Church News

Nine city choirs, composed of 200 voices, singing the well-known Christmas carols and hymns will highlight the Original Christmas Carol Service, Sunday, Dec. 20, at 3 p.m. at Bethel AME church, Druid Hill ave. and Lanvale st.

The yuletide program will be sponsored by the AME Preacher's Alliance of Baltimore and the surrounding areas. City and state officials are expected to be present to extend the season's greetings.

Motion pictures and tape recordings will be made of the entire affair.

Visit Crownsville

The Temple of God Pentacostal church senior choir, under the direction of Bishop Edward W. Stancil, will accompany the Mothers' Club of East Baltimore to Crownsville hospital, Dec. 12, at 1 p.m., to sing Christmas Carols and serve refreshments to the inmates.

Some 250 boxes of candies and fruits will be distributed. The group will visit the children's ward and sponsor a yuletide program in the hospital auditorium.

On Dec. 18, the senior choir will appear in a benefit concert for the needy of the neighborhood at the church, Washington and Ashland aves. Attendants are asked to bring canned food for baskets for the poor.

Christmas Musical

A Christmas musical will be held at Trinity AME church, Linden ave. and Biddle st., Dec. 13, at 5:30 p.m., given by the senior choir.

Soloists include: Louise Martin, Emma Horsey, Bessie Smith and Harry E. Hopkins. Charles Parker is the organist and director; the Rev. A. R. Powell is the pastor.

A Christmas message will be presented by the choir of Union Bethel AME church, Randallstown, Tuesday, Dec. 29 at 8 p.m. The Rev. W. N. Edwards is pastor.

The third quarterly conference of the Randallstown circuit of the AME church will meet Sunday, Dec. 13 at Mt. Pleasant AME church, Owings Mills.

The Rev. H. R. Tomlin, presiding elder, will preach the 3 p.m. sermon.

5-A. M. Service

Christmas morning service at Providence Baptist church, will be held at 5 a.m. Breakfast will be served by the men following the service. The Rev. Marcus G. Wood is pastor.

The Sanctuary choir of Knox Presbyterian church, Broadway Gay and Biddle sts., will give a Christmas program Sunday, Dec. 20, at 5 p.m. The Rev H. Octavius Graham is pastor.

Presbytery Rally

A rally for the Presbytery council of Presbyterian Men will be held Saturday, Dec. 12, at Hamilton Presbyterian church from 12:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The Revs. Arthur Bannerman, president of the National Council, and the Rev. James H. Robinson, pastor of the Church of the Master in New York, will be guest speakers.

The Youth Choir of Knox church sang at the Fellowship House, 21 W. Preston st., Wednesday.

Holy Communion will be served at Pentacost Baptist church, Madison ave. and Biddle st., Sunday, Dec. 13, at 3:30 p.m. At 8 p.m., the Heavenly Gate Gospel Singers will render a musical program. The Rev. A. E. Lemon is pastor.

A baby popularity contest will be held at Mt. Horan Baptist church, 558 Laurens st. at 3 p.m. At 8 p.m., the Holy Cross Singers will sponsor a program. The Rev. John E. Perry is pastor.

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PLANT NEW GIFT TO CHURCH — Members of New Fountain Baptist church, 1400 Broadway, admire a plant presented on Women's Day, Sunday, by the Nurses' Unit, headed by Mrs. Sallie Thornton. Standing at right are Mrs. J. R. Butler, Women's Day guest speaker; the Rev. Mr. Butler, Deacon Harry H. Epps, the Rev. M. Reynolds, and the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. James McFarland, the pastor of the church.

Union church choir set for benefit telethon

The 35-voice choir of Union Baptist church will be featured at 8:30 a.m., Sunday on the WAAM telethon being presented at the Maryland Casualty auditorium, Keswick rd. off 41st st.

The choir is directed by Dr. Houston R. Jackson, with Sherman Smith as organist.

The telethon, beginning at 11 p.m. Saturday and continuing for 15 hours, is a cerebral palsy benefit show. No admission tickets are required.

Coppin's fellowship choir in Yule music concert

The chorus and string ensemble of Baltimor Fellowship will present a program of holiday music at Coppin State Teachers college, 2500 W. North ave. at 8 p.m. on Sunday.

The 50-voice chorus is under the direction of William Milner, head of the music department of Clifton Park Jr. high school. He is an honor graduate of the Peabody Institute.

Mrs. William Milner, a member of the graduating class of the Peabody Institute, is the accompanist and assistant director for this group.

Soloists Listed

The soloists of this concert will be Mabel Lewis, Julia T. Hawkins, sopranos; James MacDonald, bass - baritone and Harry Waller, bass.

The feature offering will be the rarely - sung Christmas cantata, "Newborn Child," by Johann Sebastian Bach. Three selections by modern English composers are also on the program.

Baltimore Fellowship is an organization dedicated to the promotion of democratic ideals through its interfaith and interracial projects, noted the Rev. Dr. John L. Tiller, chairman of the board of directors.

This group will sponsor the Marian Anderson concert at the Lyric Theatre on Jan. 8 to raise funds to further its work.

Christmas cantata at Pa. Ave. AMEZ

A Christmas cantata "Hosanna in the Highest" will be presented at 8 p.m., Sunday, at Pennsylvania Ave. AMEZ church.

The choir, directed by Frederick Ray, features as soloists Mrs. Geretha Ingram, soprano; Clement Cooper, alto; Clyde Graham, tenor; and Benjamin Tillman, bass.

New Shiloh church to install pastor

The new pastor of New Shiloh Baptist church, Turner Station, will be formally installed on Sunday at 8 p.m., during a special service at the church.

A feature of the service will be the appearance of the Rev. H. N. Johnson, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist church, Portsmouth, Va., who will also speak at the 11 a.m. service. A banquet for the new pastor will be held Monday evening at Sollers Point high school.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson has served as pastor of the Portsmouth church for 21 years and heads the largest congregation in that city. The Rev. James A. Everett is pastor.

Out-of-town friends attend Rea funeral

Relatives and friends from six other states attended funeral services at Union Baptist church, Sunday, for E. B. Rea, AFRO theatrical editor.

The out-of-towners were:

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Frazier of Jersey City; Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Crowder, Mrs. Jerome Walter, Ted Yates and Thomas Bland of NYC.

From North Carolina

Miss Georgia Mae Scott of Washington; Mrs. Hattie Black, Opelika, Ala.; Mrs. Sarah Hartley and Mrs. Louise Johnson, Salisbury, N. C.; Richard Powell, Chester, Pa.

Mrs. Bernice Ingraham, Mr. and Mrs. Chapin Baldwin, and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis D. Jones, all of Durham, N.C.

Mr. Rea died at St. Joseph's hospital on Dec. 3 following a six-week illness.

Mrs. Lucy Gross buried Saturday

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Lucy Gross, 55, Saturday at the Galilean Fisherman hall, 411 W. Biddle st.

Mrs. Gross, a past state ruler of the organization died on Nov. 28 at the state hospital where she had been a patient for four years.

The Rev. J. E. Johnson officiated at the services and burial followed at Mt. Auburn cemetery.

Among the Order of Galilean Fishermen who participated in the services were Anthony Cunningham, supreme ruler; James E. Johnson, state ruler and high priest of the encampment; Mrs. Clara Reister, queen of the Queen Elizabeth Circle; and Mrs. Mary Frazier, past exalted ruler of the Past Rulers Council.

Psalmist baptist buys new church

Members of Psalmist Baptist church, 1304 Riggs ave. have bought the Messiah Evangelical and Reformed church building at Druid Hill and North aves. for $56,000.

The Rev. Frederick C. Atkins, pastor, and his congregation of about 500 persons hope to take posession of the new church by April 1.

At a call meeting on Nov. 30, Psalmist church adopted a resalution authorizing the new building purchase by the ministry and the following church officials:

William E. Hammond, deacon-board chairman; Joseph Creek, Major Watkins, Hughie Reid, Cornelius Lewis, James T. Willis and William H. Gibbs, trustees; Mrs. Ruth M. Minter, secretary; and Mrs. Ida A. Brown, secretary of the building fund.

Handled By Allen

The negotiations were handled by the real estate agency by Dr. Willard W. Allen.

The new church, equipped with organ, has a seating capacity of about 575.

The 54-year-old Riggs ave. church was founded by the late Rev. Junius Gray who served as pastor until his death in 1947.

The Rev. Mr. Atkins became pastor of Psalmist church in May, 1948.

He came to Baltimore from Suffield, Conn. where he had pastored 3rd Baptist church for five years. Prior to that he served at Welcome Church in Hartford for seven years; and at St. John Baptist church in Trenton, N.J. for 16 years.

Studied In Trenton

He is a native of Farmville, Va. He studied theology at Rider College in Trenton and got his systomac and dogma theology training at Princeton.

A widower, the minister has five children, Miss Mildred Atkins with whom he lives at 1813 Clifton ave.; Mrs. Alesa Carter, Miss Doris Atkins, George Atkins, all of NYC; and Orlando, who is serving with the army in Germany.

BOUGHT NEW CHURCH — The Rev. Frederick C. Atkins, left, pastor, and William E. Hammond, deacon board chairman of Psalmist Baptist church, look over property negotiations papers involving the Evangelical and Reformed church building at Druid Hill and North aves. The new church cost $56,000.

TB FUNDS

According to Dr. Russell A. Nelson, president of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, 94 per cent of all money raised in Maryland during the Christmas Seal sale will be used exclusively for tuberculosis work in the state. The remaining 6 per cent goes to the support of the National Tuberculosis Association.

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REV. N. B. CARRINGTON, Minister
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13th
STEWARD'S DAY
9:30 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL.
11:00 A.M.—SUBJECT: "On the Production Lines of Providence."
7:00 P.M.—EVENING WORSHIP

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Dr. Fred West, Pharmacist
Mrs. Mildred W. Jones, Public Health Nurse
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Dr. Dwight Oliver Holmes
Adult Club — Mrs. Elizabeth Sheppard, President
Mrs. Mary Banks, Secretary
Young People's Club — Marie Snowden, President
Julia Butler, Secretary
Dr. Isaac H. Young, Chairman

METROPOLITAN METHODIST CHURCH
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1953
10:45 A.M.—CLASS OF INSTRUCTION. Henry U. Ayres, Leader
11:00 A.M.—HOLY COMMUNION. Sermon by the Pastor. Subject: "God Reveals His Interest In Man"
1:30 P.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL. Mrs. Bessie Harmon, Supt.
7:45 P.M.—HOLY COMMUNION - Continued
REV. KELLY L. JACKSON, Pastor

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Holy Communion
Mornings and Evenings
9:30 A.M. — Church School
11:00 A.M. — Sermon by the pastor.
6:30 P.M. — Youth Fellowship Hour.
8:00 P.M. — Sermon.
REV. J. J. BARNES, Pastor

Sharp Street Memorial Methodist Church
DOLPHIN and ETTING STS.
9:30 A.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.—SERMON BY THE PASTOR. Subj.: "FAITH FOR TOUGH TIMES."
6:00 P.M.—METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP
8:00 P.M.—EVENING WORSHIP
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FRANKLIN AND POPPLETON STS.
9:45 A.M.—Sunday School; REV. MONTAGUE BRAKET, Supt.
11:00 A.M.—Sermon by the Pastor.
3:00 P.M.—Pastor, Choir and Congregation will worship with the President Baptist Church.
6:00 P.M.—Y. P. U., Mr. Bruce Spence, Director.
8:00 P.M.—Choir presents a program of Christmas music
WE WELCOME YOU. REV. J. M. RAYNOR, Pastor.

Perkins Square Baptist Church
GEORGE AND OGSTON STREETS
WARD D. YERBY CIRCLE DAY
8:30 A.M.—Service at Crownsville State Hospital.
9:30 A.M.—Morning Prayer by The Pastor. Music By The Men's Chorus.
9:30 A.M.—Sunday School
10:30 A.M.—Open Hours Service
11:00 A.M.—Sermon By The Pastor — Subj.: "OBEYING THE VOICE"
6:00 P.M. Baptist Training Union
8:00 P.M.—Evening Worship.
MONDAY, DEC. 14 Through SUNDAY, DEC. 20 — "BAPTIST TRAINING UNION WEEK".
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9:30 A.M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL. Wardelle T. Richardson, Supt.
11:00 A.M.—MORNING WORSHIP. Sermon by the Pastor
3:00 P.M.—NAACP MEETING. Speaker: Rev. Joshua Williams. Pastor Sharp St. Methodist Church.
6:00 P.M.—BAPTIST TRAINING UNION. Mrs. Janie B. McCloney, Director
7:00 P.M.—EVENING WORSHIP
A CORDIAL WELCOME TO ALL
REV. V. T. WILLIAMS, Pastor

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"THE PRAYING CHURCH"
BOND STREET AND ASHLAND AVENUE
SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNUAL DAY
9:00 A.M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.—MORNING WORSHIP—PREACHING.
3:00 P.M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNUAL DAY SPECIAL PROGRAM. ALL CHOIRS OF THE CHURCH PARTICIPATING
6:00 P.M.—BAPTIST TRAINING UNION
8:00 P.M.—PROGRAM BY SENIOR CHOIR NO. 1
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11:00 A.M.—SERMON BY REV. ANGUS A. SMITH.
6:00 P.M.—BAPTIST-TRAINING UNION.
8:00 P.M.—PROGRAM BY THE HELPING HAND CIRCLE.
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REV. C. EDWARD BROWNE, Pastor

ORCHARD ST. METHODIST CHURCH
ORCHARD ST. NEAR DRUID HILL AVE.
11:00 A.M.—SERMON BY THE PASTOR.
1:30 P.M.—CHURCH SCHOOL.
3:00 P.M.—SERMON TO THE W. SAMPSON BROOKS ELKS LODGE.
6:00 P.M.—YOUTH FELLOWSHIP.
8:00 P.M.—PREACHING.
REV. D. M. PLEASANTS, Pastor
ALL ARE WELCOME

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH
DRUID HILL AVE., AND McMECHEN ST.
9:30 A.M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 A.M.—PREACHING BY THE PASTOR. HOLY COMMUNION. MUSIC BY THE SENIOR CHOIR.
6:00 P.M.—BAPTIST TRAINING UNION
8:00 P.M.—Drama Given by the INTERIOR DECORATING COMMITTEE, entitled "THE BUILDING OF THE CHURCH."
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—Dope peddler

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con the man's wife into locating another contact for him."

Shaking his head in bewilderment over Joe Hamm's brassy nerve, Boyd Martin continued: "Now the wife didn't want to become involved in the business so she went to the authorities. "The local authorities contacted our government agent in Fayetteville and he wired me for instructions. After a little investigation we decided the woman was telling the truth, so I picked out one of our best con men—a white agent. I'll call Curly—to work the case.

"Curly went to Dunn that same night and on the first night there was cool enough to con Joe Hamm into selling him $80 worth of heroin. That was 30 'caps.'

Used Secret Code

"When Joe Hamm got no kick from the law about that first deal he made with my agent, he got in touch with him in a week and showed my man how to contact him in New York when he wanted some more "stuff," or heroin.

"The agent used the secret code Joe Hamm had shown him and in the next month wired to New York three times for small quantities of heroin.

"Finally Joe Hamm came down to Dunn and kicked because the agent or his 'contact' was not ordering enough stuff. The agent got in touch with me that night and I told him to shoot the works.

"The next day the agent contacted Joe Hamm by wire and asked him to send down an ounce of heroin. Now an ounce of heroin is a lot of stuff and has more than 400 grains.

Billy King Used

"Joe Hamm had been sending the other deals, the 30, 60, and 90 capsules sold previously, down by his boy, Billy King. When he got the ounce order, though, Joe Hamm delivered it personally.

"Before he came down though he called my agent and had him wire $200, before he would send down the order. Now $200 for an ounce of heroin is cheaper than my man can buy it in New York.

"It was good stuff, too, and had the right weight. That's the difference between a two-bit peddler and a con man working with a big syndicate," Mr. Martin pointed out.

"A two-bit hustler will cheat, give you phony weight, doctor up the stuff; and do anything else to stretch out the dope. A good con man, however, will give you the right weight, and nine times out of ten will have high grade stuff.

"That's what Joe Hamm had brother. When our agent relayed that heroin back to us, we found it was 29 per cent. That's top stuff because the average peddler sells stuff with an 8 per cent content.

BOYD MARTIN

$400 Order

"We knew we had the makings of a big syndicate, so I ordered my agent to make a two ounce order in 10 days. When my man made the order, Joe wired right back and told him to send the $400.

"Then that rascal did the coolest thing I ever saw," Mr. Martin said admiringly. "Joe Hamm wired back that his car was in the repair shop, and my agent would have to send him train fare also.

"Well we wanted the deal to go through, so my man sent the money for fare. Joe brought the stuff the next day, and it was as good as the other stuff. But in addition he had put in to get 90 grains over the right weight!

"We had enough evidence to move in then and nabbed Joe Hamm when he came down with another ounce order. Meanwhile, agents in Washington nabbed Billy King, who was working that area.

"We thought Joe Hamm would talk, and tried our best to con him into telling who the big wheel was in the narcotics syndicate. That slick rascal wouldn't talk, though, so we prosecuted the case for trial," the cunning narcotics investigator continued.

Got Jail Sentence

On Nov. 18, Joe Hamm and Billy King were tried in Wilmington, N.C., in U.S. District Court, before Judge Donald Gilliam. After the testimony was concluded, Boyd Martin was called to the stand by Judge Gilliam and asked whether he had any recommendations for either defendant.

"I told him that Joe was undoubtedly a major heroin peddler," declared Mr. Martin, "and the only thing right about him was he gave good weight. Billy King, on the other hand, was nothing but Joe Hamm's stooge."

Judge Gilliam gave Joe Hamm 10 years in jail and gave Billy King a 3-year sentence. "We have an idea who the brains behind the syndicate is and he is being shadowed day and night," Mr. Martin concluded.

Gets Serious

After completing his narrative demonstrating the veracity of his statement concerning "con" men in the narcotics racket, Boyd Martin shifted to a more serious vein.

"Don't get the idea the narcotics racket is to be treated lightly or a game," he warned. "Narcotics is the cesspool of crime and an ever-present menace.

"At the present time, Washington, D.C. is the one spot in District 5, where narcotics seem to be flourishing. It's puzzling too, because they have a fine police narcotics squad under Capt. J. Mowbray, but the traffic continues to be heavy. We're doing everything possible to stamp it out, though," he promised.

As for narcotics among young people, which has been pointed out as one of the reasons for an increasingly climbing juvenile delinquency rate, Mr. Martin is not so vehement.

"Naturally it's always nasty and constant vigilance must be maintained, but I honestly think the use of narcotics by young people has been overrated.

"One time in Washington, Judge Edith Cockrell had 2,000 juvenile cases catalogued and found only 18, less than 10 per cent, in any way, connected with narcotics," declared Boyd Martin.

Lives in Baltimore

The 65-year-old crack narcotics agent lives with his wife and one son in a brown-stone house in the 100 block W. Lafayette ave. He has no immediate plans concerning his retirement but just wants to "take it easy for a couple of months."

He joined the Narcotics Bu- in 1915 when it was a division under the Commissioner, Internal Revenue. It remained a part of the Bureau of Internal Revenue until 1930 when Congress created an independent bureau.

At the same time the Bureau was formed as a single unit, a U.S. Commissioner of Narcotics, H. J. Anslinger was appointed. Mr. Anslinger still holds the same post.

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At present the Narcotics Bureau is one of six agencies operated by the U.S. Treasury Department. The other five are the Secret Service, Coast Guard, Customs, Intelligence, and the Alcohol Tax Unit.

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SAVE 39c
$2.98 Authentic-Looking . . . Metal
TOY CASH REGISTER
With brightly plated front and real size money trays, bell rings for sale and the drawer opens a half inch for the change to be registered.
$2.59
Regular $2.98
JET AUTOMATIC REPEATING RIFLE
With 6 Plastic Ammunition Belts
$1.99
Jet-action, 29-inch realistic rifle; shoots 6 colored plastic balls with 1 loading. Shoots up to 40 feet. Absolutely harmless.
SAVE 31c
Regular $2.29 . . . Small Fry
PEG TABLE WITH ATTACHED SADDLE TYPE SEAT
Table has a perforated masonite top, complete with sturdy mallet and enameled pegs.
$1.98
Cute . . . Dressed Joan and Johnny
LATEX TWINS WITH MOLDED HAIR
And Cute Voices
Both have lovely molded and glamorous curls. Joan wears lavender jumper and pink shoes into-dress silk. Jack here dress and sandals.
$1.98 Ea.