

# Civic Music Groups Present Traditional 'The Messiah'



BONNIE BLUNT

A Madison tradition of the Christmas season will have its annual renewal this afternoon when the city's civic music groups present Handel's "The Messiah."

The performance in the Masonic auditorium will be the city's Christmas present from the Madison Civic Music Assn. and the Madison Vocational and Adult Education school, which will sponsor it without admission charge.

This will be the 14th annual presentation of the oratorio by the Madison Civil chorus and Civic Symphony orchestra. And for the first time in those 14 years, Sigfrid Prager will be in the audience rather than on the podium. Prager retired as the chorus' conductor this year. A. Kunrad Kvam, his successor, will conduct the performance.

Soloists will be Helene Stratman-Thomas, soprano; Bonnie Blunt, alto; William E. Wendlandt, tenor, and Marshall Straus and Ralph James, baritone.

## Gls Plexiglas Engraving Brings Recognition for Art

BUFFALO, N. Y. (U.P.)—A hospital-born idea has brought recognition in the art field to a 21-year-old Buffalo soldier for his pioneering in plexiglas engraving.

Pfc. Stewart D. Kranz discovered the new art medium while recovering in a hospital in England from wounds suffered in combat. His work was exhibited at a London art show, pictured in a popular national weekly, and finally shown at a local gallery.

Plexiglas treated as a straight engraving medium offers interesting possibilities for murals on the plastic walls of future homes, according to the young veteran. Kranz said he got the idea that plexiglas could be used as an art medium while watching other wounded servicemen using plastics to make cigarette boxes and other knickknacks as part of the hospital's rehabilitation program.

His first tools were a razor blade and a file. Later he obtained a graver, an engraver's tool resembling an awl. The veteran said he holds the graver like a pencil using only the sharp point, whereas engravers use it in a gouging manner.

He uses a recording needle sheathed in copper tubing for deep, straight lines and to get a "wind-swept effect" he still uses the razor blade, running it across the glass.

Most intricate creation

One of the soldier's most intricate creations is "The Infantryman," in which two sheets of plastic were used. On the first Kranz carved a face, cutting entirely through the material in some places and applying oil paint to provide color and depth. On the second sheet, he etched the figure of an infantryman, then placed it behind the other. As Kranz expressed it: "One sees the haunting fear of an infantryman, as he goes into combat, portrayed by the shadowy figure in the background."

At times, however, she represents the English as intensely as the rest of the French settlement. Her mood depends on whether she is loving the serious Frenchman, Laurent, or the debonair English teacher, Taimadge.

Miss Tomkinson is at her best when she is writing of Rosalie's mixed emotions or describing a such natural scenes as the first snow. She handles action less effectively. The rescue of three men from the ice, for instance, never becomes dramatic, although the incident in itself is exciting.

"Her Own People" is not particularly well written but it has the advantage of freshness of locale and characters.

—M.M.T.

## Novel May Help Veterans' Wives

THE LONG ROAD, by Nellie Shipman, published by Nat'l Service, 183 pages, \$2.

Thousands of wives might benefit from reading Miss Shipman's latest novel. She tells, with understanding and sympathy, of the problems a couple married during the war and separated soon after. She tells of the husband's return from overseas and becomes a civilian. The subject matter is commonplace, but, through the writer's skill, it becomes an absorbing story.

Tom is the product of a Pennsylvania farm, Brooke of a New England university town. She works as college publicity director while he is in Europe and attempts to mold him into her circle when he is released from service. Tom tries her life for a while, decides it is not for him, and returns to the farm. Efforts of Brooke's stepmother, by far the novel's outstanding character, finally bring the couple back together.

The author, as would be expected, is better at interpreting Brooke's attitude than that of her ex-soldier husband. On the whole, however, her novel is good reading on a timely problem.

M. M. T.

## Ruth Andrews to Give 3 Organ Recitals

Ruth Pilger Andrews will give three organ recitals this week at Luther Memorial church. She will play at 10:30 a. m. today, 10:30 p. m. Christmas eve, and 10:15 a. m. Christmas day.

Her programs: Today: "Veni Creator," "Tantum Ergo," "Variations on 'The Sleep of the Infant Jesus,'" "Mauro-Cottone."

Monday night: "Noel on Flute Stems," "Agnus," "Prelude on 'God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen,'" "Diddle," "Cradle Song" from "Breton Suite," Dupre.

Tuesday: "Prelude on 'Once in Royal David's City,'" Cowell; "Noel," Bossi; "The Bells," LeBegue.

## City Art Show to Open Feb. 3

Other Exhibitions Listed

The seventh annual Madison Artists' exhibition, sponsored by the Madison Art Assn., will open Sunday, Feb. 3, in the gallery of the Madison Free Library. Prizes will be awarded at a tea on the opening day.

Other art shows scheduled in Madison for the first three months of the new year included:

Jan. 4-23, "Clever Correlations," University of Wisconsin related arts department, Memorial Union gallery.

Jan. 4-23, Wisconsin Union loan collection, Wisconsin Union theater gallery.

Jan. 25-Feb. 11, "Art in Advertising."

Feb. 12-Mar. 3, Madison Photographic salon, Memorial Union gallery.

Mar. 9-Apr. 2, Seventh annual Wisconsin Rural Art show, Memorial Union gallery.

## Leo Kehl Plans 66th Yule Party for Pupils

The 66th annual Christmas party for pupils of Leo Kehl will be held Monday from 10 to 12 p. m. in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial hall. All members of the school have been invited.

A program of dance numbers will be presented by a group of Kehl dancers for patients of Mendota State hospital on Dec. 27.

The past month the pupils have been giving programs around Madison for various organizations. Among these were:

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## Radio



CARMEN CAVALLARO WIBA at 2 p. m.

## Today's Aces

### Religion

8 a. m.—Youth Looks Up (WGN): from Tabor Lutheran Sunday school, Chicago; music, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," "Cantique de Noel."

9 a. m.—National Radio Pulpit (WMAQ): Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, "From Battle to Bethlehem," the Church of the Air (WBBM): the Rt. Rev. Austin Pardue, Bishop of Diocese of Pittsburgh (Episcopal), "The Mysterious Influence," Christmas hymns by Trinity Cathedral choir.

10 a. m.—Eternal Light (WMAQ): drama, "A Sound of Music," guest speaker, Rabbi J. X. Cohen of New York.

12 m.—Church of the Air (WCCO): David O. McKay, second counselor of First Presidency of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

1:30 p. m.—Distinguished Guest Hour (WGN): Dr. Harold W. Ruopp, president, Chicago Church Federation, in Christmas message.

5 p. m.—Catholic Hour (WISN): The Rev. Robert J. Gannon, "How I need Him Myself."

### Sports

10:45 p. m.—Hockey (WIND): Detroit Red Wings-Chicago Blackhawks.

### Quiz

6:30 p. m.—Quiz Kids (WENR): from home of Richard Williams, who makes last appearance as a Quiz Kid.

### Discussion

10:30 a. m.—Reviewing Stand (WGN): "The Mental Health of Our Veterans," speakers, Dr. Roy R. Grinker, of Michael Reese hospital; Dr. David Sligh, Chicago university; Dr. J. Roscoe Miller, Northwestern university; and Will O'Neill, director of "Yank Service Bureau," Chicago Sun.

11 a. m.—World Front (WMAQ): guest observer, Harold Vinacke, political science department, Cincinnati university.

12:30 p. m.—Chicago Round Table (WMAQ): "What About Science Legislation?" Participants, Prof. Harold C. Urey, Prof. Edward H. Levi, Chicago university; Andrew Conway Ivy, Northwestern university.

11 p. m.—Invitation to Learning (WBBM): the Rev. Joan Courtney Murray, religious editor of American Magazine; Dorothy Thompson, columnist; and Whitney J. Oates, Princeton university, discuss "The Imitation of Christ."

The Pro Martin Institute of the Cross and Juan Badiano Society is organizing the activities of the campaign to raise \$20,000 for the publication of the medical work entitled "Libellus de Medicinalibus Indorum Herbis," which describes the treatment of sickness and disease with Mexican native herbs.

11 p. m.—Theater Guild (WENR): Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women" with Katherine Hepburn and Oscar Homolka... Chicago Story (WGN): depicts Christmas season in Chicago's "Loop."

9:30 p. m.—Mystery House (WGN): "Ghastly Giver."

11:30 p. m.—Pacific Story

## FREQUENCIES

WIBA 1210	WCFB 1240	KMOX 1120
WTA 370	WBEU 1240	WGN 720
WLV 700	WENR 850	WIND 580
WVBB 780	WVME 820	WVJD 1160
WCCO 830	WVAG 670	WLS 570

er" from "Hansel and Gretel," "Twelve Days of Christmas," and melody of Christmas carols... Mary Small Show (WENR): Danny O'Neill, guest vocalist; "Winter Wonderland," "Silent Night," Junior Miss skit.

5 p. m.—Radio Hall of Fame (WENR): Paul Whiteman orchestra, Martha Tilson, singer; guest, Maurice Evans, Shakespearean actor, reading story of Nativity and Twenty-Third Psalm; "March of the Toys," "White Christmas," "Jingle Bells," "First Noel," "Silent Night."

5:30 p. m.—Baby Snooks (WBBM): gives a holiday party for orphans; Robert Mitchell Boys' Choir sings Christmas carols; Bob Graham sings "White Christmas."

8 p. m.—Jack Benny (WIBA): Ronald Colman and Benita Hume are invited to Jack's for dinner.

6:30 p. m.—Bandwagon (WIBA): with Henry Russell orchestra and chorus; Cass Daley sings "Let It Snow."

7 p. m.—Charlie McCarthy (WIBA): Margaret O'Brien helps Charlie tie his packages; music, "White Christmas," "I'll Be Home for Christmas," "Jingle Bells."

7:30 p. m.—Fred Allen (WIBA): guests, four former coast guardsmen appearing as singing team.

8:30 p. m.—Star Theater (WBBM): James Melton, Annamary Dickey; guests, Ethel Smith, organist, and Ralph Bellamy, telling story of the Nativity.

9:30 p. m.—Meet Me at Parky's (WIBA): Parky is chosen the most popular man in town.

### Miscellaneous

8:15 a. m.—Story to Order (WIBA): Lydia tells of a crutch, a fire tree, and a box of soap flakes.

10:05 a. m.—Newscafe for the Ages (WBBM): takes listeners to City of Bethlehem where news reporter interviews an army sergeant, an innkeeper, and a shepherd, whose accounts give witness to the birth of Christ.

8:15 p. m.—Louella Parsons (WENR): new program of Hollywood news; guest, Claudette Colbert, who will receive award for "outstanding performance in the picture of the month."

### Drama

2:30 p. m.—One Man's Family (WIBA): has Christmas reunion.

3 p. m.—Murder Is My Hobby (WGN, WIBU): "No Murder Is Better Than One."

4:30 p. m.—Nick Carter (WGN, WIBU): "The Case of the Educated Corpse"...

Greenwood (WENR): helps a sailor find his missing girl; guest, Robert Hutton, film actor.

5 p. m.—Ozzie and Harriet (WBBM): Ozzie goes last minute shopping with Harriet and gets lost in the crowd... Quick as a Flash (WGN): six department store Santa Claus are guest costars in mystery drama quiz presented by Gypsy Rose Lee, author of two murder novels.

5:30 p. m.—Gilderleeve (WIBA): insists on reading "The Night Before Christmas" over protest of Leroy and Marjorie.

6 p. m.—Thin Man (WBBM): "Case of the Slippery Santa Claus."

6:30 p. m.—Blonde (WBBM): prepares for Christmas.

7 p. m.—Beulah Show (WBBM): Marlin Hurt plays four characters, adding "The Rev. Mr. Harris," when "Beulah" goes to church; music, "Some Sunday Morning," "Come to Baby, Do."

8 p. m.—Request Performance (WBBM): Robert Walker and Maureen O'Sullivan in O. Henry's "The Gift of the Magi"...

Exploring the Unknown (WGN, WIBU): "The Baffled Genie," a Christmas fantasy, starring Boris Karloff as a good genie.

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MARGARET O'BRIEN WIBA at 7 p. m.

(WMAQ): "Fireworks in the Philippines," guest speaker, Bert Siten, former reporter at Manila.

### Music

8:15 a. m.—E. Power Biggs (WBBM): organist, with Philip Kaplan, flute; Louis Speyer, oboe; Emil Korsand, viola; and Joseph Zimmler, cello; present "Two Noels With Variations," Choral Prelude for Christmas from "Little Organ Book" by Bach; "Adagio and Rondo," Mozart.

9:30 a. m.—Pro Arte Quartet (WHA): Beethoven's "String Quartet in C Major," "Wings Over Jordan (WBBM): Camp Meeting Choir presents "Glory to the New Born King," "Silent Night," "Fairest Lord Jesus," "Joy to the World."

11 a. m.—Salt Lake Choir (WCCO): "Glory to God in Heaven," "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," "There Shall a Star."

1 p. m.—Paul Lavalie Orchestra (WBBM): "Waltz of the Flowers," "Virgin's Star in Song," "Cantique de Noel," "Angels' Serenade," "Sanctus."

1:30 p. m.—John Charles Thomas (WIBA): in traditional presentation of "The Juggler of Notre Dame," with John Nesbitt and entire cast; music, "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentleman," "Good King Wenceslas," Schubert's "Ave Maria," "Silent Night."

2 p. m.—N. Y. Philharmonic (WBBM): Mozart's "Symphony 39 in E Flat Major," and Richard Strauss' "Symphonia Domestica," Sammy Kaye (WENR): "Silent Night," "Little Town of Bethlehem," "Carmen Cavallaro (WIBA): "I'll Be Home for Christmas," "Warsaw Concerto," "Take It Away."

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