Gothic Symphony and Prelude on a Theme of Corelli, Edmundson. This will be the first performance of the Prelude on a Theme of Corelli.

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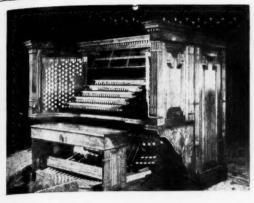
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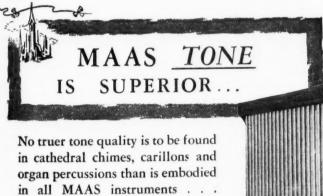
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Fitteenth, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
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Doppel Flöte, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Gemshorn, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Tromba. 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Chimes.
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Chimes.

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Quintaten, 16 ft., 73 pipes.
Geigen Principal, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Stopped Flute, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
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Voix Celeste. 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 73 pipes.
Piccolo, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
Mixture, 3 ranks, 183 pipes.
Trumpet, 16 ft., 61 notes.
French Trumpet, 8 ft., 97 pipes.
Clarion, 4 ft., 61 notes.
Oboe, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Vox Humana, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Tremolo.

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Spitz Flöte, 16 ft., 61 notes
Spitz Flöte, 8 ft., 61 notes
Spitz Flöte, 4 ft., 97 pipes.
Flautino, 2 ft., 61 notes.
Viola, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Dulciana, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
Nasard, 2\(^x\) ft., 61 pipes.
Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.
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16 ft. 32 p PEDAL ORGAN.
Open Diapason. 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Violone, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 pipes.
Quintaten, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Spitz Fföte, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 8 ft., 12 pipes.
Trombone, 16 ft., 12 pipes.

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Announcement has been made of the appointment of Kathryn Hill Rawls as minister of music at St. Luke's Methodist Church, Washington, D. C. Mrs. Rawls resigned as organist of the Hamline Methodist Church in the summer, as reported in the September issue of THE DIAPASON. St. Luke's is a new church, representing a union of three Methodist churches, and is beginning work on a large edifice. Mrs. Rawls will direct several choirs which are being organized.

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Spitzliûte, 8 ft., 85 pipes.
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Chimney Flute, 4 ft., 61 notes.
Spitzliûte, 4 ft., 73 notes.
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Flautino, 2 ft., 61 notes.
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Clarinet, 8 ft., 73 pipes.

Tremolo.

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*Diapason. 16 ft., 32 pipes.

Major Bass, 16 ft., 32 pipes.

Bourdon, 16 ft., 12 pipes.

Rohrbourdon, 16 ft., 12 pipes.

*Octave, 8 ft., 32 pipes.

Major Flute, 8 ft., 32 notes.

Rohrilöte, 8 ft., 32 notes.

'Cello, 8 ft., 32 notes.

*Bombarde, 16 ft., 12 pipes.

Chimes.

*Console preparation only.

THOMAS J. HILL, JR., who is a member of the Massachusetts Chapter, A.G.O., and commander of the Norfolk County Council, Veterans of Foreign Wars, was in charge of a memorial service given by the V.F.W. at the First Congregational Church, Sharon, Mass., Jan. 21. The organist for the occasion was Thomas Sobol, associate organist at the Church of Our Saviour, Brookline, and the conductor of the chorus was Gardner C. Evans, organist and choirmaster, Church of Our Saviour. For the prelude Mr. Sobol played the Toccata on "Orbis Factor" by Biggs, Aria from Handel's Tenth Concerto and Bach's Chorale Prelude "Have Mercy on Me, O God," His postlude was Guilmant's "Grand Choeur." The chorus sang numbers by Drosdoff, Bach, Gardner C. Evans and Titcomb.

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