

Holiday Theme Predominant On Sunday, Monday Shows

Christmas Carols, Stories And Other Appropriate Music Promised; Shirley Temple To Make Radio Debut

In fullest expression of the spirit of the holidays, radio programs Sunday and Monday will abound with Christmas carols, stories anthems and instrumental music.

The story of the Nativity, told in Christmas carols and narration, will be presented as a special program over WLW on Christmas eve, from 2:30 to 3 p. m. The program will feature carols and hymns, including "While Shepherds Watched Their Fields By Night," "Adeste Fideles," "We Three Kings" and "O Little Star of Bethlehem," and "Joy to the World."

William Stoess will enter the holiday broadcast scene on Christmas eve, when he directs the annual presentation of "King Nutcracker," a fantasy based on Tchaikowsky's "Nuncracker Suite." The program, timed especially for children who are gathered around the Christmas tree at home, is scheduled from 10:30 to 11 p. m.

Other Christmas highlights over WLW, in addition to its network presentations, include the midnight mass from St. Monica's Cathedral, Cincinnati, and a drama, "The Gift of the Little Shepherd," to be heard Christmas day, Dec. 25, at 12:45 p. m. The midnight mass will be preceded by hymns starting at 11:45 p. m., Christmas eve.

Shirley Temple, radio's li-t-tlest hold-out, will make her formal radio debut in company with Nelson Eddy and her mother, Mrs. George Temple, Christmas eve on the "Screen Guild Theatre" over WABC, Sunday, at 7:30 p. m. Roger Pryor will introduce the distinguished guests.

As the highlight of the half-hour broadcast, Shirley and Eddy will present as their special "gift" to the radio audience a Yuletide duet, singing "Silent Night."

Miss Temple will sing a medley of songs from "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," and also "Good Ship Lollypop," "Oh, My Goodness," "Animal Crackers In My Soup,"

for the broadcast over WEA F at 8:00 p. m.

Jack Benny, will play host to his merry gang at a festive Christmas eve party during the Sunday, broadcast at 7:00 p. m., over WEA F. Benny has gifts wrapped and ready for Mary Livingstone, Phil Harris, Dennis Day and Don Wilson but Rochester's disparaging remarks about Jack's Christmas tree resembling an old hall-tree gone to seed may keep his stocking empty.

Conrad Nagel will turn in his director's stopwatch on an actor's script when he co-stars with Margaret Lindsay in Silver Theatre's Christmas eve presentation.

The first of a group of six programs to be conducted by the U. S. Office of Education on social security will be broadcast over CBS stations at 2:30 p. m. EST on Sunday. This group of programs is being presented as part of a series entitled "Democracy In Action" which has been a regular Sunday afternoon feature for the past year.

"Magic of the Mistletoe," during the broadcast over WABC Sunday, at 6:00 p. m.

Christmas morning services in the Zion Church, of Baltimore, Md., will be heard over WEA F from 7:00 to 7:30 a. m.

Music from Tchaikowsky's "Nutcracker" Suite in narrative form, with a background of music conducted by Frank Black, will be heard in the "Nutcracker Ballet" over WJZ on Christmas Day, from 2:00 to 3:00 p. m.

Handel's famous "Messiah" will be heard over WJZ on Sunday, from 3:00 to 4:00 p. m from the Tabernacle in Salt Lake City, Utah.

BEST BETS SUNDAY

P. M.

- 5:30—Ben Bernie and Lew Lehr, WABC.
- 6:00—Conrad Nagel's Theatre, WABC.
- 7:00 — Jack Benny Program, WEA F.
- 7:30 -- Mr. District Attorney, WJZ.
- 8:00—Charlie McCarthy, WEA F.
- 9:00 — Sunday Evening Hour, WJR.

"Goodnight My Love" and "When I'm With You."

"The Man Named Christmas", an original play based on the character of a kindly and mellow old gentleman who personifies the spirit of the day, will be presented Sunday, at 2:00 p. m., over WJZ. The drama describes the visit of a disillusioned man to the home of Mr. Christmas, who leads his caller thru a house haunted with memories, in which the visitor finds his beliefs restored.

Charlie McCarthy's wooden heart is all aflutter since he's learned 12-year-old Gloria Jean, the new Deanna Durbin, is going to drop in on him Christmas Eve for a celebration. Vera Vague, comedienne, will be there, too, with the regular cast of Don Ameche, Edgar Bergen, Donald Dickson, Dorothy Lamour, and Robert Ambroster's orchestra

"Four Wives" Flashing On Ohio's Screen

"Four Wives," the "by request" sequel to last year's best loved hit, "Four Daughters," is showing now at the Ohio theatre.

The original cast of "Four Daughters" is back again—Priscilla, Rosemary and Lola Lane, Gale Page, Jeffrey Lynn, Claude Rains, May Robson, and all the others, with the notable addition of Eddie ("Brother Rat") Albert.

A girl, a man and a vision comprise what is probably the screen's strangest romantic tangle.

The girl is Priscilla Lane. The man is Jeffrey Lynn. And the vision is that of John Garfield. "Four Wives," Warner Bros.' sequel to "Four Daughters," is the picture.

"Four Daughters" ended with the way apparently smoothed for Lynn and Priscilla to be married and live happily ever afterward.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Eastern Standard P.M.—Subtract One Hr. for CST, 2 Hrs. for MT.

(Changes in programs as listed due to last-minute network corrections)

- 12:00—Vernon Crane's Story—nbc-wef
- Radio City Concert—nbc-wjz
- Major Bowes and Family—cbs-wabc
- The Perok String Quartet—nbc-wor
- 12:15—O'Carroll's & Guitars—nbc-wef
- 12:30—To Be Announced—nbc-wef
- Salt Lake Choir & Organ—cbs-wabc
- Talk on Amer. Wife—nbc-chain
- 1:00—Vatican Xmas Prog—nbc-wef
- The Pilgrimage of Poetry—nbc-wjz
- Church of the Air String—cbs-wabc
- Home Christmas Program—nbc-wor
- 1:15—War Children's Xmas—nbc-wjz
- Betty and Buddy in Songs—nbc-wor
- The Singing Canaries—nbc-midwest
- 1:30—Prom Holiday Today—nbc-wef
- Metropolitan Moods, Orch—nbc-wjz
- Plano; Eamon de Valera—cbs-wabc
- Sunday Lutheran Hour—nbc-chain
- 1:45—Talk, Raymond Kelly—cbs-wabc
- 2:00—String Symphony—nbc-wef
- Play "Man Named Xmas"—nbc-wjz
- Democracy in Action—cbs-wabc-nct