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Me of Christmas

Choir Presents Music Festival

On Sunday evening, December 21, 1952, at 7:30 p.m. the Quinn Chapel choir will present a Christmas Music Festival with Maurice Russell as master of ceremonies.

Mrs. W. B. Davis, guest speaker,



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will talk from the subject, "The Real Meaning of Christmas."

Miss Beverly George will be guest soloist. The program is as follows:

Opening song, Oh Come All Ye Faithful, Choir.

Prayer, Rev. R. E. Edwards.

Christmas Carol, The First Noel, Choir.

Vocal Solo, O Holy Night, Miss Beverly George.

Christmas Anthem, Star of the East, Choir.

Speaker, Mrs. W. B. Davis.

Pantomime by Candle-light, Silent Night, Choir.

Offertory, Organ Voluntary.

Vocal Selections, Rev. John R. Harris.

Christmas Spiritual, Go Tell It On the Mountain, Choir.

Closing Song, Joy To The World, Choir and congregation.

Verne Wilson is president of the choir and Mrs. Hazel Wilson is organist-director.

Holiday Activities

At the Urban League

The Urban League's Annual Christmas Program and Party will be held in the Auditorium, Monday evening, December 22, 1952—8 p.m. Adults and children are cordially invited to this affair, but we especially urge the parents to accompany the younger children.

The building will be closed December 24 Christmas eve, Christmas Day, New Years Eve and New Years Day.

December 27—St. John's Day Banquet, sponsored by Lebanon Lodge No. 3.

December 29—Mary Bethune Club Holiday Party.

December 29—Mt. Zion Baptist Mission Society Party.

December 30—LaFollette Club.

1953 Events

January 14—Mother - Daughter Dinner.

January 28—Urban League Annual Dinner—Cornhusker Hotel.



GREETINGS

DURING THIS BLESSED SEASON

We want to rejoice with you and your family on the happy meaning of Christmas and to join you in praying for true "Peace on earth and good will to men."

MR. AND MRS. ELBERT SAWYER
AND THE VOICE STAFF

Pittsburgh, Pa. Passes FEPC Law

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — (ANP)—Pittsburgh last week joined several other cities with a law against discrimination in employment because of race, creed, national origin or religion.

The city council unanimously passed the FEPC ordinance which earlier had received approval from the council, sitting as a finance committee.

The civic Unity Council sponsored the bill and Councilman Patrick T. Fagan introduced it in the council.

The passage of the Pittsburgh law this week climaxes a long fight for such a provision. The fourth failure to obtain passage of a state-wide law in the last session of the legislature moved local supporters to seek a Pittsburgh law.

Introduction of the ordinance was delayed first by the illness of the local mayor and later by the impending presidential election. However, as soon as the election was over, the measure was acted on.

Administration of the ordinance will be placed in the hands of a five-man commission appointed for staggered four-year terms. This commission will function as an arm of the division of civic unity, with a director and such staff as are needed for successful enforcement of the provisions of the act.

Covered by the ordinance are the city administration and every person who employs five or more

Father of Blues Feels Slight From Negro Papers

NEW YORK (ANP)—W. C. Handy unburdened his mind of a few things that were troubling him in a recent letter, which he wrote was "written in a spirit of Thanksgiving for a wonderful America, where a man can wear shoes or go barefoot and vote as he sees fit."

"I am already giving thanks for my blessings daily, since it was at this time nine years ago that I fell in the subway and sustained a fractured skull," the Father of the Blues wrote, "I cannot remember the first pain, and since that time no illness has prevented me from trying to serve humanity."

The colorful figure of American music, who now operates a music publishing house at 53rd and Broadway (the heart of Tin Pan Alley), expressed pride over his triple television appearances in October—with the ASCAP Story. But, he wrote, my greatest joy was over the publishing of a song, "Hike With Ike," during the political campaign.

"I thought the race newspapers of Harlem would have a news item

persons exclusive of parents, spouse or children of such persons. Fraternal, sectarian, charitable and religious organizations are exempt from the provisions of the act.

The provisions of the ordinance also specifically apply to all contractors and subcontractors doing work for the city.



W. C. HANDY

of this, but they seemed to have wanted Stevenson and Sparkman's "Boogie," states the creator of the immortal "St. Louis Blues." He was recently honored at his 79th Birthday Dinner Party at the Waldorf Astoria given by the W. C. Handy Foundation for the Blind.

The reflective Handy told how he had sent thousands of copies of his songs with letters over the nation at his own expense and received congratulations from all parts of the country; of how he occupied the speakers' stand in Harlem with Gen. and Mrs. Eisenhower, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, Sen. Irving Ives, John Roosevelt, Continued on Page 2, Col. 1

So. Carolina Admits Five To Society

CHARLESTON, S. C. (ANP)—Drs. W. H. Felder, C. T. Holloway, T. M. McCottry, T. C. McFall and N. F. Wilson have been admitted to the Charles County Medical Association, marking the initial advent of white and Negro doctors in a local state organization.

The new members of the CCMA, all practitioners in Charleston, are likewise members of the South Carolina Medical Association and of the American Medical Association, to which the county membership carries automatic admission if desired.

The five medics were all members of the Palmetto Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Association, an all-Negro state group.

Reasons offered for the abrupt historical departure is:

At a meeting held last May at Myrtle Beach by the SCMA, the group voted to delete any mention of color or race from its by-laws (there was no such reference to race or color in the constitution) and to recommend that county societies do the same so that Negro physicians might become members of the county groups, a prerequisite to state membership.

At Orangeburg, Dr. Lawrence Thackston, state association president, said:

"It is not the purpose of the SCMA to change any of the recognized customs prevalent in South Carolina.

"The society has decided that Negro physicians should have the opportunity to advance themselves and their knowledge and to treat all types of cases, including some from which they have been barred in the past due to lack of membership in the recognized societies. But it is not our purpose to change social customs."

YM-YW Notes

The YM-YW Public Affairs Discussion Group met Tuesday, December 9, at the Y.W.C.A. and discussed city planning with Mr. Paul Watt, of Bartholomew & Sons. Next week, December 23, Mr. Watt will show a film strip on the proposed zoning plan for Lincoln. Young adults who are interested in improving Lincoln are invited to attend. The film and discussion will follow a 5:30 tray dinner in the Y.W.C.A. cafeteria.

Thieves "Unhospitable"

To Illinois Jaquet

BOSTON, Mass. — (ANP) — Illinois Jaquet of the "screaming saxophone" discovered this week that cultured Boston has some uncultured car thieves. The thieves stole his blue Cadillac which was parked in the vicinity of the Hi-Hat club where the musician was playing a limited engagement.

However, the next day Boston police found Jaquet's car.