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#### WASHINGTON CHURCH OPENS THREE-MANUAL

LEWIS & HITCHCOCK WORK

Samuel A. Leech, for Thirteen Years Organist, Is at Console for Dedication of Instrument in St. Paul's Episcopal.

Dedication of the three-manual organ built by Lewis & Hitchcock, Inc., of Washington, D. C., for St. Paul's Epis-copal Church of that city took place Jan. 28, with the rector, the Rey. Ar-lington A. McCallum, the celebrant. Samuel A. Leech, who has been or-ganist and choirmaster of this church for the last thirteen years, presided at the organ. the organ.

The instrument replaces the organ bush in 1899, which was later electrined, and is the twenty-ninth Lewis & Hitchcock organ installed in churches in Washington. The specification was prepared by Mr. Leech. It contains no duplexing or unification.

Following is the stop list:

GREAT ORGAN.
Diapason, 16 ft., 61 pipes.
Diapason, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
\*Camba, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
\*Camba, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Octave, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Super Octave, 2 ft., 61 pipes.
\*Saxophone, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
\*Saxophone, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
\*Chimes, 21 tubes.

\*Enclosed in Choir swell-box

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SWELL ORGAN.

Bourdon, 16 ft., 61 pipes.
Violin Diapason, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Viol d'Orchestre, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Voix Celeste, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Salicional, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Acoline, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Acoline, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Flute, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Flute, 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Maxture, 3 rks., 183 pipes.
Cornopean, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Vox Humana, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Vox Humana, 8 ft., 61 pipes.

Tremolo.

CHOIR ORGAN.
Geigen Principal, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Melodia, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Dutciana, 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Flute d'Amour. 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Flute d'Amour. 4 ft., 61 pipes.
Clarinet. 8 ft., 61 pipes.
Clarinet. 8 ft., 61 pipes.

PEDAL ORGAN PEDAL ORGAN.
Open Diapason, 16 ft., 41 pipes.
Second Diapason, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Bourdon, 16 ft., 41 pipes.
Lieblich Bourdon, 16 ft., 32 notes.
Violoncello, 8 ft., 32 pipes.
Flute, 8 ft., 32 notes.
Octave, 8 ft., 32 notes.

## FOR RED LION, PA., CHURCH

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M. P. Möller, Inc., reports the receipt of a contract for a three-manual organ to be installed in St. Paul's Evangelical Church, Red Lion, Pa. Negotiations were made through H. M. Ridgely, Philadelphia representative. R. O. Whitelegg, Möller tonal expert, assisted in preparing the specifications. The new church, of Gothic design, is being erected on the site of the old church, which received many years of satisfactory service from a two-manual tracker action Möller organ.

The new organ, containing twenty-seven ranks of pipes, harp and chimes, will be divided on each side of the chancel in chambers specially prepared for it. Tone openings both into the chancel and nave are being provided. By means of a switch on the console it will be possible to keep the nave swell shades closed or to use them in conjunction with the chancel shades. With the exception of a dulciana unit in the choir, pedal extensions and the 16-ft. bourdon in the swell, extended to play at 4-ft, and 2-ft, the organ is "straight." The 8-ft, stopped diapason in the swell is to be an independent rank (stopped metal) and not an extension of the bourdon.

Evanston Conference Listening to New Anthems



#### WON BY BURTON LAWRENCE FINE COURSE IN CALIFORNIA

Takes Honors in Contest of Society of American Musicians.

The Society of American Musicians held the preliminary organ contest for young artists, for the Bertha Ott award, at Kimball Hall Jan. 27. Six aspirants entered this contest and three were selected to enter the final contest. These were Miss Clara Gronau, Burton Lawrence and Kenneth Cutler. The judges were Barrett Spach, Walter Keller and William H. Barnes. The final contest, which was a public recital, was held at Kimball Hall the evening of Feb. 2. Burton Lawrence was awarded first place. The judges were Rossetter G. Cole, Franklin Stead and Mrs. Harold Maryott. Mr. Lawrence will be given a recital appearance later in the season by the Society of American Musicians under the management of Bertha Ott.

This is the third contest in which Mr. Lawrence has been winner of first place. Last year he was awarded first in the district contest of the National Federation of Music Clubs and also was given an appearance with the symphony orchestra of the American Conservatory of Music as soloist at the commencement concert in Orchestra Hall in June, 1933.

Fine COURSE IN CALIFORNIA

Music at Claremont Outlined.

Claremont Colleges announce a summer school of church music to be held at Pomona College, Claremont, Cal. June 25 to Aug. 3. The faculty will consist of Joseph W. Clokey, professor of organ at Pomona College; Dudousles of organ at Pomona College; Dudousles, Angeles, and Clarence Mader, organist and choir-music of St. Paul's Cathedral, Los Angeles, and Clarence Mader, organist of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, Mr. Clokey will give a course in liturgies, Mr. Fitch in boy voice training and Mr. Mader in the ministry of music.

The entire course will be approached from the standpoint of the small church. The work will be non-technical whenever possible, and the processor of the American of Music Clubs and also was given an appearance with the symphony orchestra of the American Conservatory of Music as soloist at the commencement concert in Orchestr

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A two-manual organ built by Henry Pilcher's Sons of Louisville was dedicated at the Church of the Assumption in Dallas, Tex., Feb, 6, with Carl Wiesemann of St. Matthew's Cathedral at the console. Mr. Wiesemann demonstrated the excellent tone qualities of the new instrument with a program made up of these selections: Aria (Concerto 12), Handel; First Movement (Sonata Op. 28, Beethoven; Offerfore No. 2, Batiste; Rondo, Rinek; "Etude de Concert," Bonnet; Aria, Tenaglia; Allegro, Wolstenholme; Reverie, Dickinson; "Regina Pacis," Weitz.

Russian Music at Grace, New York.

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At a musical service in Grace Church, New York City, at evensong Feb. 4 the organist and choirmaster.

Ernest Mitchell, presented a beautiful program of Russian works. Mr. Mitchell played an Andante Cantabile by Tschaikowsky as the prelude and Rachmaninoff's Prelude in C sbarp minor as the postlude. The anthems included: "Come, O Blessed." Tschaikowsky; "Cherubim Hymn," Rachmaninoff; "Legend," Tschaikowsky; "Cladsome Light," Gretchaninoff, and the "Cherubim Hymn" by the same composer. composer

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The entire course will be approached from the standpoint of the small church. The work will be non-technical whenever possible, and the program outlined will be one that should be practical in any community, no matter how unpretentious the church may be. The class will prepare and present publicly a series of church services, also a series of services for special occasions.

In addition to the public events of the course itself there will be a concert course occupying two nights a week. A strenuous recreational program is also laid out, so that the six weeks spent in Claremont may be a vacation as well as a study period.

Wicks for Jacksonville Church.

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The contract for the rebuilding of an old Hook & Hastings three-manual organ in the Church of Our Saviour, Jacksonville, Ill., has been placed with the Wicks Company. Additional sets of pipes are being included and the entire organ is to be made modern and more flexible. The present three-inch pressure will be used throughout except for the new reeds, which will be voiced on six-inch wind. The design was made by Henry Ward Pearson, director of music at the Illinois Women's College. The Very Rev. F. F. Formaz, who is an able musician and a keen student of the organ, is pastor of the church.

George H. Clark Breaks Arm.

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George H. Clark, organist and choirmaster of Grace Episcopal Church in Oak Park, had the misfortune to break his right arm Feb. 7 when he fell on the ice in front of his home. Like a dutiful husband, he undertook to sweep the snow from the front walk, but he struck a wrong pedal note, which misstep caused the accident. Mr. Clark was taken to the hospital, but is out again. He will not be able to play the organ for ten weeks, however.

#### FIELD DAY ON CHURCH MUSIC DRAWS THRONG

MANY PROBLEMS ATTACKED

Evanston Conference Marked by "One-Act Play" on Reduced Budget-Paper by Dean McCutchan— New Anthems Presented.

Organists, choir directors, ministers and laymen gathered at Evanston Feb. 20 for a field day on church music that was marked by discussions, demonstrations and fellowship which must have been a stimulus to all of the 375 persons who registered for the sessions. The occasion was the second mid-West conference on church music conducted by the Northwestern University School of Music, with the object of enabling those in charge of the musical part of the service better to solve their problems.

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The conference was of special interest this year because of the unusual conditions, due largely to the financial depression, which have affected church music and one of the features of the day was the treatment, in the form of a round-table discussion, of the difficulties that threaten musical standards in many places and the issues that are involved in reduced budgets, etc. The economic side was by no means the only part of church music which came up for consideration, the questions of worship, of hymn singing and of keeping up to date in methods and in the selection of music being emphasized by distinguished and experienced speakers. The afternoon was devoted largely to the presentation of new material in the form of anthems, and selections were sung for the benefit of those in attendance, giving them a conception of the present trend in American anthem writing. The day was declared one of pronounced benefit to all who came, and these included not only a large number of choirmasters of the Chicago area, but delegations from Milwaukee and St. Louis, and organists from as far away as Minnesota, Indiana. Colorado and even California. The events of the day were topped off in the evening with a dinner with the organists of Chicago at Thorne Hall, on the Chicago campus of Northwestern University, and a splendid recital on the large new Kimball organ in Thorne Hall by Charlotte M. Lockwood of New York.

All the sessions were held at the First Congregational Church of Evanston. They were begun with a brief devotional service conducted by the Rev. Hugh Elmer Brown, D. D., minister of that church, with Professor Horace Whitehouse of the university at the organ.

Oliver S. Beltz, conductor of the A Cappella Choir of Northwestern, in which post he succeeded Dr. Peter C. Lutkin, and associate professor of theory and history of music at the school of music, who was chairman of the committee in ch

gram for the conference, caned the morning session to order and the first event was a symposium on "The Church Music Budget." This took the form of a very interesting five-sided debate, or one-act play, in which a meeting of church oshicials called to consider the music expense was enacted. The characters of the committeemen were represented ably by the Rev. J. Clyde Forney, D. D., pastor of the First Church of the Brethren at South Bend, Ind., who took the part of the pastor and presiding officer: Philip McDermott, well-known Chicago organist who was the advocate of the organist's side: Frederic W. Chamberlain of Three Oaks, Mich., a prominent manufacturer, impersonating the music committee chairman: J. Ralph Wilbur of Evanston, representative of the church treasurer, and Professor Alvin F. Brightbill, professor of hymnology at Bethany Seminary, Chicago, who acted the role of the "mere" layman.

These gentlemen put on a discussion which no doubt has been duplicated in many a church, for they faced the problem of finances. The minister was in sympathy with the music but not sufficiently to let his "growing family" suffer as a consequence of a proposed horizontal cut affecting everyone on the church's payroll. The music committee chairman, appreciative of the value of good music, stood out for the same proportionate reduction for the music as for the pastor. The finance chairman saw no way out of the dilemman saw no way out of the dilemman except a 40 per cent cut in the music budget, come what may, for, as he put it, while he desired to be reasonable, he "was up against it."

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Mr. McDermott proved a valiant and convincing defender of the cause of the church musician, explaining the time and expense required for preparation to take charge of the organ and choir. Many issues, big and little, that plague those in charge of the music, such as the singer who is a member of the church, though not as well qualified to be in the choir as an outsider; the problem of volunteer choirs, of the type of music that should be used, all came up. The representative of the layman, Professor Brightbill, in his turn frankly stated that one of the hymns sung on the preceding Sunday did him more good than a mouth's sermons and that as for the organ and choral music it all went above his head.

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When the hypothetical case had been pretty well thrashed out Dr. Forney turned the discussion over to the "congregation," and all present had an opportunity to throw light on the questions that come up in their work.

Dr. Robert G. McCutchan, dean of the school of music of DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind., and editor of the new Methodist Hymnal, then delivered a scintillating and thought-provoking paper on "The Congregation's Part in the Office of Musical Worship." Dean McCutchan advocated a more general participation of the congregation in the worship of the Protestant churches. He pointed out that the people were brought together with a call to worship and then had little opportunity to do so, their part in the service consisting in most churches of the responsive reading, the hymns and sometimes the Lord's Prayer. He made a strong plea for more intensive cultivation of hymn singing and quoted from writers on the subject, one of whom pointedly asserted that the participation of the congregation in worship received little attention from either pastor or organist in the majority of churches. He presented a valuable list of books on the subject of music in worship which should be read by every director. Dr. McCutchan made a plea for the hymns which people know and love and paid his respects to writers who would banish such tunes as "Margaret," etc.

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man. (Ditson.)
"Seek Him That Maketh the Seven
Stars," Rogers. (Ditson.)
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Thompson. (Gray.)
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"Easter Paean," Broughton. (Gray.)

"Jesu, Priceless Treasure," Crüger.
(Ditson.)

A number of others were mentioned.
The choir then sang by unanimous request Lutkin's "Let All Mortal Flesh" and his Choral Benediction.

The last feature of the afternoon was a round-table on special church services, in which music for Christmas. Easter and other special occasions was taken up under the leadership of Dean McCutchan and a number of organists and ministers asked questions and presented valuable suggestions. The Rev. Oscar T. Olson of the Wilmette Parish Church was asked to speak of the unique Good Friday and Watch Night services he conducted when pastor of a Baltimore church.

The program committee, which arranged the conference, whose success was assured by the attendance at the meetings both this year and last, was headed by Oliver S. Beltz, the other members being Horace Whitehouse, George E. McClay, Harold S. Dyer, Whateheright and A. F.

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From Evanston the visitors wended their way to Chicago late in the afternoon, in time for the dinner in honor of the recitalist of the evening, Charlotte M. Lockwood of New York, given by the Illinois chapter, A. G. O., at Thorne Hall. Here those who came from a distance had an opportunity to meet many of the organists of Chicago and the occasion drew a throng. Herbert E. Hyde was toastmaster and radiated a spirit of good fellowship, keeping all in great good humor with his witty sallies. He welcomed Mrs. Lockwood to Chicago and she responded graciously. Dean Frank Van Dusen, E. Stanley Seder, president of the Chicago N. A. O. chapter; Mrs. Ora Bogen, president of the Chicago Club of Women Organists; S. E. Gruenstein of The Diapason and William H. Barnes were others called upon for a few words and amid much hisarity the entire party joined in a "Grand Piece de Risistance disarranged for sympathy orchestra" in which the instruments were knives and forks, used on glasses, with fists and whistling for variety.

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Charlotte Mathewson Lockwood, one of the stars in the firmament of young organ virtuosos growing up in America, made her first Chicago appearance on the Kimball organ at George Thorne Hall, on the McKinlock campus of Northwestern University, in the evening and was greeted by an audience of large proportions, which nearly filled the beautiful auditorium. Not only were members of the Illinois chapter. A. G. O., out in force, the recital being under the chapter's auspices, but Mrs. Lockwood was heard by visitors from many distant points who had come to the church music conference which occupied the day at Evanston. The W. W. Kimball Company, which co-operated with the Guild in bringing Mrs. Lockwood from New York, received expressions of gratitude for the treat from all who had been invited.

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Luncheon was served to those attending the conference at the church house and Mr. Beltz, who presided, paid a tribute to the late Dean Lutkin, whose aim was carried out after his death in the annual conferences now established. He called on several visitors for a few words and the luncheon was illuminated with an interesting tilt between Dean McCutchan and Elias Bredin, formerly of Hiram College, who took issue with the DePauw University man on some parts of his address of the morning.

A "choral clinic," as the afternoon activity of the conference was called, was an instructive hour devoted to the consideration of a number of new anthems of various types which illustrate the present tendency in American composition. Herbert E, Hyde, organist and choirmaster of St. Luke's Cathedral, Evanston, was in the chair, and made the proceedings attractive and informative as well. A collection of anthems, the output of several publishers, was distributed and nine of them were sung by the A Cappella Choir, with Professor Whitchouse at the organ. These anthems, the majority of them only recently issued, were:

"Angels of Light," Borowski, (H. T. TitzSimons Company.)

"Thou Art the Way," Gordon B. Nevin, (I, Fischer.)

"God Is in His Holy Temple," Carl F, Mueller, (Schirmer.)

"Blest Are the Pure in Heart," Thi-

Dr. Charles M. Courboin



from Sonata for Organ, Parker; Cradle Song, Bohemian-Poister: Chorale Improvisation on "In dulci Jub'lo," Karg-Elert. To this was added, in response to enthusiastic demands, one encore, the Rimsky-Korsakoff "Flight of the Bumble-bee."

The recital started in a spirited manner with the Elgar work. The variations of J. Bernhard Bach were played with understanding of the majesty of the chorale and revealed the elegance for which its composer was famed. Likewise in the Reger fantasie on another great German chorale Mrs. Lockwood made of it a grand picture, bentiting the words of the hymn, and brought it to a stirring climax. There was decided contrast in the next number, the Karg-Elert "Soul of the Lake." and this reviewer cannot recall everhaving heard it played with more realism or artistic color. Incidentally the performer must have found supreme satisfaction in the resources of the large organ, which made possible some of the color effects she produced, and the late Sigirid Karg-Elert's spirit, if it hovered over Thorne Hall, was sure to take pleasure in the way in which all the moods he aimed to portray were pictured.

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## COURBOIN DOCTOR OF MUSIC

Degree Conferred by Temple University at Its Semi-Centennial.

The degree of doctor of music was conferred on Charles M. Courboin, world-renowned recital organist, on Feb. 15 by Temple University, Philadelphia, on the occasion of the univerdelpina, on the occasion of the university's fiftieth anniversary. At the sa time the university conferred honor degrees on Dr. Einstein and Sena Copeland. In bestowing distinctions Copeland. In bestowing distinctions on these three men, eminent in such different fields, the university authorities showed their appreciation of achievement in the fields of organ music equal with science and statecraft.

Mr. Courboin is too well known to every reader of THE DIAPASON to require publication of his record. Coming to this country from his native Belgium about twenty-five years and his

ing to this country from his native Bel-gium about twenty-five years ago, his name has become a household word wherever organ playing is appreciated and accurately appraised. He has ap-peared in cities from coast to coast and his recitals at the Wanamaker Audi-torium in Philadelphia won him special fame.

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On Feb. 11 Mr. Courboin appeared in recital at Princeton University, playing the following program on the large Acolian-Skinner organ in the Princeton chapel: Sonata No. 6. Mendelssohn: Chorale Preludes, "In Thee Is Joy," and "Christ Lay in the Arms of Death," Bach: Prelude and Fugue in D major, Bach; Contabile, Franck; Serenade, Grasse; Largo from Third Symphony (transcribed by Charles M. Courboin), Saint-Saens; Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach.

#### IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE

Organists and choirmasters have field day at Evanston on occasion of second annual mid-West church music conference under auspices of Northwestern University. Recital by Charlotte Lockwood follows busy day of discussions and demonstrations.

Splendid service of Episcopal music marks symposium of A.G.O., held at Trinity Church, New York City, under the direction of Channing Lefebure. . Inother important event, a part of same symposium, is devoted to Catholic music. Demonstration of best in music of denominational churches at First Presbyterian, directed by Dr. William C. Carl, will take place March 6.

William T. Best's defense of the organ transcription, written more than forty years ago, is revealed by files of paper edited in the '90s by the late Everett E. Truette.

Dr. Clarence Dickinson and Mrs. Dickinson honored at service in which Dickinson compositions constitute the program, under direction of Luis Harold Sanford.

Father Leo Manzetti zerites on accompaniment of Gregorian chant. Many recitals mark the Lenten season, as reflected in the recital

News of the organists' organizations in all parts of the continent. including activities of the A. G. O., the N. A. O. and the C. C. O.

Bach Program by Cheney in Baltimore.

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Winslow Cheney, recently returned from concert appearances in France and England, was reengaged to play his third all-Bach program at Baltimore Feb. 28. The recital was under the auspices of the Chesapeake chapter of the A. G. O., and took place in Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Previous appearances by Mr. Cheney in Baltimore were made in 1930 and 1931, before he left for Europe. Both were all-Bach programs, under the auspices of the Maryland state council, N. A. O., one at Emmanuel Church and the other at Peabody Conservatory. On both occasions the programs were reviewed by the newspaper critics and received much favorable comment. Mr. Cheney's program Feb. 28 included the following: Prelude and Fugue in Gmajor; Two Chorale Preludes on "Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland (from the "Eighteen Great"); Sonata No. 2, C minor; Concerto No. 1, G major; Two Short Chorale Preludes, "Have Mercy, Lord God, Father Everlasting" and "In dulci Jubilo"; Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major.

Boston Women Give "Travel Recital."

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The Women Organists' Club of Boston presented one of its fascinating travel recitals Tuesday evening. Feb. 20, at 8 o'clock, in the Eliot Church, Walmut avenue and Dale street, Roxbury. With organ, violin, 'cello and singers, life and scenes of Paris and its environs were depicted. The organists were Myrtle Richardson, Velma Harden, Agnes Allen and Alice Shepard. The violinist was Mabel De Wolfe, the 'cellist Hildegard Berthold and the contralto Esther Carter, with the Women Organists' Choral Club, Sally Frise, director, and Natalie Weidner, reader. ner, reader.

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#### FINE PROGRAM GIVEN AT TRINITY, NEW YORK

THIRD OF A. G. O. SYMPOSIUM

Dr. Channing Lefebyre Directs His Choir in Presentation of Episcopal Church Music from Sixth Century to Date.

A rare treat was given the head-quarters members of the American Guild of Organists at the third recital of the symposium on religious music on Tuesday evening, Feb. 6, at Trinity Church, New York City. This recital was devoted to music of the Episcopal Church, and the splendid Trinity choir, directed by Dr. Channing Lefebvre, sang from the best of church music, dating from the sixth century to the present time. dating from the best of church music, dating from the sixth century to the present time.

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Dr. Lefebvre made a few introductory remarks, both interesting and instructive, first explaining the terms "plainchant," "modes," "free rhythm" and 'polyphony' to those unfamiliar with their meaning. He then mentioned that church music of the early and middle nineteenth century was purposely omitted on this occasion.

"I think it is an established fact," Dr. Lefebvre said, "that the musical taste of the mid-Victorian period was deplorably low, and was certainly reflected in the church compositions." But he continued later: "It is an encouraging thing that the big composers of today, when they come to write for the church, choose almost without exception to ignore this unfortunate period in the history of church music, and they are building their work on the solid foundations of the centuries before the nineteenth."

The choir began with a plainchant hymn of the sixth century, "Christe Redemptor," sung without harmony, as it was done in that period, then repeated with the kind of harmony introduced later for variety—that is duplicating the melody in fourths and lifths, a rather startling effect in these days. The "Magnificat" by Tomkins was in plainchant, some verses with faux-bourdon. Farrant's "Nune Dimittis" represented the polyphonic style, with soprano leading in importance, while the "Sancturs" of Palestrina showed the polyphonic treatment with canon. The next four numbers, an "Agnus Dei" of Byrd, "Crucifixus" of Lotti. "All They from Saba" of Jacob Handl, and "See What Affliction," by Eccard, possessed beauty and individuality, some in decided rhythm, and some unmeasured.

An address of greeting to the Guild and friends was delivered by the rector of Trinity parish, the Rev. Dr. Frederic S. Fleming. He spoke of the great need that church musicians are meeting in these trying times. The choir began the second part of the program with "Hosanna to the Son of David," by Weekles, a lively number, and the contrasting "Justorum Animae" ("Souls of the Righteous") by Byrd. "All People That on Earth Do Dwell," by B

lowed by Handel's "Hallelujah!" from "Saul," appropriate for the Christmas season.

Then came the work of living composers—Rachmaninoff's Cherubim Song, two Introits by Bairstow, "Lullay, My Liking," by Holst, and Vaughan Williams "Te Deum," The last three works have shown what Dr. Lefebvre remarked at the beginning of the evening, that good church composers of today are using free-rhythm and the old modes of earlier times, without, however, sacrificing any of the originality for which these composers are noted.

Everyone present must have been deeply moved by the spiritual interpretations Dr. Lefebvre gave in this recital, and also well aware of the care taken in planning and carrying out such a program. The organ accompaniments were effectively played by Harold Friedell, F. A. G. O., organist of St. John's Episcopal Church, Jersey City, N. J.

The recital of music for the Catholic hurch was given at the College of the

Channing Lefebvre at Organ in Old Trinity, New York



Sacred Heart by the choir of the Pius X. School of Liturgical Music, New York City, Thursday evening, Jan. 25. The school is under the direction of Mother G. Stevens. Owing to a slight accident she was unable to be present, but the choir was ably conducted by Miss Sampson, a member of the faculty, who also gave the lecture explaining the numbers as they were sung. At the organ was Achille Bragers, Mr. Bragers sang the priest's part in the aumbers requiring it.

The program began with chants used in the mass—an Introit in mode 3, followed by the Kyrie in the same mode; an Ambrosian Gloria in mode 4; a gradual in mode 5: "Alfeluia" in mode 7; sequence in mode 1, the simple and familiar Credo in mode 1 so well adapted to be sung by an entire congregation; offertory, "Sanctus," "Pater Noster," "Agnus Dei," etc. The second part of the program was taken up with chants of the antiphonale, which includes both Psalmody and hymnody. The program was skillfully planned to show what variety there may be in plainchant, every mode being represented and every style, from the simple syllabic to the melismatic chant, dating from the Ambrosian period of the fourth century to the fifteenth century.

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This choir is noted for the beauty and purity of its tone, so well adapted to the singing of this sacred music. The appreciation of the Guild was evident from the large number of members who were present.

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The Organ Club of London has issued an interesting pamphlet which gives a resume of its activities during the seven years of its existence (1926-1933) and other information of interest. It is the work of J. R. Knott and F. Webb, and it contains the aims and objects of the club, conditions of membership and a short history. In addition there is a list of the organs visited. This list already includes the most important instruments in London and and some in towns within easy reach of the metropolis, taking in nine cathedrals and abbey churches, four-teen concert halls, seventeen universities, colleges and schools, four residence and chamber organs, seventy-five churches and chapels and ten cinemas.

## CHORAL DIRECTORS ACTIVE

CHORAL DIRECTORS ACTIVE
Chicago Church Musicians Hear Program—New Constitution.
Chicago supports not only five different clubs of organists, but also a Choral Directors' Guild, many of whose members as well as officers are also organists. Massed choir rehearsals and concerts, and mammoth presentations of the "Messiah" are chief activities, but on the night of Jan. 31 a social occasion and concert was given in the salon of Kimball Hall. Alice R. Deal and William H. Barnes were heard in brief groups, while Emily Roberts brought her quartet from the Wilmette Congregational Church to sing several seasonal anthems. A group of solos by a choir director, Mme. Gilderoy Scott, concluded the program, which had been arranged by William Lester.

A new constitution was presented by

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A new constitution was presented by a committee, with President George L. Tenney in charge. Other officers include Carl Craven, Alice R. Deal, Charles Lutton and William Lester.
In connection with the N. A. O. and A. G. O. the Choral Directors' Guild will present an imposing service at the University of Chicago Chapel in the early spring.

ORGAN IN SEMINARY AT EVANSTON BLESSED

SOWERBY HEARD IN RECITAL

Möller Three-Manual Exhibited at Century of Progress and Presented to Seabury-Western Theological Is Opened.

The three-manual Möller organ seen and heard by thousands at the Century of Progress Exposition last summer and since then installed in the chapel of Seabury-Western Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church at Evanston, was formally opened Feb. 4, being blessed by Bishop George Craig Stewart, while Leo Sowerby gave a recital. The organ was presented to the seminary by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Allen of Glencoe in memory of their daughter Barbara, who died in 1927 at the age of 5 years. Mr. Allen is president of the Church Club of Chicago.

The prelude to the service was played by Frank W. Smith, organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Atonement, Chicago, an old friend of Mr. Allen. Dean Grant opened the service. Following the blessing of the organ Dudley Buck's "Te Deum" in B numor was sung by the seminary choir under the direction of Mme. Edith Bideau Normelli. The seminary organist, Cyril Bascom Russell, played the service. Another outstanding number was Bach's "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," sung by the choir.

Following the dedication a solo was sung by Reinald Werrenrath, the well-known baritone, who is also a iriend of the donor. This number was Mendelssohn's "Lord God of Abraham."

Following the service of dedication and blessing Mr. Sowerby, organist and choirmaster of St. James' Church, Chicago, played: Chorale Preludes, "Jesus, My Joy" and "In Thee Is Joy." Bach; Cantabile, Franck; "Ariel," Bonnet; "Carillon," Sowerby; Cantilene (irom Third Symphony), Vierne; Prelude on the Welsh Hymn-tune "Hyfrydol," Vaughan Williams.

#### WORKS OF SKILTON PLAYED

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Dr. Charles Sanford Skilton, F. A. G. O., dean of the Kansas chapter, has had three orchestral works presented by symphony orchestras since Christmas. "American Indian Fantasie," for cello and orchestra, was given by Philip Abbas and the Lincoln, Neb., Symphony, conducted by Dr. Howard Hanson, at the annual meeting of the Music Teachers' National Association in Lincoln. It was the third orchestral performance of this work. "Two Indian Dances" was played by the Minneapolis and Cleveland orchestras at children's concerts in Minneapolis and Columbus, Ohio. "Suite Primeval" was presented at Kansas City with the Kansas City Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by the composer before an audience of 4,500. This was the twelith symphony orchestra to present this work and approximately its twentieth performance.

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CLUB RECALLS HIS TRAITS

Dr. Carl McKinley Plays Recital Program and Leland A. Arnold and Dr. Hamilton C. Macdougall Speak at Boston Meeting.

With Gordon Chapel, Old South Church, and Dr. Carl McKinley as hosts, the Truette Organists' Club of Boston enjoyed an unusually fine program at its third meeting of the seventeenth season on Monday evening, Jan. 29. The first part of the evening was given over to Dr. McKinley. In Gordon Chapel he has at his command a beautiful two-manual organ with fourteen stops, and before playing his recital he gave a most informative talk, telling what could be accomplished with a small chapel organ and emphasizing cital he gave a most informative taix, telling what could be accomplished with a small chapel organ and emphasizing the idea many times presented to hispupils by their beloved teacher and friend, Everett E. Truette, that an organist shows his ability more in taking a small organ and bringing out all its possibilities than in playing on a large, wonderfully equipped instrument, Dr. McKinley is an artist of the first rank, and his playing not only was a very enjoyable performance, but was on a very high plane of artistic merit. Hisprogram was as follows: Toccata in C major, Bach; Chorale Improvisation. Tesu, geh voran, Karg-Elert; Two Versets from "Vepres du Commun." Dupré; "Hymnus," Truette; Scherzo in G minor, Bossi; Three Hymn-tune Fantasies, McKinley.

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At the conclusion of the recital the president, Leland A. Arnold, addressed the club in his usual gracious manner. He said:

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This is our first meeting since Mr.

Truette's death and it seems fitting that
we should at least touch briefly on the
subject that has so filled our hearts and
thoughts these weeks. This is not a memorial service, in a formal sense—that
will come latter. We only wish to talk
about Mr. Truette, informally and simply,
while we are together in our own meeting.

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It is not necessary for me to speak of the shock and grief that we all felt over the passing of our beloved teacher and friend. As I see your familiar faces, in this group which always gave so much pleasure to Mr. Truette as well as to ourselves, I can almost feel that he is here with us, with his genial spirit and kindly face. Let us think, as my rector puts it, that "they do not die—they do not go" and, to borrow his phraseology, "we have a fragrant memory of a life lived and of deeds done, and his name is a beacon light in musical history." I like to remember the fact that his precepts and teachings have undoubtedly influenced the lives of many people.

When I asked Dr. Macdougall if he would care to come and speak to us about Mr. Truette he said, with characteristic modesty, that there were others who could do it better than he. But I could think, and can think, of none better able to do so, in view of his friendship for and appreciation of Mr. Truette. Dr. Macdougall possesses many of the very traffs and qualities of character which helped endear Mr. Truette to us.

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A great many people die and the world gets along very well without them. In fact, the world doesn't know they are gone. The Truette Club, so far as I know, is unique in honoring a musician, for with the exception of the Matthay Club of London, I know of no other musical organization named for a living man, and, of course, we, tonight, are meeting and speaking of him.

It was, as I remember it, in the late 70s that I first heard Truette. At that time I was practicing the organ in the Massonic Hall in Providence, And that organ was a "ripsmorter." The reeds were very powerful, and Dr. McKinley, speaking of rumbles, reminds me that the pedial stops in that organ were the rumblest, of rumbles, well, Truette played that organ, and had "enormous fun." As I look back on it now, if is my impression that he was sent out on some advertising scheme for the New England Conservatory. He was a smart boy and a nimble player, and was sent down to Providence to play Since that time Mr. Truette has been a beloved friend of mine, and or a great many musicians scattered all over the world.

Truette's greatness was founded on something else than musical ability, Great as his skill as organist and composer, no man can be greater than his best self. I touched on this in a little paragraph I

Charles Marie Widor at Organ in St. Sulpice, Paris



made for The Diapason. My main point is this, that a man can't get away from the core of his being, and I don't care whether he is a musician, poet or business man, there is something that is his which either qualifies or limits—expands or intensities—what his particular aim in life is. It is impossible for a man to be a great musician until he is great within himself. This is true of most great men. Those of you who knew Truette know that he was a man of probity. His was a broad outlook on life, which made him feel a man must be a man fully and completely in the great relations of life. And, furthermore, he was a modest man—a man of firm opinions. He formed an opinion which he considered true and good and stuck to it. Probity and depth of soul must always characterize a great man. He was looked up to and respected, and back in the man's soul there was something we all loved and admired. One can't help thinking and wondering where Truette is at the moment. Does he hear what is going on here? This leads us to the question of immortality. We have all struggled more or less with the point of immortality. The world like to speak about resultant immortality—results from his work. His work lives after him—his musical work, his compositions, his playing—they live, and who shall say they die? The influence he has had over his pupils will live forever, and will never die.

A very happy secial hour was enjoyed in the beautiful living-room of the parish-house, and with one consent all the sixty-three members present felt that the kindly spirit of Mr. Truette was hovering over them.

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Good Work by Overley's Choristers. It has become almost traditional to say that the St. Luke's Choristers of Kalamazoo, Mich., scored a success, artistic and musical, in their annual concert. For thirteen years this group of boys and adults has come before Kalamazoo audiences with the best in sacred and secular music. Each year the meed has been praise for the singers, for the director and the accompanists. On Feb. 12 the appearance of the choristers under Henry Overley at Central High School auditorium was no exception. The program ranged from the finest of ancient church masterpieces, through folk music and contemporary sacred compositions, to a descriptive sketch in the modern manner. The highlight in the sacred section of the program was "The King of Heaven," by Whitehead, in which a semi-chorus of six treble voices was used antiphonally singing from the gallery. The effect was stirring.

Death Takes Daniel W. Protheroe. Daniel W. Protheroe, Mus. D., internationally known as a conductor of choirs, died of heart disease at his home in Chicago Sunday, Feb. 25. Although ill for a week, it had been his intention to leave his bed and direct the choir at Central Church, where he had not missed a Sunday for thirty years, but he died before the service began. Dr. Protheroe was a native of Wales, but he spent nearly all of his life in America. He was 67 years old. Dr. Protheroe was famed both as a composer and a conductor. Death Takes Daniel W. Protheroe.

#### DUPRÉ TAKES WIDOR'S POST

### Venerable Master Leaves St. Sulpice

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According to word from Paris late in February, the retirement of Charles Marie Widor from the post of organist of the grand organ of the Church of St. Sulpice, Paris, has just been announced. Widor, born in 1845, went to St. Sulpice as organist in 1869, and has played there since that time.

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Upon the recommendation of M. Widor, the cardinal of Paris and the authorities of the Church of St. Sulpice announce the appointment of Marcel Dupré as Widor's successor. When Dupré was 20 years of age he was selected by Widor as his assistant at St. Sulpice. It has been the custom selected by widor as his assistant at St. Sulpice. It has been the custom for years for Widor to ask Dupré to play the offertory, almost always some-thing of Bach, with Dupré never know-ing in advance what might be called

M. Widor, who no longer is equal to climbing the spiral stairs to the organ loft made famous by him, now listens to the service every Sunday from the nave of St. Sulpice. The grand organ of St. Sulpice, built by Cavaille-Coll, is the largest in France.

#### Lenten Musicales in Evanston.

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Four Lenten musicales are being given at the First Baptist Church of Evanston under the direction of William H. Barnes, with the aid of his choir and soloists. The first two took place Feb. 18 and 25 at 4 o'clock and the remaining two are to be presented March 4 and 25. The choir of the church is taking part at the first and third of these events. Feb. 18 there was a Mendelssohn program and the organ selections included the Second Sonata, two movements of the Sixth was a Menderssoni program and the organ selections included the Second Sonata, two movements of the Sixth Sonata, the Nocturne from "Midsummer Night's Dream" and the "War March of the Priests" from "Athalie." Feb. 25 a vocal trio consisting of Ruby Spencer Lyon, Gladys Marx Johnson and Helen Peterson Barth took part and Dr. Barnes played: "St. Amrs" Fugue, Bach; Two Chorale Improvisations and "Legend of the Mountain," Karg-Elert; Sketch No. 4, Schumann; "Beside the Sea," Schubert, and Toccata, Matthews. The program March 4 will be devoted to compositions of Cesar Franck, March 25 Lota Mundy, violinist, and Mrs. Barnes will assist and a feature will be the "Parsifal" Paraphrase by Wilhelmj, played by Mr. and Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Mundy

Harold Schwab, the Boston organist, took part with William Cook, pianist, in a recital at Jordan Hall, New England Conservatory of Music, Feb. 28, when a program of music for two pianos and for piano and organ was presented. The second part was devoted to selections for piano and organ and Messrs. Cook and Schwab played the Clokey "Symphonic Piece," "Night," by Converse, and Clifford Demarest's Fantasie.



By WILLIAM LESTER.

Festival Toccata ("Alleluia, He Is Risen") for organ, by Roland Diggle; published by White-Smith Music Pub-

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This brilliant number will serve as a stunning prelude for an Easter service. It is skillfully laid out for the organ, so that a maximum of effect is gained at an expenditure of the least effort. As may be gathered from the title, it is largely a finger-piece, the pedal for the most part being required to do little more than to mark out the harmonic movement.

A glittering theme in triplets, key of C minor, set against staccato chords in the left hand, all played on full great, serves as the principal subject. A subsidiary idea (really a derivative of the first) intervenes before a repetition of the original theme. A quieter section succeeds this exposition and is worked over at some length. A rousing recapitulation of the first material brings this attractive work to a sonorous and brilliant conclusion.

This piece is of the type that is equally pleasing to player and listener—it attempts to solve no problems of abstruse musical theory, nor to scale the emotional heights. But it is honest, four-square music, of practical value and honestly well done. There can be no doubt about its certain popularity.

#### PROGRAMS AT URBANA, ILL.

## Book of Recitals of Year Published by University of Illinois.

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Programs played at the Sunday vesper recitals of the University of Illinois at Urbana in the 1932-33 academic year are published in a handsome volume just issued by the university. There have been twenty-four recitals and they have been given by Director Frederic B. Stiven, Professor Russell Hancock Miles, Lanson F. Demming, J. Glenn Metcalf of the faculty of the school of music, and Dr. Charles Hopkins of the department of mathematics. The following data concerning the programs are of interest: Compositions for organ, 128; transcriptions, 31; solos and ensembles, 4. The composers whose works have appeared most frequently are: Bach, 15; Guilmant, 12; Wagner, 12; Handel, 5; Franck, 7; Karg-Elert, 3; Saint-Saens, 5.

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#### Death of J. E. Pepin.

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J. E. Pepin, a well-known Canadian organ expert on the staff of Casavant Freres. St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, died Feb. 19, according to word from Montreal. Mr. Pepin was 72 years old and had been associated with the Casavant establishment for a period of forty-six years. He was superintendent of the company's American branch plant at South Haven, Mich., during the time that it was in operation.

#### Westminster Choir at St. Mark's.

On March 7 the Westminster Choir will give a recital in St. Mark's Church in-the-Bouwerie, New York City, in aid of the choir fund. Announcement of the concert is made by W. A. Goldsworthy, organist and choirmaster of St. Mark's.

Mrs. Arthur J. Keltie, musical director of the Sunnyside Mausoleum at Long Beach, Cal., presented a program Sunday afternoon, Jan. 14, which was broadcast by station KGER, in which all the selections were compositions of Schubert. She played the "Ave Maria" and "By the Sea" on the organ. These programs attract large audiences every Sunday.

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#### HARRIS' CHORISTERS IN CONCERT

When the announcement arrives that Ralph A. Harris' St. Paul's Choristers in Brooklyn are giving a concert we check the date and go. This year was no exception and on Feb. 9, in the parish hall, this choir celebrated its tenth anniversary. The night was the coldest in New York's history, yet a well-filed house greeted the choristers. The first two numbers, Christiansen's "Praise to the, Lord" and Palestrina's "Exaltato Te Domino," showe dearnest work and preparation. The boys sang without notes, as they did most of the numbers. Ippolitoff-Ivanoff's "Bless the Lord, O My Soul" was most stirring and engaging. This was followed by "I Will Extol Thee," from Costa's "Eli." This "war-horse" of all boy sopranos was sung in a spirited fashion by Master George A. Garriques, a gold medal winner in the Greater New York Music Education League contest in 1933. "Nobody Knows de Trouble" vied with the Russian number in beauty of nuance and interpretation. In Bach's "Here Yet Awhile" ("St. Matthew Passion") Mr. Harris, the director of St. Paul's, used an organ and piano accompaniment. His belief in giving members

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of the choir an opportunity to acquire skill in accompanying displayed itself here. Byrd's "Ave Verum" was sung by a group of twelve from the choir. Gounod's "Gallia" closed the first hali

by a group of twelve from the choir. Gounod's "Gallia" closed the first half of the program.

Mr. Harris showed exceptionally good taste in the second half of his program. The choir does not appear in vestments and he cultivates the good teeling he has engendered in St. Paul's by letting the audience feel as if it were having a family party. Dancing always does follow and almost everyone stays for it. "Morning." by Speaks, opened the second half and was sung with rare taste. In Kalman's "Play Gypsies" and Victor Herbert's "Sweethearts" an obbligato was sung and hummed by the boys in a most effective manner. Forbes Duguid was soloist for the former and Master Robert E. Persike for the latter. Clokey's "Night" gave another boy a chance to acclaim Mr. Harris' training. Master Garriques proved his right to hold a gold medal in his handling of the many repetitions in his solo "Come to the Fair." by E. Martin. An arrangement for treble voices of Campbell-Tipton's "Spirit Flower" was skillfully interpreted by a group of twelve choristers. This, with the Bridal

Chorus from Cowen's "Rose Maiden," closed the concert.

closed the concert.

Mr. Harris is to be congratulated upon the tenth anniversary of his work at St. Paul's and the ideals in tone and interpretation he has set up. The rector, the Rev. Harold S. Olafson, spoke of this during an intermission in the second half of the program and expressed the gratitude of the parish and himself for the splendid work that was being done at St. Paul's through Mr. Harris' efforts.

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#### Special Service at Reading, Pa.

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A special service of music was given by the choir of Memorial Church of the Holy Cross at Reading, Pa., Sunday evening, Feb. 18, under the direction of Marguerite A. Scheifele, the organist. The program began with the usual organ recital at 7:15. Following were the organ compositions played: "Good-Night" ("Venezia"), Ethelbert Nevin; Second Impromptu in G minor. Mansfield; "Priere a Notre Dame" ("Suite Gothique"), Boellmann. The numbers in the service were as follows: "The Day Is Past and Over," Marks; "Gloria" (Twelfth Mass), Mozart; "Tesu, Friend of Sinners," Grieg (by the senior choir); "We March, We March to Victory," Sousa (by the boys' choir); quartette, "Blind and Alone" ("Conversion"), Matthews; tenor solo, "Forward to Christ," O'Hara; offertory, "Ave Vernm" in D. Mozart; postlude, Finale (Sixth Sonata), Mendelssohn.

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#### New Easter Music: Latest Issues for the Choir Under Review

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Easter comes early this year, with an awkward dilemma for me. Last month I had a few new compositions to review, but my article was so long that space could not be found for all that I wished to mention. This time I shall give you the omitted material from last month, just as it was set up, and with certain important additions of numbers just from the press; but I realize that my suggestions for Easter of 1934 will reach you rather late. My comfort—very scant comfort—is the grim fact that little new music is being bought this Easter anyway.

The most original new Easter work that has reached me is Dr. Whitehead's "Watchman from the Height Behold-ing" (Boston Music Company), an "Watchman from the Height Behold-ing" (Boston Music Company), an eloquent and impressive work, particu-larly interesting for its treatment of baritone and soprano solos and for its noble declamatory style, dignified and commanding. A chorus is needed for certain divisions, but otherwise this is an easy anthem.

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Dr. Whitehead has two other new Easter anthems. One which will be widely useful is "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" (Schmidt) on the fine old chorale "All Menschen missen stereben," the delightful arabesque accompaniment being derived from the motif as treated in Bach's "Orgebüchlein." The choral part is very easy, and the accompaniment is lovely.

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The third Whitehead work is a big anthem in eight parts, unaccompanied, called "Lift Up Your Voices Now" (Ditson), composed for Dr. Fry and the Camden Musical Art Society.

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The old German melody usually called "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" has had a number of treatments as an anthem, and there are two new ones of quality this year. The better of the two is "Joy Dawns Again on Easter Day" (Gray), a section from the recent Voris cantata for Easter. This is a stunning, easy number, with one short section for humming chorus or quartet and high solo.

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The other use of the Cologne tune is Wadely's "Light's Glittering Morn" (Novello), easy but contrapuntally interesting, decidedly for chorus, though not difficult.

I do not remember that anyone else has written an Easter anthem on the manly tune "Orientibus Partibus," though I am probably mistaken. At any rate, Russell Broughton has given us an admirable one of nine pages entitled "Easter Paeam" (Gray), with fine opportunity for the organ reeds and admirable use of unison choir at the proper places. Except for division of parts making a chorus imperative, this is easy, but it will be thrilling with a good performance. I expect it to be one of the most popular new anthems of the year.

Dr. D. McK. Williams has taken a section of Mozart's First Mass and made a showy and beautiful anthem called "Christ Is Risen" (Gray), with a florid soprano solo and a duet for ST. Though the style is florid throughout, it need hardly be said that it is never cheap. I feel that a chorus is needed, and that this will be a splendid number with a good choir.

R. E. Marryott has composed a carol-anthem called "We Will Be Merry" (Gray) on a jolly traditional melody that lives up to the title. To bring out the drone effects you will need at least seven parts, unaccompanied; otherwise there are no difficulties.

The Dickinson contribution this year is a big anthem by Johann Eccard, composed about 1600, entitled "Christians, Rejoice" (Gray). You need two choirs, preferably choruses, though a chorus and quartet are suggested as a possibility. The part leading is simple, and there are no difficulties of any other kind for a choir accustomed to singing antiphonally and unaccompanied.

Frank Wrigley has an easy, tuneful, accompanied anthem called "An Easter

Halleluiah" (White-Smith), running to rtallelulan (White-Smith), running to six pages, with solos for soprano or tenor or both. The text is the often-set but still noble one beginning "Christ

set but still noble one beginning "Christ Our Passover."

There are two Easter hymns of quality. The better of the two is Webbe's "Christ Our Lord Is Risen Today" (Gray), of which I cannot speak too warmly. It will be most effective in processional use, but the sturdy tune and discreet, robust harmonization will make this a notable addition to any service, in almost any position where a hymn is appropriate. It is printed in anthem form, and is really a hymn-anthem.

The other hymn is in the style of a naive carol, entitled "Christ Is Risen" (McLaughlin & Reilly, Boston); it is by Otto A, Singenberger. It might be a medieval German tune, so far as style and effectiveness are concerned.

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Beside the cantatas mentioned last month, there is one other called "Behold the Christ" (Ditson), begun by our late lamented friend, Dr. George B. Nevin, and completed by his son. Gordon Balch Nevin. The work runs to forty-four pages and will probaby take about three-quarters of an hour for performance. There are solos for SATBar. The devotional text is by Dr. Nevin's wife, with free use of Scriptural passages. The opening part is in the style that made the Nevin cantatas so popular; the last part, by Gordon Nevin, is so melodious and effective that it is evident that he may inherit his father's popularity in this form. In fact, his resources are so much greater harmonically and contrapuntally that he will please many musicians who have not been interested in his father's cantatas. Parts 3 and 4 merit separate publication and will doubtless have it. The music is easy throughout, well adapted to the needs of amateur choirs. Beside the cantatas mentioned la

My attention has been called to a solo for Easter with violin obbligato called "The Lord Is Risen Indeed" (Gamble), composed a few years ago by the well-known Pasadena organist, Robert W. Allen. It is for medium voice—preferably baritone, I think—and shows feeling for the capacities both of singer and of viol nist. In other words, while it has no great originality, it is an effective number, the sort of solo that singers enjoy for its fluid lines—the sort that sounds very much better than it looks on paper.

#### Other New Music

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I am enthusiastic over certain preludes for organ based on hymn-tunes. The best of the new ones is by J. S. Matthews on the "Christe Redemptor" (Ditson), a melody said to run back to the tenth century (which I doubt) and to have been composed for the bells of Gloucester Cathedral. This fine piece opens with the melody alone on chimes; but if you haven't chimes, the grand tune will sound impressive played in octaves on rolling diapason the grand tune will sound impressive played in octaves on rolling diapason tone. While the treatment is easy, it is so beautiful that I rank this with the best chorale preludes of Noble, Willan and Candlyn; and I advise everyone to buy it. (I give this advice even though I am handicapped by the fact that Mr. Matthews is dedicating the piece to me.)

Dr. Thiman has a set of "Four Chorale Improvisations" (Novello), none of the four so inspired as the Matthews piece, but all easy and effective and beautifully polished. The tunes are "Dominus Regit Me," "Winchester New," "Wareham" (with effective use of an ostinato) and "Hanover," The price in England is only two-and-six for the set.

Two chorale numbers I have selected, from a dozen to be mentioned later. One is an introit anthem by Carl F. Mueller entitled "God Is in His Holy Temple" (G. Schirmer), for unaccompanied chorus, mostly in four parts. The style reminds one of the great Russians; it is a beautiful, atmospheric work.

The other number is Dr. Dickinson's The other number is Dr. Dickinson's edition of a setting of the Lord's Prayer from the Ukrainian church service (Gray). This may be sung by a single choir, with some divisions of parts, but it should have a second or antiphonal chorus or quartet, in four or two-part harmony, or even in unison. I believe that this will be extremely popular

#### For Ascension

I have been asked to suggest a few numbers for Ascensiontide, a festiva which is being celebrated more and more even in the Protestant churches more even in the Protestant churches. Hastily I have picked out the following anthems from a pretty extensive list now available:

Mueller—"Lo. God Is Here." Eight parts, unaccompanied. (G. Schirmer.)

Timmings—"O God of God." Fifteen pages. (Gray.)

William-"O King of Glory." Unaccompanied motet. Best. (Oxford.)

Willan—"O King of Glory." Unaccompanied motet. Best. (Oxford.)
Williams, Vaughan—"At the Name of Jesus." A fine hymn-anthem on the time "King's Weston." (Oxford.)
Arensky — "O Praise the Lord of Heaven." (Unaccompanied. Splendid. (Gray.)
Dickinson—Schubert —"My Peace I Leave." Melodious. (Gray.)
Matthews, H. A.—"Take Ye Heed."
Bass solo. Melodious. (G. Schirmer.)

New Work by Hillgreen, Lane & Co. Hillgreen, Lane & Co., Alliance, Ohio, are installing a three-manual organ in Martin Luther Church at Youngstown, Ohio. The specification of this instrument was published in The Diapason in September, 1931. Within the last month the same firm has completed installations in the M. E. Church of Ligonier, Ind., and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Lancaster, Ohio. Contracts have been received for a three-manual to be installed in the First Christian Church, Youngstown, and for a two-manual in the First Presbyterian Church, Newell, W. Va.

Chicago Women Organists' Program.
Frances Anne Cook, organist of the
North Shore Baptist Church, has prepared a program of spring music for
the Chicago Club of Women Organists,
to be given at the salon of the W. W. the Chicago Club of Women Organists, to be given at the salon of the W. W. Kimball Company Monday evening, March 5. Organ soloists will be Mary Ruth Craven, Ora E. Phillips and Tina Mae Haines. The quartet of St. James' M. E. Church will be the assisting artists. The public is invited.

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Recital in First Reformed Church at Ellenville, N. Y., by Schminke.

A two-manual Wicks organ in the First Reformed Church, Ellenville, N. Y., was dedicated Dec. 21, Dr. Oscar Schminke playing the dedicatory recital. Through the co-operation of the Rev. Perry Van Dyke, pastor of the church, and the able work of Walter Howe of Worcester, Mass., and L. H. Montague of Buffalo in the designing of the instrument, the results obtained are very gratifying. Harry Bayer, Eastern representative of the Wicks Company, likewise gave it every attention. The great and swell are installed in separate chambers. Tone openings are unusually large, thus providing very successful expression. Four-inch wind is employed throughout. The gemshorn mixture is particularly useful and the synthetic effects are good due to the fact that the nazard is inch wind is employed throughout. The gemshorn mixture is particularly useful and the synthetic effects are good due to the fact that the nazard is taken from the flauto traverso. A synthetic quintadena and oboe obtained by combining the 8-ft. stopped flute and salicional with the nazard provide valuable solo stops. The cornopean is of a very small scale, being only 3½ inches in diameter at CC.

The organ was installed by C. A. Nagel and finished by A. Schaefer.
Other recent contracts obtained by Mr. Bayer are from the First Presbyterian Church. Brewster, N. Y. and St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. The Brewster installation of eight sets will be completed in March and the Poughkeepsie organ, which contains nineteen ranks, is to be installed about Sept. 1.

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#### Beymer Directs "Creation."

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A chorus of 100 voices under the direction of Paul Allen Beymer, the Cleveland organist, constituting the Painesville Choral Association, sang Haydn's "Creation" Feb. 13 at Lake Eric College in Painesville, Catherine Kelliker Daniels, A. A. G. O., was at the organ. The performance was repeated over WTAM on the evening of Feb. 24 with the aid of the symphony orchestra and the organ.

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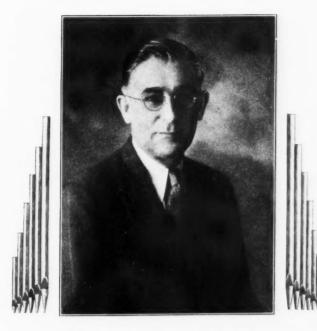
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#### Best Made Fur Fly in Debate with Parratt on Transcriptions

[Continued from February issue.]

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Most of us of the present generation have distinct recollections of ardent discussions of the question of playing transcriptions on the organ—discussions that do not go as far back as forty-two years. But they had these debates in the early days—even in 1854—as revealed by a study of The Organ, the earliest of American organ magazines, edited and published by Everett E. Truette, as set forth in The Diapason a month ago. Picking up the June, 1892, issue of Mr. Truette's paper, which is the second number of the first volume of The Organ, one is attracted by an article headed "Organ Arrangements," and we find, quoted from Musical Opinion of London, a letter written by none other than William T. Best, which shows the great English organist to have been as brilliant in repartee as in registration—as adept at argument as at performance at the console.

Mr. Best's contribution to this early-day consideration of a topic which seems never to have been settled beyond the peradventure of a debate or magazine article, is scintillating and deals in no delicate fashion with his adversary of the moment, who was the famous Walter Parratt. And it quotes Sir Henry Smart's words of righty years ago! Certainly a picture of these two distinguished men in a battle of wits must be interesting enough to resurrect, and so we quote the letter of Mr. Best in full:

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My attention has been called to an article on the organ in the lately started Victorian Magnetine by "Mr. Walter Parratt, organist to the Queen," in which that gentleman maintains a singularly hostile attitude to all "arranged" music for the ogan, singling out for special animadversion my contribution to this class of music, termed by him "examples of misance termed by him "examples of misance.

sion my contribution to this class of music, termed by him "examples of misapplied skill"; and in lectures delivered in his native town, Huddersfield, he reiterates similar opinions.

I may here remark that on the only occasion I heard him perform upon the organ he essayed a transcription of Mendelssohn's Overture, "Ruy Blas."

As the question of "arrangements" of orchestral and other music for an organ is one of some moment, I propose to show that Mr. Parratt's views on this subject are not in accord with highly competent that Mr. Parratt's views on this subject are not in accord with highly competent authorities, including the late Mr. Henry Smart, whose article in the Musical World (1854). I am fortunate in being able to quote farther on. It is necessary to premise that organ arrangements should exhibit, in an artistic manner, every important feature of the score, and never be debased for performance on imperfectly constructed instruments by players more or less in a state of pupilage.

To commence with, the father of all "arrangers" is no less a personage than Bach, who is well known to have "accommodated" Vivaldi's violin concertos to the

modated" Vivaldi's violin concertos to the modated" Vivaldi's violin concertos to the expressionless German organ of his day with its intractable pedal bass. Of all music in arranged form, that for stringed instruments must be truly appalling to purists when "reduced"—as the French would say—for an organ. Passing to modern German and continental musicians

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overtures, symphonies, marches, quartets, songs and choruses, etc., have been
transferred to the organ by F. Lux, E.
Hennig, S. de Laurge, E. Silas, B. Sulze,
F. Liszt, B. Schaab and Alexandre Guilmant, the last-named having lately commenced to "arrange." In this country we
have E. Perul, P. Stowart G. Corner, E. I. menced to "arrange." In this country we have E. Prout, R. Stewart, G. Cooper, E. J. Hopkins, J. Stainer, G. C. Martin, H. Smart and F. Archer, all of whom would bardly select music unsuitable for organ

effect.
Mr. Parratt urges that "the erection of Mr. Parratt urges that "the erection of large concert hall organs, and the necessity of pleasing the Saturday night audience, has had a disastrous influence over organ music, as in the majority of such programs two-thirds at least are arrangements of orchestral and choral works." It must be remembered, however, that in endeavoring to raise the musical taste of the humbler classes, the municipal authoritial endeavoring to raise the musical taste of the humbler classes, the municipal authori-ties of our large towns did not intend their concert organs to be restricted to the performance of preludes and fugues, and somewhat dry sonatas. As is the case with orchestral concerts of a popular char-acter, the higher forms of composition

have to be introduced both warily and gradually. As regards the organ, it is beyond cavil that a well-known instru-mental adagio or andante, suitably ar-ranged, is infinitely preferable to the ranged, is infinitely preferable to the frequently dull specimens of modern organ music duly vanuted as being "original."
Some years ago unfortunate attempts were made (in two organ journals) by utterly unknown men to supply a new stock of music for the most exacting of all instruments—the organ; but it is melancholy to record that the efforts of these native composers (many of whom had caudal appendages to their surnames) merely served to point a moral as well as excite the risibility of foreign critics. excite the risibility of foreign critics.

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It is gratifying to note that a better state of thinss now prevails; and if we could obtain anything approaching Mozart's great Fantasia in F minor, all would be well. Modern German composers are now timidly adding crescendo and dimin-uendo to their organ pieces, the builders being compelled to advance with the times and provide their lifeless stacks of pipes with the means of musical expression com

with the means of musical expression com-mon to all English and French organs. The works of Mr. Parratt's favorite composers—Herren Merkel and Rhein-berger—though in undeniable organ form, are apt to pall upon cultivated ears. Their are apt to pall upon cultivated ears. Their numerous sonatas, in particular, bear a strong family likeness, the chief themes being encumbered with a wearisome tech-nical development, too often proclaiming the manufactured article rather than the presence of the creative impulse, while the enormous length of many of the move-ments effectually prevents a frequent per-

formance.

The late Mr. H. F. Chorley (for many years the musical critic of The Athenaeum) made a fierce onslaught (1854) on all adaptations for the organ, calling forth, happily, a speedy rejoinder from Henry Smart of an interesting character, with which I am able to conclude this prolonged letter to your esteemed journal. Mr. Chorley says:

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and its varieties with the view of repre-senting them on the organ, wastes his time, loses his way and does not know his time, loses his way and does not know his duties and their limit. The organ can hardly be called an 'orchestra in itself' teven of wind instruments), and the fancy of devoting it to arranged music has brought it into low estimation. How shall an orchestra, the basis of which is the an orenestra, the basis of which is the brisk and pungent stringed quartet, be represented by its coarser and heavier tones, among which every staccato be-comes a 'quack' and every rapid arpeggio a yawn or a scream-according as the stops are of wood or of metal-and every chromatic scale a confusion, analogous to the blot of mixed tints on a painter's palette?"

To which Mr. Smart replies

"About all this there is, doubtless, some truth; yet so overlaid with misrepresentatruth: yet so overlaid with misrepresentation, or, rather, non-comprehension of the
facts, as to become really valueless. If
an organist 'analyzes an orchestra,' etc.,
with the view of reproducing on his instrument precisely the effect of the score,
for example, of one of Beethoven's symphonies, he certainly loses his way.' and
deserves all The Athenaeum may say of
him. And it is, unfortunately, true that
many organists, not thoroughly conversant
either with the orchestra or their own instrument, do commit this very obvious
blunder. If, however, it is intended absolutely to prohibit all adaptations for the
organ—bowever artistically contrived—of lutely to prohibit all adaptations for the organ—however artistically contrived—of modern orchestral and vocal music, we must emphatically dissent from the conclusion. In the first place, such an expurgatorial process must be applied analogously to everything. All 'arrangements,' of every sort and kind, must be condemned. All potpourris and 'selections' for military bands, for instance, must be accounted unrighteous proceedings: for how can clarinets, cornet-à-pistons, alt horns and the like represent, better than the organ, the string quality of an orchestra or the voices of the singers? Again, on this principle of rigid exactitude, M. Thalberg and all his fraternity must Again, on this principle of rigid exactitude, M. Thalberg and all his fraternity must be summarily interdicted from all further fantasia making for the pianoforte; for an instrument which has only one quality of tone must obviously have less chance that the contract of of tone must obviously have less chance of imitating an orchestra than one which has many. And, strangest consequence of all, to carry out the integrity of his views, the critic of The Athenaeum must straightway forbid a process to which time must have reconciled even him—namely, the playing of Handel's choruses on the organ; for, if it be a question of exact resem-

#### Bethuel Gross



BETHUEL GROSS, musical direcat the Georgian Hotel, Evanston, has been appointed staff organist arranger for radio station WIND Gary, Ind., and musical director of Gary Hotel. He assumed his new 111

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Mr. Gross, who originated and presented the Thursday evening musicales at the Georgian, is organist and musical director of the beautiful City Church in Gary, built by the United States Steel Corporation, and general director of the South Shore music festival and supervisor of music in the Argo-Summit public schools.

blance of effect, we cannot see the slight-est difference of impropriety between the transfer to the organ keys of 'For unto Us.' and a like manipulation of the first movement of the 'Eroica' Symptony. The effect of the one will be not an atom more like the orchestra than that of the other.

effect of the one will be not an atom more like the orchestra than that of the other. And, indeed, the more modern the music—and, therefore, the more individual the employment of the wind band in its instrumentation—the less will the organ be at fault in the imitation of the score.

"That an organ is an orchestra in itself noone who values the meaning of words has ever maintained. But it can be most justly asserted that the organ affords to the performer a command of the extremes of light and shade, of force and delicacy, of variety and qualities, both separately and in combination, which no other single instrument can approach. If it can do nothing toward the 'brisk and pungent string quartet,' it can boast an unrivaled grandeur in the mass of its tone, an almost unlimited command of gradation and variety of character, and a few individual qualities of sound so nearly resembling their orchestral prototypes as to be sufficient for the exactest nurrosce. to be sufficient for the exactest purpo of imitation. In fine, without possessing the power of precisely copying, the organ can render more closely a general resem-

blance, or, rather, perhaps, can suggest more forcibly an idea of the effect, of an orchestral score than any other instrument; and whoever seeks more from it than this, either loses his way' in the pursuit or was a bad judge of his means from the beginning.

"On the assertion that the 'fancy of devoting it to arranged music has brought is hate low estimation', we are again com-

devoting it to a transfer mass, has been devoting it into low estimation," we are again completely at issue with The Athenaeum, There are, doubtless, instances in which vile taste has been manifested in the selecvue taste has been mannested in the selec-tion of music for organ arrangements and in the arrangements themselves; but the habit of cultivating this species of per-formance in general has, we must main-tain, been of the utmost service, both to organs and organists. To the players it organism and organism. To the players it has opened an entirely new vista of ideas; without in the least deteriorating their love for or capability of executing the music of Bach, it has increased their mechanical accomplishment both in finger skill and the management of their instruskill and the management of their instru-ment, and has refined and spiritualized their style; while to its urgent demands for improvement the organ itself is almost indebted for the immense ameliorations in tone and mechanism it has in late years in tone and mechanism it has in late years displayed. The English organists are now, modultedly, the first in the world, and no long period will elapse, we hope, ere their organs will attain the same supremacy. Whenever this happens the result will be very mainly due to this fancy for 'arranged music.' in which The Athenaeum finds so much to censure.

"In his concluding sentences, the critic from whom we quote gets wrong in his technics, as most people do who discuss matters with which they are not familiar. The information that 'every staccato becomes a quack' and 'every chromatic scale

The information that 'every staccato becomes a quack' and 'every chromatic scale a confusion analogous to the blot of mixed tints on a painter's palette.' can only have originated in the writer's exclusive acquaintance with bad instruments and worse players: while the special effects 'yawn' and 'scream.' attributed respectively to wood and metal stors, evince total ignorance of the qualities of either. All this may be very sharp writing, but it is, nevertheless, very flat nonsense."

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To add to this is duffe unnecessary, except to express a hope that Mr. Parratt, as organist to the Queen, will add to the list of our composers for the instrument, as befits his high office.

Yours, etc.,
W. T. EEST.

George's Hall, Liverpool, April 23.

Among brief editorial comments in the same issue of *The Organ* are some interesting paragraphs. The Buffab correspondent of a New York musical paper was quoted as writing: "This reminds me of the action of the Boston Music Hall organ; it was so slow that organist Elson went there Saturday evenings to play the music due Sunday mornings." The *Chicago Inter Ocean*—a paper long since deceased—was quoted as containing this rapturous paragraph in an account of the dedication of the great Auditorium organ in Chicago, when the reporter, speaking of Clarence Eddy's playing, said that "a master hand swept the seven-storied keyboard, a sympathetic foot touched the bass keys—one thoroughly familiar with the grand instrument, its mechanical intricacies, its musical powers." oughly famil ment, its me sical powers.

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By ERNEST A. ROVELSTAD

A tribute to a musician of international note by his pupil, marked by masterly interpretation of the compositions of the teacher, was paid in the program of sacred music presented Sunday night, Ian. 28, in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Dickinson by Luis Harold Sanford, organist and choirmaster of the Reformed Church of Flushing, Long Island, N. Y. Mr. Sanford is a pupil of Dr. Dickinson, who is director of the School of Sacred Music at Union Theological Seminary and organist and choirmaster of the Brick Presbyterian Church, New York. For four years Mr. Sanford was associate to Dr. Dickinson at the seminary.

As guests at the service of music, besides Dr. and Mrs. Dickinson, were members of the Long Island chapter of the American Guild of Organists and of the Sunrise chapter of the National Association of Organists. Augmenting the motet choir of the Reformed Church were sixteen members, past or present, of Dr. Dickinson's choirs.

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Mr. Sanford played all five movements of Dr. Dickinson's "Stormking" Symphony. With this opus, written for the occasion, the composer dedicated the organ of the Brick Church in 1919. Mr. Sanford, in the allegro maestoso, traced as with brush and canvas the composer's tone picture of that capricious lord and sentinel of the Hudson hills, tempestuous and tender. Faithful, too, was the playing of the true yet melodious canon, next the intermittently frolicking and thundering scherzo, the idyllic intermezzo and the finale, with its pedal challenge, a challenge consummately met, indeed.

Outstanding among the choral numbers, possibly both in creative sweep and in presentation, were "Soft Are the Dews of God," essentially modern-

Dr. Clarence Dickinson



istic, and "Thy Word Is Like a Gar-den, Lord," in part of which the organ provided a telling trumpet accompani-ment for the men's chorus. Of special provided a telling trumpet accompaniment for the men's chorus. Of special interest also were the chime preface to "List to the Lark" and the pedal point effect of the soprano in Helen A. Dickinson's "The Shadows of Evening Are Falling." The theme of "For All Who Watch Tonight" was taken up in turn by members of the church quartet—Grace Krick Sanford, soprano; Willard H. Van Woert, baritone; Jean Borloz, tenor, and Marion Beaumont, contralto. Mrs. Beaumont also introduced "Beneath the Shadow of the Great Protection." The final choral selection was "Great and Glorious Is the Name of the Lord of Hosts," with incisive a cappella passages.

Mr. Sanford, A. A. G. O., M. S. M., has concentrated a wealth of musical activity into his not many years—he

reached his thirtieth anniversary in November. At Bush Conservatory in Chicago he won a scholarship. There followed a year at the American Conservatory. Then he went to the Juillard Graduate School, where he studied under Josef Lhevinne, and to Union Theological Seminary, where he has worked with Dr. Dickinson. Since last spring, when he became director of music at the Reformed Church in Flushing, he has done much for the musical progress of Long Island. He is also director of the Ars Musica Guild, a sixty-five-voice chorus of young people now in its second successful year.

Dr. Dickinson went to New York twenty-one years ago from St. James' Church in Chicago. He has contributed a vast deal to the music library of America, with Mrs. Dickinson collaborating in editing and arranging. Mrs. Dickinson is a doctor of philosophy from the University of Heidelberg—in fact, the first woman graduate—and is the author of "German Masters of Art," an authoritative book on this subject, now out of print and much soughtafter by collectors.

Willan Gives Liturgical Music.

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Healey Willan, Mus. D., Toronto, Ont., gave a recital of liturgical music on the evening of Jan. 8 at the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, of which he is organist and director, with assistance of the choir. The first portion consisted of music for Advent and Dr. Willan played: Chorale Prelude, "Now Come, Thou Saviour of the Gentiles." Bach, while the choir sang the motet, "I Heard a Voice from Heaven," by Tallis. Christmas music was next, with these selections: Chorale Prelude, "Puer Nobis Nascitur," Willan; "Alleluya," Sequence "Come Rejoicing," Offertory and Communion (Midnight Mass) and these six carols: "All My Heart This Night Rejoices," Ebeling (1637-1676); "Now, O Sion," fourteenth century: "Here Are We in Bethlehem," Willan; "Coventry Carol," 1591: "Come, Rock the Cradle," 1642, and "When Christ Was Born of Mary

Luis Harold Sanford



Free," A. H. Brown. The Epiphany Free," A. H. Brown. The Epiphany group came last and consisted of these selections: Chorale, "How Brightly Shines Yon Morning Star": Antiphon to Magnificat, "The Sages Beholding the Star": Magnificat with Fauxbourdons, Viadana (1560-1625); "A v e Maria, Rachmaninoff: "The First Nowell," with refrain in fauxbourdon.

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According to an Associated Press
dispatch Feb. 2 from Montreal, which
was published in American newspapers,
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of the women's choir of the parish at
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presented on that date. She continued
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#### Weinrich Recital Rouses Enthusiasm At San Francisco

At San Francisco

By WILLIAM W. CARRUTH

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 17.—On

Ian, 31 the Northern California chapter of the Guild presented Carl Weinrich in recital on the four-manual Skinder in Temple M. E. Church, San Francisco. This was Mr. Weinrich's first appearance in San Francisco and it thade us Westerners realize that while we can boast of our climate and scenery, we have been missing some wonderful organ playing by our distance from the Eastern coast. The consensus of opinion among the organists and most of the organists of the bay region were present, was that Weinrich's playing leit little to be desired in registration, interpretation, use of the swells, phrasing and all-around technical equipment. His vital rhythmic sense was especially marked in his masterly rendition of Bach's Toccata in F. Mr. Weinrich very kindly repeated this number at the informal reception held around the console.

His program follows: Toccata on "Ave Maris Stella" and "Cortege et Litanie," Dupré: Fugue in C sharpminor, Honegger: Concerto in A minor, Vivaldi-Bach: Pastorale in F major, Roger-Ducasse: Toccata on a Gregorian Theme, Edward Shippen Barnes: "The Mirrored Moon," Karg-Elert; Allegro from Fifth Trio-Sonata, Three Chorale Preludes and Toccata in F, Bach.

Allan Bacon, organist of the College of the Pacific at Stockton, was heard in recital in the same church Feb. 9 in the following program: Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach; "The Enchanted Forest," "Idyl" and "March of the Gnomes," from Suite, "In Fairyland," Stoughton: Finale from Symphony 1, Vierne; "Morning Mood," from "Peer Gynt" Suite, Grieg; "The Squirrel." Weaver: Londonderry Air, arranged by Allan Bacon; Mendelssolni's Spinning Song, transcribed by Bacon; Schubert's "Ave Maria," "The Cuckoo," by d'Aquin, and Wagner's "The Ride of the Valkyries."

The Guild benefit card party held at St. Clement's community-house Feb. 12 was a great success. There were thirty-three tables and a like number of acceptable door prizes (donated).

The pleasant custom of giving vesper recitals during the trying days of examination week is observed at Mills College. Jan. 29 Doris Olson Howard, A. A. G. O., organist of the First Congregational Church of Alameda and a member of the Mills class of 1924. played: "Gothic Suite," Boellmann: "Poem," Fibich: "Little Town of Bethlehem," Reynolds: Allegretto, York: "To a Wild Rose," MacDowell: "Will-o'-the-Wisp," Nevin: "Consolation," Mendelssolm: "The Answer." Wolstenholme, and Chorale Prelude. "Schmücke dich, O liebe Seele," Bach, On Jan. 30 Ethel Whytal Miller, A. A. G. O., of the First Baptist Church The pleasant custom of giving vesper

of Oakland and a member of the class of 1926, played: Two Chorale Preludes, Bach; Andante Sostenuto and Finale from Mendelssohn's Sixth Sonata; Scherzo, Gigout; Pastorale, from Guilmant's First Sonata; "Chorus of Angels," Clark; Intermezzo, Hollins, and Prelude, Fugue and Variation, Franck. On Jan. 31 William W. Carruth, F. A. G. O., instructor in organ at the college, played: Pastorale, de la Tombelle; Communion, Hollins; Berceuse and Allegro Vivace from Symphony 1, Vierne; Allegretto, Guilmant; Aubade, Bernard Johnson, and Allegretto from Symphony 7, Widor. Feb. 1 Connell K. Carruth, F. A. G. O., of the class of 1920, college organist and organist and director of music at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, played: Elevation, Morandi; "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," Diton; Chaconne, Durand; Twilight Sketches, Lemare, and "Ave Maria," Schubert.

#### FOUR-MANUAL FOR TEMPLE

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#### Death Takes Charles J. Kresser.

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Charles J. Kresser, for many years organist at St. Mary's Church, Amsterdam, N. Y., died of a heart attack at St. Mary's Hospital in Albany, a son of the late Joseph and Margaret Klein Kresser was born in Albany, a son of the late Joseph and Margaret Klein Kresser. He was an instructor of note in voice as well as piano and bad written a number of compositions, many of which were for the Catholic Church. Some are in manuscript and have been left to the church in Amsterdam. He had been active as organist for more than fifty years. His enthusiasm to help young musicians and frequently "finding" them was a traditional trait in him, and many can trace their success to his efforts and efficient training. For many years he served as organist of St. Am's Church, Albany, and for a time was in a Catholic church at Oswego, N. Y. He returned to St. Mary's, Amsterdam, and remained until 1921, when he located in Syracuse and then in Utica. As a token of the esteen in which he was held the entire membership of his choir assisted in singing the Requiem mass. Interment was in Our Lady Help of Christians Cemetery, Bethlehen Center, N. Y.

#### Concert by Dorr's Choristers.

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St. Luke's Choristers, directed by William Ripley Dorr, with Ruth Stockham as accompanist, gave a recital at the municipal auditorium in Long Beach, Cal., Feb. 9 and sang a varied program with the finish for which all the work of Mr. Dorr with his boys is noted.

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#### Florida Organist Is Active at Age of 81; Oldest Wild Pupil

James Baley, affectionately known s "Jim" Baley among a host of James Baley, affectionately known as "Jim" Baley among a host of friends and the people of Grace Methodist Church at St. Petersburg, Fla., is one of the oldest active organists in America—and without question one of the happiest. At the age of 81 years he still plays every Sunday and at the same time dispels gloom wherever he happens to be, whether it be in his office or in the choir loft. He walks three miles to his business every day and is able to keep pace with any of his younger colleagues.

his younger colleagues.
Incidentally Mr. Baley is the oldest Incidentally Mr. Baley is the oldest of the living former pupils of the late Harrison M. Wild of Chicago, and when he lived in Michigan and in Wisconsin not only studied under Mr. Wild, but maintained a warm personal friendship with that revered organist and teacher.

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Mr. Baley was born at Montour Falls, N. Y., Sept. 18, 1852. His father and mother both were members of a church choir; thus his bent for church music was congenital. At the age of 10 years he began by playing a reed organ in church. In 1871 Mr. Baley took a position in a bank at St. Joseph. Mich., and soon was playing in the Methodist Church. In 1878 he married and entered the banking business at Benton Harbor, Mich. Here again he became organist of the Methodist Church. When a new Hook & Hastings organ was installed Mr. Wild was invited to give the dedicatory recital and was Mr. Baley's house guest. It was then that the young banker became Mr. Wild's devoted pupil and admirer.

admirer.
In 1899 Mr. Baley moved to Kenosha, Wis., as a result of business changes and there he was organist of the First Baptist Church until the edifice was destroyed by fire. Later he

James Baley



went to Grace Lutheran Church, and when a Hinners organ was installed there Mr. Baley invited Mr. Wild to play the opening recital. For more than twelve years Mr. Baley presided

over this organ.

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Baley soon was playing for the First Upon moving to Florida in 1921 Mr. Baley soon was playing for the First Baptist Church, then worshiping in a theater, and when the new church was completed he presided over the three-manual Austin organ. Then he served for a brief time at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal. For the last four years he has had a very happy relationship at Grace M. E. Church, where pastor and parish repeatedly show their appreciation of their organist, the only cause for regret being the absence of an organ, which is something for which Mr. Baley is praying.

#### Pittsburgh Events: Change by Pearson; Bidwell's Lectures

By HAROLD E. SCHUNEMAN

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Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 21.—Charles
A. H. Pearson, instructor at Carnegic
Institute of Technology and organist
and director of Rodef Shalom Temple,
has relinquished the post of organist
and choir director at the Second United
Presbyterian Church, Wilkinsburg,
which he has held on a part-time basis
in conjunction with his work at the
temple during the last ten years, and
for nearly sixteen years in all. Mr.
Pearson is succeeded by Robert K. McConnell, Jr., who has been his assistanfor two seasons. for two seasons.

Marshall Bidwell opened his series of Lenten lectures at Carnegie Music Hall Feb. 17 with the subject "The History and Development of the Organ." About sixty choice lantern slides of rare and unusual pictures of old organs were exhibited. The subjects for the remaining lectures are as follows: Feb. 24, "The Carnegie Music Hall Organ": March 3, "The English Madrigal": March 10, "Haydn and the Instrumental Style": March 17, "Cesar Franck, the Father of Modern French Music": March 24, "Bach's St. Matthew Passion Music."

Julian R. Williams of St. Stephen's Church, Sewickley, has organized a choral society in Sewickley numbering about 150 voices. The first public per-formance is planned for a date shortly after Easter

The Pittsburgh Musical Institute has announced a special organ class under the direction of William H. Oetting, at which the test pieces and other playing requirements of the A. G. O. examinations will be taught.

The H. W. Gray Company has ac-

cepted for publication William H. Oetting's hymn-tune prelude for organ on "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Mr. Oetting gave its first performance here at his recital in October at the P. M. I.

Edward H. Johe, assistant organist at the Third Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, and organist at the South Avenue M. E. Church, Wilkinsburg, was guest recitalist at the Second Presbyterian Church, Washington, Pa., of which Howard Ralston is organist and director, Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4, Mr. Johe played the following program: Introduction and Allegro, First Sonata, Guilmant; "La Damoiselle Elue" Prelude, Debussy; Fantasia and Fugue, Gminor, Bach; "Praeludium," Bruckner: Toccata from "Oedipe et Jocasta," de Mereaux-Koch; "Benedictus," Reger; Finale, Franck.

Another outdoor choir festival is being planned for the mouth of May by a committee headed by Frederick Welty, director of music at the Home-stead Presbyterian Church.

Max Seifert, organist and director of the Smithfield Street German Evangelical Church, gave a recital at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, West View, Jan. 14, playing the following numbers: Prelude and Fugue, E minor, Bach; "Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich." Bach; "A Rose Breaks into Bloom," Brahms; "Nun danket alle Gott," Karg-Elert; Andantino, Franck; "Chant du Soir," Bossi; First Movement, Sonata in A minor, Rheinberger; "Jagged Peaks" and "Canyon Walls," Clokey: "Träumerei," Strauss; Wedding March, Seifert; Madrigal, Jawelak; Prelude and Procession, "Die Meistersinger," Wagner. This was one of the monthly musical programs planned by John J. Baird, organist and director of St. Luke's Church.

The Oratorio Choir of the First Presbyterian Church of Passaic, N. J., ably directed by Charles Black, M. S. M., sang Mendelssohn's "Elijah" Feb. 18, with the aid of soloists.

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The fact that New York and all the surrounding territory had just been "snowed under" in the severest blizzard of a generation did not serve to detract from the success of a public meeting at headquarters in the form of a public service of music by composers of the Tudor period, with modern music by English and American composers, given at the Middle Collegiate Reformed Church Feb. 20. Herbert S. Sammond, in charge of the music at this church and a choral conductor of eminence, arranged the program, and the church quartet, the vocal union and the junior choir all took part. Assisting at the organ were Dr. Charles Heinroth of the City College, Dr. William C. Carl, president of the N. A. O., and George William Volkel of Emmanuel Baptist Church, Brooklyn. Dr. Heinroth played the "St. Ann's" Fugue by Bach as the prelude. Dr. Carl played as the post-lude the aria and allegro from Handel's Tenth Concerto. Mr. Volkel assisted Mr. Sammond at the organ in the choral numbers.

According to all who were present the program was presented in a most distinguished manner and the evening proved one of pronounced value and interest. Among the anthems were: "Praise God, the One Thrice Holy," Arthur Henry Brown; "Benedic Anima Mea," Gregorian: Magnificat, Moeran; "Almighty God, Whose Glory," Whitehead; "O Lord, Give Thy Holy Spirit," Tallis; "Thou Knowest, Lord," Purcell; "Thy Glory Dawns," Lockwood, and a carol, "The Christchid's Lullaby," arranged by Carl F. Mueller. The Rev. Ernest R. Palen delivered an address of welcome. The offering was turned over to the Musicians' Emergency Fund.

After the service members and friends of the N. A. O. viewed the photographs and prints of old New York in the church house.

#### Father Finn at Hartford.

The February meeting of the Hartford chapter, held Monday evening, Feb. 19, can be listed as one of the most instructive and enjoyable it has been the privilege of the members to attend. The program committee, through its chairman, Gordon W. Stearns, was fortunate in obtaining Father William Finn, director of the Paulist Choristers of New York, for a lecture at this meeting. Fifty-five members and friends of the N. A. O. sat down to a delightful meal, served in an attractively decorated room; in the parish-house of Immanuel Church. More than 100 were present at the hour of the lecture, at which time President Esther Nelson Ellison introduced the speaker. The general subject of the talk was choir conducting and group voice training. The lecture was exceedingly interesting as well as instructive and the audience was attentive to the end. When, after talking for two hours, the speaker remarked that he would be triring his audience. The February meeting of the Hart-rd chapter, held Monday evening, instructive and the audience was attentive to the end. When, after talking for two hours, the speaker remarked that he would be tiring his audience, vigorous handelapping indicated that they were auxious to hear more. At the end of his lecture, Father Finn answered questions for fifteen minutes.

Donald B. Watrous, Secretary.

#### Norristown, Pa., Chapter.

A paper on clurrel music by Joseph R. Bowman of the faculty of Eastern Theological Seminary, some increst-ing piano solos by John S. Thompson and a group of pleasing songs by

Eleanor Honeyman were features of the January meeting of the Norristown chapter in the De Prefontaine studios. Esther Mountain's Da Duki Di Girls added to the merriment of the evening.

The monthly church service was neld Sunday evening, Jan. 28, in As-nury M. E. Church, where Flora Wil-on Grenfell is organist and Sidney E. irenfell director. Eleanor Lois Fields son Grentell is organist and Song Grenfell director. Eleanor Lois Fields and John S. Thompson, organist; Milton Hadley, cornetist; Bessie Felton, reader, a quarret of soloists and the Asbury M. E. Choir assisted.

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A public service was held in the Jerusalem Lutheran Church, Schwenksville, Pa., Sunday afternoon, Feb. 10, under the direction of Jack M. Klein, organist and director. Catharine Morgan was the guest soloist. Miss Morgan played three compositions by Vierne. The choir sang "Jesu, Word of God Incarnate," by Gounod. Marion Handel's "Messiah," and Mr. Klein played the Bach Fugue in G major.

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#### Recital for Lancaster Chapter.

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A brilliant program was given Tuesday evening, Jan. 30, at St. James' Episcopal Church. Lancaster, Pa., by Melvin LeMon of the department of music at Bucknell University. The list was made up of music written exclusively for the organ. The recital was under the auspices of the Lancaster chapter, and an interesting range of compositions made up the well-balanced groups. Opening his program with Purcell's "Trumpet Tune and Air," Mr. LeMon played four selections written by forerunners of Bach. "Toccata per 'Elevazione," taken from the composition "Fiori Musicale," by Frescobaldi, was one of the most enjoyable of this group. Clerambault's Prelude in D minor, reflecting the court life of the period of Louis XV., and a study in grand harmonies in Du Mage's "Grand Jen" completed the group.

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In the second part of the program Mr. LeMon honored Dr. William A. Wolf, president of the Pennsylvania council, N. A. O., by playing his chorale prelude, "Come, See the Place Where Jesus Lay." The composition is an original melody, accompanied by brilliant counterpoint on the manuals after the fashion of Bach. Two Bach preludes, "Christ Lay in Death's Embrace" and 'In Thee Is Joy," completed the trio, "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupre," by Russell; the chorale and variations from Mendelssohn's Sixth Sonata and the quiet theme of Reger's "Benedictus" gave evidence of the organist's mastery of his instrument. The "Ronde Francaise," by Boellmann, especially gay and fantastic, and the charming "Chimes of Westminster," by Vierne, gave a pleasing and brilliant effect.

Chapter representatives and guests were present from Harrisburg, Phila-

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Chapter representatives and guests were present from Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Reading, Norristown, Easton, Allentown, Williamsport and York.

#### Worcester Chapter.

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The February meeting was held in the downtown studio and was very interesting. We had competition, as the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra was at the Auditorium. Despite that fact our meeting was exceptionally well attended. Mrs. Leon M. Simmonds, organist at the South Baptist Church, gave a fine review of the book "Excursions in Musical History," by Dickinson, and many valuable points were obtained from questions and a discussion that followed. Walter A. Morrill, organist and director of music at the Boylston Congregational Church, gave a review of the book "Choral Music and its Practice," by Cain. This proved very valuable as well as interesting. Both Mrs. Simmonds and Mr. Morrill deserve a great deal of credit for the hard work that was undoubtedly necessary to prepare such splendid papers.

Mrs. Howard S. Sheppard presided

at the business session, at which A. Leslie Jacobs was elected to member-

Leslie Jacobs was elected to membership in the chapter.

The chapter voted to contribute a small sum to the New York Philharmonic Orchestral Society for the continuance of its programs. The chapter also voted to change the next meeting night to March 19 and to combine with the Worcester County Musical Association to present, jointly, Walter Edward Howe in recital at the Municipal Auditorium.

RALPH M. WARREN.

ditorium. RALPH M. WARREN, Corresponding Secretary.

#### Union-Essex Chapter.

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The Union-Essex chapter held its February meeting in the parish-house of the First Baptist Church, Westfield, N. J. Following the roll call and reports, a genuine treat was introduced to the gathering. Miss Mary Eaton, whose excellent violin playing was a feature of one of our past meetings, again favored us and demonstrated her virtuosity admirably. Miss Eaton was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Fay Barnaby Kent, and for the first part of the program played Handel's Sonata in F.

in F.

The speaker of the evening was the Rev. Eugene Grafton Mintz, pastor of the church, who chose for his topic "The Relationship between Pastor and Organist." Mr. Mintz pleaded for greater cooperation and that pastor and organist try to understand each other's point of view, so that a unified service might be possible, Mr. Mintz' talk was interspersed with the relation of many humorous experiences.

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Following the address, Miss Eaton and Mrs. Kent were heard in another group of selections. The members then adjourned to another part of the building, where refreshments were served. Robert A. Pereda, Secretary.

#### Central New Jersey Chapter.

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The annual dinner meeting of the Central New Jersey chapter was held Monday evening, Feb. 5, in one of the club-rooms of the Y. W. C. A. at Trenton. Following the dinner games were played and a one-act play entitled "Pa's New Housekeeper" was presented. Preceding the play two prologues were given. These were written by Edward W. Riggs, treasurer of the chapter. The cast included Edward Riggs, Alice Jarrett, Jean Schlickling, Harvey Dansberry and Blanche Peterson.

EDITH MAGOWAN, Secretary.

#### Miami Chapter Meetings.

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The first program of the year was given by members of the Miami chapter Jan. 22 at Trinity Methodist Church, assisted by Ann Smith, soprano. Miss Alva C. Robinson, the new president, opened the program with a group including a very effective arrangement by Kreckel of the familiar "Silent Night," and closing with Dubois' "Grand Chorus," followed by Miss Smith, who sang beautifully "Oh, Fair, O Sweet and Holy," by Cantor, and "I Love Life," by Mana-Zucca, accompanied by Amy Rice Davis at her best. Mrs. B. C. Quick, a new member and winter visitor, came next with Shelley's Prelude in F and "In Springtime," by Kinder, playing with exceptionally good registration and with Shelley's Prelude in F and "In Springtime," by Kinder, playing with exceptionally good registration and graceful rhythm. Mrs. Annie Laurie Lee, organist of the church, closed with Rogers "Miniature Suite," making it something more than a miniature.

A mixed program, followed by a pleasant social hour, was given Feb 13 at the home of Mrs. Louis D. Gates.

who opened the program with Bonnet's "Romance sans Paroles." Mrs. Mona Ericson, soprano soloist of Gesu Catholic Church, then sang effectively a group comprising "The Birthday," by Woodman: Serenade, Toselli, and the sprightly "Cuckoo" of Griselle, accompanied by Miss Robinson, organist of Gesu Church. The sonorous Prelude and Chorale for piano by Cesar Franck was played by Joe Tarpley of the music faculty of the University of Miami, who gave as an encore the "Little White Donkey" of Ibert, descending, as he remarked, from the sublime to the ridiculous. The program was closed by a guest musician from London, W. St. Clair Fisher, who improvised by request on the organ in a somewhat humorous vein. Mr. Fisher, who has organized a choral society in Chester, of which he is conductor, says his musical activities are largely a labor of love.

ALICE V. WILLIAMS, Reporter.

#### Kentucky Chapter.

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At the February meeting, the Kentucky chapter voted to sponsor a recital in early spring, the artist chosen being Parvin Titus of Cincinnati, who will be presented at St. John's Evangelical Church, Louisville, in April.

After the business session the meeting adjourned to the Broadway Baptist Church, where Harry W. Meyers gave a short program of modern organ music, splendidly played and with colorful registration, which, with his descriptive remarks on the compositions used, afforded his fellow members a thoroughly enjoyable hour. His program included: Chorale, Honegger, "Circe's Palace," Stoughton: "At The Foot of Fujiyama," Gaul: "Black Butterflies," Jepson: "Abstraction on Schoenberg," Karg-Elert; "An Angry Demon," Clokey.

Considerably more activity has been noted among Louisville organists lately. On Feb. 4 Mrs. Frank Ropke at the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church presented a program with her choir, the organ numbers being: Toccata, Kinder; "At the Altar," Arensky, and Cantilene, Faulkes, On Feb. II, at the Second Presbyterian Church, George Latimer in a pre-service Mendelssohn program played the Fourth Sonata and two "Songs without Words," On Feb. 19 William Schwahn, organist of the Highland Presbyterian Church, gave a recital presenting these numbers: Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major, Bach; Aria, Handel; Second Sonata, Mendelssohn; "Suite Gothique," Boellmann: Adagio and Pastorale from Second Symphony, Widor; Allegro Maestoso from Third Sonata, Guilmant.

At Christ Church Cathedral, Ernest A. Simon's choir of forty men and boys will present during the Lenten season Gounod's "Gallia," Stainer's "Crucifixion" and Gaul's "Passion Music."

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#### Delaware Chapter.

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The Delaware chapter held a recital at the First-Central Presbyterian Church of Wilmington Monday evening, Jan. 29. Three of the members, Paul Buechse, Bertha Mae Gardiner and Sarah Hudson White, took part, assisted by Mrs. Rita Z. Krapf, soprano, and Oscar Stiegler, tenor.

At the business meeting following the recital plans were made for a recital at St. Paul's M. E. Church on the four-manual Möller organ to be played by Firmin Swinnen.

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#### Pasadena Chapter Gives First Recital; Weinrich on Coast

By ROLAND DIGGLE, Mus. D.

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Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 14.—The Pasadena branch chapter of the American Guild of Organists got off to a fine start with a recital at the First Presbyterian Church in Pasadena Feb. 12. The officers of the branch are: James H. Shearer, regent: Edward P. Tompkins, secretary: Frances Chatem, treasurer; Ethel Mildred Brockway, librarian, and an executive committee consisting of P. Shaul Hallett, James H. Rogers, V. Gray Farrow and Lora P. Chestnut. With such officers this new chapter should do great things.

The recital was most interesting and the large audience gave every evidence of real appreciation. Mr. Hallett opened the program with four organ numbers, the Bach "Nune Dimittis" being especially effective. The choir under the able direction of Mr. Shearer sang numbers by Bach, Smith and Ivanoff. The Violin Sonata in A by Handel was played by Elizabeth Morgridge, with Mr. Shearer at the organ. It was a treat to hear this fine old music in such an atmosphere. Mrs. Lora Chestnut closed the program with three organ numbers, the last being the Fugue in D minor of Bach.

After the recital the members and their friends had a social hour in the parish-house of the church. Among those present were a number of organists from Los Angeles who were on hand to give this, their baby branch chapter, a good send-off.

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It was a pleasure to have Carl Weinrich with us for a few days and to hear him in recital at Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Los Angeles, on Sunday, Jan. 28. Owing to unforeseen circumstances the recital had to be at 5 p. m. and this accounted for the rather small attendance, and the small attendance accounted for the small collection and the small collection and the small collection are counted for the fact that once again the sponsors for an organ recital had to go down into their own pockets to pay the bill.

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e bill. All this has nothing to do with Mr. All this has nothing to do with Mr. Weinrich, although a small audience does have an effect on the player in more ways than one. Mr. Weinrich gave us a tine performance of the Vivaldi-Bach Concerto in A minor and the Bach Toccata in F major. It was good, clean playing and enjoyable to the listener. I liked especially his playing of the fine "Toccata on a Gregorian Theme" by Edward Shippen Barnes. It was a joy to have this piece of American music and it sustained me through the long arid wastes of the Fugue in C sharp minor of Honegger, and the even longer Pastorale in F major of Roger-Ducasse.

It was interesting to hear the choir of the First Baptist Church under the leadership of Alexander Stewart in an evening of grand opera Jan. 23. I came to the conclusion that I would rather hear a church choir sing opera than an opera chorus sing a church service. All sorts of composers were called upon to make up the program and it must have been excellent practice for the choir.

We have had some jolly recitals of American organ music during the last few weeks. Among the recitalists were Dudley Warner Fitch, who played some of the new "Hymn-tune Fantasies" of Carl McKinley, pieces by Clokey, Rogers, Groton and a fine performance of my Passacaglia and Fugue, which I am glad to say seems to have found many friends. At St. Vincent's Amedee Tremblay played Sowerby's "Comes Autumn Time," Rogers' Suite and pieces by Stebbins, DeLamarter, Biggs, etc. At Immanue! Presbyterian Clarence Mader played some of the new McKimley pieces, part of the excellent Sonata of Philip James and pieces by Barnes, Snow, Parker, Clokey, etc. At Pomona College J. W. Clokey, etc. At Pomona College J. W. Clokey gave an interesting program along the same lines and I have a number of others, all made up of American compositions.

#### ORGAN RECITAL DRAWS 2,400

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In the course of eight recitals Thomas Webber, Jr., has raised the size of his audience at the Stambaugh Auditorium in Youngstown, Ohio, to 2,400, which was the number present Jan. 21, at the third recital of the present season, which is the second for Mr. Webber's performances on the beautiful Aeolian-Skinner four-manual in this imposing edifice, the pride of the prominent steel city. Mr. Webber's experience and success is taken as evidence that the common people are still interested in organ music if an effort is made to appeal to them as well as to educate them.

Last year Mr. Webber was engaged to play a series of five recitals which were free to the public. They were undertaken with fear and misgiving. Mr. Webber proved himself the man for the job, for the attendance ran from 1,200 to 1,990. So he was asked to play another series this year and on Jan. 21 the audience listened to this program: Prelude and Fugue in Gmajor, Bach; Gavotte, Martini: Largo ("New World" Symphony), Dvorak: Concert Variations, Bonnet; Allegro (First Sonata), Guilmant: Intermezzo, Bonnet: "The Bells of Ste. Anne de Beaupre," Russell: "Marche Slav," Tschaikowsky.

#### SHERIDAN'S RIDE OUTDONE

G. Criss Simpson Kept Busy Driving and Playing in Kansas.
G. Criss Simpson, the Kansas organist, has acquired a technique in automobile driving equal almost to his proficiency at the organ console in the course of his work, which includes dual responsibilities at the University of Kansas and at his church in Kansas City, Mo. On the Sundays on which he is heard at the university he drives to Kansas City, forty miles away, in the morning to play at First Church of Christ, Scientist. Then he goes back to Lawrence for the afternoon recital. the morning to play at First Church of Christ, Scientist. Then he goes back to Lawrence for the afternoon recital, and again back to Kansas City for the evening service. Thus he multiplies Sheridan's historic feat by eight in one day. This should afford an opportu-nity to some poet to outdo the lines on Sheridan's ride, and the poem might then be set to music.

then be set to music. On Feb. 11 Mr. Simpson played the On Feb. II Mr. Simpson played the following Bach program at the University of Kansas: Prelude and Fugue in A major; Chorale Prelude, "Hark, a Voice Saith, All Are Mortal"; Trio-Sonata in C major: Chorale Prelude, "Jesu, Priceless Treasure"; Chorale Prelude, "Rejoice Now, Ye Christians"; Adagio in A minor; Prelude and Fugue in G major.

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#### AS TO SAVING THE CHURCH

"God Save the Church" is the rather sensationally arresting subject of the leading article in *Harper's Magazine* for February, placarded as a special feature on the cover page. It is put forth as an indictment of the entire religious as an indictment of the entire religious establishment in America, with the implied threat that the fate of the church in Russia may await the religious organizations of this country. To this is added a so-called NRA code for the church, by which it should be saved. All very interesting—or should be—to every church organist, for our interest is centered in and our profession is bound up with the churches.

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The standpoint of the writer seems to be that of the rebel against everything of the present order, and our first belief was that he was one only superficially familiar with the work of the churches or the minister. To our surprise, we find the editor of \*Harper's\* telling that the author of the article, David Carl Colony, is a priest of St. Elizabeth's Church in Philadelphia and a master of Latin at Haverford School. It is interesting to find a clergyman

a master of Latin at Haverford School. It is interesting to find a clergyman accuraing his colleagues rather plainly of laziness and ending up by saying that "if the man in the street looks upon a minister as an expensive loafer, perhaps there is some justification for that point of view." The Rev. Mr. Colony points out that calls can be made only in the afternoon and that if mornings are devoted to study it is not reflected in the sermons generally heard. That clergymen have an easy time of it may be true in some instances, but lifelong association with them does not lead to this conviction. Nor are we sure that "the hardest work the minister does \* \* \* consists Primarily of visitation." It would seem that sermons regularly prepared, if they receive the thought and labor they recuire, supplemented by all the multiplicity of demands on a minister's time, both day and night, such as devolve plicity of demands on a minister's time, both day and night, such as devolve upon him because of his intimate relations as a pastor, are enough to keep any man busy. And if the minister does live a life of ease, as pictured, it does not contribute to longevity, as life insurance records prove.

The other indictment against the

clergy is that they get too much pay, and to prove it Mr. Colony cites that in one of the large Eastern dioceses of the Episcopal Church in 1932 the average salary per clergyman was \$50 a week, to which the writer adds house rent, reduced railroad fares, etc., thereby reaching the figure of \$70 a week. This is in a parish containing, of course, one of the largest cities. When one takes into account the hundreds who in small communities receive from \$1,000 to \$1,500 a year, and when the training, mental qualifications, etc., for the ministry are considered, it hardly would seem that the clergy in general are such overpaid profiteers.

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But the ministers have their own papers and their own champions to defend them against their fellow clergyman's charges. So we pass on to the second part of the article, which directly concerns our readers, and here we find in reference to the same diagence. diocese

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The second most expensive single item is that of music. It consumes about 12 per cent of the total income, close to \$300,000. Viewed casually, of course, this is not an undue proportion of the whole. And there are those who would insist that the value of music is great in creating an atmosphere of devotion. That is true. Two things, however, should be remembered. First, most people in church like to do their own singing, and the worse their voices, the more lustily they sing. The harmony may be, under such circumstances, very poor; but the heartheat of the congregation is more in tune with the heart of God. Second, and this is tragic in its implications, expensive voices are hired, fine organists are engaged not in order to worship God in greater beauty but to attract the "customers" from neighboring parishes. That priest is successful who can attract enough of his neighbor's parishioners to show that his congregation is growing in numbers, if not in grace. cond most expensive single item

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May we be pardoned for saying that into this paragraph the Rev. Mr. Colony has packed a great deal of "bunk" that is hoary with age. But he has still more to say on the subject of music when he outlines his plan for the salvation of the church. We read:

All paid choirs should be eliminated. They have made it too easy to pass for a Christian without actually requiring a confession of faith. It is quite possible to hear others intone the creed, with various fancy flourishes which make the words unintelligible, without subscribing to a single article of faith; to hear the Lord's Prayer chanted without any intention to forgive the trespasses of others, or to seek the kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

The mission of the choir is chiefly to lead the singing of the people. And any church should be able to find among its members enough good voices for a satisfactory group of volunteers. In most places, too, soneone in the parish can play the organ sufficiently well for accompaniment. And wherever that is not the case, any number of trained musicians would be glad in these days of stress, to give their services, Sunday by Sunday, for a very nominal charge. Gradually, too, young seminarians should be encouraged in a more serious consideration of church music, so that in time a greater number of the clergy could, when necessary, play their own organs and planos.

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There are many more suggestions, none of which, we are confident, would save the church. The general thought is that pastors should labor for the merest living and that the church should do more charitable work among the poor. In giving his figures to indicate how small is the proportion given to charity in the diocese under consideration he fails to take note of the hospitals, colleges, etc., founded by churches and church people, and directly supported from church benevolences. The entire idea of the magazine writer seems to be that the church should make its prime purpose not worship, but alms-giving. From free organists to free preachers would not be a long step, and just about as disastrous a one. If music which he admits would be inferior will keep people in the church or attract more of them—if it will save the church and help charities—similar sermons might be just as acceptable and attractive. The suggestion that in these days of stress any number of trained musicians would be glad to give their services for a very nominal charge hardly is consistent with the protestations on behalf of philanthropy and social justice in the remainder of the article.

The deplorable fact is that such statements, which anyone conversant

wtih church music and interested in its preservation would characterize as preservation would characterize as sheer nonsense, are read by a large numsheer nonsense, are read by a large number of church people, many of whom will be only too glad to adopt the suggestion for economy at the expense of everything artistic, feeling justified by virtue of the fact that it is put forth by a clergyman. The reverend author of the article is doing his fellow ministers and the entire church a disservice greater than he probably realizes.

The question of worship in the beauty of holiness has often been a subject of discussion in the churches. Luther maintained that the sacred arts cuitivated by the Roman Catholic Church should be fostered by the Reformation. Calvin thought otherwise. The Salvation Army type of music

Church should be fostered by the Reformation. Calvin thought otherwise. The Salvation Army type of music may please the Almighty more than the singing of a well-trained choir, and a tambourine may sound better to Him than a beautiful organ, created by man to praise his Maker; but we can find the answer of the Founder of the Church himself in the Gospel story of Christ's visit to Bethany, when the woman with the alabaster box of precious ointment poured it on her Master's head, and His disciples became as indignant as the Rev. Mr. Colony is today, making precisely the same plea that it should have been sold and the money given to the poor. Christ d'd not agree with them, and we are inclined to believe that His principles will do more to save the church than those now presented in Harper's Magazine. Magazine.

#### THAT FIFTY-EIGHTH VARIETY

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That good business and good organ music go together and that the man who works all day is refreshed and benefited by a short organ recital in the midst of his labors evidently is the theory of one of the most successful manufacturing establishments of the world. The December issue of The Diapasos told the story briefly of how the H. J. Heinz Company built an auditorium for its employes, with a seating capacity of 3,000, and in it installed an organ—a four-manual built by the Acolian-Skinner Company. Here Clark Fiers, a young organist who seems to have a distinct knack for selecting programs that are up to date, attractive and yet of a high standard, plays daily, and the Heinz Company's men show every evidence of enjoyment of the process. Mr. Fiers' programs appear from time to time in our recital pages. His performances are broadcast three mornings a week. Visitors to the plant are among those entertained at these recitals.

are among those entertained at these recitals.

The idea is not altogether new, for the Larkin Company in Buffalo installed a large four-manual Möller organ about eight years ago, and it is played daily where it can be heard in the plant and the offices arranged around a great court. And even earlier the National Cash Register Company of Dayton placed a large organ in its "Playhouse."

Before the Heinz Company thus added to its famed "57 varieties" it no doubt had carefully figured the benefits to be derived in increasing the happiness of its employes and guests, the influence of good music in fitting a man to do his work better, the cultural value of promoting a love for good music, the advertising value, and other good to come from the expenditure of its money, and had come to the conclusion that here was a good investment. And the men in charge of an organization such as this Pittsburgh company, with its record of success, seldom make a foolish investment. The example is one worthy of the attention of other large concerns. The new example is one worthy of the atten-tion of other large concerns. The new fifty-eighth variety in the form of organ music deserves a hearty wel-

By this time we are familiar with the By this time we are familiar with the pianist, the "movie" jazz expert, the pastor's wife who never learned to play the organ and the young lady who plays beautifully but does not use the pedals yet, all of whom have broken into the organ profession since the depression left the door open; but one of our readers in Richmond, Va., sends a clipping from a newspaper in that city which tells of the latest incursion into the organist's field, this time by a locomotive engineer. The story, which

#### That Distant Past as It Is Recorded in The Diapason Files

TWENTY YEARS AGO, ACCORD-ing to the issue of The Diapason of March 1, 1914—

It was announced that a four-manual organ of 114 stops was to be built for the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco by the Austin Organ Company. The contract was being prepared for signature as the issue was going to press.

to press.
A list of the largest twenty-two organs in the world, each having more organs in the world, each having more than 100 speaking stops, had been compiled and copyrighted by William H. Shuey and was published exclusively in The Diapason. The list was headed by the organ in Century Hall at Breslau, built by Walcker in 1913, having 187 stops and 15,133 pipes. The largest organ in the United States was that in Wanamaker's store at Philadelphia, with 140 stops and 10,059 pipes. The latter instrument was afterward greatly enlarged, so that it became the world's largest.

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came the world's largest.

The new Hutchings organ in the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas, on Fifth avenue in New York, was used for three noteworthy recitals in February. The performers were Frederick Schlieder, Clarence Dickinson and Frederick Maxson.

TEN YEARS AGO, ACCORDING TO the issue of The Diapason of March 1, 1924—

At an organ-orchestra concert under the auspices of the Chicago N. A. O. chapter Feb. 11 in Orchestra Hall. under the direction of Frederick Stock. the performers included Palmer Christian, Stanley Martin, Dr. J. Lewis Browne, Herbert E. Hyde and Charles M. Courboin.

The W. W. Kimball Company was awarded the contract to build a large four-manual for the Scottish Rite Cathedral, St. Louis.

The Diapason published the specification of the new four-manual which had been installed in the large Fountain Street Baptist Church at Grand Rapids, Mich., by the Skinner Organ Company. At an organ-orchestra concert under

tain Street Baptist Church at Grand Rapids, Mich., by the Skinner Organ Company.

Dr. Oscar E. Schminke described the organ of Bach's day as made by Gottfried Silbermann for the benefit of readers of The Diapason in an extended article.

Marcel Dupré, who was in America on his second tour, had booked 110 recitals for the season.

does not lack interest, even though it does not lack interest, even though it may in some of its details lack veri-similitude, says that Ellis Edmunds, an engineer on the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, running out of Newpor'. News, demonstrates his musical talent News, demonstrates his musical talent by playing hymns and other selections on the whistle of his engine as he passes the towns near Noriolk. One Sunday morning during the church hour as he passed through Hilton Village he played "In the Sweet Bye and Bye" and the story goes on to say that "the choir was singing, but at a signal from the pastor it stopped to let the locomotive pipe organ take a solo lead." Well, anyway, this talented and accomplished engineer can hardly make himself as great a nuisance as the hatless youth who speeds his roadster through the streets blowing one of those musical horns. cal horns

Our Leipzig contemporary, the Zeitschrift für Instrumentenbau, reports something new in the form of an ice-cooled organ. It appears that preceding a wedding last summer it was found that the organ was hopelessly out of tune as a consequence of the extreme heat. The organist, a chap of inventive mind, equal to any emergency, hied himself to a nearby brewery, where he obtained several large cakes of ice. These he placed inside the organ, and, lo, the instrument was sufficiently cooled in fifteen minutes, the narrator of the story relates, to be in tune. It is to be hoped, the Leipzig editor adds, that afterward the organ did not suffer from a cold in the head. Not a bad yarn!

#### The Free Lance

By HAMILTON C. MACDOUGALL, us. D. (Brown University), A. G. ( A. R. C. O., Professor Emeritus, Wellesley College

A valued correspondent is grieved because an advertisement of a well-known make of piano states that "there is only one instrument with a range equal to that of a complete symphony orchestra: the pianoforte. And it is also the only instrument capable of orchestral brilliance and versatility." We must allow something for the fervor of the salesman; business may not be good, and sales must be made. I knew, in my salad days, a piano salesman who sold an old instrument on the basis of its warped sound-board—a flat board could not give the tone that a warped one could, for the sound-waves traveled up and down the curves of the warped board so easily! My friend S. goes on to say: "Must we poor, misguided organists sell our instruments and buy a pianoforte \* or in order that we may properly render the great orchestral arrangements of Wagner and Tschaikowsky?" Don't be alarmed, S. There is still hope for the organist and his instrument.

There are signs that what may only be adequately described as a "wild orgy" of fast and furious playing of show pieces in the toccata style is passing over. A veteran organist said recently: "All the present young bunch ask for are notes and more notes to play." But don't forget that it is quite natural for a young man with good fingers, perfected by careful study, to play the organ fast and loud. It is great fun to try out the engine and see how fast "the old bus" will go. It was in 1885 that I heard Hoyte in Albert Hall play the good old Widor Toccata. (What a smashing piece that is!) I rushed down to Novello's, bought the symphony, went to my lodgings in York road, Lambeth, and pounded away on my Pleyel pedalier morning, noon and night, ever more correct, ever faster. What a joy! I used to drag my landlady upstairs to hear the piece, and when I went back to my post in Providence I trotted the piece out for an indulgent public. I am told that Widor does not play it at a fast tempo, but if someone had told me so in 1885, it would not have had the slightest influence on me.

Let us, then, treat the younger generation with sympathy; we were young once, and what a grand time it was! There are signs that what may only

We must not lorget what the modern dissonant music has done for us: not only has it, despite our vehement protests and —1 fear — our frequent noisy and ill-tempered comments, forced us to take account of stock, but it has thrown into bolder relief much of the music of the past. I fancy myself a liberal-conservative, and consider myself objecting to "contemporary" offerings in the concert-room only when I feel their authors show a distinct cleavage with the past and seem to be making bombastic experiments. However that may be, I feel more and more that the "contemporary" composers have made us "sit up and take notice."

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This was brought most delightfully to my attention, and is the occasion of my remark, in hearing the Cleveland Orchestra, under Rodzinski, play the Strauss "Till Eulenspiegel" last evening; the whole work almost sprang into clearness and consistency; the passages formerly seeming obscure came up smiling, and even the execution scene, formerly thought to be too audaciously realistic now became logical in its terror. This may be perhaps explained as the natural result of hearing the work expounded by one of our greatest conductors, but I said to myself: "Macdougall, you are growing, I really believe. Thank the dissonant composer for the horrid and garish background against which Strauss' fine composition has gained logic and clearness and beauty."

And this is even more strikingly the case with much earlier music. I have just been playing through a collection by Tappert, "Sang und Klang aus alter

Zeit" (sixteenth to eighteenth centuries), and "Songs of Syon," chorales and psalm-tunes of a somewhat later period. The clarity, simplicity and genuineness of these old fuddy-duddy pieces is unmistakable—all due to the lurid background of the ultra-modernistic nusic. Brethren, let us calm ourselves and take governere istic music. Brethren, le selves and take courage

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E. A. appeals to me to discuss in the Free Lance column his troubles with the pastor of a church he has just left after seven years' service. He has been trained by some of the best men in New York City and is a competent choirmaster. Continuous pressure from the parson and his wife forced him out. I do not know E. A., but a long experience leads me to believe that he has just cause for righteous indignation. What can he do? Nothing. He can sue the church or the pastor for damages, but how far will that carry him? He has absolutely no redress, since the parson is the master of the situation.

Just at this point I would like to see the American Guild of Organists step into the breach. If the American Society of University Professors is able, through specially appointed visiting committees, to put the fear of God into universities which mistreat in one way or another their faculty, surely the A. G. O., with its large membership, might do something. The initial move must come from the man well established professionally, with a fine church and choir, and many important friends in church and social circles. Can you stir up such musicians so that they shall act in the interests of their weaker brethren? Possibly: but you need men—and women—with the fiery zeal of a Savonarola, the perseverance of a Martin Luther and the bravery of a Richard Coeur de Lion. Lacking such marder withous the gods of sociability and creary withousity and creary withousity and creary in the social circles. marvels of missionary zeal we shall go on with our valuable conventions consecrated to the gods of sociability and organ virtuosity.

What has your membership in either the A. G. O. or the N. A. O. done for you in the way of instruction or protection? What have you done to stimulate the interest of either or both these organizations in more practical schemes for mutual benefit?

The London Daily Mail has been looking into the matter of "America's expensive music," "There are three orchestras in the U. S. A. which consider themselves in a class apart. At one time the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, under Stokowski, was generally held to be supreme. Today I should imagine that connoisseurs would give the place to the Boston Orchestra, which is ruled by Kussevitzky (sic)." Too bad about Philadelphia, isn't it?

#### Meeting of Harrison M. Wild Club.

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Thirteen former pupils of Harrison M. Wild sat down at a table in the Cordon Club, Chicago, on Feb. 13 and defied superstition as they recalled former days and listened to a most interesting talk by Mrs. Anne Pearson Maryott, the invited speaker of the day. Mrs. Maryott gave incidents during her period of study under Mr. Wild for the benefit of members of the Harrison M. Wild Organ Club, and one of the most interesting was the occasion when Mr. Wild played at her wedding. She read the list of selections her teacher played in the course of a preliminary recital of forty-five minutes' duration. The next meeting of the club will be held at the same place March 13. Tina Mae Haines will speak.

#### Directed by Marie E. Von Ritter.

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At the semi-annual medal concert of the Illinois College of Music, held at Kimball Hall, Chicago, Jan. 26. Chrystle McLaughlin played the Toccata from Widor's Fifth Symphony. Miss Mary Wright played "America Triumphant," by Dunn, and Miss McLaughlin and Mrs. Marie E. Von Ritter played Guilmant's "Marche Triomphale" for piano and organ. These were only a few items on an interesting program prepared under the direction of Mrs. Von Ritter, a well-known organ'st and director of the school, which was founded by her father, the late C. W. Edwards, a prominent choral director.

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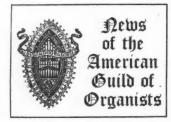
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#### Guild Officers Nominated.

The nominating committee of the A. G. O. has made its report and presents the following ticket of general officers, headed by Warden Charles H. sents the londstanding sents the londstanding sent the londstanding sent the londstanding sent the londstanding sents the londstanding se

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#### Final Symposium on March 6.

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The final symposium on religious music in the series under the auspices of the American Guild of Organists will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Fifth avenue and Twelfth street, New York City, Tuesday evening, March 6, at 8:15 o'clock. The subject will be "Music for Denominational Churches" and it will be illustrated by Dr. William C. Carl and the choir of the First Church. The address, on "Worship and Music," will be delivered by the Rev. J. V. Moldenhawer, minister of the church. The program to be presented is as follows: "The Old Hundredth" (old metrical setting), Genevan Psalter; "Lord, Increase My Faith," Orlando Gibbons: "Now Christ Is Born," William Byrd; motet, "How Pleasant Are Thy Tabernacles." I. Philippe Rameau: "Rejoice in the Lord" (Bell anthem). Henry Purcell: the Reformation motets, Ferdinand Möhring, and Chorale, "Ein feste Burg"; Psalm, "I Will Lift up Mine Eyes," Leo Sowerby: "Every Wind; that Blows," Leighton Lucas; "Hynn of Praise," Tschaikowsky; "Man Born to Toil." Gustav Holst; Nocturne, Cesar Cui; "Shout for Joy, Ye Ransomed Band," Bach.

#### Contest and Convention in Boston.

The New England chapter of the nerican Guild of Organists an-The New England chapter of the American Guild of Organists announces a prize playing contest to be held Monday afternoon and evening, April 23, in Jordan Hall, Boston, A prize of \$100 has been offered by the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Company, and will be awarded to the contestant showing the finest musicianship and the greatest mastery of his instrument. Those eligible are permanent residents or students of the organ within the limits of the New England chapter, who have not yet attained their twenty-sixth birthday.

Each contestant will be charged a

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Each contestant will be charged a registration fee of \$2, which must be enclosed with his application, the same to be forwarded to Dean Frederick H. Johnson, Church of the Advent, Boston, not later than Monday, April

16. Each contestant will be required to play the C major Fugue of Bach—volume 2. Peters edition—and in addition one piece which may be chosen from a representative list.

A convention of the New England chapter of the A. G. O. will be held in Boston, April 23 to 25. Monday, April 23, will be devoted to the organ prize contest. Tuesday afternoon there will be a concert by the orchestra of the New England Conservatory under the direction of Dr. Wallace Goodrich in Jordan Hall and in the evening a service in Harvard Memorial Chapel by the choir of Harvard University, under the direction of Wallace Woodworth. A preliminary lecture is to be delivered by Alfred C. Meyer of the Boston Evening Transcript. Wednesday afternoon there will be a recital at Harvard Memorial Chapel by Carl Weinrich. In the evening a service will be held in Boston, the combined ch. In the evening a service held in Boston, the combined choirs under the direction of Weinrich. In the evening a street will be held in Boston, the combined mixed choirs under the direction of Thompson Stone, conductor of the Handel and Haydn Society, taking part. Arrangements for discussions and general meetings will be announced

#### Features for Guild Convention.

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A concert of modern organ and orchestra-imusic conducted by Dr. Howard Hanson of the Eastman School of Music will be one of the unusual features at the convention of the American Guild of Organists to be held in Rochester, N. Y., June 25 to 29.

Harold Gleason, chairman of the program committee, is endeavoring to select only new works which will be heard for the first time at the convention. As a part of this program it is understood that Palmer Christian will present a recent work by Eric De-Lamarter and that Melville Smith of Cleveland will be at the organ in a new composition by Copeland. The name of H. Leroy Baumgartner will also be found among the composers.

name of H. Leroy Baumgartner win also be found among the composers. Grace Leeds Darnell, representing headquarters, and Leon Verrees, rep-resenting the Eastern Pennsylvania chapter, are the first two recitalists selected. Unusual musical instruments. the result of recent scientific research in the field of musical sound, together with late developments in the field of choral music will be interesting sub-

Charles H. Doersam, warden of the Guild, has recently expressed the hope that all chapters will be represented at the convention, a 100 per cent goal which has never been attained.

#### Name Changed to Rochester Chapter.

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The Western New York chapter has changed its name to the Rochester, N. Y., chapter. This has been decided upon to avoid confusion with the Buffalo chapter, which also lies in western New York.

The Western New York chapter originally comprised both Buffalo and Rochester and cordial relations, with interchange of artists and programs, were maintained for many years between the two cities, until the membership grew so that a separate chapter was formed in Buffalo. The chapters are maintaining the same interest in each other's work by regularly exchanging artists and programs.

Following the national convention of the A. G. O. in Rochester June 25 to 29 plans are being made for state conventions alternating in the two cities.

#### Women Play Chicago Program.

Four capable Chicago woman or-ganists gave a fair—and brilliant— sample of what members of the fair Four capable Chicago woman organists gave a fair—and brilliant—sample of what members of the fair sex are doing in this city to keep organ music on a high level when they played at a service of the Illinois chapter in the homelike Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Irving Park, Chicago, on the evening of Feb. 12. It was without doubt one of the best offerings of the season. Miss Ruth Broughton, who made a name for herself at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, opened the program on the three-manual Wangerin organ with a group of works of the "ancients," consisting of the "Gagliarda" by Schmid, Bach's Fugue in G. a Sonata by Scarlatti, which received a very graceful rendition, and the Frescobaldi Fugue in G minor. Mrs. Helen Searles Westbrook displayed not only brilliant-of the fair

her ability as a performer, but her undoubted gifts as a composer. She played Vierne's "Impromptu," followed by a "Poeme" and a Toccata written by herself. The Toccata, still in manuscript, is about as refreshing a piece of organ literature as one has been able to hear among the latest output.

of organ literature as one has been able to hear among the latest output. Miss Clara Gronau, who made a niche for herself among the ablest of woman organists, though young in years, when she appeared on the program of the Van Dusen Club at the N. A. O. convention in Chicago last summer, played with maturity, perfect command of the instrument and brilliancy the variations from Widor's Fifth Symphony, the Scherzo from the Fourth and the Gigout Toccata. And she played all of her numbers from memory. Miss Esther Wunderlich, organist of the church, not only played the service with workmanlike ability, but as the postlude gave a fine rendition of the Widor Toccata.

The choir, directed by Miss Margaret Haman, sang Buck's "Rock of Ages" and the Ipolitoft-tvanot "Bless the Lord, O My Soul." The Rev. B. H. Hemmeter, pastor of Mount Olive Church, made a brief address appropriate to the opening of the Lenten season.

#### Pennsylvania Chapter.

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The third in the series of five examination talks was given in the studio of the dean, Uselma C. Smith, in Philadelphia, Feb. 13, by William Timmings, F. A. G. O. His subject was "History of Music and General Musical Knowledge." Mr. Timmings has had as pupils many successful candidates for the Guild degrees. He has made a special study of this subject and the talk was most interesting and instructive.

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Rollo F. Maitland, Chariman Publicity Committee.

#### Georgia Chapter.

Georgia Chapter.

The Georgia chapter held its January meeting on the evening of the 22d, at the home of Hugh Hodgson on Vernon road. After the business session, with about twenty in attendance, Mr. Hodgson presented the following piano selections in a most charming and intimate manner: Three Chorales, Bach: Ballet from "Orpheus," Gluck; Recitative Sonata, Beethoven; "Variations Serieuse" and Prelude, E minor, Mendelssohn: Gavotte, Prokofieff; Spanish Dances, Lecuona; Prelude, A flat, and Berceuse, Chopin.

Mr. Hodgson responded to the fellowship of the occasion, and his masterly playing was enjoyed by his colleagues.

GEORGE LEE HAMRICK

Activities in Kansas Chapter.
Charles S. Skilton, F. A. G. O., is the choice of the nominating committee for dean of the Kansas chapter. Dr. Skilton holds an enviable place in the minds and hearts of Kansas musicians. He appeared recently at the Woman's Club in Topeka, giving a talk on Indian music. Miss Mildred Hunt, flutist, in Indian costume, illustrated the lecture. The Philharmonic Orchestra of Kansas City played his "Suite Primeval" in a recent program, with Mr. Skilton as guest conductor.

During the organ forum at the Kan-

Skilton as guest conductor.

During the organ forum at the Kansas State Music Teachers' Association in Pittsburg the first week of February several Guild members appeared on the program. D. A. Hirschler of Emporia spoke on the "A Cappella Choir," Alfred G. Hubach of Independence on "Organ Repertoire" and Charles S. Skilton of Lawrence on

"Guild Examinations." Many organ

"Guild Examinations." Many organ students heard the program.
Ralph Stutzman gave his senior organ recital in the First Presbyterian Church, Winfield, Feb. 11. He is a pupil of Cora Conn Moorhead and played selections by Guilmant, Bach, Shure, Stewart, Yon and Stutzman.
The Southwestern Organ Club met Feb. 12 at Winfield. Mrs. Percy Nickless of Ponca City, Okla, spoke on "The Choir and Cathedral Schools in England." Organ numbers were given by Miss Lavonne Cann and Miss Fern Kindt.

Miss Mildred Holmer, organist of

Miss Mildred Holmer, organist of the First English Lutheran Church, Topeka, gave a vesper recital in January. Her program included compositions by Yon, Widor, Franck and Gounod.

Mrs. B. A. C. Anderson of Topeka, organist at the Masonic Temple and president of the Music Study Club, with the president of the Minerva Club, will welcome the Kansas State Federation of Music Clubs to Topeka this spring. The meeting will be held at the Woman's Club.

Hagbard Brase, organist at Lindsborg College, will conduct the great chorus at Lindsborg in "The Messiah" Easter week. The chorus was organized over lifty years ago and every year has sung Handel's great oratorio at Easter time.

Easter time.
MILDRED H. DRENNING, Secretary.

#### Talk by Stearns at Youngstown.

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An interesting talk by Dr. Henry V. Stearns, minister of music at the First Presbyterian Church, featured the January meeting of the Youngstown sub-chapter at St. John's Episcopal parish-house Jan. 18. His subject was "Music in Everyday Life." Miss Lu R. Rowan gave a report of the Northern Ohio chapter meeting in Cleveland. Lu R. Ro Northern Cleveland.

#### Indiana Chapter.

Indiana Chapter.

The Indiana chapter met Feb. 15 at the Meridian Street M. E. Church where, after a business meeting preceded by a dinner, the following program was presented: Anthem. "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go." Frank L. Sealy; Aria for G String, Bach; Fountain Reverie, Fletcher, and Londonderry Air, Traditional (George B. Kemp, Jr.); anthem, "Into the Woods," Cheston L. Heath; Prelude and Fugue in G minor, Bach; "Carillon," Sowerby; Toccata (Fifth Symphony), Widor (Frances Biery); Trio in F, Bargiel (Georgia Bauman, violin; Virginia Leyenberger, violoncello, and Virginia Jefry, organ); Sonata in C minor, Op. 12. Elsie MacGregor (Elsie MacGregor, A. A. G. Q.).

With the exception of Miss Biery, the organists are all members of the chapter, and, as the program indicates, Miss MacGregor was the interpreter of her own recently written Sonata. Of interest also was the anthem "Into the Woods," composed by Cheston L. Heath, M. A., dean of the chapter, and dedicated to Mrs. Clippinger, organist and choir director of the Meridian Street M. E. Church.

Indiana chapter met at the Woodruff Place Baptist Church Monday evening, Ian. 29, for dinner and a business meeting. Despite the inconveniences of near zero weather a goodly representation attended and enjoyed the program presented by Norah A. Hunt, assisted by the Woodruff Place Baptist Church hoir, of which Miss Jeanette Vaughan is director and organist.

HELEN SHEPARD, Secretary.

#### Oklahoma Chapter Is Active

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The work of the Oklahoma chapter for the last several months has been a mixture of study and programs. At the November meeting Mrs. John Kolstad led the group in a very interesting discussion of the lives and works of Handel and Haydn. The December meeting was held in the Weaver Conservatory and was devoted to Christmas carols. Frances Wellmon Anderson talked of Italian carols and illustrated with the Praetorius "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming." Mrs. Marie M. Hine gave a brief history of English carols, and played one of Bach's arrangements of "Good Christmas". English carols, and played one of Bach's arrangements of "Good Chris-tian Men, Rejoice." Carol books were passed and one or two of the less familiar English carols were sung by

the members and their guests. Mrs. E. E. Clulow played "Holy Night," by Dudley Buck. Laurent Chaveaux, a native of France, told of French carols and Dean Weaver played the Pastorale in K be Pastorale

and Dean Weaver played the Pastorale in F by Bach.

A vote by ballot revealed that the most popular Christmas carols were "O Come, All Ye Faithful" and "Silent Night." These were sung by the assembled group, with Mrs. Ira T. Parker at the organ and Miss Martha Blunk and Miss Esther Handley at the two pianos, directed by Mrs. Sara Ruby Kaufmann. Reireshments were served.

At the January meeting, which was held at the Tulsa Tavern, the study of Mozart and Beethoven followed the business session.

Missouri Chapter,
G. Calvin Ringgenberg presented
Lucile Hammill, Christian H. Hahn
and Edward Skipwith in a recital before the Missouri chapter at St. Peter's
Episcopal Church Jan. 29. The program presented by these organists was
as follows: Allegro from Symphony
No. 1, Maquaire; Scherzo in G minor,
Bossi, and "Piece Heroique," Cesar
Franck (Mr. Hahn); Finale from Symphony No. 4, Widor; "Cantilene Pastorale," Guilmant, and "Westminster
Chimes," Vierne (Miss Hammill);
Toccata, Adagio and Fugue, Bach, and
Eighth Symphony (Moderato Cantabile and Finale), Widor (Mr. Skipwith).

Central Missouri.

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The January meeting of the Central Missouri chapter was held Jan. 29 in Jefferson City, with Miss Irene Jane Slate as hostess. After a business meeting a very interesting and informative paper was read by Miss Charlotte Morse of Christian College, Columbia, Mo., on the subject "Sebastian Bach and Cesar Franck: a Comparison." In the evening the following program was given before a large and enthusiastic audience in the First Baptist Church: "Exultation" (for organ and piano). Weaver (Dean and Mrs. Fichthorn): "Night," Jenkins, and Prelude in E minor. Dethier (Dean Claude L. Fichthorn, M. A., A. A. G. O.): "The Lord Is Mindful of His Own" ("St. Paul") and "O Rest in the Lord" ("Elijah"). Mendelssohn (Mrs. August Weigel; accompanist, Miss Irene Jane Slate): Allegro (First Sonata). Mendelssohn: Meditation (from "Thais") (by request). Massenet: Lullaby, Mauro-Cottone, and Toccata, Dubois (Miss Nesta Williams, M. A., F. A. G. O.): "Invocation to Life," Spross, and "On Wings of Song," Mendelssohn (Bell Canto Trio and pianist, Miss Lucille Richey: organist, Miss Irene Jane Slate, and violinist, Mrs. W. W. Braton): Two Chorale Preludes, Bach; Pastorale (from First Sonata), Guilmant; "The Flight of the Bumble-bee," Rimsky-Korsakoff; "Echo Bells," Brewer, and Finale, from Sonata in C minor, Baldwin (Luther Spayde, Mus. M.).

\*\*Minnesota Chapter\*\*

Minnesota Chapter.
The Minnesota chapter met at Beth-lehem Lutheran Church in Minneapolis Tuesday evening. Feb. 20. Laurinda Rast, the dean, presided. Dinner was

served by the ladies of the church. The dean called upon the pastor of the church, the Rev. O. S. Reigstad, who gave a short talk. A business meeting followed. The recital was given by Gudrun Ylvisaker, organist of Bethlehem Church; Marion Austin Dunn, A. A. G. O., and Hugo Goodwin, F. A. G. O., and Hugo Goodwin, F. A. G. O., organist of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The following program was presented: Fantasie in A. Franck; Credo and Andante from Trio-Sonata in D minor, Bach (Miss Ylvisaker); Offertoire, No. 3, Lefebure-Wely; "Paroles du Coeur," Radoux, and Fanfare, Shelley (Mrs. Dunn); Allegro Moderato and Andante from Gothic Symphony, Widor; Passacagha in D minor, Middelschulte (Mr. Goodwin).

HENRY ENGEN, Secretary.

Northern Ohio Chapter

The Northern Ohio chapter met Feb. 19 at the Warszawianka resta Cleveland, where the members 19 at the Warszawianka restaurant, Cleveland, where the members were served a tempting dinner consisting of characteristic Polish delicacies. Polish music was played and sung during the meal by native artists, and everything was done to reproduce an old-world atmosphere. At 8:30 the members gathered in St. Stanislaus' Church, where they witnessed the beautiful service of the Adoration of the Host. A mixed choir, under the able direction of Walter Grygo, did some effective a cappella work, the voices blending exceptionally well. After the service Thomas H. Webber, Jr., A. A. G. O., organist of the First Presbyterian Church, New Castle, Pa., and of the Stambaugh Auditorium, Youngstown, Ohio, gave an all-too-short recital on the two-manual organ recently rebuilt by Walter Holtkamp. Mr. Webber's Ohio, gave an all-too-short recital on the two-manual organ recently rebuilt by Walter Holtkamp. Mr. Webber's playing, which has been attracting thousands of music-lovers to the Stambaugh Auditorium in Youngstown, is magnificent; so skillful was his registration that noone could have guessed that he had not a large four-manual instrument at his command. He played Handel's Prelude and Fugue in F, Bach's Adagio in A minor, the Organ Symphony by Guy Weitz and the Toccata from Widor's Fifth Symphony.

FLORENCE WHITE, F. A. G. O.

Mourn Passing of Frederick Maxson.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the American Organ Players' Club of Philadelphia Jan. 29 the following min ute was unanimously adopted:

lowing minute was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The board has learned, with regret, of the sudden demise of its fellow member, Frederick Maxson, be it Resolved, That the death of Frederick Maxson deprives this organization of one of its most valued directors and members. He was honored and respected by all with whom he came in contact. As chairman of the examination committee he was always fair and honest in his opinions and votes and untiring in his efforts to advance the active membership of the club. Resolved, That the board of directors desires to express its sincere regret at the loss of this valued member, one of the originators of this pioneer organization. Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the family, The Diapason, The American Organist, The New Music Review and daily papers.

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The Toronto center held a meeting Feb. 3 at the C. Franklin Legge organ works, when Franklin Legge gave a very interesting talk on organ construction, dealing chiefly with the production of the various kinds of pipes. Numbers were played on the studio organ by Charles Duff, A. C. C. O., and F. C. Silvester. There was a very good attendance, and the consensus of opinion seemed to be that the meeting was not only profitable from an educaopinion seemed to be that the meeting was not only profitable from an educational standpoint, but also very entertaining. Mr. Duff, who recently located in Toronto, received his training at the Blind Institute at Brantford. He played numbers by Mendelssohn and Hollins. Mr. Silvester, who is known as one of the outstanding recitalists of the center, played numbers by Bach and Widor.

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A meeting was held at the Sherbourne Street United Church on Monday, Feb. 12, when a recital of liturgical music was given by the choir of the Church of St. Mary Magdalene under the direction of Dr. Healey Willan, F. R. C. O. Dr. Willan's choir has made a name for itself in a cappella singing, and its work is proving an inspiration to other choirs. The following is the program rendered on this occasion, the organ numbers being played by Dr. Willan: "O Lord, the Maker of All Things," Mundy; "Ave Verum" and "Sacerdotes Domini," Byrd; "I Heard a Voice," Tallis; "O Lord, Increase My Faith," and "Almighty and Everlasting God," Gibbons; Chorale Prelude, "Deck Thyself, My Soul," Bach; "The Righteous Persisheth," Jacob Handl; "Come, Holy Ghost" and "Come, Let Us Worship," Palestrina; "O Vos Omnes" and "Jesu, dulcis Memoria," Vittoria: Chorale Prelude, "A Great and Mighty Wonder," Brahms; "Ave Maria," Rachmaninoff; "Cherubic Hymm," Gretchaninoff; "Chorale Prelude, "Puer Nobis Nascitur," Willan: "Missa Brevis I," "I Beheld Her," "Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One," and "O Trinity, Most Blessed Light," Willan.

Hamilton Center Festival.

Grace M. Johnson, Secretary.

The regular meeting of the Hamilton center was held in the Scottish Rite clubroom Saturday, Jan. 27, at 6:30. About fifty were present at supper, and afterward a brief business session was held, at which Egerton Boyce, chairman, presided. Five new members were introduced. A short speech was made by Paul Ambrose, formerly of Hamilton, but for many years a prominent organist in Trenton, N. J., and a member of the executive committee of the National Association of Organists.

The meeting adjourned to Al! Saints' Church, where a choral festival was held by the center. The choirs of All Saints'. Centenary, St. Giles' and Ryerson Churches, under their respective choirmasters, united for the festival. The choirmasters, united for the festival. The choirmasters, united for the festival. The choirmasters, united for the festivals or a nists of their respective wares with the support of the suppose of the preserver.

val. The choirmasters, who are also the organists of their respective churches, were W. H. Hewlett, Mus. B., E. G., Elliott, A. T. C. M., Egerton Boyce and Leslie Leman. Each choirmaster was given the opportunity of directing the combined choir in a number, of accompanying the choir at the organ in another number, and of playing an organ solo, thus revealing, in The choirmasters, wlrganists of their

fact, just what a choirmaster has to do as part of his regular Sunday duty.

The combined forces brought nearly 200 singers together, and these were placed in the choir, below the chancel, and toward the transepts. The tone of the chorus was fresh and sonorous, bright and well pointed, and the response excellent. Though each choirmaster conducted differently, the tempo and tone were well sustained, and the phrasing and interpretation were pleasing throughout. The program offered diversity, and, while the numbers chosen were all within the compass of the individual choirs, worthy musical standards were adhered to, and the ensemble at times was thrilling.

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The organ solos were an interesting feature of the program. Mr. Boyce played a paraphrase on "See the Conquering Hero Comes" by Guilmant, and Nocturne, Bonnet; Mr. Leman played the Overture in C minor by H. A. Fricker and Mr. Elliott played two lovely Bach chorales. Mr. Hewlett, who, with the passing of J. E. P. Aldous, now becomes the dean of Hamilton organists, was pressed into service for the recessional.

Montreal Centes.

W. Bulford, Secretary.

Of all branches of church music—
come organ voluntaries, canticles,
come—that of hymns—words anthems, organ voluntaries, canticles psalms and hymns—that of hymns takes first place." With these words Dr. Alfred Whitehead, F. R. C. O., prefaced an informative talk on hymntunes before the Montreal branch in Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, Monday evening, Feb. 5. To illustrate the various schools of music, the cathedral choir sang a well-arranged and interesting preserve.

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First consideration was deservedly given to a group of plainsong melodies, among which were "Divinum Mysterium," "Adoro Te Devote," and "Vexilla Regis." In the latter, Dr. Whitehead encouraged the audience also to sing in some of the verses, and this assured just the right effect for verses 3 and 5, sung to fauxbourdon. So often a fauxbourdon loses its effect because the melody cannot be clearly heard, with the result that all one hears is a pleasing harmonization of parts. When the choir alone is singing and it is desired to use fauxbourdon, it is important that the melody should be sung strongly by one or two parts, or conversely that the other parts should be restrained to prevent the melody being lost altogether.

In his remarks about the German school of hymn-tunes, Dr. Whitehead pointed out that Martin Luther frankly compiled his tunes, using for his material both sacred and secular sources, and pressing into his service some of the folk-tunes of his day. A passing reference was made to Bach's harmonizations and arrangements of chorales, which are very highly esteemed, but

reference was made to Bach's harmonizations and arrangements of chorales, which are very highly esteemed, but curiously enough his original hymntunes are dull and lacking distinction. Two tunes were selected to illustrate the German school—"Attole Paulum" as harmonized by Mendelssohn in his "St. Paul" and that really great tune, "Lasst uns erfreuen," which was described by the lecturer as one of the noblest ever written. This tune is usually sung to "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones," but on this occasion it was sung to "Give to Our God Immortal Praise." As in "Vexilla Regis," the audience assisted in the singing, two verses again being sung fauxbourdon

tal Praise." As in "Vexilla Regis," the audience assisted in the singing, two verses again being sung fauxbourdon with striking effect.

The Genevan hymns were next touched upon by Dr. Whitehead, particular praise being given to the compositions of Louis Bourgeois. He quoted Dr. Bridges as saying: "Historians who wish to give a true philosophical account of Calvin's influence at Geneva ought probably to refer a great part of it to the enthusiasm attendant upon the melodies of Bourgeois." "O Seigneur," usually sung to "When Morning Gilds the Skies," was sung to illustrate the Genevan school. In the English group "Croit's 148th," was outstanding, "Rockingham" ("When I Survey the Wondrous Cross") was chosen to show how a hymn could be sung by the choir alone during the communion of the people. The first verse was sung in full: the second was taken by a soprano soloist: the third was sung partly accompanied and the

last to fauxbourdon. Another tune to receive fauxbourdon treatment was "Regnator Orbis," sung to "O, What the Joy and the Glory Must Be." All the fauxbourdons sung at the lecture-recital were taken from Dr. Whitehead's "Eighteen Fauxbourdons and Descants for Well-Known Hymntunes" (Carl Fischer).

When the program for the season's activities was being prepared, Dr. Whitehead was asked to give a lecture on his own compositions, but as he much desired to deal with hymn-tunes in a general way, the committee acceded to his wishes. However, a number of his own arrangements were sung, for the choir sang "Carlisle"

in a general way, the committee acceded to his wishes. However, a number of his own arrangements were sung, for the choir sang "Carlisle New" ("Fierce Was the Wild Billow"); a carol, "Good Christian Men, Rejoice," based on "In dulci Jubilo," and "Soldiers of Christ, Arise," to an arrangement based on "Milites."

Dr. Whitehead did not say anything about the words of hymns except to remark that nearly always fine words and fine music are found associated, though there are astounding exceptions to this general rule. Stating that school music has improved tremendously of recent years, and that the young people will not fail to be impressed by the triteness of the hymns they hear in ple will not fail to be impressed by the triteness of the hymns they hear in church, Dr. Whitehead said that all who are responsible for the choice of any form of church music should take those responsibilities seriously.

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#### Kitchener Center.

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Eugene Fehrenbach, Secretary.
Eugene Hill was re-elected president of the Kitchener center at the annual meeting of that organization held at the Granite Club. The event took the form of a dinner and visitors were in attendance from Guelph, Galt, Preston and Hespeler. Gratifying reports on the year's work were presented by the secretary, W. R. Mason, and the treasurer, Clarence Totzke.

The election resulted in the re-election of Mr. Hill, with the following: Vice-president, W. R. Mason; secretary, Eugene Fehrenbach, and treasurers.

urer, Edgar Merkel.

Mr. Hill spoke briefly, reviewing the work of the past year and complimenting the outgoing executive committee on the cooperation they gave in the past year and outlining the benefits accruing to the individual from membership in the organization.

C. Franklin Legge of Toronto, president of the Franklin Legge Organ Company, was the special speaker at the meeting of the Kitchener center at St. John's Anglican parish hall. Mr. Legge spoke on "The Organ," dealing with it from the four different viewpoints of action, tone, specifications and acoustics.

London Center.

Edward Daly, Secretary.

A regular meeting of the London center was held Tuesday, Feb. 6. J. Parnell Morris, A. C. C. O., delivered a well-worked-out paper on "Expression," analyzing its various aspects in relation to technique and the individual's powers of imagination and ability to feel deeply.

A joint organ recital was given at

to feel deeply.

A joint organ recital was given at New St. James' Presbyterian Church, Thursday, Feb. 8, the following members taking part: A. Ernest Harris, A. T. C. M., Luther Jackson, A. T. C. M., Luther Jackson, A. T. C. M., organist of the church, and George Patrick.

Winnipeg Center.

Secretary: Archibald W. Lee.
Under the auspices of this center an organ and choral recital took place on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 28, in St. Mathew's Church. The organist was Hugh Bancroft, F. R. C. O., and the chorus was St. John's graduate choir, directed by Ronald W. Gibson, A. C. C. O., and Filmer E. Hubble, A. C. C. O. The following was the program: Prelude in G major, Bach; Larghetto from Clarinet Quintet, Mozart; "Behold, a Virgin Shall C on ceive." Jacob Handl: "Comest Thou, Light of Gladness." Herzogenburg: Allegro from Symphony No. 6, Widor; "The Presentation of Christ in the Temple," Euard; Pastorale, Franck: Fugue from Sonata in C minor, Reubke.

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## Who's Who Among the Organists of America

Emory L. Gallup.

From the beginning of his career in church music at the age of 11 years to the end of his tenth year as organist and choir director in that nationally-famous stronghold of liberalism, the Fountain Street Baptist Church of Grand Rapids, Mich., Emory L. Gallup has maintained an enviable standard in his chosen field. His success is measured not only in the caliber of his musical achievements but in the rich background of ecclesiastical tradition which stamps his efforts with authenticity.

Belonging by early training to that group of young Chicago organists who have contributed with distinction to the have contributed with distinction to the cause of church music, he studied with such outstanding teachers as Mrs. Nellie Orr Woody and Calvin F. Lampert, and for ten years with the late Harrison M. Wild. Later he became a pupil of Lynnwood Farnam. He also received extensive piano training from Robert Yale Smith, Edgar Nelson and Hurch Kelso.

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Mr. Gallup's first church position, following his very early appearances as piano accompanist in the West End Christian Church and Calvary Presbyterian Church, were as organist in the First Presbyterian Church of Maywood, Ill., and St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Chicago. In February, 1915, he became organist and choir director of St. Chrysostom's Church, Chicago, where he continued until 1924, at which time he accepted his present position

he became organist and choir director of St. Chrysostom's Church, Chicago, where he continued until 1924, at which time he accepted his present position at the Fountain Street Baptist Church of Grand Rapids, taking charge on completion of the beautiful edifice and its large four-manual Skinner organ. It is in these last two associations that his abilities as choral director and accompanist have been brought to the attention of a music-loving public.

In addition to his activities in the field of church music, Mr. Gallup has proved himself on many occasions a distinguished recitalist. As early as 1917 he was selected to assist at the dedication of the organ in Kimball Hall. Chicago, appearing in association with many of the most famous Chicago organists, and later played before the American Guild of Organists in Boston. While he was at St. Chrysostom's Church he gave Chicago a series of recitals which won much favorable comment. Not content with a purely interpretative approach to his art, he has familiarized himself thoroughly with the mechanics of organ building and voicing, and his playing has, as a result, remained strictly and appropriately organistic.

An enthusiastic traveler, Mr. Gallup has spent much time in Europe furthering his musical attainments. While a student of Marcel Dupré, he played for several months in the American Cathedral Church in Paris. Later he studied voice with Alfredo Morelli in Rome and Mario Ancona in Florence. His pilgrimages to the Three Choir Festivals in England have brought him rich contacts with English organists and directors. The European sojourns have also enabled him to indulge his hobbies, cathedral architecture and

Emory L. Gallup at Grand Rapids Organ



European politics, in both of which fields he is something of an authority. The music of the Fountain Street Baptist Church, under his direction, has become an integral part of the cultural life of the community. The adult mixed chorus has presented during the past season, in addition to church services of consistently high standard, Mendelssohn's "Elijah" for the third time, the Christmas portion of "The Messiah, an annual tradition, and the Brahms "Requiem" for the third time. This spring the choir will commemorate the birthday of Bach with the first presentation of the "St. Matthew Passion" in Grand Rapids. To all of these performances, notable for their masterly interpretations, Mr. Gallup contributes the birlliant organ accompaniments for which he has achieved a well-earned reputation.

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which he has achieved a well-earned reputation.

Irving D. Bartley, Mus. B., F. A. G. O. Irving Dana Bartley, Mus. B., F. A. G. O., professor of piano in Baker University of Fine Arts since 1928, has exerted himself successfully through his teaching and recitals to awaken interest in a large part of Kansas.

Mr. Bartley's musical career began at the age of 7. In a comparatively short time his mother had taught him how to read music and, with the promise of a cent a week for practicing ten minutes a day, his daily progress in playing the cabinet organ was marked. Even when an upright piano was purchased, his love for the reed organ remained and he would alternate his practice between the two instruments. His repertoire at this time consisted mostly of hymns from the "Pilgrim Hymnal" and "Jubilant Praise."

At the age of 11 he began practice on a two-manual reed organ with pedals. His most enjoyable period of the week was Sunday afternoon, when he would spend two or more delightful hours practicing pedals and later organ pieces, with his father at the pumphandle supplying air to the bellows. These musical orgies generally ended with an improvisation.

Mr. Bartley's first organ instructor was Alfred T. Mason of Pittsfield, Mass., with whom he studied from the age of 18 to 22, and during this time he was privileged to practice on the

Irving D. Bartley



large four-manual Skinner organ at the large four-manual Skinner organ at the First Congregational Church of that city, where his teacher was organist. In 1921 he completed a course at the Berkshire Business College of Pitts-field and upon graduation was employed at the Pittsfield National Bank. In March, 1925, he was appointed organist of the First Methodist Church of Pittsfield, and in this capacity he had the good fortune to have a new three-manual Skinner organ at his disposal.

In September of that year he resigned both positions to study at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. Throwing himself into his work with a zeal that had characterized his earlier study, Mr. Bartley completed the four-year course in three years, graduating in June, 1928, with diplomas in both piano and organ. The following year he remained at the conservatory, taking postgraduate work in piano. His piano instruction was taken under the late Edwin Klahre,

who had been a pupil of Liszt, and organ under Henry M. Dunham, until he retired, and then under Albert W. Snow, organist at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Boston. Among other teachers from whom he received instruction were Arthur M. Curry in harmony and counterpoint and Joseph Adamowski in ensemble.

Adamowski in ensemble.

While in Boston Mr. Bartley was organist at Immanuel Baptist Church, Cambridge, from February until June, 1926: Hyde Park Congregational Church from September, 1926, to June, 1928, and Union Congregational Church, Boston, from September, 1928, until August, 1929, when he received an offer to teach organ and piano at Baker University in Baldwin, Kan. At Baldwin he directs the evening choir of the Methodist Episcopal Church and is the pianist at the morning services. of the Methodist Episcopal Church and is the pianist at the morning services. Three years ago the Baldwin church was burned. Since then a new church has been erected, but funds for an organ have not been obtained. For this reason Mr. Bartley found it necessary to drive fourteen miles to Ottawa, Kan., when he was preparing for his Guild examinations.

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For the last four summers Mr. Bartley has attended Syracuse University and at the end of last summer's session was awarded a bachelor of music degree with a major in piano. Among his instructors were Earl B. Stout, professor of piano, and William E. Berwald, teacher of composition. In the A. A. G. O. examination in 1932 Mr. Bartley passed with the second highest grade. In June, 1933, at 30 years of age, he won the F. A. G. O. degree.

Each year Mr. Bartley returns to Canaan, N. Y., a small town in the Berkshire Hills, to spend his vacation. In the course of the summer he gives a concert at the Canaan Congregational Church, of which his father is pastor. Assisting artists are engaged through his efforts and these concerts are attracting people from the neighboring cities and towns. Last summer Mr. Bartley included a group of four of his original compositions, all in manuscript. His programs vary from transcriptions of overtures to compositions of Franck and Widor.

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## Programs of Organ Recitals of the Month

Wilhelm Middelschulte, LL. D., Chicago
—Dr. Middelschulte played the following
program at Rosary College, River Forest,
Ill., in a recital Feb. 16: Toccata and
Fugue in D minor, Bach; Nocturne from
"Midsummer Night's Dream." Mendelssohn; "Forest Murmurs" from "Siegfried," Wagner: Chromatic Fantasie, Thiele; "Peem," Westbrook; "Ave Maria," Schu-bert; "Perpetuum Mobile," Middelschulte; Finale, Rheinberger.

On Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4, Dr. Mid-On sunday atternoon, reo. 4, 197, sho-delschulte played a group of organ num-bers at a sacred concert by the Luther Institute glee club in the Concordia gymnasium at River Forest under the direction of W. Carl Meyer.

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G. Calvin Ringgenberg, St. Louis, Mo.—
In his recital at Washington University
Sunday afternoon, Jan. 21, Mr. Ringgenberg presented these offerings: Sonata in
C. minor, No. 2, Mendelssohn; Chorale
Prelude, "O Mensch, bewein' dein' Sünde Bach; Symphony No. 5, in F minor. Widor.

minor, Widor.

Roland Diggle, Mus. D., Los Angeles,
Cal.—Dr. Diggle played a program made
up of compositions of living American
writers for the organ in a recital at St.
John's Episcopal Church Jan. 21. His
selections included: "Pax Vobiscum," selections included: "Pax Vobiscum," Garth Edmundson; Passacaglia, Frank M. Church; "Peace of God," R. Deane Shure; Hymn-tune Fantasia, "Amsterdam," Carl McKinley; "Twilight," J. W. Clokey, Frelude, Anna Carbone; Sonata, R. L.

Baldwin.

Palmer Christian, Ann Arbor, Mich.—
Mr. Christian's program for his twilight recital at Hill Auditorium, University of Michigan, Feb. 14 was as follows: Prelude on the Dutch Chorale "Laet One met Herten Reijne," Bull; Gavotte, Wesley; Hymn-tune Prelude on Song 13 of Orlando Gibbons, Williams; Sonata in the Style of Handel, Wolstenholme; Adagietto ("Suite in Miniature"), Scherzetto (MS) and "A Stately Procession," De Lamarter; Improvisation (Basso ostinato e Fughetta), Karg-Elert; "Symphonesque," Spencer.

In a faculty recital Feb. 18 Mr. Chris-In a faculty recital Feb. 18 Mr. Christian had the assistance of Joseph Brinkman, pianist, and the program included several selections for piano and organ. The offerings included: Prefude, Fugue and Variation for organ and piano, Franck; "Carillon," Sowerby; Passacaglia, from Symphony No. 1 for organ, Sowerby; "Medieval Poem," for organ and piano, Sowerby.

piano, Sowerhy.

Miss Lilian Carpenter, F. A. G. O., New York City—Miss Carpenter gave a rectial Jan. 30 at the Andrews Methodist Church of Brooklyn, assisted by William Pilcher, tenor. Her program was made up as follows: Largo e maestoso and Allegro (First Sonata). Guilmant; Adaglo, from Toccata in C. Bach; Allegretto Giocoso, from "Water Music," Handel; "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupre," Russell; "Divertissement," Vierne; Scherzo (Sonata in E flat), Parker; Largo ("New World" Symphony), Dvorak; Finale in B flat. Franck.

Franck.

Adolf Torovsky, Washington, D. C.—
Mr. Torovsky gave a recital on the fourmanual Skinner organ in St. John's
Church, known as the "church of the
Presidents," Feb. 19, playing the following compositions: Toccata and Fugue
in D minor, Bach: Chorate, "Jesus, Joy
of Man's Desiring," Bach: "Romance
sans Paroles" and "Elfes," Bonnet;
Minuet, Calkin; "Finlandia," Sibelius;
Toccata, Mailly.

Minuet, Calkin; "Finlandia," Succour,
Toccata, Mailly.

On Jan. 22 Mr. Torovsky played a
recital at St. James' Episcopal Church,
Leesburg, Va., presenting this program:
"Marche Triomphale," Karg-Elert; Chorale, "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring,"
Bach; Largo, Handel; "Vision," Bibl;
Pastorale in F, Faulkes; Capriccio, Lemaigre; "Old Refrain," arranged by
Kreisler; "Berceuse et Priere," Guilmant;
"Ave Maria," Schubert; "Will-o'-the"Vensong, Johnston; Toc-"Ave Maria." Schubert: "Will-o'-the-Wisp." Nevin; Evensong, Johnston; Toc-cata in G. Dubois.

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Leland A. Arnold, Boston, Mass.—In his "hour of music" Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4, at Trinity Church, Newton Center, Mr. Arnold, organist and choirmaster of Trinity, played: Concerto No. 5, "The Cuckoo and the Nightingale," Handel; Largo, Trio-Sonata No. 5, Bach; Canon in B minor, Schumann; Symphony No. 5, Widor; Chorale Prelude, "A Rose Breaks into Bloom," Brahms: "The Shepherds' Pipes and the Star," Steherbatcheff;

"Funeral March and Song of the Seraphs." Guilmant.
On Jan. 21 Mr. Arnold's offerings were these: "Pange Lingua," Boely: Chorale, "From High Heaven," Pachelbel; "Musette en Rondeau," Rameau: Air (from "Water Music"), Handel; Pastorale, Scarlatti; Fugue in E flat ("St. Ann"), Bach; Three Chorale Improvisations, Karg-Elert; "Angelus ad Pastores" and "Magnificatus est, Rex Pacificus," de Maleingrau; Meditation, Truette; "Romance," Bonnet; "Träumerei," Schumann.
Edwin Arthur Kraft, F. A. G. O., Cleve-

onnet; "Träumerei," Schumann. Edwin Arthur Kraft, F. A. G. O., Cleveland, Ohio—In his Sunday afternoon recitals at Trinity Cathedral Mr. Kraft has played these programs among others in February:

28-Overture to "Phedre." senet-Kraft; Prelude on "Rhosym tor "Lovely"), Vaughan Williams; dante, Stamitz; Theme and Varia "Rhosymedre"

ch. 7—First Movement, C minor ata, Salome; "Dreams" (Seventh Sona-Guilmant; Sinfonia to "We Thank e, God," Bach; "Evening Song," amann; "March of the Magi," Dubois. Feb. ata Salor

Schumann; "March of the Magi," Dubois, Francis H. Hopper, Muskegon, Mich.—Mr. Hopper gave the last of a series of monthly recitals at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on the afternoon of Jan. 21, playing this program; "The Chapel of San Miguel." Seder; "Romance sans Paroles" and "Elves," Bonnet; "Grande Piece Symphonique," Franck; Toccata in D, Kinder; "La Nuit," Karg-Elert; Festival Music from "Die Meistersinger," Wagner.

Music from "Die Meistersinger," Wagner. Ernest Mitchell, New York City—At his recital in Grace Church Sunday afternoon, Feb. 11. Mr. Mitchell had the assistance of Master John M. Langstaff, soprano. The organ selections included: Moderato (Seventh Symphony), Widor: Andante Cantabile, Tschaikowsky; Prelude and Fugue in G. Bach; Communion ("The Mystic Organ," Book 6), Tournemire; Scherzo (Second Symphony), Vierne; "Chanson," Barnes; Toccata, Widor.

Albert Riemenschneider, Berea, Ohio—

Albert Riemenschneider, Berea, Ohio Albert Riemenschneider, Berea, OhloIn his recital at Baldwin-Wallace College
Sunday afternoon, March 4, Mr. Riemenschneider will play the following program: "Comes Autumn Time," Sowerby;
Four Passion Chorales from "The Liturgical Year." Bach; Sixth Symphony (complete), Widor.

Kate Elizabeth Fox, New York City—
Mrs. Fox organist and director at St.

Kate Elizabeth Fox, New York City—Mrs. Fox, organist and director at St. Andrew's Methodist Church, gave a recital for the students of the high school at Morristown, N. J., Jan. 31 in the school auditorium. Her program was as follows: Toccata and Fugue in 'D minor, Bach; "Christmas in Sicily," Yon; Intermezzo. Callaerts; "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupre," Russell; Allegro from Sixth Symphony, Widor; Largo, Handel.

Parvin Titus, F. A. G. O., Cincinnati, Ohio—In his half-hours of organ music at Christ Church Mr. Titus has played the following among his February programs: Feb. 16—Largo, Wesley; Prelude in Cminor, Mendelssohn: "In a Boat," Debussy; "The Legend of the Mountain." Karg-Elert; Cantilena, McKinley; "Grand Choeur Dialogue," Gigout.

Karg-Elert; Cantilena, McKinley; "Grand Choeur Dialogue," Gigout. Feb. 20—Minuet and Trio, Wolsten-holme; Psalm-Prelude, Op. 32, No. 2, Howells; Songs without Words ("Confi-dence" and "Spinning Song"), Mendels-sohn; Pastoral Scene, Dethier; "Hour of Gladness.." Bossi.

Gladness.." Hossi.

Frank W. Asper, Salt Lake City, Utah
—Mr. Asper gave the fifth annual recital
on the Weir memorial organ in the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Steubenville, Ohio, Jan. 7, in the course of
his Eastern tour. The program consisted
of these compositions: Allegro from Symphony in G minor, No. 6, Widor; "In
Moonlight," Kinder; "Spring Morn,"
Smith; Toccata and Fugue in D minor,
Bach; "Kamennoi Ostrow," Rubinstein;
French Rondo, Boellmann; "Träumerei,"
Schumann; "Piece Heroique," Franck;
"To a Wild Rose," MacDowell; "Pilgrims'
Chorus," from "Tannhäuser," Wagner;
Communion in G, Batiste; "The Lost
Chord," Sullivan. Sullivan

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A. E. Redsell, Port Credit, Ont.—In his monthly recital at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, played Thursday evening, Feb. 15. Mr. Redsell presented this program: Prelude and Fugue in F minor, Handel; "In Bateau," Debussy; "Piece Heroique," Franck; "Marche Solennelle," Mailly; "Preislied," Wagner; "Caprice Orientale." Lemare; "Lasst uns erfreuen."

Faulkes; Passacaglia (Pastoral Suite), Scott; Gavotte from "Mignon." Thomas; "The Squirrel." Weaver; Grand Offertory in G, Wely. Charles S. Skilton, Lawrence, Kan.—Dr.

Charles S. Skilton, Lawrence, Kan.—Dr. Skilton was assisted by a brass quartet in his vesper recital at the University of Kansas Sunday afternoon, Feb. 18, and the offerings included the following: Chorale from Suite in C major, Homer Bartlett (organ and brass quartet): Fugue in C major, Bach; "Prize Song." fro m "The Mastersingers." Wagnerfrom "The Mastersingers," Wagn Fricker; Suite, "Harmonies of Florence Wagner-Seth Bingham; "Christus Resurr Ravanello (organ and brass quartet) Resurrexit.

Avaneto (organ and brass quarter).

E. Arne Hovdesven, Mercersburg, Pa.

Among Mr. Hovdesven's Sunday afterbon offerings at Mercersburg Academy in February were a Spanish pro Feb. 11 and works of Scandinavian posers Feb. 18. The pieces played wer

posers Feb. 18. The pieces played were: Feb. 11—"Pantomime" and "Recit du Pecheur." de Falla; Allegretto mosso, from "Goyescas." Granados; "Meditacion." Julio Valdes; "Leyenda" (Legend in G minor), Intermezzo in D major and "Cadiz," Albeniz; Finale, Beobide. Feb. 18—Fantasia in C major, Sjögren; "Morning Mood" and "In the Hall of the Mountain King," Grieg; "The Shepherds in the Field," Malling; Fugue in C, Buxtehude; "The Chalet Girl's Sunday," Ole Bull; "Finlandia," Sibelius.
Ruth Broughton, Chicago—Miss Broughton gave a recital at the Fourth Presby-

Ruth Broughton, Chicago—Miss Broughton gave a recital at the Fourth Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon, Feb. 11. and played the following compositions: Frelude and Cantilene, Rousseau; Minuet ("Suite Gothique"), Boellmann; Elevation, Allegretto and Fantasie, Saint-Saens.

Charles G. Goodrich, Monmouth, III.—Professor Goodrich played the following program in a recital Jan. 26 at Monmouth College as a treat for students in the midst of their midyear examinations: Prelude in C minor, Lawrence Beste; Madrigal, Rogers; "Islavonic Cradie Song, Neruda-Rogers; "Indian Legend," Candlyn; "Scene Orientale," Kroeger; "Song of Autumn." Candlyn; "Departing Day," Mueller; March in D minor, Becker.

Alfred R. Brinkler, Portland, Maine—In his recitals at St. Luke's Cathedral Mr. Brinkler has played the following programs:

Jan. 28—Prelude in B minor, Bach; Al-

Brinkler has played the town-grams:
Jan, 28—Prelude in B minor, Bach; Allegretto, Wolstenholme; War March,
Mendelssohn; Evening Song, Bairstow;
Scherzo-Pastorale, Federlein; Wind in
the Pines," Clokey; Allegro Cantabile and
Toccata from Fifth Symphony, Widor,
Feb, 11—"Suite Gothique," Boellmann;
"Suite Joyeux," Diggle; "Romance" in
D flat, Lemare; Capriccio, Lemaigre;
"The Flight of the Bumble-bee," Rimsky"The Flight of the Bumble-bee," Rim

Butte Joyeux, Figgie, Rome D flat, Lemare; Capriccio, L "The Flight of the Bumble-bee," Korsakoff; "Chanson du Soir," Finale from First Sonata, Borow

Korsakoff: "Chanson du Soir," Becker; Finale from First Sonata, Borowski.

John E. Fay, Portland, Ore.—Mr. Fay gave the recital at St. Luke's Cathedral Feb. 4, as guest organist, and presented a program made up as follows: Largo from Concerto for Two Violins, Bach; "Le Coucou," d'Aquin; "Piece Heroique," Franck; Cantabile, Jongen; "Jagged Peaks in the Starlight," Clokey; Intermezzo, Catlaerts; "Marche Triomphale," Karg-Elert; Reverie, Dickinson; Theme with Variations, Faulkes.
Charles H. Finney, Oberlin, Ohio—Mr.

with Variations, Faulkes.
Charles H. Finney, Oberlin, Ohio—Mr.
Finney, organist of the Boulevard Presbyterian Church of Cleveland, gave a
recital at Calvary Presbyterian Church
Sunday afternoon. Feb. 4, and his offerings consisted of the following: Festival
Toccata, Fletcher; "Dawn," Jenkins; Air
from "Orpheus." Gluck; "Jerusalem, Du
hochgebaute Stadt." Karz-Elet: "Chaut from "Orpneus." Gluck, Jerusatem, Du hochgebaute Stadt." Karg-Elert, "Chant de Bonheur." Lemare; "In Moonlight," Kinder; "Suite Gothique," Boellmann.
Marcus Naylor, Warren, Pa.—Mr. Naylor played the following program in a recital at the First Presbyterian Church

Jan. 29: Chorale in A minor, Franck; Sketch in D flat, Schumann; Finale, from Seven Pieces, Dupré: Concerto in F major, No. 5, Handel; Chorale Prelude, "Vom Himmel kam der Engel Schaar," Bach; Fugue in D. Bach; Chorale Prelude, "Jesu, meine Freude," Bach; "Le Coucou," d'Aquin; Prelude in D. Vierne; "Carillon-Sortie," Mulet.

Sortie," Mulet.
Verne R. Stilwell, Grand Rapids, Mich.
—In a recital on the large Kimball organ
at Grace Episcopal Church over which he
presides Mr. Stilwell, assisted by Miss
Betty Walker, harpist, presented this program Sunday afternoon, Jan. 28: "Grand
Choeur Dialogue," Gigout: Adagio (Third

Sonata), Mendelssohn; Andante Cantabile Tschaikowsky: Third Offertory St Cecilia Grison

to St. Cecina. Orison.

Elmer A. Tidmarsh, Schenectady, N. Y.

Dr. Tidwarsh, director of music at
Union College, who is playing recitals on
Sundays at 4 o'clock, presented the follow-

ing as his January offerings:
Jan. 7—First Suite, Borowski;
Sonata, Mendelssohn; "Tangle
Tales," Stoughton; "Sposalizio." Borowski: Sixth

Sonata, Mendelssohn: "Tanglewood Tales," Stoughton; "Sposalizio," Liszt; "Liebestraum," Liszt.

Jan. 14—First Sonata, Mendelssohn; "War March of the Priests," from "Athalie," Mendelssohn; Nocturne from "A Midsummer Night's Dream," Mendelssohn; "Angelus," Massenet; Meditation from "Thais," Massenet; Meditation from "Thais," Massenet; "Cortege et Litanie," Dupré; "Lamento." Dupré; Third Chorale, Hendrick Andriessen.

Jan. 21—Program of Debussy music;

Chorale, Hendrick Andriessen.

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Second Arabesque; "Le Petite Berger";
"Clair de Lane"; Prelude to "L'ApreMidd d'Un Faune"; "Le Bon Pasteur,"
from "Le Martyr de St. Sebastian"; "Le
Cathedrale Engloutie"; Ballet; Prelude to
"La Demoiselle Elue"; "En Bateau"; "La
Fille aux Cheveux de Lin"; Andante from
String Quartet.

String Quartet.

Mrs. John R. Henry, Harrisburg, Pa.—
Mrs. Henry gave a recital Jan. 23 at
Olivet Presbyterian Church and her program was as follows: Overture to the Occasional Oratorio, Handel; Cradle Son Occasional Oratorio. Handel: Cradle Song. Bohemian-Poister; Arloso-Presto, Quantz; "Water Sprites." Nash; "Rondo alla Campanella," Karg-Elert; Chorale Improvisations, "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star" and "Now Thank We All Our God." Karg-Elert; "Ave Maria," Arkadelt-Dickinson; "Ronde Francaise," Boellmann; Allegro Finale, Widor.

Alfred W. G. Peterson, Worcester, Mass.—Mr. Peterson, organist of Central Church, gave a recital on the afternoon of Feb. 4 in observance of the second anniversary of the completion of the

of Feb, 4 in observance of the second anniversary of the completion of the Knowles organ, a three-manual Austin, and played; Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, Bach; Air from "Rinaldo," Handel; Largo from "Nerwes," Handel; Andante Cantabile, Mozart; Chorale Prelude, "In Thee Is Gladness," Bach; Allegro Vivace from Fifth Symphony, Widor; Chorale Prelude on "Stracathro," Noble; Scherzo, Gigout; "Murmuring Brook" (played on celesta), Poldini; "Stella Matutina" and "Electa ut Sol," Dallier.

Herbert Raiph Ward, New York City—Mr. Ward's Tuesday I o'clock recitals at

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Feb. 13—Air and Allegro Maestoso C'Water Music'), Handel; Chorale, "I Love Thee, Lord Most High," Kreckel; Prelude and Fugue (Cathedral), Bach; "Pawles Wharfe," Giles Farnaby; "Epithalame," MacMaster.
Feb. 29—"Queen of Peerless Majesty" ("Musica Divina"), Kreckel; Canzona in D minor, Bach; "Will-o'-the-Wisp." Nevin; "Cantilene Pastorale," MacMaster; Arioso and Fugato, Ludwig Boslet.
Feb. 28—Chorale Prelude, "Saviour of My Heart," Brahms; Fugue in G minor (the lesser), Bach; "Benedictus," Reger; Fantaisie in A major, Franck.
Dorsey D. Baird, Hastings, Neb.—In a recital at St. Mark's Procathedral Sunday afternoon, Feb. 25, Mr. Baird played these compositions: "Plece Heroique," Franck; "Minuetto Antico e Musetta," Yon; Nocturne, Ferrata. With the assistance of Clyde Keutzer, baritone, Mr. Baird also gave DeLamarter's solo cantata "The One Hundred and Forty-fourth Psalm."

Mrs. M. E. Stephens, Gadsden, Ala.—Mrs. Stephens played these numbers in a

Psalm."

Mrs. M. E. Stephens, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Mr. E. Stepnens, Gadsden, Ala.— Mrs. Stephens played these numbers in a recital at the First Baptist Church Sun-day evening, Jan. 28: Andante from Fifth Symphony. Beethoven: "The Fountain Sparkling in the Sunlight," Goodwin; "An Easter Spring Song," Garth Edmundson; "In Venice," Sellars; Overture to "Wil-liam Tell." Rossini.

Fred Faassen, Zion, III .- The following

Fred Faassen, Zion, Ill.—The following are among Mr. Faassen's programs at Shiloh Tabernacle:
Feb. 4—"Vision," Rheinberger; Chorale, Andante Sostenuto, Allegro Molto and Finale from Sixth Sonata, Mendelssohn; Sketch in C, Schumann; Andante Cantabile from Symphony 4, Widor, Feb. 11—Prayer from Gothic Suite. Boeilmann; War March from "Athalie," Mendelssohn; "Dreams," Wagner; "The Lost Chord," Sullivan; "Clouds," Ceiga,

## Programs of Organ Recitals of the Month

Harold B. Niver, A. A. G. O., Newark, N. J.—Mr. Niver played the following selections in a recital at Grace Church, of which he is organist and choirmaster, on the evening of Feb. 1: Suite in F, Corelli: Chorale Improvisations. "O Gott. provisations. "O Gott and "Schmücke Dich Corelli; Chorale Improvisations, "O Gott. Du frommer Gott" and "Schmücke Dich, O liebe Seele," Karg-Elert; "Carillon," Sowerby; Third Sonata (Con Moto Maestoso and Andante Tranquillo), Mendelssohn; Air for the G String, Siciliano and Sarabande from Sixth Violoncello Suite. Bach; Intermezzo and Cantabile from Sixth Symphony, Widor; Chorale in A minor Francik A minor, Franck

Dr. Caspar Koch, Pittsburgh, Pa.-Dr. Dr. Caspar Koch, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Dr. Koch's January programs at Carnegie Hall. North Side, in all of which he was assisted by excellent vocal or instrumental soloists, included these organ offerings which were enjoyed by large audiences of Pittsburgh people:

Pittsburgh people: Jan. 7—"Fiat Lux." Dubois; "Pax Vobiscum." Garth Edmundson: Capriccio, Bach; "Reve Angelique," Rubinstein; Chaconne, Durand; "Ninan Nanna." Mauro-Cottone; "Marche Pontificale," de ba Teoreb." la Tombelle.

Jan. 14—Sonata in F minor, Mendels-soln; "Marche Funebre et Chant Sera-phique," Guilmant; Serenade, Foster; Variations on an American Air, Flagler; "Neptune," from "Sea Sketches," Stoughton.

Jan. 21.—Concert Overture in E minor, Morandi; "Thou Art Repose," Schubert; Scherzo in G minor, Bossi; piano and organ, Allegro Molto Moderato from Conorgan, Allegro Molto Moderato from Con-certo in A minor, Grieg (Helene Kremer, pianist, and Dr. Koch); "Dreams," Wag-ner; "At the Foot of Fujiyama," Gaul; "Angelus," Karg-Elert; piano and organ, Adagio from Concerto in A minor, Grieg; Scotch Fantasia, Macfarlane

Jan. 28—Concert Overture in C minor. Hollins; "Romance," Zitterbart; "Ronde Francaise," Boellmann; "Carillon," De Lamarter; "Marche Triomphale," Ferrata.

Lamarter; "Marche Triomphale," Ferrata,
Alexander Schreiner, Los Angeles, Cal.
—Mr. Schreiner's twentieth Sunday recital at the University of California, Los
Angeles, which was played Feb. 4, was
marked by the following offerings: Introduction to Third Act from "Die Meistersinger," Wagner; Fantasie and Fugue
in G minor, Bach; Larghetto from Second
Symphony, Beetberge, Grand Offertors, Symphony, Beethoven; Grand Offertory in D major, Batiste; "A Medieval Min-strelsy," Dillon; "Flight of the Bumble-bee." Rimsky-Korsakoff; Overture to "Mignon," Thomas.

bee." Rimsky-Korsakon,
"Mignon," Thomas.
On Feb. 18 Mr. Schreiner played: Prelude and Fugue in D major. Bach; Largo
Appassionato, from Sonata in A. Beethoven; Rondo, "Rage over the Lost
Penny." Beethoven; "Swite Gothique."
Boelimann; "Carillon," Sowerby; "Pomp
and Circumstance" March. Elgar.
Mrs. D. G. Stout, Johnson City, Tenn.
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Mrs. D. G. Stout, Johnson City, Tenn.— Mrs. Stout, who presides over the music in the Central Baptist Church, played the following program Jan. 28 before a large congregation of people who have been drawn by her series of perform-ances: "In Moonlight," Kinder: "The Squirrel," Weaver: "Dreams," McAmis; Prelude and Fugue on B-A-C-H, Liszt; Caprice, Kinder: "The Holy City," Adam; "The Flight of the Bumble-bee," Rimsky-Korsakoff: Concert Study, Yon: Varia-tions on an American Air, Flagler

"The Flight of the Bumble-bee," Rimsky-Korsakoff; Concert Study, Yon; Variations on an American Air, Flagler.

Miss Nesta L. Williams, F. A. G. O., Columbia, Mo.—Miss Williams gave a recital on the large organ at the Missouri Methodist Church Jan. 22. this being one of the examination week recitals. Her offerings included: Toccata, Dubois; Largo, Beethoven; Sixth Symphony (Allegro and Cantabile). Widor; "Sportive Fauns," d'Antaiffy; Lullaby, Mauro-Cottone; Largo thy request), Handel. (by request). Handel.

thy request), Handel.

Ernest MacMillan, Mus. D., F. R. C. O.,
Toronto, Ont.—Dr. MacMillan gave the
University of Toronto recital Tuesday
afternoon, Jan. 30, His offerings consisted of the following works of Cesar
Franck: Chorale No. 1. in E; Prelude.
Fugue and Variation; Chorale No. 3. in
A minor; Pastorale in E; Finale in D

flat.
Frederick C. Mayer, A. A. G. O., Columbus, Ohlo—A two-manual organ built by M. P. Möller for St. John's Lutheran Church at Bellevue, Ohlo, was dedicated Jan. 28 and Mr. Mayer gave a recital in the afternoon, playing these selections: Fantasia and Fugue, S. Archer Gibson; "Willow Whisper" (from "Across the

Infinite"), R. Deane Shure; "Neptune" (from "Sea Sketches"), R. S. Stoughton; Nocturne, Ferrata; Fantasia on "The Bells of Aberdovey," H. J. Stewart; "Marche Champetre," Boex; "Ein' feste Burg," Carl Stein.

Ernest Prang Stamm, St. Louis, Mo.— Ir. Stamm played these selections in his hort February recitals at the Church of the Holy Communion:

Feb. 4—Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach; Prelude in C sharp minor, Rach-maninoff; "Commemoration March," C. J.

Feb. 11—American Rhapsody, Yon; Serenade, Rachmaninoff; Fugue from "Sonata Pontificale," Lemmens.

Feb. 18—Andante sostenuto and Al-egro from "Symphonie Gothique," Widor;

legro from "Symphonic Gothique," Widor; March Festival, Whitmer.
Feb. 25 — "Yasnaya Polyana," Gaul; "Kamennol Ostrow," Rubinstein; Finale in E flat, Faulkes.
Burton Lawrence, Chicago—Mr. Lawrence played a vesper recital at the First Congregational Church of Glen Ellyn oa the afternoon of Sunday, Feb. 11, presenting these compositions: Andantino in D flat, Lemare; "Carillon," Sowerby; Scherzo from Second Symphony, Vierne. The choir sang a beautiful program of both old and modern music.
George H. Fairclough, St. Paul, Minn.—In his Friday afternoon recitals at North-

In his Friday afternoon recitals at North-rop Memorial Auditorium, University of Minnesota, Mr. Fairclough, organist and assistant professor of music at the uni-versity, has played recently the following

versity, has played recently the following programs:
Feb. 2—Prelude in E flat ("St. Ann"). Bach: Chorale Prelude, "By the Waters of Babylon," Bach: "Ave Maria," Arkadelt-Liszt; Scherzo in G minor, Bossi; "Evening Prayer," Mehner; Pastorale in E. Lemare: "The Squirred," Weaver; Concert Overture in C minor, Hollins.
Feb. 9—First Movement of Unfinished Symphony, Schubert-Fairclough; Minuet in G minor, Bach: "Benedictus," Reger; "L'Organo Primitivo," Yon; Three Movements from "Water Music," Handel.
Feb. 16—Chorale in E. Franck; Chorale Prelude, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," Bach-Grace; Fugue in G minor (Besser), Bach: "Evening Song," Schumann; Sketch in F minor, Schumann; Sonata 7 ("Preams," Cantabile and "Grand Choeu"), Guilmant; "The Curfew," Horsman; Concert Overture in E flat, Faulkes.

Charles Black, M. S. M., Passaic, N. J. Charles Black, M. S. M., Passaic, N. J.—Mr. Black, who is playing Lenten programs every Wednesday at the First Presbyterian Church, gave a French program Feb. 14 and included in it: Allego from Second Symphony, Vierne; Minuet from "L'Arlesienne," Bizet; "Elegy," Massen et; "Ariel," Bonnet; "Piece Heroique," Franck; "The Maid with the "The Maid with the rieroique, Franck; "The Maid with the Flaxen Hair." Debussy; "Procession o the Fauns." Pierne; "The Swan," Saint Saens; "The Cuckoo," d'Aquin; Finale Saens: "The Cuckoo," d'Aquin; Finale from First Sonata, Guilmant, James C. Pfohl, Davidson, N. C.—In a

recital at the University of North Carolina Jan. 24 Mr. Pfohl played the followlina Jan. 24 Mr. Pfolil played the follow-ing program: Fugue in E flat ("St. Ann's"), Bach; Chorale Preludes, "I Catt to Thee" and "In Thee Is Joy," Bach; Prelude, Clerambault; Symphonic Chorale on "Ach, bleib mit Deiner Gnade," Karg-Elert; "Vision." Rheinberger; Humor-esque, Dvorak-Pfohl; Prelude and Fugue in D. maior, Ruch in D major, Bach.

in D major, Bach.

Herman F. Siewert, Winter Park, Fla.

Mr. Slewert played a program made up
of compositions of Tschaikowsky for his
organ recital at Rollins College Feb. 14.
Feb. 23 he played a Cesar Franck program. In the Tschaikowsky recital he
included: March and "Valsedes Fleurs"
from "Nuteracker" Suite: Allegro con
Grazia, from "Symphony Pathetique." from "Nuteracker" Suite; Allegro con Grazia, from "Symphony Pathetique," No. 6; "Andantino in Modo di Canzona." second movement from Symphony 4; Finale from Symphony No. 4. Edward G. Mead, F. A. G. O., Oxford, Ohio—Professor Mead of Miami Univer-sity gave a recital of contemporary organ music Symphony Jan 28, at the

sity gave a recitar of contemporary organ nusic Sunday evening, Jan. 28, at the Irvington Presbyterian Church. Indian-apolis, Ind. His offerings consisted of the following: Prelude and Fugue in C minor, Bingham; "Songe d'Enfant," Bon-net; Canon from "Storm King" Symphony, Dickinson; Chorale Fantasia on "Ye Holy Angels Bright," Darke; Indian Serenade, Vibbard; "Water Sprites," Nash; "The Chimes of St. Mark's," Russolo; Scherzo from Symphony, Op. 14. Barnes: First Symphony (Allegro Vivace and Andante), Vierne; Finale from Sixth Symphony,

Warren F. Johnson, Washington, D. C.— Mr. Johnson has played the following short programs in recitals before the evening services at the Church of the

4-Scherzoso, James H. Rogers;

Feb. 11—Fantasia and Toccata in D ninor, C. V. Stanford; Meditation, E. J.

Feb. 18-Sonata No. 3, Max Gulbins Feb. 25—Rhapsody No. 2, Herber Howells; "Elegiac Romance," John Ire-

Dr. Ray Hastings, Los Angeles, Cal. Numbers played in the most recent popular programs by Dr. Hastings at the Philharmonic Auditorium included: Prelude to narmonic Auditorium included: Prelude to "Faust," Goundt; Elevation in E major, Saint-Saens; Ten Versets, Franck; Larg-hetto from Symphony in D. Beethoven; "Lave Song," Henselt; "Eulogy of Tears," Schubert; "Solitude on the Mountain," Ole

Schubert; "Solitude on the Mountain," Ole Bull: Tone Picture, "Sunrjee" tnew), Fredericksen; Grand Chorus, "Song of Gratitude" (new), Hastings.

Samuel Eliezer, Paterson, N. J.—For his sixth vesper musicale at the Broadway Baptist Church, which was presented Saturday afternoon, Feb. 10. Mr. Eliezer played these organ numbers: "Marche Slav," Tschaikowsky; "Contemplation," from "The Holy City," Gaul; "Kamennoi Ostrow," Rubinstein; "Au Couvent," Borodin.

Three more of these musicales are to

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Three more of these musicales are to be given to complete the series.

Raymond C. Robinson, F. A. G. O., Boston, Mass.-Among Mr. Robinson's most recent programs in his Monday noon recitals at King's Chapel have been the following:

Jan. 29—Allegro (Symphony 8). Widor; Rhapsodie in E. Saint-Saens; "Caprice

Schumann: Dorian Toecata, Each, "Clair de Lune," Vierne; Finale (Symphony 1), Maquaire.

Feb. 5-Allegro (Symphony 1), uaire; "Sunrise," Jacob; Fantasia Feb. 5—Allegro (Symphony I), Ma-quaire; "Sunrise," Jacob; Fantasia in F minor, Mozart; Andante (Sonata 4), Bach; "Carillon-Sortie," Mulet; "Night," Karg-Elert; "Electa ut Sol," Dallier, Henry F, Seibert, New York City—Mr.

Henry F. Seibert, New York City—Mr. Seibert played the following list of compositions in a recital at his church. Holy Trinity Lutheran, Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4: Prelude to "Parsifal," Wagner: Allegro Moderato e Serioso (Sonata 1). Mendelssohn; "The Minster Bells," Wheeldon, Chorale in A minor, Franck; "Ave Maria" (Seconda), Bossi; Chorale Prelude, "Now Ledding Deeps, Christians, Mal.", Books, Charles Prelude, "Now Ledding Deeps, Christians, Mal. "Books, Charles Prelude, "Now Ledding Deeps, Christians, Mal.", Books, Charles Prelude, "Now Ledding Deeps, Christians, Mal. "Books, Charles Prelude, "Now Ledding Deeps, Christians, Mal. "Books, Charles Prelude, "Now Ledding Deeps, Christians, Mal.", Books, Christians, Mal. "Books, Christians, Mal. "Bo Rejoice. Dear Christians All," Largo, Handel; Second Pedal Study

McConnell Erwin, Chattanooga, Tenn. In his January recital at the Chattanoo Memorial Auditorium, played Jan. 28, Mr. Erwin presented these numbers: Toccata Erwin presented these numbers: Toccata in G major, Dubois; Largo from the "Sym-phony from the New World," Dvorak; 'Melodie," Rachmaninoff; "C h a n s o n Friste," Tschalkowsky; Berceuse, Gotunod; 'Gems from the Pen of Stephen Collins "Gens from the Pen of Stephen Colins Foster." The last number was to com-memorate the birthday anniversaries of two Confederate leaders, General Robert E. Lee and General Stonewall Jackson, both of which fall in January. The re-cital was sponsored by the United Daughters of the Confederacy

ters of the Confederacy.

Lanson F. Demming, Mus. B., Urbana,
III.—Mr. Demming played the University
of Illinois Sunday afternoon recital Feb.
11 and presented this program: "Frelude
Heroic." Faulkes: Choral Improvisations,
"An Wasserflüssen Babylon" and "Wie
schön leucht uns der Morgenstern," KargFlett, Prahude, in F. minor, Bach, "The Elert: Prelude in E minor, Bach; "The Squirrel," Weaver; "Punse des Mirli-tons," Tschaikowsky: "Clair de Lune," Lemare; Finale, Frederick Stanley Smith

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### Recital Programs

[Continued from pages 22 and 23.]

Maitland Farmer, Toronto, Ont.-Mr. Maitland Farmer, Toronto, Ont.—Mr. Farmer, organist of St. Paul's Church, played the sixth recital of the season on the large organ at Convocation Hall, University of Toronto, Feb. 13, presenting the following program: Grand Fantasia in F minor, Mozart; Chorale and Variations, "Hail to Thee, My Jesu Holy," Bach; Sonata in D flat, Op. 154, Rheinberger; "Clair de Lune." Toccata in B flat minor, "Naiades" and "Carillon," Vierne.

T. L. Rickaby, Taylorville, III.—Mr. Rickaby, organist and choirmaster of the First Presbyterian Church, played the following selections in a recital at the church Feb. 2: Coronation March March owing selections in a rectain at the cauren Feb. 2: Coronation March, Meyerbeer; "Summer Evening," Grieg; "Nautilus," MacDowell; "To a Water Lily," Mac-Dowell; popular melodies, "In Old Vienna" and "Londonderry Air"; Toccata in D, C. J. Grey; Nocturne ("Moonlight") and "Pringer di Erry, Congett Overture A. H. Priere," d'Evry: Concert Overture, A. H.

Herbert S. Sammond, New York City-Mr. Sammond, New York City— Mr. Sammond, orsanist and director at the Middle Collegiate Reformed Church, gave a recital preceding the lecture at the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sci-ences Feb. 4 and played this program: Allegro Vivace and Air ("Water Music"), ilandel; Gavotte, Handel; "Vision," Rheinberger: Serenade, Schubert: Fanndel; "Vis. Schubert; Fan-"My Heart Rheinberger; Serenade, Schubert; Fan-tasie in E minor, Faulkes; "My Heart Is Filled with Longing," Bach; "In dulci Jubilo," Bach; "Laus Deo," Dubois.

Arthur G. Bryan, F. A. G. O., Philadel-phia, Pa.—In a recital at the Muhlenberg Memorial Lutheran Church, in which he was assisted by his choir, Mr. Bryan on was assisted by his choir, Mr. Bryan on Feb. 7 presented a program containing these organ numbers: Chorale in A minor, Franck; Pastorale, Rheinberger; Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Bach; "Angelus," Massenet; "Dewdrops," Swinnen; "The Squirrel," Weaver; "Benediction Nup-triale," Hollins; Allegro Appassionato, Guilmant. Guilmant

Frank R. Green, Aurora, Neb.-In a twilight recital at Christ Church Feb. ! Mr. Green played: Fantasia and Fugue "Moth Flower Frank Green: "Une Soir en Venice," Wilbur R. Chenoweth;
"The Curfew," Horsman; Improvisation
on "Now the Day is Over"; Chorale in A
minor, Cesar Franck,

#### Three Brooklyn Choirs in Festival.

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The fourth festival service of the choirs of the First Presbyterian Church, the Church of the Saviour and the Church of the Holy Trinity in Brooklyn was held at Holy Trinity in Brooklyn was held at Holy Trinity Sunday evening, Feb. 4. R. Huntington Woodman played the Interlude and Finale from Handel's Concerto in G as the prelude and Louis Robert played an Introduction and Fugue in D minor by Phons Dusch, a Dutch composer. Mr. Woodman is in charge at the First Presbyterian Church, Mr. Robert at Holy Trinity and Morris W. Watkins is organist and choirmaster at the Church of Our Saviour.

#### SIR EDWARD ELGAR IS DEAD

English Composer Passes Away Feb. 23 at Age of 77 Years.

23 at Age of 77 Years.
Sir Edward Elgar, famous English composer, whose works are in the library of every organist and choir director in America, d'ed Feb. 23 at Worcester, England, his home, at the age of 77 years. He had been ill since last October.

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Elgar's oratorios, "The Dream of Gerontius," "The Apostles" and "The Light of Life," and his cantata "King Olaf" are said to be unique in modern British music and contain many of the composer's English characteristics which made his works appeal to the music-lovers of his generation. Equally popular are his other masterpieces, two symphonies, two concertos for violiu and cello, and the "Enigma" variations.

Sir Edward was made "master of the king's musick," a post correspond-

and cello, and the "Enigma" variations.

Sir Edward was made "master of
the king's musick." a post corresponding to that of poet laureate in the realm
of literature, in 1924, and retained that
honor until his death. He was a doctor of music of Yale University and a
doctor of laws of the Western University of Pennsylvania. He was made
a knight of the British empire in 1904
and received a rarely bestowed decoration, the Order of Merit, in 1911.

Elgar received his musical education
principally from his father, who was
organist of St. George's Catholic
Church in Worcester for thirty-seven
years. In 1885 Edward succeeded his
father at the organ.

father at the organ.

#### Party of Chicago Women Organists.

On the evening of Feb. 5 the Chicago Club of Women Organists gave a very enjoyable musicale and card party in the red lacquer room of the Palmer House. About 200 were present. Mrs. Ora Bogen, president of the club presided very graciously. Mabel ent. Mrs. Ora Bogen, president of the club, presided very graciously. Mabei Laird as chairman of the committee on arrangements provided a pleasing program which was successfully carried out. The program was given by Beatrice Epstein, pianist; Mildred Fash Chryzlman, soprano, and Judith Storlie, accompanist. Refreshments were served and prizes were given to the winner at each table. It was a very successful evening both socially and financially. This club has been in existence for the past six years and is and has been an inspiration to the woman organists who have taken an interest in it. It is a strong factor in the musical life of the city.

#### Ashton Directs Special Services

At the Woodland Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, special evening services of music through Lent and Easter are to be held. The fine quartet is under the leadership of George Gashill Ashton, organist and choirmaster. The services are as follows:

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March 4—Negro spirituals.

March 11—"At the Foot of the Cross"

Stabat Mater"), Dvorak.

March 18—"Gallia," Gounod.

March 25—"Stabat Mater" (double

March 25—"Stabat Mater (Mouthe choir), Rossini. March 30—"The Seven Last Words of Christ." Dubois. April 1—"The Resurrection Light" (double choir) (new, 1934), Stoughton.

Norden Lectures in New York
N. Lindsay Norden of Philadelphia
gave a lecture on Feb. 7 at the School
of Sacred Music of Union Theological
Seminary, New York City, on the subject of "Applied Natural Harmony."
The entire student body and many
members of the faculty were present.
Mr. Norden illustrated the subject matter with a reed organ in just intonation
and pointed out many faliacies of theoretical teaching based upon the temperament of the piano. Theory books
written by musicians whose entire musical training has been based upon temperament invariably contain a number
of errors that can be corrected only by
a study of the fundamentals, he declared Mr. Norden pointed out the
essential differences between just and
tempered music, and played several
consonant triads other than the customary major and minor. He also
showed the fallacies of the relationship of the so-called relative minor
scale. This lecture will be repeated
soon for the Philadelphia Orchestra.
Mr. Norden is giving this course at the
Westminster Choir School in Princeton, teaching ear training and dictation
in just intonation on a specially constructed organ.

Big Season's Program by Dr. Carl. N. Lindsay Norden of Philadelphia gave a lecture on Feb. 7 at the School

Norden Lectures in New York

#### Big Season's Program by Dr. Carl.

The Lenten and post-Lenten season of special music at the First Presbyte-rian Church, New York, under the di-rection of Dr. William C. Carl, in-

Feb. 25, 8 p. m.-Handel's oratorio,

Feb. 25, 8 p. m.—Handel's oratorio, "Joshua."
March 6, 8:15 p. m.—Symposium on denominational church music, sponsored by the American Guild of Organists, with soloists and full choir.
March 25, 8 p. m.—"St. Matthew Passion" music, by Bach.
April 1, 8 p. m. (Easter)—Handel's "Messiah."
April 8, 15, 22 and 29, 8 p. m.—Sunday evening services devoted to worship and music, with Dr. J. V. Moldenhawer, Dr. William C. Carl, the soloists and motet choir of the First Presbyterian Church.

Novel Service at Floral Park, N. Y.
For its monthly musical service Feb.
18 the choir of the Floral Park, L. L.
N. Y., Methodist Church combined
with the choir of Temple Beth-El of
Rockaway Park for an evening of N. V., Methodist Church combined with the choir of Temple Beth-El of Rockaway Park for an evening of Hebrew music. After a short address by Cantor Louis Anisman of Temple Beth-El, in which he gave several examples of Hebrew melodies, the choir of Temple Beth-El sang three responses from the Friday evening service and one from the New Year's service in Hebrew. The choir of Floral Park M. E. sang Charlotte Lockwood's arrangement of an ancient Hebrew melody, "All Thy Works Praise Thee." The program was as follows: Prelude, "Rimpiento," Toselli, "Visgadal," Tradition al: "V'Shomru," Shnipelisky: "V'al Kulom," Altschuler: "All Thy Works Praise Thee," Lockwood; "Unsane Tokef," Levandowski: Postlude. "Halalujoh," Levandowski: This is the first time a service of this kind was presented and it was very well received. The program was arranged by Cantor Louis Anisman and Edwin C. Timm, organist of Temple Beth-El and Floral Park M. E.

#### Sowerby at University of Chicago.

Leo Sowerby, the composer, and organist-choirmaster at St. James' Episorganist-choirmaster at St. James' Episcopal Church, Chicago, will play the vesper recital at the University of Chicago March 4 and Anna Burmeister of the choir of the Fourth Presbyterian Church will sing three new sacred songs composed by Mr. Sowerby for soprano and organ. This will be the first performance of these songs. Mr. Sowerby's organ numbers will be: Prelude and Fugue in C major, Bach: Fantasy in C, Cesar Franck, and "Carillon," DeLamarter. Fantasy in C. Cesar "Carıllon," DeLamarter.

Mendelssohn's "Elijah" was sung at the Tulane Theater in New Orleans Dec. 13 on the occasion of the first annual music festival sponsored by the Association of Commerce of the city. Professor William C. Webb, F. A. G. ganist, conducted the performance. Mary V. Molony was the accompanist.

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#### Washington Notes; Miles and Shure Are Heard in Recitals

By MABEL R. FROST

Washington, D. C., Feb. 18.—Russell Hancock Miles, M. Mus., associate professor of music at the University of Illinois, was presented Jan. 23 by the choir of St. Alban's Church in a recital of widely diverse organ works ranging from Bach to the present time. In this program, which was given before a crowded church, he was assisted by the church quartet and Jeno Sevely, violEnist, accompanied by Walter H. Nash, organist, who gave the Nevin setting of Bach's Air for the G string. Mr. Miles' program included the Bach Toccata and Fugue in D minor, Andante Espressivo, from the Sonata in G major, Elgar: Mr. Miles' own "Sonata Cromatica," Largo from the "New World" Symphony, Dvorak: Prelude and Toccata, Berwald; Oriental Sketch, Bird; "Au Couvent," Borodin; Mr. Miles' paraphrase on "Drinkto Me Only with Thine Eyes," and Rogers' Concert Overture in B minor.

On Jan. 31 at the Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church, South, R. Deane Shure gave a "preview" of the recital he will play in Jerusalem next August—"Twelve Impressions of the Holy Land," done in the style of the lifteenth century cathedral, with special lighting effects by Sigvald Jennsen and Lewis Bennet. T. Eugene West of Front Royal Va., was narrator, giving Scripture readings preceding each impression, which linked the music to the appropriate Bible passage. The recital was under auspices of the Washington Composers' Club. On his trip to Palestine Mr. Shure will be accompanied by Mrs. Shure and a group from the Mount Vernon Place choir. Mr. Shure returned recently from a Southern tour which took him as far as Atlanta, playing recitals in several colleges and churches en route.

A series of "musical meditations" on Wednesday afternoons during Lent in the Universalist National Memorial Church has been arranged by Dr. Albert W. Harned, organist and director of the church. The opening program was given on Ash Wednesday by Dr. Harned. Feb. 21 the organist was Dr. James Dickinson, fellow of the Society of St. Cecelia and organist at the Franciscan Monastery.

A novel choir program was given Ian. 14 at Hamline M. E. Church, the title being "The Christian Year in Music," John Marville directing and Edith B. Athey at the organ. Each testival and season was described by

The Washington Choral Society, Louis A. Potter conductor, is prepar-ing for the annual spring concert sev-eral new works, among them "The Chambered Nautilus," by Deems Tay-lor, a work of exceptional beauty.

The choral group of the Arts Club. Otto Torney Simon, director, participated in Guy Lucas' monthly recital at St. John's Church Jan. 29. Feb. 19 Adoli Torovsky, organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Epiphany, is the recitalist, assisted by Kroom Bagranoff, tenor, and Ambrose Durkin, bass

Richard Bell presented his fourth organ recital at Christ Church, George-town, Jan. 28. The program was de-voted to Scandinavian music and was interspersed with solos by Sola Holman, soprano.

The Concordia Cantata Choir rendered "The Life Everlasting," by H. A. Matthews, Jan. 28.
Special music for Wednesday and Friday Lenten services at St. Patrick's Church has been arranged by Jennie Gleman, organist and director.

Lewis Atwater gave a program of French music at All Souls' Church, as-sisted by Flora McGill Keefer, mezzo-contralto, Feb. 11. Feb. 18, fore-

shadowing the anniversary of the first President, the program was early American. On Feb. 25 the recital was made up of works of American com-

The A Cappella Choir of the First Congregational Church announces its annual Lenten concert of sacred music, to be held in the Mayflower Hotel March 26 at 8:45 p. m. Ruby Smith Stahl will conduct.

Eber Riley, organist of Gunton Temple Presbyterian Church, played recital at Phipps Auditorium, Jol Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Feb. assisted by Edwin Singer, tenor. lohns

#### VIRGIL FOX IN MILWAUKEE

By ARTHUR A. GRIEBLING

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Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 19.—One of
the truly fine musical treats Milwaukee
has had this season was the exceptional
organ playing of Virgil Fox, youthful
concert organist. From the Passacagifa
and Fugue by Bach down to Cesar
Franck's Finale in B flat there was
presented to the audience consistently
fine playing such as has not been heard
here for several seasons. Interspersed
among technically and musically diffifine playing such as has not been heard here for several seasons. Interspersed among technically and musically difficult numbers one heard such lovely compositions as "Fi1e u se" ("Suite Bretonne"), by Dupré; "Dreams," by McAmis, "A Rose Breaks into Bloom," by Brahms, and "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupre," by Russell, all of which appealed greatly to the general audience. Of the more difficult compositions in the field of organ literature Mr. Fox chose besides the two already mentioned the Pastorale (Sonata 1) by Guilmant; "Sing Praise to God" and "Good Christian Men, Rejoice." both by Bach; Finale (Symphony 6), Vierne: "Perpetuum Mobile" (for pedals alone), Middelschulte, and the Allegro Moderato (Concerto in Fmajor) by Handel—the highlight of the evening's program. All in all is was a noteworthy occasion which a fairly large audience appreciated to its fullest extent.

The recital, which was played on the three-manual Wangerin in Immanuel Presbyterian Church. Feb. 8, was sponsored by the Guild held a luncheon in Marshall Hall in Mr. Fox's honor.

Two events of interest to organists took place on Jan. 21. At Zebaoth Lutheran Church the choir presented a vesper service at which W. J. Brockman played: Prelude, Friml; Interlude and Improvisation. Brockman. The Lutheran Church of the Divine Charity observed the second anniversary of its new church building with a sacred concert at which Miss Dorothy Steidte, harpist, was the soloist. M. C. Gamm, organist, played "Sunday Morning on Glion," by Bendel-Stanley: "The Nightingale and the Rose," by Saint-Saens, and Fantasia in A minor, Lemmens.

The choir of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Earl P. Morgan organist and choirmaster, gave its monthly musical service Jan. 28. The organ numbers were: Prelude and Fugue in G major, Dupré; "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring." Bach: Canon in B minor, Schumann, and Finale (Symphony 3), Vierne.

Arthur E. Bergmann, the incumbent at Sherman Park Lutheran Church, presented his group Jan. 28. His own organ numbers were: First Movement (Third Sonata). Borowski: "At the Cradle." Grieg: Prelude and Fugue in E minor, Bach; "Dreams," McAmis; "Wind in the Pines," Clokey, and Improvisation, Bergmann. isation, Bergmann

Karl Markworth of Trinity Lutheran Church gave his seventieth organ re-cital Sunday, Feb. 4. He was assisted by the children's chorus of Immanuel Lutheran Church, directed by A. W.

#### Sterling Marshall



STERLING MARSHALL, the young but accomplished and enthusiastic musician who keeps the organistic fires burning lustily to dispel the cold of winter in the northern Michigan peninsula, in his capacity as organist and choirmaster of Trinity Episcopal Church at Houghton, the center of the great copper country, is playing a Lenten recital every Sunday afternoon on his three-manual Austin organ. In addition to this he arranged a liturgical drama for the Feast of Lights on Feb. 2. The drama was especially appreciated by the large congregation in attendance and the presentation was beautifully carried out.

For the first three of his recitals Mr. Marshall prepared these programs:

Feb. 18—"Meditation a Sainte Cloridle," Philip James; Sonata in D major (Andante con moto), Mendelssohn: "Petite Marche," Rogers-Dubois: "At the Convent," Marshall-Borodin; Symphony 5 (Toccata), Widor.

Feb. 25—Fantasy on a Welsh Tune ("Ton y Botel"), Noble; Chorale Prelude on "Lux Benigna," Lemare: Chorale Prelude on "Rockingham," Noble: "Thou Art My Rock," Mueller.

March 4—Prelude and Fugue in Emisser "March Houget." STERLING MARSHALL, the young

ham," Noble: "Thou Art My Rock," Mueller.
March 4—Prelude and Fugue in E. minor, Bach; Arioso, "My Heart Is Fixed," Barnes-Bach; "Evening Bells and Cradle Song," Macfarlane; "Bene-dictus," Reger; "Grand Choeur Dia-logue," Gigout.

The Philomelic Society of Ridge-wood, N. J., directed by Miss Isa Mc-Ilwraith, the New York organist, gave its third concert Jan. 22 at the Wom-an's Club auditorium. Miss Mary Dun-can was the accompanist. Marjoric an's Chib auditorium, and sa May Dun-can was the accompanist. Marjorie Fulton, violinist, was assisting soloist. A beautiful and varied program was presented, with old English, Russian, modern American and other works on the list.

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#### For Accompaniment of Gregorian Chant; History Is Analyzed

By FATHER LEO P. MANZETTI

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Much has been written concerning the accompaniment of the Gregorian melodies. From its advisability down to the proper way of writing one, every Gregorianist and church musician seems to have had his say. Yet the question whether or not the chant should be accompanied still rings in our ears. Opinions show how they differ according to the point of view taken, the musical education received, the experience had and the artistic development attained by the writers.

Probably the strongest objection to having a harmonization added to the music of St. Gregory comes from those who adduce what they call the "historical claim." In their opinion the Gregorian composers had no accompaniment in mind when they wrote their monodic melodies, hence an accompaniment would be anachronistic and out of place. Such an argument, however, when closely looked into, is more spaceious than real. Anyone who has studied the historical claim, as understood by its advocates, is only literally historical. The whole question is more than plain chronology in its historical aspect; it is also artistic. As such it deserves a full examination.

First of all there can be no sensible judgment in the statement that the chant should not be accompanied and, if it is, that the added harmonization should not have an individuality of its own, instead effacing itself to the point of becoming merely figurative, nay, most of the time unnusical and inartistic. Would it not sound rather strange, for instance, were it laid down as an aphorism, as is done for the accompaniment of the chant, that the high dignitaries of church or state, who accompany their sovereign, be he Pope, king or President, are out of place and detract from his great dignity and supreme prerogatives; that, at all events, they are not to show a personal individuality, but should be mere mechanical robots? If, as Dom Desrocquettes of the Benedictine Order of Solesmes writes, "the Gregorian melodies, to be really themselves, must be heard without accompaniment," then any supreme sovereign, to be really himself, must never be accompanied. Obviously such a fantastic speculation is not sound in principle. On the con-First of all there can be no sensible himself, must never be accompanied. Obviously such a fantastic speculation is not sound in principle. On the contrary, the Pope shows to better advantage in the midst of his attendants. Now, if there is any being that needs no outside help to emphasize His Now, if there is any being that needs no outside help to emphasize His Supreme entity, that One is certainly Almighty God. Yet, He never remained alone in His Paradise. From all eternity He surrounded Himself with numberless hosts of angels of His own creation, whom He has not made lifeless automatons, but whose individual personalities and very presence reflect His creative power and infinite grandeur.

Coming to the literally historical fact, we know full well that if the Gregorian composers did not have any accompaniment in mind when they wrote

we know full well that if the Gregorian composers did not have any accompaniment in mind when they wrote their wonderful monodic melodies, it was not because they rejected one as unfitting, but simply because they did not know how to procure one. The question was much simpler with them than it is with us. They were utterly ignorant of such a possibility, and therefore could not have weighed in their minds its advisability or formulated a definite opposition to the idea, for the science of harmony had not yet been disclosed to the world. However, a time soon came when they began to surmise that the chant melodies could be felicitously sung simultaneously in different pitches. Here again it was more than a question of a mere accompaniment. The idea was to have the melody repeated horizontally at different intervals, probably with the sole intent of accommodating the different voices of a chorus or the singing community of the faithful, or for some other technical reason that, at this late date, we are scarcely able to fathom. At first these intervals were neither pleasant to the ear nor scientiling the different recommodating the different with the scientility of the faithful, or for some other technical reason that, at this late date, we are scarcely able to fathom. At first these intervals were neither pleasant to the ear nor scientility of the scientility of

tifically correct. Indeed, the result was a form of combined tones far more cumbersome than that of a mere ac-companiment. If Gregorianists were cumbersome than that of a mere accompaniment. If Gregorianists were masters in the art of writing monodic music, they were mere essayists, nay abecedarians, in the science of harmonizing it. In fact, they were not harmonizing it as we understand the term today. Moreover, years and even centuries later, when in possession of the proper rules for making notes sound pleasantly together, they failed to let the added voices assume the limited form of an accompaniment and the original melody retain its due primacy in the singing. Instead they made this but a concomitant part of the whole. Musicians are aware that such is the technique of polyphonic music which needs the concomitance of all its parts to form a complete whole. Hence the individual voice cannot have within itself a complete technical form, structure and movement. Thus descant and polyphony somewhat involuntarily sprang into being and the chant of St. Gregory, as a complete form of monodic music, was practically lost to the world.

The only conclusion that can be drawn from the literally historical claim is that, because they were conceived without the adjunct of an accompaniment, the Gregorian melodies companiment, the Gregorian melodies naturally constitute a technical whole in themselves—that is, their monodic structure carries within itself a finished form of unisonous composition. Such being the case, it would, no doubt, be foolhardy to attempt to alter its form, even if only in part, in order to accommodate another form that would necessarily disfigure it. But such is not the case. An accompaniment, when kept within its proper limits, is never intended to alter or hinder the all-important melody. No musician who has acquired a thorough knowledge of all styles of church music will believe that his accompaniment adds anything essential of church music will believe that his accompaniment adds anything essential to the nature of Gregorian chant. Furthermore, if the Gregorian chant. Furthermore, if the Gregorianists and polyphonists of old failed in the attempt, it is not a dogma of faith that we, with our more comprehensive knowledge of different forms of music, should also fail. All these criticisms, however, cannot be taken in the least as historical proof that Gregorian chant would not gain in effectiveness or be made more impressive by the juxtaposition of another form of music, even if of a later origin, as that of simultaneously combined tones.

Is not the chant itself in its pure and

taneously combined tones.

Is not the chant itself in its pure and monodic feature but a help and an enhancement of liturgical prayers which are otherwise perfect in themselves? It is known that the prayers of the church were formulated first without any regard to being set to music, for many were in existence long before the

Gregorian melodies made their appearance, just as the chant itself was composed without any idea of an accompaniment. On the other hand, singing cannot be said to detract from prayer or add anything essential to its nature. In fact, the Gregorian melodies here often overlap the words in purely ornamental melismatic designs which are sometimes carried to great length on a single syllable. Yet the church accepts them as a mere aid to illustrate the single syllable. Yet the church accepts them as a mere aid to illustrate the text more vividly. Indeed, Pope Pius X. even goes so far as to call the chant an integral part of the liturgy. Shall we say then with Dom Desrocquettes that the text of liturgical prayers, to be really itself, should be heard without the chant, just because it was composed without any idea of singing? Again, the sacrificial nature of the Eucharist is not less efficient and meritorious in a low mass than in a high mass; yet, to make it more solemn and outstanding, the church allows, besides the singing, a greater ceremonial

mass; yet, to make it more solemn and outstanding, the church allows, besides the singing, a greater ceremonial through an augmented number of officers, and the higher the officers the more elaborate, complex and longer becomes the ceremonial. Will Dom Desrocquettes also insist that, according to its historical claim, the mass, to be really itself, should be the exact replica of the Last Supper, hence performed by one officer and but a few attendants? Such a narrow conception of the liturgy would simply be a reversion to the spoliation of the externals of worship as that which took place in the eighth century under the Emperor Leo the Isaurian. What Christ said of the Sabbath day may also be applied to the liturgy, but the church formulates the latter in order to give all of man's faculties and attainments an opportunity to take an active part in the worship of God, to which he has a right as long as they remain within the limits of the participation of laymen in divine service. Has not the Pontifical Court some right to enshrine the appearance of the Supreme Pontiff? Does not a vocal or instrumental solo, even when individually perfect in itself, gain in artistic effectiveness when given the proper accompaniment as a fitting gain in artistic effectiveness when given the proper accompaniment as a fitting background?

Now, if the literally historical claim means anything, it undeniably proves that Gregorianists and discantors, when that Gregorianists and discantors, when trying their hand at part-music, not only were not opposed to an accompaniment as such, but, on the contrary, even overdid its form, since they had several melodies sung simultaneously. Indeed, everyone who is not prejudiced or made utterly narrow-minded by imaginary restrictions or pious exaggerations can see that their attempts were more than a mere accompaniment of combined tones. Thus the historical claim is rather reversed in favor of those who think that an accompaniment is perfectly in keeping with the history of the case. No doubt old musicians have gone at it unconscious of the results to be attained, but they factually unafraid of those at-

Strange as it may seem, those who claim that on historical ground the chant sounds better unaccompanied are the very ones, when occasion presents itself, to allow it a modernistic, hence unhistorical, harmonization. I am told that at Solesmes the best time is during Lent, when there is no accompaniment. If this refers to the same style of harmonization as propounded by a member of the order and alone repeatedly advocated as well as euphemistically called scientific for a number of years in the Revue Gregorienne, which is published, as everyone knows, under the factual, if not nominal, supervision of the Benedictines of Solesmes, then truly the best time to hear the rendition of the chant at Solesmes is when there is no accompaniment.

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However, an accompaniment of the chant that, without doing violence to the natural laws of acoustics that make the art of music worth hearing, keeps within the melodic character of the vocal part, within the very technique of its monodic texture, within the metrical movement of its rhythm, within the strict harmonic material of its individual modes, and at the same time stands throughout secondary in importance to the chant itself by always remaining subordinate, cannot be rejected a priori on any account, historical, liturgical, musical or artistic. Indeed, it has its place in God's great scheme of creation that makes for a world perfect not only in its essentials but also in its external form, which for centuries men have called art. However, an accompaniment of the

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"What does this development in the musical life and work of our day mean to an alert religious leader? It means he must recognize the fact that we in he must recognize the fact that we in America are sharing positively in an advanced cultural experience, in which music, poetry and the fine arts in general are taking on their true values in the life of the people. The fact is so vitally related to the presentation of the Christian message and the program of presentday religious life that it must be reckoned with.

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#### Death of Brooklyn Veteran.

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Millard F. Cook, 78 years old, who served for forty-one years in the old Twenty-third Regiment in Brooklyn and was formerly organist and choirmaster of several Brooklyn churches, died after a brief illness at his home in Lynbrook, N. Y., Jan. 26. He was the oldest employe in point of service of the New York Sun, having been with the accounting department of that newspaper for sixty-two years. Mr. Cook was born in Detroit and moved to Brooklyn as a child. He had been organist of the old Rochester Avenue Congregational Church and Immanuel Congregational Church in Brooklyn.

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#### Philadelphia News; Pietro Yon Is Heard; Recital by R. H. Miles

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Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 19,—Pietro
Yon, one of the most active and distinguished recitalists of the present era,
gave a meritorious performance in
Holy Child Catholic Church Jan. 28,
assisted by the Gregorian choir developed
by the church organist, Philip A. Bansbach. Noteworthy was the performance of Yon's "Life of Christ," with its
five episodes, splendidly sung by the
choir.

choir.

The 658th recital of the American Organ Players' Club was played the Grand Players' Club was played the Girard College chapel by Harry C. Banks Feb. 15. He played a modern program in a highly artistic manner; in fact it was one of the few outstanding recitals of this season and received the plaudits of a large audience. Mr. Banks' numbers included: "Alleluia," Dubois; "N u a g e s," Debussy; "Dithyramb," Harwood; "The Fountain," Matthews; "Dance for Harpsichord," Delius; "On Hearing the First Cuckoo in Spring," Delius; Idyl, Baumgartner; "Florentine Chimes," Bingham; "Solitude," Banks; "Variations de Concert," Bonnet; "Ronde des Princesses" and Berceuse and Finale ("The Fire Bird"), Stravinsky. Stravinsky.

On Jan. 25 Russell H. Miles of the University of Illinois gave a most artistic recital (No. 657 of the A. O. P. C. series) in New Jerusalem Church. He showed sterling musicianship in all his numbers, particularly his own "Sonata Cromatica," a well-written work abounding in difficulties and highly recommended to all organists of well-developed technique.

A sign on the front portal of the First Baptist Church reads "In Memoriam, Frederick Maxson, Minister of Music"—a well-deserved tribute.

The Medieval Music Society held its meeting in Grace Church, Mount Airy, Jan. 28, when the choir under Newell Robinson sang the service and motets by composers of the Elizabethan period. On Feb. 27 another meeting was held in the Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul to hear Palestrina's mass "Papae Marcelli" under the direction of Reginald Mills Silby.

A joint recital was given in Mount Hermon Presbyterian Church on Jan. 24 by Margaret Hey, organist, assisted by Elizabeth J. Dickinson, pianist.

Alexander McCurdy, Jr., is giving claborate programs at the Second Presbyterian Church. On Feb. 18 Rossini's "Stabat Mater" was presented with full orchestral accompaniment. Walter Baker was organist.

Dr. Carl H. Reed died Feb. 6. He was an M. D., giving up medicine for the organ, and held the post at St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, for many

St. Peter's choir, under Harold Gil-bert, gave an invitation recital for the Camden chapter, N. A. O., Feb. 19, preceded by an organ recital by Earl

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follows:

Jan. 23—Two Chorales, "In Thee Is Gladness" and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," Bach; Offertoire from "The Marriage Suite." Dubois; Fugue in C. Buxtehude.

Mariage Suite, Dubois; Fugue in C. Buxtehude.

Jan. 24—Overture in A, Maitland; Intermezzo from Suite, Rogers; "Caprice Viennois," Kreisler-James; Festal Postlude, Schminke.

Jan. 25—Fantasie and Fugue in Gminor, Bach; "Moment Musical," Schubert; Evening Song, Bairstow.

Jan. 26—Sonata in A, Mendelssohn: "Liebesfreud," Kreisler-James; "Will-o'-the-Wisp," Nevin: "Grand Choeur Dialogue," Gillette.

Jan. 27—Largo from "Concerto Grosso," Handel: "Spinning Song," Mendelssohn-Gaul; Tocca ta from Fourth Symphony, Widor.

Jan. 29—Berceuse, Dickinson; Sketch in D flat, Schumann; "The Bells of St. Anne de Beaupre," Russell; "Watersprites," Nash; Finale from First Symphony, Vierne.

sprites," Nash; Finale from First Symphony, Vierne.
Jan. 30—First and Second Movements from Third Sonata, Guilmant; Humoresque ("The Primitive Organ"), Yon; "Marche Russe," Schminke.
Jan. 31—Caprice. Matthews: Largo from "New World" Symphony, Dvorak; "A Song of Rest," Thompson; Humoresque, Tschaikowsky-James.
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Just recently one of these gentlemen favored us with an evening of organ music. He evidently took great pains ("pains" is the word) to find a proper registration for one of the numbers halfway down the program and must have set his combination earlier in the day and, being afraid to change it, played for what seemed to me almost an hour or so on this "proper ensemble." (You know—upper work, mixtures, etc.) The effect was startling, especially in some of the chorale preludes of Bach, of which there were several. Although we were not so informed, it would seem that this man must have studied with Mr. Volstead, as he used only about one-half of 1 per cent of the color available in a large four-manual organ.

half of 1 per cent of the color available in a large four-manual organ.

However, the recital must have been good, because it consisted mainly of Bach and was played entirely from memory, and playing without notes makes such a difference to the listeners!

Enough of sarcasm. But is it not time to speak plainly regarding the type of chap who is doing so much to kill off audiences for organ recitals? NRA (no real artist) could play on the "upper stories" of the diapason family, occasionally changing to strings torgan strings at that) and believe he was creating a musical atmosphere. He needs a large dose of good orchestral concerts. They will improve his color, taste and general musical health, His diet will be changed slightly: maybe he will not use the fugue, contradiction and spumoni by so and so at every recital; maybe his only transcription won't be Bach's Passacagha; possibly he may try to play some of the things he has heard the best orchestras perform.

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Even if he utterly fails to reproduce the same effects with Debussy's "Nuages," for example, the effort will help him improve his registration—he may not always abhor pleasant sounds and not always make his listeners agree with the friend who told Mr. Bidwell that he understood there were two kinds of music—"organ music and regular music."

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regular music."

But what great men we have with us these days! Some of them improvise entire symphonics upon request, using themes provided by other musicians, some so chromatic—I mean the themes—that the audience becomes absolutely dizzy when realizing how long it took Brahms and Beethoven and some of the other old-timers to produce symphonics without nearly so many accidentals!

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#### Noted Irish Organist Dead.

Dr. Annie W. Patterson, noted organist and authority on Irish music, died at Cork Jan. 16. She had been attached to the University College as lecturer in music since 1924. Among her writings on music were "The Story her writings on music were "The Story of Oratorio," "The Profession of Music," "Great Minds in Music" and "Native Music of Ireland." Through her mother's family she was related to Lord Macaulay.

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#### News from Buffalo; Guild at Cathedral: Other Fine Programs

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Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 21.—The February meeting of the Buffalo chapter, A. G. O., was held Tuesday evening, Feb. 20, at St. Paul's Cathedral. The program was given by DeWitt C. Garretson, organist and choirmaster of the cathedral, and the Cathedral Singers, a group composed of the adult members of the cathedral choir and a few others interested in good church music. After the recital the members adjourned to the parish-house for a short business meeting and social hour. The program follows: Sonata No. 6 in B minor, Guilmant: "Exultate Deo," Palestrina (Cathedral Singers); "Mater Dolorosa," Weitz; "The Rose Window," Mulet; "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee," Whitehead (Cathedral Singers); Prelude on the Benediction, Sowerby; "Crucifixus" (from B minor Mass), Bach (Cathedral Singers); Toccata, Adagio and Fugue, Bach.

"An hour of music by American composers" was given at the community vesper service in the First Presbyterian Church Jan. 21, under the direction of Clara Foss Wallace, organist and director of that church. The offerings included: Evensong, T. Frederick Candlyn; chorus, "O Thou Who Keepest the Stars Alight," Frank I. Sealy: alto solo, "Now the Day Is Over," Oley Speaks: chorus, "The Beatitudes," Arthur B. Jennings; soprano solo, "How Shall I Sing That Majesty," John Pointer: three selections based on negro melodies—chorus, "Tll Never Turn Back," Nathaniel Dett; tenor solo, "Rise Up, Shepherd," arranged by Frankin Robinson, and chorus, "Go Not Far from Me, O God," Nathaniel Dett; "A Madrigal," Anthony Jawelak; cantata, "The Woman of Sychar," R. S. Stoughton; Sortie in G major, James H. Rogers.

A series of recitals is being given Wednesday evenings during Lent on the new Kimball organ in the Church of the Ascension. Organists scheduled to play are DeWitt C. Garretson, William J. Gomph, Helen G. Townsend, Edna Springborn, Harold Fix and John Grant, organist and choirmaster of the church. Mr. Garretson opened the series Feb. 14 with the following program: Concerto in F major, Handel; Chorale in A minor, Franck; "The Angelus," Massenet; Chorale Prelude and Fugue in C minor, Bach.

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On Feb. 21 the recital was given by William J. Gomph, who played the following program: Sonatina (from Cantata No. 106), Bach; Largo from Concerto in D minor, Bach; Toccata in G minor, Matthews; First Movement, Unfinished Symphony, Schubert; "Piece Heroique," Bossi.

The first of the Saturday noon Lenten musicales at St. Paul's Cathedral was given Feb. 17 and the program was presented by Charles L. Safford, organist, and Laura Pappen Safford, contralto. Mr. Safford is organist and director of music at Williams College and was formerly organist of St. George's Church in New York City. He played: Chorale Prefude on "Schmücke Dich," Bach; "The Engulfed Cathedral," Debussy; Canon in B minor, Schumann; "Allehuia," Bossi; Reverie, Bonnet; "Piece Heroique." Franck.

The program for Saturday, the 24th, was given by three soloists of the cathedral—Dorothy Curry, soprano;



GEORGE M. THOMPSON, head of the organ department at the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina. Which was the North Carolina College for Women until its recent merger with the state university, introduced this year a recital series during the mid-year examinations, playing three request programs, as a means of rest and relaxation for the students after a hard day in the examination rooms, and the series proved most popular, so that he has decided to make it a permanent feature. The student government association was so pleased with the results that it decided to sponsor the recitals in the future.

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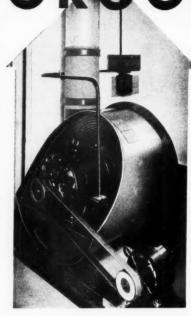
Though the character of these programs is essentially light, running to popular classics, many requests for Bach came this year, which is a direct result of the historical organ recitals which Mr. Thompson has been giving at the college for several years.

Among Mr. Thompson's programs were the following:
Jan. 22—"Morning," from "Peer Gynt" Suite, Grieg; "Träumerei," Schumann; Chorale Prelude, "Wachet Auf?" Bach; "In Paradisum," Dubois; "Dance of the Reed Flutes," from "Nuteracker Suite," Tschaikowsky; Andante Cantabile from String Quartet, Tschaikowsky; Magic Fire Music, from "Die Walkure." Wagner: "Poeme." Fibich; "Aragonaise," from "Le Cid," Massenet; "La Fille aux Cheveux de Lin," Debussy; Fantasia and Fugue in G minor, Bach.
Jan. 23—Largo, from "Xerxes," Handel; Capriccio, "Do Stay Here," from "The Departure of a Beloved Brother," and Sonatina from the Cantata "God's Time Is Best," Bach; Prelude to "Lohengrim," Wagner: "Ave Maria," Schubert; "Songs My Mother Taught Me," Dvorak; "Dance of the Candy Fairy," from "Tacelyn," Godard; Barcarolle, from "Tales of Hoffman," Offenbach; "Pilgrims' Chorus," from "Tannhäuser," Wagner.

Roy Morgan, tenor, and Gustave Hurst, Jr., bass, with DeWitt C. Garretson at the organ.

On Sunday, Feb. 4, the choir of St. Paul's Cathedral went to Batavia to sing with the choir of St. James' Church in the Sunday afternoon musical service. The performance was conducted by Mr. Garretson, with Roger Bommer, organist and choirmaster of St. James', at the organ.

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#### Chanting by Method of Speech-Rhythm; More Light on Topic

Oberlin, Ohio, Feb. 2, 1934.—Editor of The Diapason: In your January issue Dr. Mansfield comes back with a defense of the older system of pointing and singing the Anglican chant. I have no desire for controversy with him, but I cannot pass by in silence his implication that the methods that I set forth in my recent letter are those of "aggressive and spectacular" radicals in the Church of England. It is no doubt true that a very large number of choirs in England, and nearly all of the Anglican choirs in America, are still untouched by the movement for speech-rhythm chanting; on the other hand, it is true that a very large number of choirs are awake to the advantages of the new ways and that the leading church musicians of England have adopted them. Among a rather large group of English church musicians whom I know not one advocates the pointing and methods of the old Psalters. I have attended in recent years two summer schools conducted by the Church Music Society and, in rather lengthy discussions of the whole subject of chanting. I did not hear one voice raised in advocacy of the old method. Among prominent men advocating and working for free-rhythm chanting I might mention such names as those of Dr. Bairstow of York Minster, Dr. Macpherson of St. Paul's Cathedral, the late Hytton Stewart of Rochester Cathedral, Dr. Bullock of Westminster Abbey, Dr. Nicholson of the School of English Church Music, Dr. Henry Lee of Eton Cullege, Dr. Percy Buck of Harrow, Stanley Roper of H. M. Chapels Royal and Cyril Rootham of St. John's College Chapel, Cambridge, Robert Bridges, the late poet laureate, editor of the "Yattendon Hymnal," was deeply interested in this movement and he assisted in editing "The Psalter Newly Pointed"; the preface to that book says: "His enthusiasm for chanting in speech-rhythm fired the members of the committee responsible for its production." He wrote the articles on "Chanting" and "The Anglican Chant" contained in the "Prayer Book Dictionary"; they should be read by anyone interested in the subj

As to the number of choirs using As to the number of choirs using speech-rhythm chanting, we might mention as a pointer the festival of English church music held in the Crystal Palace, London, last summer, where 4,000 singers from twenty-three cathedrals and 200 parish churches sang together an evensong service of great beauty and distinction. Three Psalms were included, and they were chanted according to the new principles. It goes without saying that these principles are in use in the churches from which the singers came. And beyond question these were not all the choirs in the kingdom that use the newer methods.

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Dr. Mansfield mentions his success in teaching the old method to inexpert choirs; I might mention my own success in teaching the newer method to large mixed groups at various summer conferences in America. I am of opinion that it is much easier to teach and secure efficiency with the new method than with the old. Of course in any such experiment much depends upon the teacher and his skill. I have no doubt that Dr. Mansfield secures excellent results with the older method—I have secured good results with it myself by certain modifications in the pointing and the way of using it. The results ordinarily achieved, however, especially in this Land of the Free, are not admirable. The recitation is generally an indistinguishable gabble and the mediation and cadence are, correspondingly, a measured drawl. Anyone contrasting with this the easy and natural flow of speech-rhythm chanting must, it seems to me, be converted in an instant, as I was on first hearing it at Exeter Cathedral ten years ago.

Dr. Mansfield savs that in the majority of English choirs the speech-rhythm system "was not considered of sufficient importance or proved worth to justify a trial." If this be an accurate statement, it is difficult to understand

why the leading music publishing houses of England—the Oxford University Press, the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, the Faith Press, Novello & Co., J. Curwen & Sons—have thought it worth while to issue pointed Psalters based on the new principles. In the words of Dr. Nicholson ("Quires and Places Where They Sing") the swing over to the new system "has amounted almost to a revolution."

Dr. Mansfield and I are interested in the same points; we are both of us desirous that the use of the Anglican chant shall spread and that it shall everywhere receive the best possible rendition. Our contacts and experiences have led us along somewhat different paths. If we could spend an hour together, we should probably find ourselves in pretty close agreement. If we could visit together his neighbor.

hour together, we should probably find ourselves in pretty close agreement. If we could visit together his neighboring cathedrals of Worcester and Gloucester and listen to the beautiful speech-rhythm chanting done there. I have great hope that he would become a convert to the newer ideas.

Faithfully yours,

LOUIS E. DANIELS.

#### NEW WAY OF CHANTING

Burlingame, Cal., Jan. 8.—Editor of the Diapason: I am sorry to see by br. Mansfield's letter on the above Dr. Mansfield's letter on the above subject that he still favors the old system of chanting with its false accentuation of words. I am an Englishman and was educated in the old school, but after years of thought and study I have come to the conclusion that there is no comparison between the strict-time method and the speechrhythm method of chanting. I think I can more adequately espress my views by quoting Dr. Sydney H. Nicholson (a man who has done more for the music of the English Church than any one living). He says in his book "Quires and Places Where They Sing," speaking on the subject of chanting: "The older, stiff system still lingers on in many places, for church people and church choirs are conservative, and take slowly to new ideas; but it is certainly doomed, for it is founded on false principles. Unless the music can add to the meaning of the words it is worse than useless, for it is marring a beautiful thing. No chant ever written has an artistic value equal to the prayer-book version of a single one of the Psalms. When it comes to a choice between the claims of the words and of the music, the words are bound in the end to prevail, for it is for them that the chant exists." Dr. Mansfield's letter on the abov subject that he still favors the old sys

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If we are to progress in the music of the church we must not be satisfied to accept everything that the old school did as correct, but we must apply intelligent thought to new ideas which are fundamentally correct. Dame Ethel Smyth says in one of her books: "The truth is we are all peasants at heart, and loathe new departures,

though very few of us are sufficiently intelligent and humble-minded to allow it." Might it not also be said that so many of us are satisfied to follow the well-beaten tracks and are either too indifferent or lazy to adopt something new which will unquestionably add to the beauty of our service? I trust that Dr. Mansfield's letter, although giving more ammunition to the opponents of the new form of chanting, will not discourage the organists who by the love of their work and the application of artistic sense have adopted the speechrythm form of chanting.

Sincerely yours,
J. Sinney Lewis,
Organist Grace Episcopal Cathedral, San Francisco, Cal.

#### Dr. Hastings in Twenty-third Year.

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Dr. Ray Hastings entered upon his twenty-third year as organist of the Temple Baptist Church in Los Angeles Feb. 11 and the fact was noted in the advertising of the large church in the city newspapers. Dr. Hastings also plays for all events in the Philharmonic Auditorium, the building being owned by the church, which holds its services there. The most important of his duties aside from the Sunday services is with the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. Dr. Hastings has played and maintained his prestige under four distinguished pastors and under the leadership of half a dozen directors, composing and arranging 2,288 programs for Sunday services, to say nothing of incidental programs without number. He has won a large circle of friends who include personalities in the worker who knows nothing of the technique of the organ, yet loves music. technique of the organ, yet loves music.

#### Boy Choir Festival in Baltimore

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A festival of the combined boy choirs of Baltimore was held at St. Paul's Church in that city Jan. 22 and the choirs participating were those of Grace and St. Peter's, St. Michael and All Angels', St. David's, St. Paul's Chapel and St. Paul's. John Denues of Grace and St. Peter's conducted the united forces and E. Sereno Ender of St. Paul's played the service. Mr. Austin of St. David's played the "Benedictus" of Alec Rowley as the prelude and Miss Spicer of St. Paul's Chapel played the postlude, Bach's Fugue in C minor. The anthems were Wood's "The Twilight Shadows Fall" and Martin's The anthems were Welight Shadows Fall" ight Shadows Fall" and Martin's 'Hail, Gladdening Light."

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