

Methodist Christmas Concert Beautifully, Brilliantly Done

Those persons who did not attend the Methodist Yule concert Sunday missed one of the most beautifully done and most inspirational programs heard in many a day.

No choir in Zebulon can surpass now that of the Methodist Church, and it has promises of becoming one of the foremost church choirs in North Carolina.

A major portion of the praise can be attributed to Mrs. Robert Daniel Massey, the choir's director. At all times she was in command of the group, quietly but firmly, executing the finer technicalities of conducting.

The program was varied enough to suit the most discriminating audience. And the audience, which should have been larger, was very much pleased.

The choirs rendered the selections with excellent interpretation. They showed feeling, emotional qualities, clearness and smoothness of the phrases and passages.

Possibly, "Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming," "Gesu Bambino" and "The Sleep of the Child Jesus" were not up to the highest musical qualities. Passages in these selections seemed to drag and the choir seemed to be unsure of itself in some of the phrases.

The "Break Forth, O Beauteous, Heavenly Light," "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," "O Holy Night," "Cherubim Song" and "Gloria in Excelsis" were the selections done most beautifully, creating in the audience's hearts a surging happiness and deep emotional experience.

Mrs. Connie Bunn and Miss Betty Lou Carter took solo parts in "Gesu Bambino" and "O Holy Night." Mrs. Bunn's rich soprano and Miss Carter's throaty, mellow contralto in these numbers were flowing, with a delicate touch of the tonalities and true emphasis where needed.

The two-part cantata, "The Child Jesus," by the primary, junior and intermediate choirs, was done with unusual excellence. The material, somewhat a bit difficult for the newly organized choirs, was done by the children with a responsiveness to the subject and loving hearts and voices. Miss Nell Newby served as accompanist for this group. Her accompanying, too,

was done with great feeling and treatment of the subject.

Miss Connie Hepler set the mood of the concert with a beautifully rendered organ selection entitled, "In Dulci Jubilo." Her delicate touch provided the sweetness necessary for the selection by Bach.

The persons who heard the Yule concert by the Methodist choirs Sunday were indeed fortunate. The performance went without a hitch, was not too long, was done par excellence, and was a rewarding experience to all who sat in the candlelighted sanctuary.

Congratulations to Mrs. Massey, to the choirs and to the church for providing Zebulon with seasonal music that was inspiring, imbued with reverence and left one with a lifted up soul and spirit.

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was also a charter member of the Wakefield-Zebulon Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, to which she was devoted.

People remember her wonderful

cooking, and she delighted in sending her goodies to those who were ill, indisposed or less fortunate than she.

But above all she loved her God and served him faithfully and well.

Mrs. Massey was the daughter of the late Robert Paul and Lucy Parrott Jones of Wakefield. She married the late Guy C. Massey, Sr., who preceded her in death. She died Oct. 2, 1952.

The meeting at which Mrs. Massey was honored was held in the Methodist parsonage with Mrs. Troy J. Barrett, hostess. Mrs. M. J. Sexton, chairman of the Commission on Evangelism of the church, presented the program on "The March of Missions in Evangelism." She told of the evangelistic work of the church in home and foreign fields and in the Zebulon Methodist Church.

Mrs. Jimmy Spivey assisted with the program. The devotional was led by Mrs. Ruddell Massey and Mrs. Barrett.

Three new members were welcomed: Miss Phyllis Coley, Mrs. Ruddell Massey and Mrs. Durwood Richardson. Guests at the meeting were Mrs. Garland Richardson, W. S. C. S. president, Mrs. Luke Kohler, Miss Delores Long and Mrs. Sexton.

During the social hour gifts were exchanged and recorded Christmas music was enjoyed by the

group. The hostess served lime ice and ginger ale, Christmas cookies, candies and sandwiches.

This circle is continuing their sale of Keepsake Picture Plates of the church and these may be secured from any member. They make beautiful and wonderful gifts.

TOWN BOARD

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Street from North to the alleyway, ending at Bonita's Beauty Shop, to Sykes Construction Co. This construction company was low bidder. The cost for paving will be \$1,587.40.

Mrs. Ellett also made the motion that the following resolution be adopted: "Whereas the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Zebulon believe that a change in number of N. C. Highway 39 and that portion of U. S. Highway 301 that connects N. C. Highway 39 with U. S. Highway 701 would serve as a convenience to the traveling public by providing a single U. S. highway in North Carolina connecting Piedmont, Va., to southeastern North Carolina and points South;

"Be it resolved by the aforesaid Board of Commissioners of the Town of Zebulon that the North Carolina State Highway Commission is hereby requested to rede-

signate the aforesaid N. C. Highway 39 and the said portion of U. S. Highway 301 as a continuation of U. S. Highway 701."

Commissioner Norman Screws made the following motion that a 150 candlepower light arm street light be installed in Franklin Street between Church and Wakefield Streets. Carolina Power and Light Company is to do the installation.

Commissioner Screws also made the motion that the town employees be given the same Christmas bonus as last year.

All motions presented by Mrs. Ellett and Mr. Screws were passed by the Board.

Pfc. Franklin Lewis Stationed in Europe

Army PFC Franklin D. Lewis, whose wife, Ann, and mother, Mrs. Nancy Lewis, live on Route 2, Middlesex, is a member of the 559th Field Artillery Battalion in Germany.

Lewis, a truck driver, entered the Army in November 1956 and received basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C. He was stationed at Fort Bliss, Tex., before arriving in Europe last April.

The 23-year-old soldier was graduated from Middlesex High School in 1954.

Colored News

The youth of Beaver's Chapel Christian Church presented a Christmas pageant Sunday night. Title: "The Great King." The presentation was a success. The pageant was directed by Mrs. Vernetta Harris, supervisor of the Junior Church.

Robert Richard is ill and under the doctor's care at his home.

Eugene Hagains is home from A&T College. He will go into the Armed Service in a few days.

The Christmas Saving Club of Zebulon and vicinity gave a Christmas pageant December 8, title: "Let Us Tell The Story."

Surprise gifts were given to officers of the club and the founder, Mrs. Lona Richardson, who is to be complimented for the idea of organizing such a profitable club.

Rev. C. E. Askew was guest speaker at the 85th anniversary of The First Baptist Church, Wilson. Reverend Talmadge Watkins is pastor.

Mrs. Gloria Van Dyke Dixon spent the weekend with her parents, the H. L. Taylors.

The Wakefield Baptist Church will present Christmas program Sunday night, December 22.

The First Aid Club of Zebulon will give a Christmas party Monday night, Dec. 23.

Christmas Feasting

FRYERS 26c LB.

<p>DELICIOUS, TENDER STEAK POUND 59c</p> <p>STRIETMANN'S Vanilla Wafers LARGE 2 for 55c</p> <p>BANANAS 10c lb. </p> <p>SOFT, SMOOTH KLEENEX 200's 14c</p> <p>Easy Monday Starch 16c qt.</p> <p>Cranberry Sauce 23c</p> <p>LGE. IVORY SOAP 14c</p> <p>REYNOLDS WRAP Small 29c</p> <p>SUGAR 5lbs. 55c</p>	<p>CARNATION MILK 6 for 89c</p> <p>ACE HIGH 12 OZ.</p> <p>ORANGE JUICE 2 for 55c</p> <p>POPULAR SNOW KING ICE CREAM PINT 18c</p> <p>FOR CHRISTMAS BOX OF 20</p> <p>CHEWING GUM 59c</p> <p>PLANTERS SMALL</p> <p>COCKTAIL PEANUTS 35c</p> <p>DEL MONTE ONLY</p> <p>TOMATO SAUCE 9c</p>
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