## A HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 1905-1954

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#### Preface

Most church musicians today are familiar with the work of the American Guild of Organists is doing "... to advance the cause of worthy church music ... ", either through belonging to a local Guild chapter, or through a subscription to the national magazine of the Guild, "The Diapason." The organization has increased by several thousand members in the past few years, largely due to the efforts of its indefatigable President, Mr. S. Lewis Elmer, who has contributed many, many hours and uncountable miles of travel to the task of spreading the gospel of the Guild. Under his presidency, now in its eleventh year, the Guild has established chapters in each of the forty-eight states as well as in the territories beyond the seas such as Hawaii and the Canal Zone. The total Guild membership has now passed the 13,000 mark.

This writer has been intimately associated with the Guild in Boston, Massachusetts for a number of years. Before beginning his studies at Union Seminary he served for six years as a member of the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Chapter, the latter three as the first Registrar. Thus he has had the opportunity to observe the inner workings of the Guild in Boston.

This account of the history of the Boston Chapter would have been impossible without the generous cooperation of Dean Grover J. Oberle and Sub-Dean George Faxon, who granted him the privilege of perusing the old records of the Chapter and making them conveniently available to him. Thanks are also extended to Mrs. Emma Jane Trembly, Secretary, and Mr. Marshall Sumner Wilkins, Registrar, for their courtesy in letting him borrow their most recent journals in order to cull out pertinent data for this history.

The records of the first ten years of the New England Chapter (as the Boston group was known originally), are not now in the possession of the Chapter. They have been sought for, unsuccessfully, but this gap has been bridged by consulting the files of the "New Music Review" at the offices of the H.W. Gray Company in New York City. Through the kind permission of Mr. Donald Gray and the assistance of Mr. John Rodgers, M.S.M., these records have been put at the disposal of this researcher. President Elmer has been most generous in allowing him to look through the old records at National Headquarters for material on the early years of the Chapter. Sincere thanks are extended to him and to the H. W. Gray Company for their help in this matter.

The late Dr. Hamilton C. Macdougall of Wellesley College and Mr. Herbert C. Peabody, recently deceased, collaborated on a short "Story of the New England Chapter," which appears in "The Story of the American Guild of Organists," published by the H. W. Gray Company in 1946. Some of the ellipses in this history have been overcome by quoting from their account.

Talks with various members of the Guild in Boston have brought to light much information which would never have been found in any journal. Special thanks go to Mr. Harris S. Shaw, Dean of the Massachusetts Chapter during 1944-1947, for his contribution to this record. His remembrances of the early years are sincerely appreciated, while his succinct comments on the various episodes throughout the Guild history have thrown light on some dark corners.

This journal is sincerely dedicated to that infinite array of Boston organists who have contributed to the history of the American Guild of Organists in "The Hub of the Universe." Those who carry on have a worthy heritage to follow. May they always prove true to the trust.

H. W. M. April 1, 1954

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### Chapter I: Early Beginnings

The New England Chapter of the American Guild of Organists was formally begun in December, 1905. "It was the second Chapter to be organized, preceded only by Pennsylvania three years earlier." <sup>1</sup> The record in the "New Music Review" of February, 1906 gives a detailed account of that first meeting: With instructions from the Council, the Warden (Mr. Brewer) and the Registrar (Mr. Day) visited Boston on Wednesday, December 27th and consulted with the members of the Guild residing in that vicinity relative to forming a Chapter of the Guild in New England.

A meeting was called of the 26 members of the Guild residing in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, and Maine, and a number of the organists of Boston to meet at Mr. Everett E. Truette's studio, 218 Tremont Street, Boston, on Thursday, December 28th at 2 p.m. 22 members and invited organists were present, and 9 members wrote letters saying they were heartily in sympathy with the movement to form the Chapter but they would unavoidably be absent. The Warden explained the wishes of the Council to those present and said that the special committee from the Council were [sic] in Boston to study the best way to form the Chapter; they were not leading, but were being advised by the members who were conversant with affairs in New England.

The Officers of the Chapter who were appointed at the meeting in Boston and elected at the meeting in New York, January 1st, were as follows:

George A. Burdett, Dean Everett E. Truette, Secretary Warren A. Locke, Treasurer

The Executive Committee elected by the members of the Guild in Boston were [sic] as follows:

The Dean
The Secretary
The Treasurer
Walter J. Clemson, Taunton
Henry M. Dunham, Boston
Arthur Foote, Dedham
William C. Hammond, Holyoke
Benjamin J. Lang, Boston
Hamilton C. Macdougall, Wellesley Hills
Samuel B. Whitney, Boston

On motion the name of the Chapter thus formed is to be known as "The New England Chapter."

This Chapter will be conducted on lines similar to the Pennsylvania Chapter, and the Executive Committee have [sic] power to make a constitutional and by-laws, which, having been ratified by the Council of the Guild, shall be the authority for the conduct of the Chapter's affairs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> p. 41, The Story of the A. G. O., H. W. Gray Co.

Those present at the meeting in Boston, December 28th, were:

B. J. Lang

H. G. Tucker

Walter J. Clemson, Taunton

**Arthur Foote** 

Warren A. Locke

Robert Allen, New Bedford

Allen W. Swan, New Bedford

Mrs. L. B. Felch, Natick

Alfred Brinkler, Portland

F. N. Shackley

Charles S. Johnson

Charles P. Scott

Wilbur Hascall

B. L. Whelpley

J. F. Driscoll

Alois Bartschmidt

Sargent Morss

George A. Burdett

Everett E. Truette <sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> New Music Review, February, 1906

# Chapter II: The Deanship of George Albert Burdett (December 1905 - September 1908)

The New England Chapter's first Dean was the versatile George A. Burdett. He was born in Boston June 17, 1856 and came from a musical line, his father having been in his youth organist at the historic "Bulfinch" Church at South Lancaster.<sup>3</sup>

At Harvard Mr. Burdett came under the wing of J. K. Paine, graduating summa cum laude in music. He was editor of the Harvard Crimson and helped revive interest in Greek plays. Following college he spent several years in postgraduate study, a portion of the time with Haupt in Berlin, continuing with Fischer in Dresden.<sup>4</sup>

Immediately upon his return to this country, he accepted a call as organist and choirmaster at Harvard Church, Brookline, where his twenty years of service developed the musical ministry into great and evergrowing significance and all-around worth. In 1895 he went to Central Church. Boston, where he was enabled to put into practice many of his high ideals for worship music. After sixteen years in this position, he returned to Harvard Church in 1911, retiring a few years later to devote himself to composition and his publication interests. He was a Founder of the Guild (A.G.O.) and was one of the committee of three (with S. B. Whitney and Henry M. Dunham) appointed from Headquarters in New York to arrange illustrative services before New England had a Chapter. He was appointed to organize and to be Dean of the New England Chapter, the second in the Guild. Several years later (1920-1922) he again was elected to head the group.

Mr. Burdett was an acknowledged leader, and the new Chapter began operations suspiciously. The Chapter's early roster included organists as Arthur Foote, George W. Chadwick, Horatio Parker, John D. Buckingham and George E. Whiting. Hamilton C. Macdougall was at Wellesley, Sumner Salter at Williams, William Churchill Hammond at Mount Holyoke and Charles H. Morse at Dartmouth. <sup>5</sup>

The first Chapter recital was given by William C. Hammond, the second by John Hermann Loud. This tabulation of 1907 records sixty-nine active members and seventy-seven subscribing members, sixteen of whom were Founders, twenty Honorary Associates and 132 subscribers.<sup>6</sup>

The First Public Service of the New England Chapter was held at Emmanuel Church, Boston, on Tuesday evening, November 20, 1906, with a choir of about fifty men and boys under the direction of Arthur S. Hyde, organist and choirmaster:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Pp. 42, 45, The Story of the A.G.O.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Clipping from the Chapter scrapbook.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> P. 42, The Story of the A.G.O.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> P. 45, The Story of the A.G.O.

Prelude: Fantasie in C Major(B. J. Lang of Boston)	César Franck
Processional Hymn 450	S. B. Whitney
Cantata: Thou Guide of Israel	Dvorak
Offertory: Vision	Rheinberger
(Hamilton C. Macdougall of Wellesley)	
Recessional Hymn 521	J. K. Paine
Postlude: Finale in E flat	Guilmant
(Allen W. Swan of New Bedford)	

Several Chapter members who were present at that first Guild service are still living, among these are Miss Ruth Bosworth Eddy, A.A.G.O., of Swansea Centre; Homer C. Humphrey of Boston; Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O., of Portland, Maine and Miss Georgia B. Easton, A.A.G.O., of Methuen. It is reported that a congregation of twelve hundred people filled the church and evidence of interest were manifest among those present.

The First Organ Recital was given by William Churchill Hammond, A.G.O., at New Old South Church, Boston, on February 27, 1907:

Sonata VI in E minor, Op. 137	G. Merkel
Benediction Nuptiale	. Saint-Saëns
Pastorale (Symphony II)	. Widor
Passacaglia (composed 1627)	. Frescobaldi
Fugue on B-A-C-H	Schumann
Suite in D	Handel
Oriental Sketches	A. Bird
Nocturne in A flat Major	H. W. Parker
A Springtime Sketch	J. H. Brewer
Christus Resurrexit (Inno di Gloria)	O. Ravanello

The Second Organ Recital was given by John Hermann Loud, A.A.G.O, at the Old First Church, Boston, on March 14, 1907:

Sonata XIX, Op. 193	Rheinberger
Lamentation	Guilmant
Fugue in B minor	. Bach
Grand Piéce Symphonique, Op. 17	Franck
Two Posthumous Works	. Mendelssohn

- a. Andante, with Variations
- b. Allegro in B flat

The Second Public Service was held at the First Baptist Church, Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, April 16, 1907:

Prelude: Adagio (Sonata in G minor) ...... H. M. Dunham (Henry M. Dunham of Boston)

Magnificat in A	Stainer
Offertory: Andantino (Suite in D)	
(E. Cutter, Jr.)	
Three Selections from Stabat Mater	. Dvorak
Postlude: Allegro maestoso (Sonata in G, Op. 28)	Flgar
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The service was played by James D. D. Comey, organist and choirmaster, assisted by a chorus of 21 solo voices.

The correspondent of the Chapter to the official organ of the Guild, "The New Music Review", in the issue of December, 1907 says:

The services in Portland, New Bedford, and Providence have been committed to the direction of Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O., Allen W. Swan, A.G.O., and Arthur H. Ryder of Grace Church, respectively. These gentlemen will form local committees for the arrangements and furtherance of the movement and will enlist the customary assistance in the services.

The Third Public Service was held at St Thomas' Church, Taunton, on November 6, 1907:

Prelude: Pastorale	Trillat
Vision	. H. W. Parker
(Allen W. Swan, A.G.O.)	
Magnificat	. Iliffe
Nunc Dimittis	. Ilffe
Anthem: O Lord, Thou art my God	. C. Lee Williams
Offertory: Nocturne	. Wheeldon
(Walter J. Clemson, A.G.O.)	
Postlude: Fantasia in G Major	. Bach
(B. J. Lang, A.G.O.)	
The service was played by George Shaul.	

A recital was given by R. Huntington Woodman, Mus. Doc., A.G.O., F.A.G.O., at First Church in Boston on November 29, 1907:

Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor Variations from Concerto I	
Pastorale	Foote
Concert Overture in C minor	Hollins
Cantilene in B flat	Woodman
Scherzo in Canon form (arr. H. W. Parker)	Jadassoon
Pièce Heroique	Franck
Canzone in F minor	
Toccata	Edward d'Evry

The Fourth Public Service was held at Grace Church, Providence, Rhode Island, on December 2, 1907. The service was played by Arthur H. Ryder, organist and choirmaster and sung by "the surpliced choir"

of the church. Mr. F. E. Streeter, F.A.G.O., and Mr. Henry Clough-Leighter of Boston, former organist of the church, assisted Mr. Ryder at the organ in "the usual manner."

A service was held at the Second Church in Dorchester, Congregational, on November 24, 1907. Dean Burdett of Central Church, Boston, opened the new organ built by the Hook & Hastings Company. He was assisted by John F. Hartwell, organist of the church and the Quartet Choir:

Vision	. Rheinberger
Romance	. Whealdon
Anthem: I Will Sing of Thy Power	. Sullivan
Fiat Lux	Dubois
Ave Maria	Bossi
Alleluia	Dubois
Andantino	Franck
Anthem: Praise the Lord	Randegger
Adagio (Sonata V)	Guilmant
Largo (by request)	Handel
Hymn: Coronation	
Hallelujah Chorus (Messiah)	Handel

A Guild service was held in New Bedford on January 14, 1908 at Grace Church, Episcopal. The service was sung by the vested choir and played by Edgar A. Barrell, organist. The Prelude was played by Homer C. Humphrey of Boston; the Offertory by Robert Allen of New Bedford and the Postlude by George Sawyer Dunham of Brockton.

An exceptionally impressive service was held at St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston, on January 29, 1908. Three vested choirs: St. Paul's, the Church of the Advent and Christ Church, Cambridge, made a body of 100 choristers. Warren A. Locke conducted and Albert W. Snow played the service. B. L. Whelpley played the Prelude; Harry Wry played the Offertory and Alois Bartschmidt, F.A.G.O., the Postlude:

Prelude: Organ Fantasie in C minor	. Hans Huber
Anthem: How Blest are They	. Tschaikowsky
Anthem: By Babylon's Wave	
Anthem: O Come Before His Presence	. Martin
Offertory: Andante Cantabile	. Franck
Postlude: Third Concert Fantasie in D	. O. Dienel

At the second annual dinner of the Chapter in March, 1908, speakers were Mrs. H. H. A. Beach and Louis G. Elson. Mr. Elson said in part:

America, to being with, started out a musical desert. The early settlers had no music of their own and all the hymns tunes they had could be counted on the hand. A little later there was published the Bay Psalm Book, the words of which were sometime very prosaic, as poetry was at a low ebb at that time.

The first organ in the colony was owned by Mr. Brattle of Brattle Square. This organ was spoken of as early as 1709 in some of the diaries which have been preserved. When he died, in his will he made the provision that the organ be given to his church if they would accept it, but if they did not,

the organ should be given to the Episcopal Church of Boston. His church would not accept it, so it was given to and placed in King's Chapel.<sup>7</sup>

The Ninth Public Service was held at the Second Congregational Church, Holyoke, on March 15, 1908, under the direction of Professor William C. Hammond. The service was sung by the Chorus Choir of the church, assisted by the Quartet and Chorus Choir of the First Congregational Church, Springfield:

Prelude: Prelude on "O Filii"	Edw. Batiste
(Harry H. Kellog, First Church)	
Festival Te Deum in A	G. H. Westbury
Magnificat in E flat	. John E. West
Offertory: In Paradisum	
(Prof. Edwin B. Story, Smith College)	
Postlude: Finale (Sonata V)	. Rheinberger

Dean Burdett's annual report of 1908 summarizes the activities of the 1907-1908 season, to wit:

There are seventy-five active members, including fourteen Fellows and Associates, one hundred and thirty-five subscribers and nineteen Honorary Associates. Since November 1907 there have been given eight Guild services under the auspices of this Chapter, viz: two in Boston, and one at each of the following cities: Taunton, New Bedford, Holyoke, Springfield, Portland, Maine; Providence, Rhode Island; also two organ recitals in Boston churches and three receptions were tendered the members at residences having concert organs. <sup>8</sup>

The annual meeting took place May 15, 1908, in Jordan Hall, Boston. Much regret was expressed at the resignation of George A. Burdett as Dean of the Chapter, which position he filled with such success for two years. Professor Hamilton C. Macdougall of Wellesley College was elected to succeed him, with Professor C. G. Hamilton, also of Wellesley College elected Secretary, with B. L. Whelpley as Treasurer. A private recital followed the meeting:

Suite	Arthur Foote
(Arthur Foote)	
Sonata III	Henry M. Dunham
(Henry M. Dunham)	-
Concert-Satz	Otto Dienel
(Alois Bartschmidt)	
Concerto for Organ and Orchestra	Handel
(N. E. Conservatory Orchestra)	
Finale	Homer Humphrey
(Homer Humphrey)	

The Eleventh Public Service of the Chapter was held at Mount Holyoke College on Mary 3, 1908, with a choir of 300 voices under the direction of Professor William C. Hammond:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> New Music Review, 1908.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> New Music Review, June, 1908

Prelude to Cantata 106	. Bach
(William C. Hammond)	
Processional: The Strife is O'er	Palestrina
Congregational Hymn: O Come, Emmanuel	
Festival Te Deum in A	Westbury
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in E flat	. West
Choir Hymn: Remember Now Thy Creator	
Offertory: Cantabile	. Sleeper
(Prof. Henry D. Sleeper)	
Sermon by the Rev. Rockwell Harmon Potter, D. D.	
Evening Anthem: from "The Golden Legend"	Sullivan
Recessional: Fight the Good Fight	A. H. Mann
Postlude: Allegro Vivace (Symphony V)	Widor
(Harry H. Kellogg)	

Those participating included the Quartet and Chorus of the First Congregational Church, Springfield (50 voices); the Quartet and Chorus of the Second Congregational Church, Holyoke (50 voices); the Vesper Choir of Mount Holyoke College (150 voices) and the Junior Choir of the College (50 voices).

## Chapter III: The Deanship of Hamilton Crawford Macdougall (1908-1909)

Hamilton Macdougall was born in Warwick, Rhode Island, October 15, 1858. He was early attracted toward a musical career, and studied piano, organ and theory under such masters as J. C. D. Parker, S. B. Whitney and B. J. Lang. He went to London and prepared himself for the examination offered by the Royal College of Organists, Studying with Dr. E. H. Turpin, distinguished organist and theorist. Mr. Macdougall was awarded the diploma of Associate of the College in 1883, the second American to receive this honor.

Returning to Providence, he rapidly rose to the head of his profession as teacher, composer and performer. From 1882 to 1895 he was organist-choirmaster of the Central Baptist Church, where he raised the choir to a high point of efficiency. He gave a yearly series of Saturday afternoon recitals, supplemented occasionally by assisting organists and his own pupils. He became active in the Music Teachers' National Association and organized the Rhode Island state association, serving as its first president.

IN 1895 he became organist at the Harvard Church, Brookline and in 1900 was called to take charge of the music department at Wellesley College. There he found his plans generously supported by the new President, Miss Caroline Hazard, herself an enthusiastic and cultivated musician, with whose assistance the chapel music was greatly enriched in its choral and ritualistic features. Under Dr. Macdougall's leadership, the music department at Wellesley came to the fore as one of the best-equipped music departments in any American university.

He served several years as lecturer at Brown University and the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. He was awarded the doctorate of music by Brown University in 1902. Dr. Macdougall was vitally interested in the success of the Guild and contributed greatly to the early leadership of the Chapter. He became Dean in 1908, succeeding George Burdett, and although he only served a single term he always maintained an avid interest in the affairs of the Chapter until his death in 1945. For many years he contributed a column to the monthly issues of "the Diapason," entitled – "The Free Lance." His column was devoted to many facets of music, not only the organ. Under his deanship, the Chapter continued the practice of featuring both organ recitals and public services.

The Twelfth Public Service was held December 3, 1908 at Eliot Church, Newton, under the direction of Everett E. Truette, A.G.O., organist and director. The service included Verdi's "Manzoni Requiem." The Prelude, "Fantasia in A flat," Franck, was played by Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O.; the Postlude, "Allegro appassionata" (Sonata V), Guilmant, was played by George A. Burdett, A.G.O.

The Fourth Organ Recital was given by W. Lynnwood Farnam, A.R.C.M., A.R.C.O., at New Old South Church, Boston, on January 28, 1909, playing from memory this program:

Symphony VI	Widor
a. Largo	
b. Adagio	
Marche Pontificale (Symphony IV)	Widor
Elegie in F# minor	Claussman
Toccata in B minor	

Choral Prelude: Thou comest now, Jesu	Bach
Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C Major	Bach
Le Carillon	. Wolstenholme
Theme and Variations in A flat	Thiele

The Secretary (C. G. Hamilton) reports that the performance was "...brilliant and masterly and evoked great enthusiasm." 9

An all-Mendelssohn program was given at Central Congregational Church, Boston, on Sunday January 31, 1909:

### **Morning Service**

Prelude in G
How lovely are the messengers (St. Paul)
Cast thy burden on the Lord (Elijah)
O come, everyone that thirsteth (Elijah)
Postlude: March of the Priests (Athalie)

### Afternoon Service

Chorale Variations, Fugue and Finale (Sonata VI)
For He shall give His angels (Elijah)
Lift thine eyes (Elijah)
Hear ye, Israel (Elijah)
Be not afraid (Elijah)
Holy, holy, holy (Elijah)
Postlude: Allegro molto (Sonata VI)

A recital was given by John Herman Loud, F.A.G.O., in Jordan Hall, Boston, on February 24, 1909:

Ciacona	. Pachelbel
Prelude and Fugue in G	. Bach
Sonata III in A Major	
Scherzo Symphonique	. Lemmens
Second Meditation	. Guilmant
Allegro vivace (Pastoral Sonata)	. Rheinberger
Andante (Organ Sonata, Op. 65)	H. W. Parker
Passacaglia, B minor (Mss.)	. E. Blum

The Fourteenth Public Service was given by the combined choirs of the First Congregational Church of Springfield, Harry H. Kellogg, organist and director, and the Second Congregational Church of Holyoke, William C. Hammond, organist and director, at the Holyoke church on March 14, 1909:

Prelude:	Adagio, Op. 42	Merkel
Anthems:	Holy, Holy, Holy	Maunder

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> New Music Review, March, 1909.

O Lamb of God	Maunder
Lord, Have Mercy	Maunder
Festival Te Deum in B flat	
Anthems: O Clap Your Hands	Stainer
Is it Nothing to You?	
The Beatitudes	
Sevenfold Amen	Stainer
Offertory: Andante	Tombelle
Postlude: Hosannah	Lemmens

The annual dinner was held on April 28, 1909 at the Young's Hotel, Boston. Speakers were President W. H. P. Faunce of Brown University, on "The Place of Music in Modern Life;" Mr. Rubin Goldmark, on "The Lasting Qualities in Music" and Mrs. Florence Rich King, F.A.G.O., on "The Woman Organist." Addresses were also made by the Rev. Dr. W. H. Lyon and by Walter J. Clemson, A.G.O.

No mention is made in the reports to the "New Music Review" about when the annual meeting of 1909 was held, whether in the month of April in connection with the annual dinner, or in May or June. It is assumed that it was held in April.

A crisis concerning the legality of "Chapters" came to a head at Headquarter in New York in early 1909:

In certain quarters there was strong opposition to the election of "members" without examination. The objection finally took the form of a formal complain to the Board of Regents at Albany that the Guild had violated its charter and was asked to show cause why the charter should not be revoked. Warden Hedden and Messrs. Brewer and Wright were commissioned to go to Albany to see what could be done to straighten out the matter. It is true that the election of "members" was illegal. The situation would have been serious if the Albany authorities had not been friendly and disposed to do all they could to help us. In order to legalize all that we had done it was necessary to petition the Board of Regents to amend the charter. Before this the constitution must be amended to conform.

The amended constitution was adopted at the annual meeting in New York on May 27, 1909. At a Council meeting June 19, 1909 it was announced that the new charter had been granted. The situation was amusing —there were no chapters — there were no "members." The Council, therefore, at their request, reorganized the Pennsylvania Chapter. The New England Chapter, the Western Chapter, the Ohio Chapter, and the Chapter of Western New York were also reorganized, and those previously elected as "members" were declared colleagues. <sup>10</sup>

To conform to this reorganization of the Guild at Headquarter, the New England Chapter reorganized itself and elected officers at

"...the annual meeting of the Chapter in Boston on December 13, 1909. Those elected included:

Dean, Walter J. Clemson, A.G.O. Sub-Dean, Albert W. Snow Secretary, James D. D. Comey Treasurer, B. L. Whelpley, A.G.O.

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Pp. 52-53, The Story of the A.G.O.

**Executive Committee:** 

George A. Burdett, A.G.O. S. B. Whitney, A.G.O Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O. Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O. Wallace Goodrich William C. Hammond, A.G.O." <sup>11</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> New Music Review, February, 1910.

### Chapter IV: The Deanship of Walter John Clemson (1909-1918)

Walter John Clemson, M.A. (Cantab.), F.R.S.A., served as Dean of the New England Chapter for nine years, longer than any other person before or since. As the records of the Chapter are incomplete, it is impossible to determine the actual date of his first election, but it is quite certain that he began his term of service on September 1, 1909. On December 13, 1909, the Chapter reorganized in compliance with the new charter at Headquarters and elected the officers noted on the previous page. Evidently these were the same officers elected at the annual meeting the spring before.

Mr. Clemson was a native of England and came to this country in 1885 as organist-choirmaster of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, Taunton, where he served the remainder of his life. He was a Fellow of the Guild of Church Musicians in London and became one of the Founders of the Guild in Boston. He was a real "gentleman of the old school." In talks with present-day Guild members, he is described as "extremely dignified and well-bred." Meetings of the Chapter in the days of Mr. Clemson's deanship were chiefly characterized by their formality. The men always wore full-dress suits to Guild events. Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O., of Portland, Maine, recalls board meetings those days in which Dean Clemson "...used to entertain us royally at the old St. Botolph Club." <sup>12</sup> Mr. Clemson, believing as he did in the furtherance of compositions by American composers, instituted an award beginning in 1897 for the best composition of the year to be judged by a committee of Guild members at Headquarters. The prize took the form of a gold medal and the "Clemson Medal" was awarded up until 1920. The H. W. Gray Company later added a prize of fifty dollars to the award.

There is no report of any meeting during the 1909-1910 season included in the "New Music Review" until the April, 1910 issue which describes the public service held at Temple Israel, Boston, on March 1, 1910, under the direction of Henry L. Gideon, organist and choirmaster. An address was given by the Rev. C. Fleischer, Honorary Associate of the Guild. The ritual was using in the tradition of the Reformed Synagogue, the choral portions being composed by Arthur Foote:

Prelude: Sonata II	Mendelssohn
(B. L. Whelpley, A.G.O.)	
Anthems: Thine, O Lord	W. Frank Harling
When the Lord Turned Again the Captivity	Eaton Faning
Interlude: Adagio (Symphony VI)	. Widor
(H. T. Wade)	
Postlude: St. Anne Fugue	Bach
(Homer C. Humphrey)	

By invitation of Archbishop William H. O'Connell, the Chapter attended Vespers at the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston, on March 11, 1910. The music was directed by J. T. Whelan and Alois Bartschmidt, F.A.G.O.:

Prelude: Chorale in A minor	Franck
(George Sawyer Dunham)	
Antiphons and Psalms (antiphonally)	
(Sanctuary and Gallery Choirs)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Letter from Alfred Brinkler to this writer, Mar. 19, 1954.

Gregorian Tones: I, VII, V and VI.	
Magnificat, Tone VIII (harmonized)	Ett
Sermon: His Grace, the Most Rev. Archbishop of Boston	
Ave Regina	Witska
Tantum Ergo	Gluck
And the Glory of the Lord	Handel
Postlude: Finale (Sonata I)	Mendelssohn
(H. G. Tucker)	

The Fifth Organ Recital was given March 18, 1910 by Professor Harry Benjamin Jepson of Yale University at Jordan Hall, Boston:

Symphony VIII	Widor
Prelude and Fugue in D Major	Bach
Serenade	Miller
Prelude in G minor	. Jepson
Melodia	. Reger
Scherzo	. Gigout

At the annual meeting held April 21, 1910 at the Hotel Brunswick, Boston, Dean Clemson, Sub-Dean Albert Snow and Secretary James D. D. Comey were re-elected. Dean Clemson expressed his cordial appreciation of the service Benjamin L. Whelpley had rendered as Treasurer and his deep regret at Mr. Whelpley's enforced retirement due to ill health. It was at this meeting that Wilbur Hascall began his eleven-year tenure as Treasurer of the Chapter. Thomas Whitney Surette, composer and lecturer, spoke on "Tendencies of Modern Music." Mr. Surette's summary of "...the work of Debussy, Strauss and Puccini was keenly analytical, and his tribute to Beethoven satisfied every one, and particularly those whose sympathies cling to the composers and traditions of the old school." 13

By invitation of Edward F. Searles, sixty-five members of the chapter journeyed to Methuen on Saturday, June 11, 1910 to hear the new organ in Serlo Organ Hall.

"....This organ formerly stood in the old Boston Music Hall, and in its day was the most celebrated, as well as the largest, organ in the country. More recently it has been revoiced, modern wind pressure and modern action installed, and is now a modern instrument in every respect. Mr. Searles has had the hall specially constructed to display the tonal beauties of this remarkable instrument, and he has succeeded in every way. The acoustics are perfect and the electric light arrangements are unique." <sup>14</sup>

The program played by Chapter members on the Methuen organ was as follows:

Prelude in B minor:	Bach
Messe de Mariage	Dubois
Sonata in D minor, Op. 42	Guilmant
(Everett E. Truette, A.G.O.)	
Prelude and Fugue in E minor	. Bach
Pastorale	Franck

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> New Music Review, July, 1910.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Ibid., August, 1910.

(Albert W. Snow)	
Passacaglia in G minor, Op. 23 (Ms.)	Henry M. Dunham
Caprice in B flat Major, Op. 20	
Finale in C Major (Ms.)	Homer Humphrey
(Homer C. Humphrey)	
On November 14, 1910, a recital was given at the First Church of Scientist, Bost	
Atkinson Baldwin, A.G.O., F.A.G.O., of the City College of New York. "Professor on the seventy-stop Hook & Hastings instrument to a congregation of 4900. The City College of New York."	_
the cosmopolitan programme gave keen delight to the hearers, characterized a	
execution, mobility of phrasing and exquisite taste in registration." <sup>15</sup> The prog	
execution, mobility of philasing and exquisite taste in registration.	ram included.
Prelude in E flat	Bach
Choral Prelude: Jesu, meine Züversicht	
Symphony V	
a. Allegro vivace	
b. Allegro cantabile	
c. Toccata	
Prelude to Parsifal	Wagner
Soutenir (a study on one note)	Edwin H. Lemare
Scherzo in G minor	M. Enrico Bossi
Nocturne, Op. 50, No. 6	Arthur Foote
Theme and Finale in A flat	Johann Ludwig Thiele
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by Everett E. Truette, A.G.O	
Fugue in B minor	Bach
Sonata in G minor	Dunham
Berceuse	Faukles
Lamentation	Guilmant
Toccata in G Major	Truette
Serenata	Wolstenholme
Concert-Satz in E flat minor	Thiele
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The Twenty-Fifth Public Service was held in Trinity Church, Boston, Thursday, F	•
Rector, the Rev. Alexander Mann, D.D., welcomed the members of the Guild ar exerted by the organization. The program consisted of:	iu spoke of the influence
exerted by the organization. The program consisted or:	
Prelude in [sic]	Bach
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis	
Anthems: Say, Watchman	
Hail, Gladdening Light	
Adamia (Comanda are in Comina ar)	Lamana

Adagio (Symphony in G minor) ...... Lemare

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> New Music Review, January, 1911. (This is undoubtedly the largest audience ever to attend an organ recital in the city of Boston and has never been surpassed to date.)

The Twenty-Ninth Public Service was held at Wellesley College, Tuesday, May 16, 1911.

The choral music, including Arthur Foote's "Mount Carmel" was sung with style by the College choir, under the direction of Professor Macdougall, who accompanied the service on the chapel organ. The resources of the instrument were well-illustrated by Messrs. Geo. A. Burdett, John Hermann Loud and Walter J. Clemson, who play respectively, Cesar Franck's "Andantino in G minor", Guilmant's "Allegro con fuoco" from the Sixth Sonata, and Jon E. West's "Passacaglia." Fifty organists and visitors journeyed from Boston to wander about the beautiful grounds, to be entertained at supper and to listen to a reverent and inspiring service. <sup>16</sup>

### The program included:

Processional: Sing Alleluia Forth	. Macdougall
Service Anthem: [sic]	. Foote
Passacaglia	West
Andantino in G minor	
Anthem: The Strain Upraise	Buck
Allegro con fuoco	Guilmant
Recessional: To Thee, O Dear, Dear Country	Macdougall

A recital was given in Trinity Church, Boston, on January 4, 1912 by the parish organist, Ernest Mitchell:

Choral Prelude	. Bach
Sonata in A minor	Rheinberger
Pastorale	. Foote
Chorale in E Major	. Franck
Canon in B minor	Schumann
Symphony in G minor	
Finale	. Vierne

The Fourteenth Organ Recital was given by Clarence Dickinson of the Brick Church, New York City, on December 13, 1911, at King's Chapel, Boston. "The subjoined programme was conceived with just taste and executed with the brilliancy always connected with Mr. Dickinson's ability." <sup>17</sup>

Fantasia in F# minor	Bubeck
Trio	. Krebs
Fugue in D Major	. Bach
Descant on the Chorale, "Rejoice, Beloved"	. Ducis
Toccata	. de Meraux
Variations on Two themes from the Cantata	
"Weeping and Mourning" and the "Crucifixus" from the Mass in B minor,	
Ending with the chorale, "What God wills is best."	. Liszt
Prayer in F Major	. Guilmant
Minuet	Seeboeck

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> New Music Review, July, 1911.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Ibid, February, 1912.

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The Thirty- First Public Service was held at the First Baptist Church, Arlington, Jar	nuary 12, 1912:
Prelude: Adagio (Sonata V)	. Guilmant
Anthem: Great is the Lord	. Roberts . Mendelssohn . Guilmant
Postlude: Finale (Sonata VII)	. Guilmant
The service was play be the host organist, Mr. Charles S. Johnson, A.G.O.	

The Thirty-Second Public Service was held at the Baptist Temple, Fall River, February 7, 1912:

Prelude: Fantasy	Franck
(Edwin E. Wilde of New Bedford)	
Sonata	Dunham
Anthems: Sing Unto God	Harker
Peace and Light	Chadwick
Offertory: Prière (Suite Gothique)	Boëllmann
(Myron C. Ballou of Providence)	
Postlude: Menuetto (Sonata IV)	Guilmant
(George W. Bottom of Fall River)	

The service was played by Edmund Bottomley, organist and director of music of the Temple. Dean Clemson made a very instructive and noteworthy address on the history of the Guild and the opportunities it affords its members. He brought to the attention of the congregation the purposes of the Guild, to wit:

To advance the cause of worthy church music; to elevate the status of church organists; to increase their appreciation of their responsibilities, duties and opportunities as conductors of worship; and to obtain acknowledgement of their position from the authorities of the Church.

To raise the general efficiency of organists, by a system of examinations and certificates, and by the fostering of solo organ playing.

To provide opportunities for intercourse among organists; for the discussion of questions of interest connected with their work and for hearing model performances of sacred compositions.

It is interesting to note the similarities and also the changes that have been made in the present "State of Purposes of the Guild," to wit:

To advance the cause of worth church music; to elevate the status of church organists; to increase their appreciation of their responsibilities, duties and opportunities as conductors of worship.

To raise the standard of efficiency of organists by examination in organ playing, in the theory of music and in general musical knowledge; at to grant certificates as Fellow, Associates, or Choir Masters to members of the Guild who pass such examinations.

To provide members with opportunities for meeting, for the discussion of professional topics, and to do other such lawful things as are incidental to the purposes of the Guild.

The Thirty-Ninth Public Service was held in St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket, Rhode Island, October 15, 1912:

Prelude: Procession du St. Sacrament	Chauvet
Anthems: O come, let us worship	Hauptmann
How lovely is Thy dwelling place	Brahms
Offertory: Canzona	Demarest
Postlude: Toccata in C Major	Bach

The Fortieth Public Service was held at Harvard Church, Brookline, November 18, 1912 under the direction of Past-Dean George A. Burdett. His Quartet Choir was assisted by Stephen Townsend, baritone:

Prelude: Chorale in A	. Boëllmann
(B. L. Whepley of Arlington St. Church)	
Kyrie from Mass in A	Franck
Anthems: For He shall give His angels	Rheinberger
Still, still with Thee	. Burdett
Lo! Summer comes again	. Stainer
Ninefold Amen	Clemson
Offertory: Adagio from Symphony VI	Widor
(Ernest Mitchell of Trinity Church)	
Postlude: Sonata III, Movt. I	Mendelssohn
(Everett E. Truette of Eliot Church, Newton)	

The Nineteenth Organ Recital of the Chapter was given at King's Chapel, Boston, February 24, 1913, by Edwin Arthur Kraft, F.A.G.O., of Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio:

H. Alexander Matthews
Becker
Matthews
Tschaikowsky
Dethier
Macfarlane
R.G. Cole

Intermezzo	Bonnet
Canzona	Faulkes
Fantasie Sonata	Neuhoff
Passacaglia in G minor	
Pastorale	. Arthur Foote
Toccata (Sonata III)	Becker
Caprice	
Ride of the Valkyries	Wagner

The Twentieth Organ Recital was given March, 13, 1913 at Trinity Church, Boston, by Wallace Goodrich:

Fantasie in G minor	Bach
Two Choral Preludes on Hymns of the Passion	Bach
Prelude and Fugue in E Major	Saint-Saens
Lento assai	Guilmant
Priere	Franck
Upon a Breton Melody	Ropartz
Symphony Romane (four movements)	Widor

The Forty-Sixth Public Service was held April 21, 1913 at Christ Church, Fitchburg, under the direction of Herbert C. Peabody, organist and choirmaster: <sup>18</sup>

Prelude: Vision	. Burdett
(George A. Burdett, A.G.O.)	
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in A	Stainer
Offertory: Praeludium (Sonata XIX)	Rheinberger
Romanza, Op. 17	Parker
(John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.)	
Choral: To God on High	Mendelssohn
Postlude: Grand Chorus in D	Guilmant
(W. W. Farmer of Worcester)	

Dean Clemson as assiduous in promoting increased membership for the Chapter and in April, 1913, he formulated a letter which was sent to "...the other 830 organists in New England not members of the Guild, inviting them to join:

#### Dear Sir or Madam,

Allow me to call your attention to the work of the American Guild of Organists, which now has twenty Chapters in the United States and Canada. By examination of the list of officers, graduates and colleagues, you will see that, with rare exceptions, the representative organists of new England are members of this Chapter.

To make our membership as comprehensive as possible, it is desired to enlist your interest in the aims of the Guild, as set forth on the last page.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Mr. Peabody is co-author, with Dr. Hamilton C. Macdougall of "The Story of the New England Chapter" (pp. 41-50) which appears in the H.W. Gray publication, "The Story of the American Guild of Organists."

Should you desire to become a Colleague, the procedure is as follows:

You will obtain from the Dean, Secretary or Treasurer, a form of application which must be sign by two organists (members) who can endorse your ability as an organist from personal knowledge.

Your application is then considered by the Executive Committee and, if accepted, is forwarded to Headquarters for ratification.

Having been elected, the sum of three dollars should be paid to the Treasurer; after which you become a Colleague, and are entitled to take an active part in the affairs of the Chapter.

The advantages of membership are clearly in the direction of broadening your personality and your work, by hearing Guild Recitals and Services in representative churches; by meeting fellow organists socially at the Annual Dinner and at informal suppers, on which occasions vital questions of music and management are discussed.

Tickets are issued for all events of the Chapter, and each Colleague receives THE NEW MUSIC REVIEW, an authoritative publication of matter pertaining to music in general, and to the Guild in particular.

If you are interested, kindly address the undersigned, who will give you the information desired.

Cordially yours,

WALTER J. CLEMSON Dean. 19

The Twenty-Fifth Organ Recital was given by W. Lynnwood Farnam at Emmanuel Church, Boston, on December 11, 1913:

Concerto in C minor	Handel
Choral Improvisation, Op. 65	. Karg-Elert
Prelude and Fugue in F minor	_
Meditation in A Major	Bairstow
The Repose of the Holy Family (The Childhood of Christ)	Berlioz
Symphony VIII in B Major	Widor

The members of the Chapter were invited by Wallace Goodrich, Dean of the New England Conservatory of Music, to attend his lecture on the Tenebrae Office of the Roman Catholic Church, on a Wednesday morning in April, 1914:

The Office, with its historical and local use, was fully illustrated by the lecturer and was intended to be illuminative of the Tenebrae Office in the Cathedral of the Holy Cross the same evening, to which the members were invited by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Splaine. Special seats were reserved for the Chapter. The Office was rendered a cappella by His Eminence, William Cardinal O'Connell, the clergy and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> New Music Review, July, 1913.

seminarians, and the sanctuary choir, 250 in all, led by Mr. J. F. Driscoll, the cathedral organist. The Tenebrae Office, consisted of Matins and Lauds, containing antiphons, psalms, lessons, versicles and responses was rendered most impressively by the unaccompanied voices, the altar lights being extinguished one by one as the Office proceeded. <sup>20</sup>

The Fifty-Second Public Service was held at Christ Church, Fitchburg, May 21, 1914, under the direction of Herbert C. Peabody, assisted by the choir:

Organ:	(a) Hosanna	Wachs
	(b) Andante con moto	Ruefer
	(Dr. Hamilton C. Macdougall)	
Magnific	at and Nunc Dimittis in E flat	. West
Organ:	(a) Allegro appassionata	. Guilmant
	(b) Adagio	. Guilmant
	(William Lester Bates)	
Anthem:	King All Glorious	. Barnby
•	inale from Symphony I nur H. Ryder)	. Maquaire

A Public Service was given by the Chapter at the Church of the Advent, Boston, on November 13, 1914. This service was in memory of the late Samuel Brenton Whitney, A.G.O. (known as "S. B. Whitney"), former organist of the church. The service was played by Albert W. Snow, the incumbent organist.

Prelude: Lamentation	. Guilmant
(Allen W. Swan, A.G.O., First Unitarian Church, New Bedford)	
Processional Hymn	S. B. Whitney
Magnificat in C Major	Stanford
Anthems: Blest are the Dead	Stanford
How Blest Are They	Tschaikowsky
Offertory: Marche Funèbre et Chant Séraphique	Guilmant
(Everett E. Truette, A.G.O., Eilot Church, Newton)	
Recessional Hymn	Whitney
Postlude: Moderato maestoso	Borowski

A recital was given at First Church in Newton, Congregational, on January 11, 1915:

Sonata in E flat, Op. 65	. Parker
(John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.)	
Prelude in G minor	. Vierne
Choral: Es ist ein' Ros 'entsprungen	. Brahms
At Sunset	Diggle
Three Movements from Second Concerto	Handel
(Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O.)	
Three Movements from Seventh Sonata	. Guilmant
(Ernest Mitchell)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> New Music Review, May, 1914.

The Thirty-Fifth Recital was given at the Unitarian Church, New Bedford, January 26, 1915, by Allen W. Swan, A.G.O.:

. Borowski
. Karg- Elert
Widor
. Matthews
. Tschaikowsky
. Foote
. Franck

The Thirty-Sixth Recital was given at All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, Rhode Island, February 4, 1915:

Sonata VI	Mendelssohn
Gavotte	Dethier
Prelude, Op. 53	Arensky
(Edwin E. Wilde, A.A.G.O.)	
Concert Overture in B minor	. Rogers
Fantasia in D minor	. Mozart
Two Fragments from Tristan	. Wagner
Sonata III, First Movement	. Guilmant
(Mryon C. Balou, A.A.G.O.)	
Scherzo (Symphony IV)	. Widor
Second Meditation, Op. 20	. Guilmant
Toccata in G minor	. Matthews
(John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O)	

The Thirty-Seventh Public Recital was an interesting one by the fact that all the composers and performers represent on the programme are graduates of Harvard University. As this was essentially a Harvard programme, the recital was held in the Harvard University Chapel at Cambridge. The organ numbers were rendered by Ernest Mitchell of Trinity Church, Boston; Henry L. Gideon of Temple Israel, Boston and Carl Paige Wood of Taunton, while the vocal music was rendered by the Harvard University Choir under the capable direction of Dr. Archibald T. Davison, Jr. The programme contained works by Arthur Foote, G. L. Osgood, George A. Burdett, Percy Lee Atherton, Frederick S. Converse and John K. Paine.

A large bronze tablet in memory of the late S. B. Whiteney, for many years organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Advent, Brimmer Street, Boston, was dedicated in the church with a special service on Sunday, March 21, 1915, at which the Rev. William van Allen officiated. The tablet, designed by Robert T. Walker and executed by George E. Gerner, was erected by the New England Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, of which Mr. Whitney was a Founder. It is affixed to the wall of a stall facing the organist's bench in the choir loft. The tablet is two feet long and eight inches deep, inscribed:

In Memory of Samuel Brenton Whitney, 4 June, 1842 - - 3 August 1914; Organist of This Church, 1871-1908. A Founder of the American Guild of Organists.

The late organist was dearly beloved by parishioners as well as by fellow-musicians, and several services have been held in the West End Church in reverence to his memory. The committee in charge of the tablet consisted of Dean Walter J. Clemson, B. L. Whelpley, John D. Buckingham and Wilbur Hascall.

The Thirty-Eighth Recital was held on Monday, November 15, 1915, at Park Street Church, Boston:

Prelude and Fugue in A minor	. Bach
Scherzo (Sonata I in F Major)	. Lemare
Melodia, Op. 59	Reger
Toccata in D Major	Kinger
(John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.)	
Fugue in G minor (the greater)	Bach
Die Antworte	Wolstenholme
Symphony V	Widor
a. Allegro Cantabile	
b. Toccata	
(Everett E. Truette, A.G.O. )	
Pastorale (Sonata XII)	
Scherzo (Symphony IV)	Widor
Concerto II, in B flat	Handel
a. Andante maestoso	
b. Allegro	

On January 10, 1969, an animated discussion of "Organ Arrangements" took place in the rooms of the Harvard Musical Association, Boston, with about 60 members present.

Messrs. Will C. Macfarlane, A.G.O., and John A. O'Shea spoke for, and Messrs. Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O. and George A. Burdett against such "arrangements." The arguments advanced on both sides were pertinent and strong. Everett Truette advocated a middle ground, but deprecated modern programmes in which arrangements and transcriptions predominate. He said that if such arrangements were confined to secular buildings, complaints would lose some of their force; but the advocates of strict organ playing decry the use of any music other than that written for the instrument as foreign to its spirit, and to that extent a debasement of its purpose and dignity. <sup>21</sup>

A recital was given at the Harvard Club of Boston on Sunday afternoon, February 27, 1916, by W. Lynnwood Farnam:

Allegro vivace (Symphony V)	. Widor
Two Impressions	. Karg-Elert
a. Clair de lune	
b. Harmonies du soir	
Sketch in D flat	Schumann
Toccata, Adagio, and Fugue in C Major	Bach
Larghetto (Clarinet Quintet)	Mozart
Scherzo (Symphony II)	Vierne

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Report of the Secretary (John D. Buckingham), Jan. 10, 1916.

(W. Lynnwood Farnam)

Theme, Variations and Finale in A flat Thie	ele	
A recital was given at the Harvard Club, December 3, 1916 by Richard Keys Biggs:		
Sonata in G minorPiutt	ti	
The Garden of Iran Stou		
Fantasia in C minor Bach	•	
Scherzo Deth	nier	
Leibestod from Tristan Wag	gner	
Magic Fire from Die Walkyrie Wag	gner	
Forest Murmurs from Siegfried Wag	gner	
Sakuntala Overture Gold		
The Fiftieth Organ Recital was given March, 29, 1917 at Park Street Church, Boston:		
Suite in F Core	elli-Noble	
Andante Expressivo (Sonata in G Major) Elgar	r	
The Temptation Mall	ling	
Introduction and Scherzo Bartl	lett	
(Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O.)		
Fantasia in G Major Bach	า	
Lamentation Guiln	mant	
Canzona Stan	nford	
Toccata in C minor Fleur	ret	
(John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.)		
Barcarolle Faull	kes	
Chromatic Fantasie in A minor Thie	ele	
Adagio and Finale (Symphony VIII) Wide	or	
(Frank Stewart Adams, A.A.G.O.)		
The Seventy-Third Public Service was held at the Porter Congregational Church, Brocton, April 6, 1917.		
The service was under the direction of George Sawyer Dunham, organist and director	r:	
Prelude: Allegro moderato (Sonata Pontificale) Lemi	mens	
(John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.)		
Anthems: Our Father who art in Heaven Gret		
O Praise the Name of the Lord Gret		
Joshua Muss	- ·	
Offertory: Elegie (Suite I) Boro	owski	
(William N. Andros, South Congregational, Brockton)		
Anthems: Bless the Lord, O My Soul Ippo		
Cherubim SongRach	nmaninoff	

At the annual meeting of May 2, 1917 held at the rooms of the Harvard Musical Association, Professor John P. Marshall of Boston University spoke on "The Organ in the Orchestra," describing his duties as the official organist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Postlude: Marche Solennelle (Suite I) ...... Borowski

(Bernard B. Nye, First Baptist, Brookline)

During the winter of 1917 there was agitation for secession from the national Guild because of controversy over the assessment of dues to members. Happily, this was settled after several months of negotiations, with the Boston group remaining within the Guild.

At an Executive Committee meeting of the Chapter held on April 22, 1918, it was voted "to retain all exdeans as members of the Executive Committee, ex-officio." This provision was officially discontinued by vote of the annual meeting of the Chapter held of May 18, 1953, at which time a complete set of By-Laws for the Chapter was adopted. Past-Deans are now invited to meetings of the Executive Committee, but have no vote. They may, however, be elected to the committee.

The 1917-1918 season marked the completion of the nine years' term of service of Dean Walter J. Clemson.

### Chapter V: The Deanship of Everett Ellsworth Truette (1918-1920)

Everette E. Truette, A.G.O., a Founder of the American Guild of Organists and one of the founders of the New England Chapter was elected Dean on May 6, 1918 and took office on September 1. He previously served as the first Secretary of the Chapter. The organization meeting of the Chapter was held in his studio in December, 1905. When he became Dean, John Hermann Loud took over the Secretary's position, succeeding John D. Buckingham who had served for five years.

Mr. Truette was a distinguished Boston organist, composer and teacher, whose pupils numbered in the hundreds. He was born March 14, 1861 in Rockland, Massachusetts and graduated from Phillips Andover Academy in 1878. The same year he entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, but soon changed his plans and matriculated at the New England Conservatory of Music, from which he was graduated in 1881. Two years later he received the degree of bachelor of music from Boston University.

He was active in church work for nearly fifty-three years. According to an account of his life work which was published in "The Diapason" on the occasion of his fiftieth anniversary as a recitalist in April, 1931, Mr. Truette had then imparted knowledge of organ playing to 565 persons in his career, and of these more than 300 were holding position in churches in all of the New England states and other sections of the country. A unique organization which is an outgrowth of the love of those who had studied under this teacher was "The Truette Organists' Club," which had a membership of more than eighty. <sup>22</sup>

One of the innovations of his deanship was the Symposium on Bach which was held at the rooms of the Harvard Musical Association, 57-A Chestnut Street, Beacon Hill, on March 3, 1919. There were numerous speakers who spoke on the various facets of J.S. Bach, to wit:

Everett Truette: The Forerunners of Bach

Charles D. Irwin: The Life of Bach

B. L. Whelpley: The Piano Music of Bach [sic]

Mrs. Florence Rich King: The Oratorios and Cantatas John Hermann Loud: The Organ Music of Bach Henry M. Dunham: Teaching Bach to Pupils

George A. Burdett: After Bach, What?

The Symposium was a great success and each speaker had carefully prepared his data for the occasion. This was the first time that such an extended discussion in the form of a panel had taken place, and all present were favorably impressed.

The first year of Mr. Truette's deanship was featured by a large number of Guild events: 14 recitals were given and 10 public services, a record up to that time. Several were held outside Boston: in Brookline, Quincy, Providence, Pawtucket, Fitchburg, Portland. The membership that year (1918-1919) totaled 234 active members with 153 subscribers. At the second social meeting of the season on Dec. 16, 1918, the well-known French organist, M. Joseph Bonnet, was introduced and spoke briefly. The work of the Portland and Providence branches under the leadership of Messrs. Brinkler and J. Sebastian Matthews was lauded. Ernest M. Skinner gave his illustrated talk on "Modern Developments in Organ Pipes and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> The Diapason, April 1931.

Their Position in the Art of Organ Building." The Secretary, Mr. Loud, describes the event as a "red-letter occasion." <sup>23</sup>

In Dean Truette's second season, 16 recitals, 8 services, and 3 social meetings were held. At the first social held on October 27, 1919, a large number of Guild Certificates were awarded:

F.A.G.O. certificate to Mrs. Florence Rich King Joseph K. Dustin Edwin E. Wilde

A.A.G.O. certificate to May Ramsay Thorn Edward Bellamy Whittredge

Three prominent Chapter members passed to the larger life that season: Horatio W. Parker, composer of "Hora Novissima," Warren A. Locke of St. Paul's Cathedral, and Arthur S. Hyde. Lynnwood Franam left Emmanuel Church to become organist of the Church of the Holy Communion, New York City.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Minutes of Social Meeting, December 16, 1918

#### Chapter VI: The Deanship of George Albert Burdett (1920-1922)

George Burdett served as the first Dean of the Chapter. Twelve years after he left office he again assumed the deanship, succeeding Mr. Truette.

Only 5 recitals were held during the 1920-1921 season (including those of Harry B. Jepson and Lynnwood Farnam) and 2 services with the usual three social meetings and the annual dinner. Warden Victor Baier was guest at the social meeting in November, 1920. He spoke at length on the value of the Guild examinations, stating that they "... are the backbone of the Guild. Of all the Chapters the New England is a livewire all through, the Buffalo Chapter a good second." <sup>24</sup> He made reference to the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Guild on April 13, 1921 and said that an effort would be made to raise the membership to 2500, it being nearly 2000.

The social meeting of the Chapter always proved exceptionally interesting and have been a good balance for the recitals, programs, and services which the Guild sponsors. At the socials many prominent speakers have been engaged. At the meeting February 27, 1922, Dr. Archibald T. Davison of the Harvard University told this history of the Harvard Glee Club, giving a complete story of how candidates are examined for membership and how it had grown to its present efficiency. He also recounted the trip made to Paris, Rome, Venice, and other points by the Glee Club in the summer of 1921. Another speaker that season was Wallace Goodrich who told of his trip to Europe the previous summer.

#### Recitals given during the year included:

Nov. 7, 1921 - Raymond Robinson at First Church
 Dec. 12, 1921 - Francis Snow at Church of All Nations
 Feb. 12, 1922 - John Hermann Loud at the Harvard Club
 Mar. 27, 1922 - Everett Truette at Eliot Church, Newton
 April 3, 1922 - Alfred Brinkler at South Congregational
 Apr. 25, 1922 - Lynnwood Farnam at Emmanuel Church

Public services numbered three: at Second Church, Boston, with Thompson Stone conducting and Anne H. Merritt, A.A.G.O, and Homer Humphrey, organists; at King's Chapel, Boston; a memorial service to Dr. Victor Baier on March 27; and a service at Christ Church, Fitchburg, with Francis Snow, Wallace Goodrich and John Hermann Loud as assisting organists.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Minutes of the Social Meeting, November 8, 1920.

#### Chapter VII: The Deanship of John Hermann Loud (1922-1926)

John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O, A.R.C.M., has served many years as organist of Park Street Church, Boston, and only recently completed thirty-five years of service as its organist and director of music.

Mr. Loud was born in Weymouth on August 26, 1873. He graduated from Thayer Academy in South Braintree, went on to the New England Conservatory of Music as a student in 1889-1890 and studied in Germany, France and England in 1893-1895. "Who's Who in America" lists Mr. Loud in its columns, stating that his repertoire consists of "... more than 1000 compositions." He received his Associate certificate from the Royal College of Music in London after his study there. He served for a period as organist and director at the Newton Centre Baptist Church until he came to Park Street to serve with the eminent Dr. A.Z. (Arcturus Zodiac) Conrad, its minister, who passed on about fifteen years ago. Park Street Church is located at "Brimstone Corner" of the early Colonial days and is the church where Samuel Francis Smith's hymn "America" was first sung in this country.

Mr. Loud had a keen sense of the responsibilities of the office of Dean of the New England Chapter and was aware of his goals. More native talent was used for recitals than today, as more and more the Chapter seeks for the "big-name" artists. A combination of both is probably ideal. Mr. Loud served four terms as leader of the Chapter, making way for his Sub-Dean, John P. Marshall, in 1926.

Many controversial questions were debated at forums held during the years of his deanship with some definite results as proof that such discussion was held on "The Promiscuous Giving of Free Organ Recitals." With Irving H. Upton, B. L. Whelpley, Frederick N. Shackley, Prof. Marshall and Mr. Burdett taking part. As a result of this panel forum, Dean Loud announced on January 16, 1924 that the authorities of Tremont Temple had invited several organists to give daily recitals on the new Casavant organ there during a period of two week "... at a satisfactory rate of renumeration." <sup>25</sup>

The question of organists' salaries and organ practice for students was also taken up during Mr. Loud's regime and although not too noticeable results were evident, it served to agitate the subject in the minds of organists of the Chapter.

At the social meeting on January 16, 1924, Past-Dean Truette spoke on "The Organist's Salary." He said "Make yourself indispensable to your church. The Guild is powerless to do anything." <sup>26</sup> Charles Irwin said that his salary had been raised once in twelve years and most had been returned to help the parish. He had read of a parish in Michigan where a committee had guaranteed an organist's salary for ten years at \$5000 per year. Drawing largely upon imagination he submitted his conception of an organists' union that could compete with the unions of bricklayers and plumbers. "It this scheme were adopted, in time organists would have become so scarce that their rates would be double those of the pastors." <sup>27</sup> It was voted on the motion of Dr. Macdougall "... that to take such steps as they may think proper to bring the matter of the payment of adequate salaries for organists to the attention of Headquarters or of the various chapters of the Guild." <sup>28</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Minutes of Social meeting, January 16, 1924.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Minutes of Social Meeting, Jan. 16, 1924

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Ibid.

Other topics discussed at the meetings during the 1923-1924 season were the question of the copyright law and the protection of organ transcriptions of non-copyright music and the question of an established fee for services of organists at weddings and funerals.

One of the highlights of this season was a meeting at Eliot Church, Newton, where Mr. Truette was organist. He gave an exposition of the qualities, timbres and virtues of the registers in the new Casavant organ built in 1921. Following this, a program was play be three Fellows of the Guild:

Sonata on the 94 <sup>th</sup> Psalm	Reubke
Mrs. Florence Rich King	
Adagio	
Scherzo	Alfred Hollins
Frederick H. Johnson	
In a Mission Garden	Ronald Diggle
Concert Fantasia	. Bird
Joseph K. Dustin	

The season 1925-1925 brought reports of the Committee appointed to investigate the possibility of an Organists' Bureau, the renting of a room for Chapter purposes, and the report of the Committee on Organ Practice. All the reports were negative. The Warden, in a letter to the Dean, suggested "The New Music Review" to be the Guild's official publication, but the New England Chapter members seemed more favorable inclined to "This Diapason." <sup>29</sup> The Secretary, S. Harrison Lovewell, reported in his minutes that "... he feels muzzled at not being able to write criticism of recitals for these magazines." <sup>30</sup> In his annual report of May 12, 1925, Mr. Lovewell criticizes holding liturgical services in non-liturgical churches, call them "pseudo-services." In his typically-straight-forward fashion, he also brings up another point regarding music on Guild programs. He says:

During the season there have been many instances of inartistic program-making and the public has been compelled to listen to some remarkably poor selections of salon music. <sup>31</sup>

One of the accomplishments of the 1925-1926 year was the institution of a Committee of Judges to listen to prospective candidates for Guild membership before they could be accepted into the organization. This was to be applied generally to those whose work was unfamiliar to members of the Executive Committee. A notable paper was given by Frederick N. Shackley at the Annual Dinner on February 15, 1926. He spoke on "The King's Chapel Organ of 1756." Several registers of this organ are incorporated in the organ of the First Baptist Church, Brockton, the ancient case being in King's Chapel. The Secretary, in his annual report, urged the restoration of the ancient Brattle organ, once the property of King's Chapel, Boston, "… but now standing in ruinous condition in St. John's Church, Portsmouth, New Hampshire." <sup>32</sup> This instrument was built by a London firm named Bridges and brought to Boston in 1713.

Other speakers during the year were Dr. Carl F. Pfatteicher of Andover, Henry L. Gideon of Temple Israel, and Professor John P. Marshall of Boston University, the Sub-Dean of the Chapter, who discussed the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee, Oct. 6, 1924

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Annual Report of the Secretary, May 12, 1925

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Report of Secretary at Annual Meeting, May 12, 1925.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Report of Secretary at Annual Meeting, May 11, 1926.

status of music in the universities of the United States. Organ recitals were given by Dr. Clarence Dickinson of the Brick Church, New York and Ernest Mitchell of Grace Church, New York, former organist of Trinity Church, Boston. The Secretary notes in his report that the Scrapbook for events of interest to Chapter members has been instituted.



# The New England Chapter American Guild of Organists One Hundred and Vifteenth Organ Recital

By Dr. Clarence Dickinson, Guest Organist Organist and Choirmaster, Brick Presbyterian Church, New York City Emmanuel Church, Boston Rev. Elwood Worcester, D.D., Rector Monday Evening, April 19, 1926

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#### PROGRAM

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GILES FARNABY'S DREAD	M						Giles	Farnaby
His Humour. His Rest.	His I	)ream						(1580)
(a) ALLEGRO MAESTOSO	fron	ı "St	orm	King	Syn	pho	ny"	Dickinson
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(b) MEMORIES .							. 1	Dickinson
CATHEDRAL PRELUDE A	ND F	UGUE				•		. Bach
ANNA MAGDALENA'S MA	ARCH			•				. Bach
ARIOSO: "DO STAY HER	æ"					•		. Bach
PIECE HEROIQUE .							Cesa	ır Franck
THE OX-CART .						•	Mo	ussorgsky
THE HUMMING BIRD							A	${\it 1ac Dowell}$
GOBLIN DANCE .			. ,					Dvorak
A DUTCH LULLABY							Old	Folktune
NORWEGIAN RHAPSODY								Sinding

Note. The usual offertory will be taken to defray the expenses of the recitals and services of the Chapter.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The next recital of the New England Chapter will be given Tuesday, May 4th, at First Church, Boston, (Berkeley and Marlboro Streets), by Mr. Ernest Mitchell of Grace Church, New York City.

#### Chapter VIII: The Deanship of John Patten Marshall (1926-1930)

John Patten Marshall was elected to his first term as Dean of the New England Chapter in May 1926 and served until 1930, the same length of service as his predecessor, Mr. Loud. In this respect he became the last Dean to serve longer than three years in that office. <sup>33</sup>

Mr. Marshall was born in Rockport on January 9, 1877. Like Rheinberger, he began to play in church at the age of 12. From his first position at the First Congregational Church in Rockport, he went to the Universalist Church in Gloucester, then for one year at the Winthrop Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Roxbury. The next ten years were devoted to the music at St. John's Episcopal Church, Roxbury Crossing, a church devoted to the cultivation of plainsong and congregational singing. His love for Gregorian chant must have begun at this time. He served as organist of the First Church in Boston (Unitarian), Berkeley and Marlborough Streets, from 1910 to 1926, becoming organist-emeritus when the church merged with the Central Congregational Church. He succeeded Arthur Foote at First Church, and in turn was succeeded by William E. Zeuch.

Mr. Marshall studied piano with Edward A. MacDowell and with Benjamin J. Lang. He was also a pupil of George W. Chadwick and Homer A. Norris. For ten years he was director of music at the Middlesex School, Concord. His connection with Boston University began in 1902 when he was appointed lecturer on music. In 1928 he became the first Dean of the new College of Music at that University. He also served as "official organist" for the Boston Symphony Orchestra for many years. While he was Dean of the Guild, Holy Cross College in Worcester conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Music. <sup>34</sup>

Several outstanding events occurred during his tenure as Dean of the Chapter. Louis Vierne of Paris came to America and played at Holy Cross College under Guild auspices. Speakers at social events of the Chapter included a panel on choir training with Albert Snow, Raymond Robinson and Thompson Stone; also, a talk on church architecture and its relation to music was given by Ralph Adams Cram of Boston. Recitals were played by several Chapter members, including one by Franklyn Glynn at Temple Mishka Tefila, Roxbury.

The series of noonday organ recitals was inaugurated and was found to be notably successful. Various churches were utilized for this purpose and prominent Chapter members played the programs. It was found that attendance at these were even better, in some cases, than at evening programs. Recitals by Lynnwood Farnam and Hugh McAmis were given during the 1927-1928 season.

Papers were given by several musicians and artists; one by Professor Harold W. Thompson of Teachers' College, Albany, New York, who gave a plea in favor of stronger Americanism in music. George C. Phelps, organist and choirmaster of All Saint's Church, Ashmont, spoke to a social meeting of the Chapter on English music. He traced the influences under which the English people developed and the evolution of English music. Regarding the organ, he said that although the English builders invented the swell organ, the pedalboard was some 400 years late in coming to general use. Even as late as 1851, Sir George Smart called it a "gridiron." Seibert Losh of the Midmer-Losh Company spoke of aesthetics and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> The last Dean to serve more than two successive terms was Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O. (1944-1947). By-Laws of the Chapter adopted May 18, 1953 now prohibit a Dean from serving more than two successive one-year terms.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Dean Marshall also served as lecturer in music at Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass.

technic of the equipment of the organist, while physics form the foundation of the organ-builder's art. His company, he said, has experimented with a 7-octave organ. Even quarter-tones can be played.

At the first social of the 1929-1930 season, a symposium on organ music was held at the Harvard Musical Association Rooms. The following participated in this forum:

George A. Burdett – The Prelude Herbert C. Peabody – The Postlude Hamilton Macdougall – Accompaniments Edith Lang – Transcriptions

Notice was taken of the 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Charles-Marie Widor and felicitations were sent to him. Three of his pupils, Daisy Swadkins, Harold Schwab, and Wallace Goodrich reminisced about his methods of teaching. Services were held in several outlying sections of the metropolitan area this season: at West Newton, at Ashmont, and again at Fitchburg. Recitals were given by Marshall Bidwell, Edward G. Mead, Chandler Goldthwaite and Lynnwood Farnam. A joint recital by John Hermann Loud and William Self was given with David Blair McCloskey, baritone.

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By Cynnwood Farnam, Guest Organist Emmanuel Church, Boston Thursday Evening, May 10, 1928 at eight o'clock

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VARIATIONS ON AN OLD SONG, "THE WOODS SO WILD	". Byrd
CONCERTO No. 5	. Handel
CHORALE-PRELUDE "TO SHEPHERDS AS THEY WATCHED BY NIGHT"	. Bach
VIVACE (FROM SIXTH TRIO-SONATA)	Bach
CHORALE-PRELUDE, "JESU, MY CHIEF PLEASURE"	Bach
DORIAN PRELUDE ON "DIES IRAE"	. Simonds
CHORALE-PRELUDE, "NUNC DIMITTIS"	. Wood
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# The New England Chapter American Guild of Organists One Hundred Forty-Eighth Organ Recital

by

Lynnwood Farnam

at the

Emmanuel Church

15 Newhury Street, Boston

Br. Benjamin M. Washburn, Rector

#### Thursday Evening, May 8, at 8.00 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

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#### Chapter IX: The Deanship of Raymond Clark Robinson (1930-1933)

Raymond Robinson, Mus.B., Mus.D., F.A.G.O., served as Dean of the New England Chapter for three terms. He was a graduate of the Worcester Classical High School and an honor graduate of the New England Conservatory. He studied piano with B. J. Lang and composition and orchestration with George Chadwick. His organ teachers were Wallace Goodrich and Joseph Bonnet. His experience as a teacher included the position as instructor in music at Wellesley College from 1919 to 1932, instructor in organ, harmony and harmonic analysis at the New England Conservatory since 1920 and instructor in music at Boston University since 1918. He became professor of organ at the latter institution in 1930. He received his Mus. Bac. Degree from the University of Toronto and the Mus. D. from the New York College of Music. His positions as church organist included: All Souls' and Brace Church, Worcester; The First Parish Unitarian Church of Concord; the Central Congregational Church of Boston, where he remained eight years, and King's Chapel, Boston since 1924. He passed away in the spring 1945.

The most outstanding contribution Dean Robinson made for the Guild was his supervision of the national convention of the A.G.O. held in Boston June 20-25, 1932. Details of this event appear later in this chapter. The passing from this life of Lynnwood Farnam who served for several years as organist and choirmaster at Emmanuel Church and who was very active in Boston Guild affairs, was noted. A service of dedication of a plaque to his memory was held at Emmanuel Church on May 31 with Guild members participating in the service. Mr. Farnam passed away November 23, 1930.

Speakers during the 1930-1031 season included Henry Gideon who told of his past season in Europe; also G. Donald Harrison of the Skinner Organ Company. Mr. Harrison spoke at the annual dinner held at the Boston City Club, Feb. 16, 1931; his topic being the general subject of the English organs and organ-builders and eminent organists known to him through his connection with the firm of Henry Willis of London, famous for the many fine organs built by them through several generations. He stated that no fewer than half the organs in cathedrals in England had been built by this firm. He told of the nature of English ideals in organ-building and the general style of performance cultivated by English organists. "His speech was helpful toward a broad view of English contributions to organ voicing, that of particular registers and of ensemble, and illuminating as to the traditions embodied in English organ music and English organ accompaniments." <sup>35</sup>

Everett E. Truette, past-Dean of the Chapter (1918-1920) was honored at a reception given by the Chapter in commemoration of his fifty years of activity as a concert organist, as an organist and choirdirector in leading churches, and as a teacher and composer; at the rooms of the Harvard Musical Association on April 27, 1931. The Secretary's record of this event says:

Mr. Truette was one of the founders of the Chapter. A large number of his friends present included many of his pupils from among the 300 of his students holding church positions. The members of the Truette Club were invited to attend – those not Chapter members being invited to come as guests of the Chapter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Report of the Secretary (Arthur H. Ryder), Feb. 16, 1931.

There were addresses by Past-Deans Burdett, Clemson, Macdougall and Loud. LeRoy T. Fuller, president of the Truette Club spoke for the Club. Dean Robinson summarized the many distinctions won by Mr. Truette in his long and actively continuing musical career.

Mr. Truette told, most entertainingly, of his earlier experiences in the musical life of Boston, leaving it for other to recount his thorough studies in Berlin, Paris, Liverpool, London, and in this country.

As a memento of the occasion, a book of etching of churches in France was presented him by the Chapter. Mrs. Truette, by being present, made the rejoicing complete.<sup>36</sup>

In May, 1931 at an Executive Committee meeting, it was voted that Mr. Burdett prepare and send a letter to John Hyatt Brewer in recognition of his completion of fifty years of service as organist and choirmaster at the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, New York. Dr. Brewer, having been the prime mover in the founding of the New England Chapter and Mr. Burdett having been active in its original organizations to a degree only second to Dr. Brewer.

At the annual meeting of 1931 the Secretary, Arthur H. Ryder, enumerated the events of the season. In addition to the Guild service at Emmanuel Church in Mr. Farnam's memory, it was noted that Mrs. C. Nichols Greene of Chestnut Street had opened her home to the chapter for a meeting in memory of Mr. Farnam, with addresses and music appropriate to the occasion.

Dean Robinson paid tribute to his predecessor, Dr. Marshall, in his annual report and quoted Cardinal O'Connell who said recently upon his thirtieth anniversary as a Catholic Bishop that he "... had long made it a practice to meet every new situation without a fear and yet with no feeling of overconfidence." <sup>37</sup> The Dean said he felt the same way in succeeding someone like Dean Marshall.

Services during the 1930-1931 season were held at Salem and Fitchburg, also a recital at the Methuen Organ Hall by Carl McKinley, and a performance of Brahms's <u>Requiem</u> by the choir of the First Church in Boston, William E. Zeuch, organist and choirmaster.

The 1931-1932 season featured numerous services; at St. Paul's Cathedral, at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, at All Saints' Church, Ashmont and at the Winchester Unitarian Church. The eminent German organist-composer, Dr. Sigfrid Karg-Elert gave a recital in Jordan Hall. Dean Robinson said: "His concert was both a revelation and a disappointment, the latter because of the type of registration different enough from what I imagined for his works, that is was in a sense disillusioning. We greatly enjoyed the man himself, simple, unassuming, naive, enthusiastic, a thorough artist." 38

The National Convention of the A.G.O. (the Tenth such convention) was held in Boston in June, 1932 from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Despite an economic situation which caused many organists to suffer reductions of incomes of loss of positions, there was a most encouraging attendance, more than 225 being registered. The visitors represented 20 states. The New England Chapter, under the leadership of Dean

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Report of the Secretary, April 27, 1931.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> Report of the Dean at annual meeting, May 21, 1931.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 38}$  Report of the Dean at Annual Meeting, May 16, 1932

Robinson and Dr. Hamilton Macdougall, chairman of the Program Committee, received high praise for the perfection of the arrangements and the excellence of the program.<sup>39</sup>

#### Convention Events Included:

Program at Jordan Hall by the New England Conservatory Orchestra and guest organists: Palmer Christian, H. Frank Boyzan, Harold Gleason, Albert Snow.

A bus trip to notable organs: the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Temple Mishka Tefila, Roxbury, Holy Cross Cathedral.

Service of Solemn Evensong at the Church of the Advent with the choir of St. Paul's Cathedral singing from the gallery of the south transept.

Recital by Marion Janet Clayton of Brooklyn, New York at the Church of the Covenant. Paper by Dr. Archibald T. Davison. Recital at Methuen by Alexander McCurdy. Recital at First Church by Carl Weinrich. Recital at Trinity Church by Hugh Porter. Recital at Emmanuel Church by Robert Cato.

Other events included a bus trip to the Second Church in Newton (Congregational), West Newton, for a recital by Ralph Kinder and a performance by the Second Church Choir of the Guild prize anthem "Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled," by Mark Shumway Dickey, and a "Magnificat" by Warden Sealy.

The final day of the convention was spent on a tour of two organs in Hartford, Connecticut, through the courtesy of the Austin Organ Company and the Aeolian-Skinner Company. A visit was made to the 4-manual Austin in Bushnell Memorial Auditorium and the organ in the chapel of Trinity College.<sup>40</sup>

The 1932-1933 season opened with a social meeting at the Harvard Musical Association with informal talks by four Chapter members: Albert Snow, Harold Schwab, Kenneth Moffat and John Marshall. Gunther Ramin, the prominent German organist gave a recital at First Church on January 23, 1933. At the annual dinner in February 1933, Warden Charles Henry Doersam was introduced and mentioned the report of the console standardization committee.

Services were held at the Holy Cross Cathedral, at the Second Church in Boston, at the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood (Brookline), and at the First Congregational Parish (Unitarian) in Arlington Centre. Recitals were given during 1932-1922 by E. Power Biggs at the Church of the Covenant and by Edward D'Every of Brompton Oratory, London, a member of the Trinity College board of examiners visiting in the country, also at the Church of the Covenant. A service was held at St. Mark's Methodist Episcopal Church, Brookline, with a chorus from the Boston University School of Religious Education, Dr. H. Augustin Smith, conductor, Harold J. Bartz, organist.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> Report of the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in "The Diapason", July 1, 1932. (No author's signature given.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> Report of the Dean at annual meeting, May 9, 1933.

The matter of Guild Chapter expansion in New England was brought up at board meetings and the Dean was authorized to write to various Chapter members throughout the region to see what their ideas would be on the subject.  $^{41}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> See Chapter XX – Guild Expansion



## The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

# One Hundred Fiftieth Organ Recital ALBERT W. SNOW

at Emmanuel Church 15 Newbury Street, Boston

The Rev. Benjamin Martin Washburn, D. D., Rector Monday evening, November 17, 1930 at eight o'clock

#### PROGRAM

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#### The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Nineteenth Public Service

The Cathedral of the Moly Cross

His Eminence William Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston Reverend NEIL A. CRONIN, Ph.D., Rector Reverend WILLIAM B. FOLEY

#### Tuesday Evening, December 8, 1931 at 8.00 o'clock

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude: Meditation (on an Introit melody in the First Mode) . BourdonLa Fête-Dieu . . . . . . . . .

Hymn: Music composed by His Eminence William Cardinal O'Connell Author unknown. XVII Century. Meter: Lambie dimeter. Translation by Father Caswall. There are at least four translations in existence. This hymn first appeared in the Office of the Purity of the Blessed Virgin, authorized by Pope Benedict XVI in 1751. Present Liturgical use: Hymn for Matins on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

ion. Praeclara custos Virginum Intacta Mater Numinis, Caelestis aulae janua, Spes nostra, caeli gaudium

Inter rubeta lilium, Columba formosissima, Virga e radice germinans Nostro medelam vulneri,

Turris draconi impervia, Amica stella naufragis, Tuere nos a fraudibus, Tuaque luce dirige.

Erroris umbras discute, Syrtes dolosas amove, Fluctus tot inter, deviis Tutam reclude semitam.

Jesu, tibi sit gloria, Qui natus es de Virgine, Cum Patre, et almo Spiritu, In sempiterna saecula.—Amen.

Blest guardian of all virgin souls Portal of bliss to man forgiven Pure Mother of Almighty God Thou hope of earth and joy of heaven!

Fair Lily found among the thorns
Most beauteous Dove with wings of gold
Rod from whose tender root upsprang
That healing flower so long foretold.

Thou Tower against the dragon proof Thou Star to storm-tossed voyagers dear Our course lies o'er a treacherous deep Thine be the light by which we steer.

Scatter the mists that round us hang Keep far the fatal shoals away And while through darkling waves we sweep Open a path to light and day.

O Jesu, born of Virgin bright Immortal glory be to Thee Praise to the Father infinite And Holy Ghost eternally.

SERMON: Reverend William B. Foley

OVER

#### Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

#### PROCESSIONAL

Hymn: O salutaris Hostia. V sanutaris Hostia, Quae caeli pandis ostium Bella prémunt hostilia Da robur, fer auxilium

Uni trinoque Domino,

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Laus et jubilatio: Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio.—Amen.

Lowly bending, deep adoring, Lot the Sacrament we hail: Types and shadows have their ending, Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith for all defects supplying Where the feeble senses fail.

O saving Victim, opening wide The gate of heaven to man below! Our foes press on from every side: Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.

To Thy great Name be endless praise, Immortal Godhead, one in three! Oh, grant us endless length of days In our true native land with Thee.

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Glory, honour, might, dominion, Be unto our God most high; To the Father, Son and Spirit, Ever blessed Trinity, Praise be given and power eternal Unto all eternity.—Asirn.

#### VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

Celebrant
Thou didst give them bread from heaven. Panem de coelo praestitisti eis.

# Oremus, Deus, qui nobis sub Sucramento mirabili Passionis tuse memoram reliquisti: tribue, quaesumus; ita nos Corporis t Sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari, ut redemptionis tune fructum in nobis jugiter sentiamus. Qui vivis.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes: laudate eum omnes populi Quoniam confirmata est super nos miseri-cordia ejuis: et veritas Domini manet in aeternum. Gloria Patri, el Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper, et in saecula saeculorum.—Amen.

Celebrant
Let us pray.

Irabili
O God, Who under this wonderful Sacrament hast left us a memorial of Thy Passion; grant us, we beseech Theoremsent in nobis
Thy body and blood, that we may ever feel within us the fruit of Thy redemption. Who livest.

Praise the Lord, all ye nations:
praise Him. all ye people.
Because His mercy is confirmed upon us:
and the truth of the Lord remaineth
for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and
ever shall be, world without end.—
AMEN.

Carol: "Nato Nobis Salvatore" (Ninna Nanna) . The organ solos will be played by Albert Snow, Organist and Choirmaster of Emmanuel Church, Boston, and Organist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

The Service will be sung by a selected quintet under the direction of Philip N. Ferraro, Organist and Choirmaster of the Cathedral. Miss Aniceta Shea, Soprano
Miss Aniceta Shea, Soprano
Miss Vera Keane, Contralto
Mr. William Coughlin, Bass



## The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

One Hundred and Fifty-third Organ Recital

# Dr. Sigfrid Karg-Elert

JORDAN HALL

Monday Evening, January 18, 1932 at 8.15 o'clock

#### **PROGRAM**

Johann Christoph Bach

Sonata in C minor

I. Grave II. Scherzino

III. Fugue

(Transcription by Sigfrid Karg-Elert)

M. Rossi

Due piccoli pezzi per organetto portativo (Two short pieces for a portative [portable] organ)

(Transcribed by Sigfrid Karg-Elert)

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Partita

I. Fantasia

II. DialogoIV. Toccata

III. Minuetto malincolico

Three New Impressions

I. Voices of the Night

II. Iberia

III. Romantic retrospective view

Toccatina e corale (from XXIV Preludes)

All the works on the program are performed for the first time in Boston

Dooley Press, 8 Bosworth St., Boston



# The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

# One Hundred Fifty-fifth Organ Recital RAYMOND C. ROBINSON, Organist

assisted by

GEORGE BOYNTON, Tenor ERNEST HARRISON, Accompanist

The Harvard Club of Boston 374 Commonwealth Ave.

Sunday afternoon, March 6, 1932 at four o'clock

#### PROGRAM

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# The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Fifty-sixth Organ Recital

The Eliat Congregational Church, Roxburg Reverend Charles Clark Keith, Minister MERTON E. STODDARD, Organist and Choirmaster

#### Wednesday evening, May 4, 1932 at eight o'clock

#### PROGRAM

Introduction and All	EGR	o, fro	m th	e So	NATA	Rom	ANTI	CA . Yon
CHORAL PRELUDE, "Ch	nrist,	who	is m	y life	e''			. Reger
ROULADE		•						Bingham
Fugue in D Major	•	Haro	LD Se	THWA	• D			Guilmant
READINGS	Rev. (	CHARL						
FANTASIA in G minor			•	*		•		. Bach
ANDANTE from the STR	ING (	Quar'	<b>TET</b>			Del	oussy.	-Guilmant
SCHERZANDO .	· Ei	OWARD	Jene	INS	•	• :		Pierne
READINGS	Rev. (	CHARL	es C.	Кепт	H			
OFFERTORY Solo: "How	w lov Ari	ely ar	e Th	y dw	elling	gs"		Liddle
CHORAL PRELUDES: "Co	ome, ood C	O Sa Christ	viour ian n	of t	he Ge rejoid	entile e''	s"	. Bach
STELLA MATUTINA .			*					Dallier
"ELECTA UT SOL" .	F	RANCIS	SNO	w .	•	•	•	Dallier
An offering will be	taken	to defi	ay th	e expe	enses o	f the 1	recital	·.

#### 1932 June 20 - 25 AGO Eleventh General Convention



## The American Guild of Organists

ELEVENTH GENERAL CONVENTION June 20 to 25, 1932

#### **Annual Convention Service** Tuesday Evening, June 21, 8 o'clock

The Church of the Advent Brimmer Street, Boston

Reverend Julian D. Hamlin, Rector

#### Solemn Evensong - S. Alban, M.

PRELUDE:	Adoration							Seth B	ingham
PSALTER:	Psalm 110.	Dixit	Dom	inus				Tone	III, 2
]	Psalm 112.	Beatu	ıs vir					Tone	VII, 5
]	Psalm 117.	Lauda	ate D	omin	um			Tone	VIII, 5
OFFICE HY	MN: Deus t	uorum	mili	tum		Green	oble	Church	Melody
ANTIPHON	UPON MAGN	IFICAT	: Av	e pro	tom	artyr .	Ang	lorum	
	Hail thee! E	ngland's	Proto	marty	r, 8	oldier of	the	King of	
	ngels, Alban,								
	y; may thy p	leading	avail	with	God	for the	wel	fare of	
th	e faithful.								
MAGNIFICA	T: Tonus P	er <b>e</b> gri	nus w	ith F	'aux	bourd	ons	Willi	amByrd
MOTET							T.	L. Da	Vittoria
	Ave Maria, g								
	ulieribus, et l								
	aria, Mater				ecca	storibus	, nui	nc et in	

Мотет					•					Wilhi	am	Byrd
	Jus	torum	anim	ae in	manu	Dei	sunt,	et no	tange	et illos		
					visi s	ant o	culis	insipi	entium	mori:		
	illi at	item s	unt in	pace.								
MOTET									G. P.	Da P	ale	strina
	Ho	ly, Hel	ly, Ho	ly. W	e laud	and	oraise	Thy g	lorious	name.		
									y be to	Thee,		
	O Lo	rd mos	t Hig	h! He	osanna	a in th	ne hig	hest!				
Solemn	Proc	ESSI	on:	Sine	Nom	ine		R.	Vau	ghan-	Wi	lliams
TE DEU	m La	UDAM	us: 1	one	VIII,	I wi	th Fa	auxbo	urdor	is L.	Vie	adana
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The Fauxbourdons upon Magnificat and Te Deum and Motets of Byrd and Palestrina will be sung from the gallery of the south transept by the Choir of St. Paul's Cathedral under the direction of Arthur Phelps, organist and choirmaster. The Plainehant and the Motet of Vittoria will be sung in chancel by the men of the Choir of the Church of the Advent under the direction of Frederick Johnson, organist and choirmaster. The Prelude to the service played by Albert Snow, organist and choirmaster of Emmanuel Church; the Postlude played by Francis Snow, organist and choirmaster of Trinity Church.





## The American Guild of Organist New England Chapter

One Hundred Vifty-seventh Organ Kerital

#### E. POWER BIGGS

Associate of Royal Academy of Music
Associate of Royal College of Organists

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The Church of the Covenant Berkeley and Newbury Streets, Boston Monday Evening, October 24, 1932 at eight-fifteen o'rlock

#### PROGRAM

1. FANTASIA AND FUGUE IN G MINOR

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This is justly esteemed one of Bach's finest works for the organ. It was probably composed in 1721, at Weimar, where Bach held the position of Court Organist. Notable features of the Fantasia are the richness of its harmonies, contrasted with the most florid running passages, and the boldness of its modulations. The Fugue is in foour parts, and although lacking the dramatic freedom of the Fantasia, keeps our attention to the end by its unflagging movement and energy. 2. CHORALE PRELUDE, arranged from Cantata No. 147. An arrangement of the Chorale from the Cantata "Herz und Mund und That und Leben." The Chorale melody enters phrase by phrase against a beautiful flowing melody in the treble. 3. AIR AND VARIATIONS HaydrArranged from Symphony in D major A piquant and dainty little set of variations, arranged from the well known symphony.

4. SONATA IN C MINOR

The composer of this sonata was a favorite pupil of Franz Liszt. Born in 1834, he lived only twenty-three years, and yet produced one of the greatest works in the repertoire of the organ. The three movements are played without break, and in representation of the 94th Psalm this sonata is unexcelled for its sustained level of power and interest.

5. The Reed-Grown Waters Karg-Elert From Seven Pastels from Lake Constance Karg-Ellert is a pioneer in modern organ writing. Often basing his compositions on some "program," he exploits new and bizarre effects of harmony and registration. The Sewen Pastels, of which the reed-grown waters is the fourth, were written in 1921 at Luke Constance, on the border of Switzerland and Germany.

6. CHORALE PRELUDE on 'Nun danket alle Gott' . 7. Finale from 6th Symphony . Composed in 1931, and dedicated to the memory of Lynnwood Farnam, the symphony is one of the finest of Vierne's many monumental works.

An offering will be taken to defray the expenses of the recital.

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#### 1932 Dec 6 One Hundred Twenty-Fourth Public Service



#### The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

#### One Hundred Twenty-fourth Public Service

St. Mark's Methadist Church

Corner of Park and Vernon Streets, Brookline, Mass.

Tuesday evening, Becember 6, 1932 at 8.00 o'elock

#### CHORAL AND ORGAN FANTASIES ON RELIGIOUS FOLK SONGS

Program arranged and directed by H. AUGUSTINE SMITH

Miss Nadia V. Mihailovska, Soprano Mrs. Virginia Kinsley, Soprano

Miss Flora Barkley, Contralto

Harold Jackson Bartz, Organist

Rev. William R. Leslie, Minister of St. Mark's Church

The Choral Art Society, Boston University Schools of Education and Religious Education

St. Mark's Choir

ORDER OF SERVICE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Rejoice, ye Pure in Heart . . (Variations on the Hymn Tune, "Marion")

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ANTHEM: Lord of the Worlds above . Mrs. H. H. A. Beach (Variations on "Ein Feste Burg")

HYMN (All uniting)

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A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper he, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great;
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing, Were not the right man on our side, The man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he, Lord Sabaoth his name, From age to age the same, And he must win the battle.

[OVER]

MOTET: All my Heart this Night Rejoices . . . Peter (Written for the Chicago North Shore Festival of 1929) Founded on the Chorale "Ebeling" or "Bonn"

CHORALE (All uniting)

All my heart this night rejoices, As I hear, far and near, Swectest angel volces; "Christ is born!" their choirs are singing, everywhere, Now with joy is ringing.

Come, then, let us hasten yender; Here let all, great and small, Kneel in awe and wonder.

Love him who with love is yearning; Hail the star that, from far, Bright with hope is burning.

Thee, dear Lord, with heed I'll cherish, Live to thee, and with thee Dying, shall not perish, But shall dwell with thee forever Far on high, in the joy That can alter never.

ADDRESS - Rev. WILLIAM R. LESLIE, D. D.

Two Christmas Carols with Variations

a. In a Stable mean and lowly—Corsican, arr. by Clurence Dickinson b. Hark, now, O Shepherds—Bohemian, arr. by Morton J. Luvaas

OFFERTORY: Chorale Prelude on the tune "St. Anne"
C. Hubert H. Parry

PSALM CLXVIII: Lord, who hast made us for Thine own  $Gustav\ Holst$ 

Eight Part Chorus founded on the Chorale "Lasst uns Erfreuer

HYMN (All uniting)

St. Francis Canticle to the Sun, sung to "Lasst uns Erfreuen"

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing Alleluia, Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with silver gleam, O praise him, O praise him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with silver gleam,
O praise him, O praise him!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Thou rushing wind that art so
strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Indicat, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Al strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,

Ye lights of evening, find a voice, O praise him, O praise him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Hummel

ANTHEM: All they of Saba shall come . . Joseph Rheinberger

ORGAN POSTLUDE: A Rose breaks into Bloom

BENEDICTION

The Organ Prelude is played by MR. JOHN HERMAN LOUD, F.A.G.O. The Organ Offertory is played by MISS DAISY A. SWADKINS, A.A.G.O. The Organ Postlude is played by MR. EDWARD B. WHITTREDGE, F.A.G.O.

#### 1933 Feb 21 One Hundred Twenty-Sixth Public Service



## The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

#### One Hundred Twenty-Sixth Public Service

The Cathedral of the Holy Cross

His Eminence William Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston Reverend NEIL A. CRONIN, PH. D., Rector Reverend WILLIAM B. FOLEY

#### Tuesday Evening, February 21, 1933 at 8.15 o'rlock

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PRELUDE:	Noel in G					$L_{0}$	ouis C	Claude d'Aquin
"Panis Ang	gelicus''							Palestrina
"Praeclara	Custos Virgi	His	Emir				Caro	linal O'Connell
ORATORIO:	Jephte							$G.\ Carissimi$
	Recitate Chorus  Bass A Recitate Chorus Recitate	ria a tive	Et els nd Ch	ange	bant 3:	tuba Fugi	e''	dite"
	Sopran Chorus Sopran Chorus	: '' o Ar	Hymr ia:	ium 'Can	cante tate	mus me <b>c</b> u	Dom m Do	ino'' omino''

Chorus: "Abiit ergo in montes"

Chorus: "Plorate filii Israel"

Soprano Aria and Chorus: "Plorate, colles"

SERMON: Reverend WILLIAM B. FOLEY

Recitatives

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#### Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

HYMN: "O Salutaris Hostia"	' (Con	tralte	o Solo	)		Saint Saens
HYMN: "Tantum Ergo"					Beobide	(1882- )
VERSICLES AND RESPONSES						
THE DIVINE PRAISES						
"Laudate Dominum"						Traditional
"Cantate Domino"		•	•		Pitoni	(1657-1743)
"Caligaverunt oculi mei"				М.	Haydn	(1737-1806)
"Gloria in excelsis Deo"						M. Shaw
POSTLUDE: Fugue in E flat	Major	(St.	Anne	's)		. Bach

The Guest Organists are Francis Snow, Organist and Choirmaster of Trinity Church, and Homer C. Humphrey, Organist and Choirmaster of the Second Church in Boston.

The Service is sung by the Dr. George L. Dwyer Choral Ensemble; George Sawyer Dunham, Conductor. The Soloists are:

Rosemary Stamford, Soprano Vera Keane, Contralto

Lawrence Jenkins, Tenor
Walter Keenan, Bass Frans Olsen, Tenor

The Service is played by Phillip N. Ferraro, Organist and Choirmaster of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross.

# Chapter X: The Deanship of Frederick Harrison Johnson (1933-1936)

Frederick H. Johnson, A.B., F.T.C.L., F.A.G.O., became Dean of the New England Chapter on September 1, 1933 and served three terms. He was born in 1883 and passed away suddenly early in 1949. He studied piano with Mme. Helen Hopekirk and George E. Whitney and organ with Everett Truette. He was a graduate of Harvard University. He became director of the music department at Bradford Junior College, Bradford, Massachusetts in 1913. He served as Dean of the church music section of the Wellesley Conference in 1928. He became an instructor in organ at Boston University in 1934. In 1928 he became organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Advent, Boston, and lent distinction to that office for many years. In 1947 he became organist and choirmaster of the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Boston, remaining there until his sudden death two years later. Mr. Johnson served as the chairman of the examiners for Trinity College, London, examinations in this country. Mr. Johnson resigned as a member of the Guild in November 1942 because of a misunderstanding with officials at Headquarters over the results of one of his pupil's examinations for the Associateship certificate. He resignation was accepted by the Executive Committee of the Chapter on February 8, 1943, after consultation had failed to persuade him to withdraw it.

The season 1933-1934 saw these events:

#### Organ Recitals by

Carl McKinley at Gordon Chapel, Old South Church
Ernest White of St. James Church, Philadelphia, at Emmanuel Church
Frances Snow of Trinity, Boston, at Grace Church, Providence, Rhode Island (Rhode Island
Chapter of the Guild was formed at this time – October 17, 1933)
Palmer Christian at New Auditorium, Worcester
Marcel Dupre at Memorial Chapel, Harvard University
Carl Weinrich at Memorial Chapel, Harvard University

Joint Recital at First Congregational Church, Woburn by Paul Stanton, Dowell McNeil, Ruth E. Bailey

#### **Public Services at**

First Baptist Church, Malden, Albion Metcalf, organist and director Trinity Church, Boston, with choirs from Church of the Advent and Trinity Christ Church, Quincy, Edward B. Whittredge, F.A.G.O., organist and choirmaster King's Chapel, Boston, Raymond G. Robinson, F.A.G.O., organist and choirmaster Perkins' Institution for the Blind, Watertown, John F. Harwell, director

Early in the season the Executive Committee voted to hold a Chapter Convention in the spring, probably in April, 1934 and to hold a young-organists' contest with Clarence Dickinson as judge. This was held on April 24 and 25. On April 23 the contest for young organists was held at the Church of the Covenant and was won by Elizabeth Anderson, a pupil of Dr. Carl McKinley. The prize was \$100, donated by the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Company. Runner-up was F. Carrroll McKinstry of Springfield, a pupil of William E. Zeuch.

One of the innovations of Dean Johnson's first year was the publication of a booklet of Christmas programs by Chapter members. It proved to be an attractive brochure. <sup>42</sup> Numerous social events were held. One was at the home of Mrs. C. Nichols Greene on Chestnut Street, Beacon Hill, with an informal program by Lucius Harris. The annual dinner was held at the University Club in March with Professor Edward Burlingame Hill of Harvard as the speaker.

The Chapter Convention<sup>43</sup> on April 24 and 25, 1934 included these features besides the Young Organists' Contest the day preceding the convention:

A program of organ music with orchestra was held at Jordon Hall of New England Conservatory under the direction of Wallace Goodrich. Ralph Vaughan Williams' "Prelude and Fugue for Organ and Orchestra" was performed for the first time in America with Albert Snow as soloist.

A program of 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> century church music was performed at the Memorial Church of Harvard University by the Harvard Choir under the direction of G. Wallace Woodworth. This was followed by a lecture on "Ideals in Church Music" by Professor Alfred H. Meyer of Boston University.

The second day of the convention Carl Weinrich gave a splendid recital on the organ at Memorial Church. That evening a service was held at the First Church in Boston "... by the combined choirs under the direction of Thompson Stone." <sup>44</sup> Organ solos were played by Francis Snow, Homer Humphrey and Carl McKinley.

The 1934-1935 season brought a full program of recitals and public services. At social meetings that year speakers included Professor Leo Lewis of Tufts College, G. Donald Harrison of the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Company and Dr. Sydney H. Nicholson, who gave an informal talk on his work with the English School of Church Music.

#### Recitals given were as follows:

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169th Recital - Oct. 22, 1934 – Emmanuel Church – Albert Snow
170<sup>th</sup> Recital - Nov. 13, 1934 – Old South Church – Carl McKinley
171<sup>st</sup> Recital - Dec. 3, 1934 – St. John's Episcopal Church, Arlington – Paul Akin – talk on the organ by Edward B. Gammons
172<sup>nd</sup> Recital - Dec. 11, 1934 – Old South Church, Clarence Watters of Hartford
173<sup>rd</sup> Recital - Jan. 10, 1935 – Trinity Church, Boston Renée Nizan (pupil of Vierne)
174<sup>th</sup> Recital - Feb. 12, 1935 – Old South Church – Lawrence Apgar of St. Stephen's Church, Providence
175<sup>th</sup> Recital - Mar. 4, 1935 – St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston – Albert J. Ruppel of St. Mary's Church, Wayne, Pennsylvania
176<sup>th</sup> Recital - Apr. 1, 1935 – St. Paul's Cathedral – John Hermann Loud
177<sup>th</sup> Recital - May 13, 1935 – Trinity Church – Francis Snow
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> Copy of the brochure included in this document

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> Report of the Secretary (Harold F. Schwab). The choirs involved were not enumerated.

#### Public Services given were as follows:

134<sup>th</sup> Service - Oct. 8, 1934 – Christ Church, Fitchburg, Fred Cronheimer, organist. Assisting organists: Homer Humphrey, Carl McKinley, Francis Snow, William C. Heller

Nov. 7, 1934 – Recital of Plainchant and other Liturgical Music – Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston; Everett Titcomb, organist and choirmaster. Assisting organists: Homer Whitford, Edward B. Whitteredge.

Nov. 12, 1934 – 137<sup>th</sup> Public Service – St. Anne's Episcopal Church, Dowell; William C. Heller, organist and choirmaster. Assisting organists: Frederick Johnson, Raymond Robinson, John Hermann Loud.

Nov. 26, 1934 – 138<sup>th</sup> Public Service – St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston; Arthur Phelps, organist and choirmaster. Assisting organists: Gerald F. Frazee, Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, Edith Lang.

Dean Johnson began his third term in September 1935. The events of the season included these speakers at socials:

Professor Marshall: talk on the recent convention of English organists Edward B. Gammons: lecture with illustrations on "The Carillon" Dr. Charles E. Park: Illustrated lecture on New England Dr. Archibald T. Davison: Problems of the Choirmaster

Public services held included programs at Christ Church, Fitchburg; All Saints' Church, Worcester; First Baptist, Newton Centre; and at Temple Israel, Boston, a program in honor of the feast of Esther.

Recitals were given by these organists:

Maurice Garabrant at the First Church in Boston
Albert Snow, Francis Snow, William Zeuch at Groton School. Remarks by Mr. Lynes, organist.
Sallie Mason Peabody and Lucille Jensen at Trinity.
F. Carroll McKinstry and George Faxon at Harvard Church, Brookline
Rowland W. Halfpenny at Emmanuel Church, Boston



## The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Sixty-second Organ Recital

#### ERNEST WHITE

Organist and Choirmaster, St. James Church, Philadelphia

#### Emmanuel Church 15 Newbury Street, Boston

The Rev. PHILLIPS ENDECOTT OSGOOD, D. D., L. H. D., Rector

Tuesday Evening, October 3, 1933

at 8.15 o'rlock

#### PROGRAM

Introduction and Alleg	RO	*:			. Maurice Gree (1695-1755)
LARGHETTO	•	*	•	*	. G. B. Bassan (1657-1706)
FLUTE SOLO, FROM A SONA	TA	100	•	٠	. Thomas Arn (1710-1778)
ALLEGRO POMPOSO .	٠		•	***	Thomas Rosingray (1690-1766)
GAVOTTE IN F	٠	•	•	٠	. Samuel Wesle (1766-1837)
PARTITA IN C MINOR, "O	lod,	Thou	Mig	hty (	God'' J. S. Back (1685-1750)
CHORALE, No. 1, IN E MAJ	OR				. Cesar Franc
CARILLON					. Leo Sowerb
SCHERZETTO					. Louis Viern
FUGUE IN C SHARP MINOR	: <u>*</u>	\$ 	: <b>*</b>	· ·	. Arthur Honegge
KYRIE ELEISON					)
LANDSCAPE IN THE MIST					1
SARABANDE					Sigfrid Karg-Eler
TOCCATA, "Lord Jesus Chi	rist.	unto	us t	urn''	

Note: The offering is taken to defray the expenses of the recital



# The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Sixty-third Organ Recital

#### FRANCIS W. SNOW

Organist and Choirmaster, Trinity Church, Boston

#### Grace Church Providence, Khode Island

The Rev. WILLIAM LAWRENCE, D. D., Rector

Tuesday Evening, October 17, 1933 at 8,15 o'clock

#### **PROGRAM**

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STELLA MATUT	INA	٤.	•	•	•	•	٠	•		Danier
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DORIC TOCCATA										Bach
Noel .										D' $Aquin$
A FANTASY			1.00							Darke
Humoresque										Yon
ADORATION								J	. S.	Matthews
Prelude, Fugu	JE AN	d Va	RIAT	ION						Franck
Intermezzo			•						٠,	Widor
Carillon de W	EST	INST	ER							Vierne

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#### 1933 Nov 6 One Hundred Sixty-fourth Recital



#### The American Guild of Organists

Rew England Chapter

#### One hundred sixty-fourth Recital

Palmer Christian Professor of Organ, University of Michigan

> Municipal Auditorium Worcester, Massachusetts

Monday Evening, Dovember 6th, 1933

#### Program

Toccata i	n C majorBack
	The C naipy Tocosta, frequently programmed as including an Adajoi to A minor and a Fugue in C (the two latter socious being omitted on this cossion), in a work of compelling strength. In particular, the first sestion- ter Tocosta proper, while admittedly indicating the infutuoes of lat- ter Tocosta proper, while admittedly indicating the infutuoes of later than the transfer of the component's larger works.
Prelude	Corell
	From the Ninth Sonata for Violin, from the pen of one of the first great violinist
Minuet a	nd Gigue en RondeauRamea
	Rameau was the most important of the French contemporaries of Bach, hi research and publications on theoretical subjects having been of great influence
Fantasia	and Fugue in C minorBack
	The Fantania, in 0/8 time, is quite in the manner of some of the orchestre accompanisates and intercludes in the obcast works, ending on the dominan is leads directly into the Fague (4/4 time, a la breve), which presents a should have it as simple grytim. After the acquainties are theorem: in simple grytim. The time is exposition, as we therem—rising, each and in obserators—in based, surrounded by figuration used before, and building a lin dynamic and chromatic interest to the attrings completabilities.
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Sonata E	roicaJonge
	Joseph Jongen is Professor of Composition at the Brussells Conservatoire.  As in most of his smaller works, the Sonata is marked by individuality cutyle, knowledge of effect and sure writing.
	The work is in one movement; opening with forceful octave passages an everal bars of chromatic writing "a la fantasis", a diminused o leads to the first announcement of the principal subject—"motio doloc expressivo" which is rather in the mood of a traditional French following. The remainded are the properties of the

Prelude to "The Blessed Damozel".....

Mulot
A sweeping, vigorous composition making telling use of the effect produced
by clanging bells.

#### Specification of the Municipal Organ Worcester, Massachusetts

The W. W. Kimball Company, Builders

# GREAT ORGAN (Open Section)

Pitch	Name of Stop	Pipes
1 3/5'	Tierce	61
V	Mixture (Fourniture)	305
16'	Double Trumpet	. 73
8'	Cornonean	73
8'	Cornopean French Trumpet	73
8' 8' 8' 4' 8'	Oboe	79
6,	Vox Humana II	140
0,	VOX TUIDABA II	140
4	Clarion Harp (From Choir)	13
8'	Harp (From Choir)	
4'	Celesta (From Choir)	
	Tremolo	
	Vox Humana Vibrato	
	CHOIR ORGAN	
600		
16'	Double Dulciana	12
8'	English Diapason	73
8'	Violin Diapason	73
8'	Concert Flute.	73
8'	Cor de Nuit	73
81	Dulciana	
91	Unda Maris.	73
0/	Viola.	70
91		
4	Principal The state of the stat	
4	Traverse Flute	73
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2'	Piccolo.	
2'	Dolcetin (Dulciana)	
13/5'	Tierce	61
11/2	Larigot	61
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1'	Twenty Second (Dulciana)	61 Notes
III	Mixture	
16'	Bassoon	73
8'	Trompette.	
6,	English Hown	72
61	English Horn Clarinet	79
8' 8' 8' 4'	Clarine	70
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4'	Harp. Celesta (Deagan)	a. D
4	Celesta (Deagan)	01 Dars
	Tremolo	
	SOLO ORGAN (Open Division)	
	SOLO ONGAN (Open Division)	
8'	Tuba Magna (Prepared for)	
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	COLO ODOAN (Funtaned Division)	
	SOLO ORGAN (Enclosed Division)	
8'	Orchestral Flute	. 73
8'	Violoncello	
61	Cello Celeste.	73
4/	Concert Flute	79
01		
8	Tuba Mirabilis	
8'	French Horn	78
8'	Orchestral Oboe	
8' 8' 8' 8' 8' 8' 8'	Tuba Clarion	73
8'	Chimes (Deagan)	25 Tubes
8'	Harp (From Choir)	
4'	Celesta (From Choir)	
	Tremolo	
	ong. (0 p: 1.1)	
	PEDAL ORGAN (Open Division)	
32'	Major Bass	12
32'	Contra Violone.	12
16'	Diapason I	32
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# Specification of the Municipal Organ Worcester, Massachusetts

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	GREAT ORGAN (Open Section)	
Pitch	Name of Stop	Pipes
32'	Contra Gemshorn	49
16'	Double Diapason	61
16'	Contra Gemshorn	12
8'	Dianason I	61
8'	Diapason II	61
8'	Diapason III	61
8'	Harmonic Flute	61
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51/2	Quint	61
4'	Octave I	61
4'	Harmonic Flute	61
3 1/5'	Tenth	
23/3'	Twelfth	61
2'	Fifteenth.	61
V	Mixture (Plein Jeu)	305
8'	Trumpet	61
8'	Chimes (From Solo)	
	GREAT ORGAN (Enclosed Section)	
16'	Contre Basse	61
8'	Diapason IV	61
8'	Viola	61
8'	Bourdon	61
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4'	Octave II	61
4'	Flute Ouverte	61
2'	Super Octave	61
VI	Harmonics	366
16'	Contra Tromba	61
8'	Tromba	61
4'	Tromba Clarion	61
	Tremolo	
	SWELL ORGAN	
16'	Contra Geigen	73
16'	Rohrbordun	12
8'	Diapason I	73
8'	Diapason II (Geigen)	73
8'	Clarabella	73
8'	Rohrflöte	73
8'	Spitzflöte	73
8'	Flute Celeste	61
8'	Viola da Gamba	73
8'	Viole d'Orchestre	73
8'	Salicional	73
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4'	Flute Triangulaire	73
4	Rohrflöte	12
4'	Violina	73
24/3	Nazard	61
2'	Fifteenth	61
2	Flautina	

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#### The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Thirty-first Public Service

#### Trinity Church

Boston, Massachusetts

The Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church The Rev. Julian D. Hamlin, Rector of The Church of the Advent TWO-CHOIR FESTIVAL

#### Monday Evening, November 27, 1933 at 8.00 o'clock

ODDED	OF	CEDVICE

PRELUDE, Cantabile (Second	Symp	hony	) .			. Viern
DR	. CAR	L McF	UNLE	ΣY		
Processional, Hymn 266						Vigili et Sanc
"Ye watchers and ye I	holy or	nes"				
Psalter, Psalms 47-127						. Plainson
Magnificat						William Byr
Nunc Dimittes						William Byr
OFFERTORY ANTHEM, "O Sir	ig Un	to the	Lord	".		Francis Snor
O sing unto the Lord things.  With his own right he himself the victory. The Lord declared his showed in the sight of the He hath remembered Israel; and all the neds of Show yourselves joyft and give thanks. Praise the Lord upon thanksgiving. With trumpets also an the Lord, the King. Let the sea make a no and they that dwell thereir Let the floods clap the before the Lord; for he is With righteousness she ouit.	and, and salva heath his methe would unto the had shawise, and the come	nd wittion; heen. Hercy a Held has the L Herp; si wms, C d all to ds, and to jud	th his I tis right and truve seen ord, along to to ) show that the I let the	the ha	arm, ha mess ha ward to alvation lands; arp with selves j s; the joy	th he gotten th he openly the house of n of our God, sing, rejoice, h a psalm of joyful before round world, yful together

HYMN 307, "O 'Twas a Joyful Sound" . . . Horatio W. Parker a. GLORIOUS IN HEAVEN

Glorious in Heaven are the souls of all Saints, who walked in the way of Christ, the Lord Jesus.

They loved Him, and followed His footsteps, and as they died for the Saviour, losing life for His sake, they reign with Him for ever. Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina b. Bone Pastor OR Giovanni F Very Bread, good Shepted, tend us, Issu, of Thy love befriend us, Thou refresh us, Thou defend us, Thine eternal goodness send us In the land of life to see. In the land of life to see, Thou who all things canst and knowest, Who on earth such Food bestowest, Grant us with Thy Saints, though lowest, Where the heavenly Feast Thou showest, Fellow-heirs and guests to be. c. CANTATE DOMINO . . . Hassler O sing unto the Lord a new song:
O sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
Sing unto the Lord, and praise His name: be telling of His salvation from day to day.
Declare His honour unto the heathen, and His wonders unto all d. Give unto the Lord . . . . Horatio W. Parker Give unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the Lord glory and strength. Honor and majesty are before Him, strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

We want for Thy logical beauty are in His sanctuary. We want for Thy loving kindness, O Lord, in the midst of Thy temple. Holiness becometh Thine house forever. Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants What they ask of Thee to gain, What they gain from Thee forever With the blessed to retain. And to Paradise translated, There in rest with Thee to reign. Anere in rest win Thee to reign.
Glory to our God and honor;
Highest He above all heights;
Father, Son, the only perfect
One in praise, and One in might,
Might and praise enduring ever,
In the changeless worlds of light. Amen. RECESSIONAL, Hymn 295, "For All the Saints" . Williams Postlude, Toccata (Second Symphony) . WILLIAM E. ZEUCH THE CHOIR OF TRINITY CHURCH FRANCIS SNOW, Organist and Choirmaster THE CHOIR OF THE CHURCH OF THE ADVENT FREDERICK JOHNSON, Organist and Choirmaster

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#### The American Guild of Organis New England Chapter One Hundred Thirty-Second Public Serv

#### Christ Church Quincy, Massachusetts

The Reverend Howard Key Bartow, Rector
The Reverend Milton Huggett, Assistant Minister

Tuesday Evening, Isnuary 9, 1934 at 8.00 o'rlock

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# The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

# One Hundred Sixty-Seventh Organ Recital WILLIAM E. ZEUCH

Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire

Monday Evening, February 26, 1934 at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

SONATA E	ROICA		•								Jongen
Hymn Tu Mei	NE FANT ndon	ASIES	8.			٠		Dr.	Carl	Mc	Kinley
St.	Catherin	е									
PRELUDE	AND FUC	JUE, (	G MA	JOR	(Pete	rs Bo	ook 2,	No.	2)		Bach
"w	RELUDES ristus las achet Au un freut l	g in T f"		sband	den"	٠	٠		•	•	Bach
PASSACAG	LIA AND	THE!	MA F	'UGA'	TEM						Bach
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# The American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Thirty-Fourth Public Service

Dwight Hall, Perkins Institution

Massachusetts School for the Blind, Watertown

Gabriel Farrell, Director

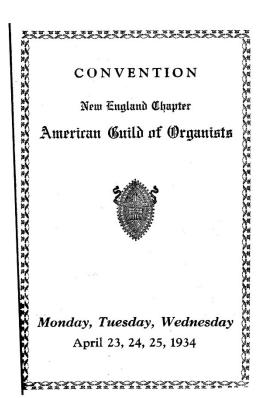
## Monday Evening, April 9, 1934

at 8.00 o'clock

ORGAN PRELUDE, "Adagio e Dolce" (Sonata III)			Bach
INVOCATION			
ANTHEM, "Come now and let us reason together"			Briant
SCRIPTURE READING			
ANTHEMS, "Alleluia, Lord God"		Pc	alestrina
"Lo, a voice to heaven sounding".		Bor	tniansky
SCRIPTURE READING			
HYMN 415, "Hark, hark my soul"		97 1841	Smart
THE LORD'S PRAYER			
ADDRESS GABRIEL FARRELL			
ANTHEM, "Still, still with Thee"			Foote
Offertory, "Prière"			Jongen
ANTHEM, "How lovely is Thy dwelling-place"		- 2	Brahms
BENEDICTION			
ORGAN POSTLUDE, "Final" (Symphony VIII)			Widor
JOHN F. HARTWELL, Director of the C	hoir		
MARJORIE JOHNSTON, Organist for the		τ	

Prelude by Edward W. Jenkins. Offertory by Velma T. Harden.
Postlude by Gardner C. Evans.

#### 1934 Apr 23 – 25 American Guild of Organists New England Chapter Convention



Hymn BENEDICTION POSTLUDE: Toccata on "Herr Jesu Christ dich zu uns wend"..... Karg-Ele

The chorus is composed of the following choics:

Immanuel Baptist Chutch, Newton. Agnes Edwards Hatch, Director Second Chutch, Boston. Homer. C. Humphere, Director. New Old South Chutch, Boston. Dr., Carl McKiales, Director. Arlington Street Chutch, Boston. Thompson Stone, Director. First Chutch, Boston. William E. Zeach, Director.

The Prelude is played by Francis W. Snow, Trinity Church, Boston; the Offertor by HOMER C. HUMPHEY, Second Church, Boston; and the Postlude by Dr. Cai MCKINLEY, New Old South Church, Boston.

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#### THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

The Executive Committee of the New England Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is as follows:

Dean, FREDERICK JOHNSON, F.A.G.O.

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Mrs. Blanche T. Brock
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Walter Clemson
John Hermann Loud
John P. Marshall
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Raymond C. Robinson

Albert Snow

#### ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ALBERT SNOW, Chairman ALBION METCALE

EDWARD B. GAMMONS Dean, ex officio

The Programs are given by courtesy of the Kimball Organ Company

#### Monday, April 23, 2.30 P. M.

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#### Organ Prize Playing Contest

Church of the Covenant, Newbury and Berkeley Streets, Boston. The prize of \$100.00 has been given by the Acolian-Skinner Company. JUDGES: PROFESSOR HOMER C. WHITFORD, DARTIMOUTH College.
CLARENCE WATTERS, Trinity College.
CLEMENT LENOM, New England Conservatory.

#### Tuesday, April 24

Dr. Wallace Goodrich invites the Convention to attend the regular rehearsal of the Orchestra of the New England Conservatory of Music on Tuesday, April 24, at 2 P. M. The rehearsal is followed at 3.15 P. M. by this program of Music for Organ and Orchestra:

ADAGIO FROM THE THIRD SYMPHONY. Vierne
Mr. Frank R. Keedy, Organist 

#### 8.15 P. M.

#### HARVARD MEMORIAL CHAPEL

LECTURE: "Ideals in Church Music" ALFRED C. MEYER

HARVARD UNIVERSITY CHOIR G. WALLACE WOODWORTH, Director

MIGHTY LORD (Christmas Oratotio)	Bach
ADDRAMUS TE	Palestrina
ADORAMUS 1E	Unrelar
CANTATE DOMINO	Flassier
I WILL NOT I PAVE YOU COMFORTLESS	Byrd
() Sing Unito the LORD	Purcell
CANONS FOR TWO VOICES	Lassus
Ipsa te cogat Oculus non vidit	
DIVING PRAISE	Boriniansky
Меррин	Muegri
Country of The Alone Br Glory (Cantain 41)	Buch

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

#### Wednesday, April 25, 4.00 P. M.

#### HARVARD MEMORIAL CHAPEL

#### Organ Recital by Carl Weinrich

PROGRAM	
DIFERENCIAS (Variations) sobre el Canto del Caballero	Antonio de Cabezon
RICERCARE	G P. da Palestrina
RICERCARE	(15267-1594) Italian
Canzona	Andrea Gabrieli
	Giralama Frescobaldi
VARIATIONS ON THE OLD ENGLISH SONG "FORTUNA MY	(1583-1644) Italian
VARIATIONS ON THE OLD ENGLISH SONG "FORTUNA MY	FOE"
7.11.17	Samuel Scheid! (1587-1654) German
	(1587-1054) German
HYMNUS: Pange Lingua Gloriosi (three verses)	(1563-1633) French
PRELUDE, FUGUE AND CHACONNE	Dietrich Buxtehude
PRELUDE, FUGUE AND CHACOATTE	(1637-1707) Danish
CHORALE PRELUDES	
Ans tiefer Not (Out of the depths)	
b. In dir ist Freude (In Thee is Gladness)	
ALLEGRO FROM FIFTH TRIO-SONATA	
CHORALE PRELUDES:	
a. Wenn wir in höchsten Nöthen sein	
b. Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist	
Nun freue euch lieben Christen	

c. Nun freut euch, lieben Christer

TOCCATA IN F MAJOR

#### THE PUBLIC IS INVITED

#### 8.15 P. M.

#### FIRST CHURCH

Marlborough and Berkeley Streets REVEREND CHARLES EDWARD PARK, D.D., Minister

Service by combined choirs under the direction of THOMPSON STONE

#### PROGRAM

PRELIDE: Prelude, Fugue and Variation	
SCRIPTURE READING	Dl
Anthems: Grant We Besech Thee O Lord Increase My Paith	Gibbons
HYMN ADDRIES: Reverend Charles Edward Park, D.D. Opprextony: Adagio (Sympliony VI)	W'idor



# American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Thirty-tifth Public Service

Church of St. John the Evangelist Bandain Street - Boston

REV. SPENCE BURTON, S.S.J.E., Rector

Wednesday Evening, November 7, 1934, at 8.15 o'clack

Recital of Plainchant and other Liturgical Music

BY

The Choir of the Church of St. John the Evangelist EVERETT TITCOMB, Organist and Choirmaster

#### PROGRAM

PRELUDE on Puer Natus Est

Titcomb

- I. PLAINCHANT
  - 1. Kyrie Deus Creator
  - Introit Puer Natus Est (Christmas Day)
     UNTO us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called, Angel of mighty Counsel.

     PS. O sing unto the Lord a new song; for He hath done marvellous things. Glory be . . . Unto us . . .



# American Guild of Organists

## New England Chapter One Hundred Sixty-Ninth Organ Recital ALBERT W. SNOW

#### Emmanuel Church

15 Newbury Street - Boston

The Rev. PHILLIPS ENDECOTT OSGOOD, D. D., L. H. D., Rector

#### Monday Evening, October 22, 1934 at 8.15 o'rlock

#### PROGRAM

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Allegro Risoluto		٠					٠	Gottf	ried Ri	idinger
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12.	Mo	rnir	ng tint	s						
Dialogue .									Cléro	ımbault
Aria da Chiesa								Un	known	Author
Choral and Varia	atio	ns,	1-3-5-	7-8-10	-11	•			•	Bach
		"S	ei geg	russe	t, Jes	su gu	itig"			
Elevation				· ·			( <b>*</b> ).		. R	ousseau
Allegretto Grazi	oso								Frank	Bridge
Extemporisation	ı, "	Fid	elis"						. И	Vhitlock
Silhouette	65								Carl M	cKinley
Toccata						*		Paul	Müller	-Zürich
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# American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Thirty-tifth Public Service

The Parish of Christ Church in Fitchburg, Massachusetts

The Rev. A. VINCENT BENNETT, D. D., Rector

Monday Evening, October 8, 1934

at 7.45 n'elock

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL, Hymn No. 4	68 .						Haydn
PRELUDE, Moderato Cantabil	e (8th	Sym	phony	7)			Widor
ANTHEM, Biblical Song, No.	5 (arr.	by I	r. Be	enne	tt).		Dvorak
VERSICLES AND RESPONSES							Tallis
Psalm 65							Anglican
MAGNIFICAT (Faux-bourdons	by Ba	ch)			Tonu	s Pe	regrinus
NUNC DIMITTIS (Faux-bourde	ons by	Bach	) .		Tonu	s Pe	regrin <b>u</b> s
ANTHEM, I will praise Thee,	O God	۱.					Converse
Hymn No. 247					D	ulce	Carmen
ADDRESS, The Rev. A. VINCE	ent Bi	ENNE'	гт, D	. D.,	Mus.	Ba	c.
ORGAN INTERLUDE	4					1	McKinley
	Italian	-	nn				
b. c.	Hamb St. Cl	-	t				
FESTIVAL PRELUDE, (arr. by				•		•	Bach
BENEDICTION							~
ANTHEM, Grant we beseech	l'hee	•	•	•	•	•	Snow
Postlude, Carillon de Westn	ninster			•			Vierne
RECESSIONAL, Hymn No. 542		•			•		Storer

The Congregation is requested to remain seated until the close of the Postlude.

The Prelude will be played by Mr. Homer Humphrey, Organist and Choirmaster of the Second Church in Boston; the Organ Interlude by Dr. Carl McKinley, Organist and Choirmaster of the Old South Church, Boston; and the Postlude by Dr. Francis W. Snow, Organist and Choirmaster of Trinity Church, Boston. The assisting pianist in the Bach "Festival Prelude" will be Mr. William C. Heller, Organist and Choirmaster of St. Anne's Church, Lowell. The service will be played by Mr. Fred Cronhimer, Organist and Choirmaster of Christ Church, Fitchburg.



# American Guild of Organists

## New England Chapter One Hundred Eighty-second Organ Recital

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The Harvard Church Brookline, Mass.

Reverend ASHLEY DAY LEAVITT, D. D., Minister

#### Monday Evening, February 24, 1936, at 8.15 o'clock

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		F	ROG	RAI	N			
CHORALE IN A MI	NOR						•	Cesar Franck
TRIO, SONATA No.	1							. J. S. Bach
IN THE WOODS							. 1	Homer Whitford
ALLEGRO VIVACE,	Sym	phony	No.	1				Louis Vierne
TOCCATA IN F								. J. S. Bach
	MR.	F. CA	RRO	LL M	cKIN	STRY		
		-			-			
Four Pieces fro Masters,								
ALLEGRO, "Nun ko	omm'		Heide Orga			d''		. J. S. Bach
Adagio, Toccata ti	raspo	rtata					•	$G.\ Frescobaldi$
ALLEGRO, ma non	tropp	00						G. B. Pescetti
ALLEGRO FUGA								C. F. Pollaroli
	Of th	е Мо	dern	Fre	nch s	Schoo	ol.	* *
MUSETTE			•				•	Jacques Ibert
SCHERZO					•		1	Maurice Duruflé
An	neric	an an	d Er	glis	h Co	mpos	ers	
TONAL FUGUE IN	THRE		CES					Carl Howard
TWILIGHT AT FIES	OLE							Seth Bingham
FINAL, "STELLA M	ARIS	" (Sy	mph	ony	1)			. Guy Weitz
		MR. G	EOR	GE F	AXO	V		
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# American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

## One Hundred Eighty-third Organ Recital

ROWLAND HALFPENNY, Mus. M.

Organist and Choirmaster, All Saints Church, Brookline

#### Emmanuel Church 15 Newbury Street - Boston

The Rev. PHILLIPS ENDECOTT OSGOOD, D. D., L. H. D., Rector

Monday Evening, March 2, 1936, at 8.15 o'clock

#### **PROGRAM**

ALLEGRO	Mo	DERA	TO (Fro	m the	Sonat	a in E	-flat n	ninor)	. H	oratio Parker
THREE M	$oldsymbol{a}{oldsymbol{b}}$	Anda Anda	ntin nte	o past	• orale	•	•		•	H. M. Higgs
SONATA	VI		•	Chora	and S	six Va	riation	ns	•	Mendels sohn
CAPRICIC	o			•		•			. Ar	no Landmann
Largo		•	٠				•	. V	ivaldi	-W. F. Bach
TOCCATA	AND	Fug	UE (	D mir	nor)		•,			. J. S. Bach
Dawn			• ,		٠					Cyril Jenkins
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# American Guild of Organists Nem England Chapter One Hundred Eighty-fourth Service

Temple Israel Commonwealth Avenue - Boston

Manday Evening, March 9, 1936, at 8.15 o'clock

#### Program of Music in Honor of the Feast of Esther

Temple Israel Choir, ensemble of 20 voices, accompanied and directed by Henry Gideon.

RABBI HARRY LEVI interpreting traditional Hebrew texts.

RAYMOND C. ROBINSON, Organist and Choirmaster of King's Chapel,

ORGAN PRELUDE: Cycle of Eight Short Pieces . . Karg-Elert Appassionata Introitus

Canzone solenne Gagliarda Melodia monastica Toccatina Aria semplice Corale

Mr. ROBINSON

Kopyloff ANTHEM: God Is a Spirit. ARIA OF SARASTRO ("Magic Flute") Mozart arr. Gaul

ANTHEM: L'Dovid Boruch (traditional) . Rogers

Federlein THREE SETTINGS OF RITUAL PRAYER "V'shomru" Saminsky TRADITIONAL CHANT for the FEAST OF ESTHER

Gideon-Naumbourg YEVORECHECHO (Priestly Blessing)

. Vierne POSTLUDE: Finale from the Fourth Symphony Mr. ROBINSON

## PERSONNEL OF TEMPLE CHOIR

HENRY GIDEON, Organist and Director
WILLIAM BARKIN
EVA BERKOWITZ
MARION BLOOMBERG
HUDSON CARMODY
MARGUERITE GLASER
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irector
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ETHYL SILVERMAN
RAYMOND SIMONDS
SOPHIA SOMERS
JULIA SONNABEND
EVELYN STERN
ESTHER WERBITZSKY
BEATRICE WOLBARST
CEIL ZIEGLER
GERTRUDE ZIMBLER

Solo Lines by Mrs. Oettinger, Dr. Selib, Mr. Levin and Mr. Carmody Cello obbligato by CELIA MUSCANTO

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## Chapter XI: The Deanship of William Edward Zeuch (1936-1937)

William E. Zeuch, organist of the First Church in Boston (Unitarian), was elected Dean of the New England Chapter in May, 1936, and served for only one year. He expressed regret, upon his retirement at the annual meeting in 1937, that business interests compelled this action. 45 Mr. Zeuch is a graduate of Northwestern University and studied organ with Dr. Peter C. Lutkin and with Alexandre Guilmant in Paris. He succeeded John P. Marshall as organist at First Church upon the union of the South Congregational Church with the First Church. Mr. Zeuch served as the first Secretary of the Western Chapter of the Guild in Chicago when it was organized in 1907 under the leadership of Harrison M. Wild. He served on the Executive Committee of the New England Chapter from 1927-1930 an again from 1931 through 1936.

Most of the records of his season as Dean in 1936 and 1937 are not available because the minutes are not included in the Secretary's report for those years. During the 1935-1936 Paul Akin resigned as Secretary and Sub-Dean Edward B. Gammons served as acting Secretary from March until September of 1936, being elected for a full term as Secretary at the annual meeting in May. Mr. Gammons served until sometime in 1937. In May, 1937, George Faxon was installed as Secretary at the annual meeting and wrote the report of that meeting. The records from that point on are all in proper order.

An account of the meetings of the Chapter in November and December, 1936, is here quoted from "The Diapason" of January 1, 1937:

The New England Chapter opened its season with a splendidly attended social meeting at the rooms of the Harvard Musical Association on the evening of November 9. Dean William E. Zeuch spoke briefly, outlining events for the season and making a plea for more active interest in Guild affairs. He then introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. Francis W. Snow of Trinity Church, who gave a sparkling account of the Pittsburgh convention of last spring.

The Guild members derived much satisfaction and learned a great deal from the first recital, which was given by Frederick Johnson at the Church of the Advent in Boston, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Johnson gave the finest demonstration of what the "Baroque organ and the modern organ can do musically" the writer has ever heard. The pedal, unenclosed great and positif as well as a complete swell and lovely choir division. The organ is replete with single and chorus mutations and the recitalist used them to fullest advantage. The performance of the first group was a revelation in new tonal effect that gave the early pieces a distinction and lucidity they seldom appear to have. Mr. Johnson showed the amazing color possibilities of an organ of this type and the more delicate tones were fully employed in the beautiful numbers by Drischner, Messiaen, Titcomb and Bingham. Incidentally, the Titcomb piece should be published, for it is a splendidly written church number in the true organ idiom. Altogether it was an evening of pleasure and instruction for any organ enthusiast. Mr. Johnson, the organist, and Mr. Harrison, who conceived the instrument brought it to fruition, deserve the highest praise. The program was as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> Mr. Zeuch continues to serve as Vice President of the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Company of Dorchester, Massachusetts.

Prelude and Musette Rameau Caprice Clerambault Recit de Nazard Clerambault Basse de Cromorne Clerambault Pachelbel Toccata Récit de Tierce en Taille de Griny Valet will ich Dir geben Bach **Four Chorale Preludes** Drischner Veni Creator Jacob Alleluias serieuse Messiaen Scherzo Quef Puer natus est (Ms.) Titcomb Minuet Lavotta Intercession Bingham Ein' feste Burg Karg-Elert

The December meeting of the New England Chapter was a new venture, for the members met for a supper at the First Church in Boston and then heard an excellent talk and a recital on the harpsichord by Putnam Aldrich. He first spoke on the history of the stringed keyboard instruments and their characteristics and then played a superb recital demonstrating the evolution of harpsichord music. His comments on the music were revealing and enhanced the effect of the numbers for the audience.

Edward B. Gammons, Secretary 46

At the annual meeting of the Chapter, May 25, 1937, Dean Zeuch read a memorandum of a proposed fund for Guild members in need of financial assistance, and asked that action be taken by the incoming Dean on this matter. The family of a deceased member of the Chapter wanted to give a memorial fund to the Guild, the income of which would be used to assist members who through advancing age or illness are need of financial help. At an Executive meeting on June 7, 1937, it was voted to accept the fund, subject to the approval of Headquarters.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> Report of the Secretary in "The Diapason", Jan. 1, 1937



# American Guild of Organists New England Chapter

One Hundred Eighty-seventh Organ Recital FRANCIS W. SNOW, Mus. Doc.

Konghton Chapel Wellesley College

Monday Evening, January 11, 1937, at 8.15 o'clock

#### **PROGRAM**

TOCCATA ON "O FILII"			•	•		•	Farnam
STELLA MATUTINA	•						Dallier
SCHERZO IN E .							. Gigout
Soeur Monique						•	Couperin
TOCCATA IN F							. Bach
INTERMEZZO SYMPHO	ONY	I			•	•	. Widor
WINTER SUNSET		•					Edmundson
CHRISTMAS DANCE .							. Milford
LEGEND OF THE MOUNT	AIN						$Karg ext{-}Elert$
SCHERZO SYMPHONY	VI						. Vierne
CHORALE - IMPROVISATIO	N "	Lord	Jest	ıs, tu	rn to	us''	Karg-Elert

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# American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Ninetieth Organ Recital PAUL CALLAWAY

Church of the Advent Brimmer Street - Boston

Very Rev. John M. McGann, Acting Rector Frederick H. Johnson, F. A. G. O., Organist and Choirmaster

#### Monday Evening, April 12, 1937, at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

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Iarch									
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I Anda	nte s	oster	nuto						
V Mode	erato	—Al	legro	-Mo	derat	о—А	ndan	te—A	llegro
IORALE :	Prel	UDES	90	1.0					. J. S. Bach
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Liebste	r Je	su, w	ir sir	d hi	er"				
IN F					3.00		٠	*	. J. S. Bach
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The public is cordially invited to an organ recital, Wednesday evening, April 14, at eight-fifteen o'clock at the Germanic Museum (Harvard College), Kirkland Street, corner of Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, by Susi Hock (Lady James Jeans), celebrated exponent of the music of Bach and his forerunners.

## Chapter XII: The Deanship of Homer Pasco Whitford (1937-1939)

Homer Whitford, Mus.B., Mus.D., F.A.G.O., was born in Harvey, Illinois in 1892, the son of a physician and amateur violinist and orchestra director. His mother was a teacher before her marriage. Mr. Whitford entered the Conservatory of Music at Tarkio College, Missouri and was graduated in organ and theory in 1910. He then went to Oberlin for work in organ and composition, receiving the Mus. B. degree in 1915 after several years of studying and teaching. He took the Associate examination of the Guild in 1914 and the Fellowship in 1915. He was at the First Presbyterian Church of Shelbyvillle, Indiana and at the Shelby School of Music in 1915-1917 and from there went to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Scranton, Pennsylvania, where a professional choir was maintained and 30-minute recitals were a feature of the evening service. He was director of the U.S. Army Band for the one year while he was in the military forces during the First World War. In May 1919, he went to the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Utica, New York, remaining there four years. In the fall of 1923 he went to Dartmouth College as organist and instructor of music, succeeding Charles R. Cronham and Charles H. Morse.

Mr. Whitford spent the summer of 1924 in France studying organ with Widor and Vierne and conducting with André Bloch. The fall of that year saw him appointed associate professor. In addition to playing the daily chapel and Sunday vespers at the college church and teaching courses in theory and organ playing, he directed the St. Cecilia Club and the Dartmouth Glee Club which has been a prize-winner in many intercollegiate glee club contests. While at Dartmouth be became interested in starting a Guild chapter in that region, and, as a result, the Vermont-New Hampshire Chapter was organized in 1934 with Mr. Whitford as first Dean, in which office he served for two terms.

He came to Boston shortly thereafter and served as interim organist at the First Church in Cambridge, Congregational. At this time he studied composition at Harvard University. After a year at the First Church he was asked to become their regular organist. He became active in the New England Chapter in Boston, serving as Sub-Dean under Mr. Zeuch, and in May, 1937 was elected Dean, thus becoming the first person to serve as Dean of more than one Chapter in New England. Tarkio College awarded him its honorary degree of doctor of music in 1950.

Dr. Whitford has been interested in the subject of music therapy for the ill and has done notable work in this field with his center of activity chiefly at the McLean Hospital in Waverly, Massachusetts. He now gives a course at the New England Conservatory of Music on this subject.

At the first Executive Committee meeting held in September, 1937, it is interesting to note that the Dean was authorized "...to appoint a committee to study the situation regarding the <u>ethics</u> of visiting organists playing for wedding and funerals. Also, the use of the organ by an organist's pupils and by strangers."  $^{47}$ 

It was during Mr. Whitford's tenure that the name of the Chapter, appropriately, was changed to "Massachusetts." Because several new chapters in New England had come into being, it was felt that the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee, Sept. 20, 1937

new name would serve to distinguish the parent chapter better. This action was taken on the occasion of the annual dinner held January 24, 1938.<sup>48</sup>

The Report of the Committee on Ethics was received from Headquarters and copies made available to members. This seemed to take care of the subject of weddings and funerals and their fees.

Dean Whitford, in his annual report of May 16, 1938 list the accomplishments of the year:

Illustrated talk on the Baroque organ at the Germanic Museum by G. Donald Harrison, assisted by E. Power Biggs.

Joint recital by young organists at Harvard Church, Brookline.

Combined choir service at First Church, Boston, with the choirs of First Church and Old South Church.

Service at First Congregational Church, Lowell, with the choirs of that church and the Pelham Congregational Church.

Talk by Dr. John Finley Williamson of the Westminster Choir School.

Service at Trinity Church, Boston, by the Trinity boy choristers, assisted by various organists.

Concert of liturgical music at Brown Hall of the New England Conservatory by the choir of All Saints' Church and with Greek Orthodox, Roman, and Jewish choirs, assisted by visiting organists.

Contest for young organists at Harvard Church, Brookline, with nine candidates.

New England Regional Convention, May 2-3, 1938

The Regional Convention held in the spring of 1938 was a great success, largely due to the excellent management of the details of the convention by the General Chairman, Past-Dean Raymond D. Robinson (1930-1933), who had much experience in this line by serving as host Dean when the 10<sup>th</sup> National Convention came to Boston in 1932. Some of the features of the two-day convention were:

Program by the Portland Polyphonic Society of Portland, Maine, conduct by Alfred Brinkler, assisted by John E. Fay, organist.

Joint musical service by the choirs of St. Paul's Cathedral and Emmanuel Church, held at the Cathedral.

Program of sacred music by the boy choristers of Trinity Church, at the Leslie Lindsey Chapel of Emmanuel Church.

Recital by Roy P. Bailey, past-Dean of the Rhode Island Chapter, at Emmanuel Church.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> See Chapter XX – Guild Expansion

Recital by Virgil Fox at Old South Church. 49

Papers given at the Convention included:

Wallace Goodrich: Church Music and the Gregorian System

Carl McKinley: Some Problems of Choral Repertoire

Hamilton Macdougall: Some Reflections on New England Colonial Music from 1620 to 1820

George W. Stanley: Electronics as an Adjunct to, and a Competitor of, the Pipe Organ

The New Executive Committee, in the fall of 1938, made plans for the new season. It was felt that there were possible too many events the previous season and the stress "...might well be place on fewer and better events for the present year." <sup>50</sup> A more general appeal to the public and more favorable publicity were presented as logical goals. One major event was to be held each month, with no event in December.

It was announced that the original charter had been returned to the Chapter and it was suggested that it be placed on display in some suitable location. The Harvard Musical Association was mentioned as most fitting. A motion was made at the Executive Committee meeting on Sept. 19, 1938 that "...candidates for membership be subjected to one reading only, and upon finding this not in conflict with the Constitution, it was carried." <sup>51</sup>

These events occurred during the second year of Dean Whitford's tenure:

Nov. 7, 1938 – Festival Service of Five Mixed Choirs at the First Church in Cambridge, Congregational with these participants:

Arlington Street Church, Boston Auburndale Congregational Church, Newton Frist Church in Cambridge, Harvard Square St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston Trinity Church, Newton Centre

The Prelude was played by Ernest W. Bray of Springfield. The Postlude was played by Donald C. Gilley, A.A.G.O, of Worcester

Nov. 18, 1938 – Recital by Nita Akin at First Church, Boston

Feb. 13, 1939 – Festival Service of Four Choirs at All Saints' Church, Worcester with these participants:

All Saints Church, William Self, organist and choirmaster Central Congregational Church, Mabel S. Reed, director; Alfred W. G. Peterson, organist Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, Donald C. Gilley, A.A.G.O., organist and director First Lutheran Church, Arvid C. Anderson, organist and choirmaster

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> Program in this document

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee, Sept. 19, 1938.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Ibid.

The Prelude was play by Dr. Carl McKinley. (Mr. Zeuch absent). The Postlude was play by Dr. McKinley.

Dean Whitford conducted the combined choirs in a setting of the Bach Chorale: "Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee."

Mar. 6, 1939 – Festival of Four Boy-Choirs at Trinity Church, Boston, with these participants:

Trinity Church, Dr. Francis W. Snow, organist and choirmaster. Christ Church, Fitchburg, Paul C. Akin, organist and choirmaster. All Saints' Church, Worcester, William Self, organist and choirmaster Church of the Advent, Boston, Frederick Johnson, organist and choirmaster.

The Prelude was played by Rowland W. Halfpenny of All Saints' Church, Brookline. The Offertory was played by George R. Hunsche of Central Congregational, Jamaica Plain. The Postlude was played by Homer C. Humphrey of the Second Church in Boston.

April 24, 1939 - Prize Contest in Organ Playing at Gordon Chapel, Old South Church with 7 contestants. First prize of \$25.00 won by George Faxon, Secretary of the Massachusetts Chapter of the Guild.

May 1, 1939 – Social meeting at the Harvard Musical Association. Talk by Sir Granville Bantock on "The Study of Strict Counterpoint and its Value."

May 27, 1939 – Annual meeting at Serlo Hall, Methuen. A joint recital was given by E. Power Biggs, John Hermann Loud and Francis W. Snow. The members took an informal inspection tour of the Ernest M. Skinner factory adjoining the hall. Supper was served on the lawn. Mr. Skinner gave a talk on the history of the old Boston Music Hall organ now installed in Serlo Hall and also made some general observations on the Baroque organ.

Mar. 23, 1939 - Recital by Parvin Titus of Cincinnati at the First Church in Boston. He presented an interesting program of the works of the early masters and concluded with a group by contemporary American composers.

The season marked the death of Albert W. Snow, organist of Emmanuel Church, Boston, successor to Lynnwood Farnam, and a longtime member of the Chapter, who passed away in Bangor, Maine on January 6, 1939.



# American Guild of Organists New England Chapter One Hundred Ninety-Second Concert

## The First Church in Buston

Berkeley and Marlborough Streets
The Rev. Charles E. Park, D.D. Minister

## Monday Evening, November 29, 1937

at eight-fifteen o'clock

## Concert of Sacred Choral Music

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DR. CARL McKINLEY, A. A. G. O. Organist and Director

#### Program

COMBINED	CHOIRS

ALLELUIA, WE SING WITH JOY . . (Double Chorus) Jacob Handl FIRST CHURCH CHOIR Russell Wichmann ETERNAL DAY SPRING . (Prize Anthem 1936, Art Society of Pittsburg) THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD . Brother James' Air Duetto from Cantata No. 78. . J. S. Bach "We hasten with feeble, but diligent footsteps" (Sopranos and Altos) Darest thou now, O Soul? . . . . David McK. Williams OLD SOUTH CHOIR O PRAISE THE LORD OF HEAVEN . John Blow Adoramus Te . Palestrina ASCENDIT DEUS Jacob Handl Healy Willan How they so softly rest It is a good thing to give thanks . . Schvedov COMBINED CHOIRS Ancient Plainsong VENI EMMANUEL . Arranged for two choirs by Dr. Carl McKinley ADDRESS BY DR. PARK

for soprano and baritone soli, combined chorus, timpani, and organ

. Antonin Dvorák

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MRS. ESTHER DOWNING, Soprano MISS MARION McCARTHY, Alto MR. GEORGE H. WHEELER, Tenor MR. EDWARD BLEAU, Baritone

MR. WILLIAM E. ZEUCH, Organist

DR. CARL McKINLEY, Director

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## 1938 Apr 4 One Hundred Forty-first Public Service



## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

#### One Hundred Forty-first Public Service

All Saints' Church, Worcester

THE REVEREND RICHARD GREELEY PRESTON, Rector

Monday Evening, April 4, 1938, at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

PRELUDE: Prelude, Fugue, and Variation				Franck
FRANCIS SNOV	V			
Organist, Trinity Church	, Bo	ston		
OPENING SENTENCES AND PRAYERS				
PSALM III (page 482)				
THE FIRST LESSON				
MAGNIFICAT IN B FLAT				Willan
THE SECOND LESSON				
NUNC DIMITTIS IN B FLAT				Willan
CREED AND PRAYERS				
ANTHEMS				
As Pants the Hart				Spohr
Hear My Prayer, O God			Arki	hangel <b>sk</b> y
OFFERTORY: ANDANTE (Sonata IV) .				Bach
GEORGE FAXO	N			
Organist, St. Stephen's Chur-	ch, C	ohas	set	

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The Congregation is requested to remain seated during the Postlude.  $\,$ 

The service is played by William Self and sung by the full choir of All Saints' Church.

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2.00 P. M.—Jordan Hall, New England Conservatory of Music.
Opening Exercises

3.00 P. M.—Paper by Dr. Wallace Goodrich, Director of the New England Conserva-tory of Music.

Subject: "Church Music and the Gregorian System".

4.00 P. M.—A Program of Choral Music by the PORTLAND POLYPHONIC SOCIETY Alfred Brinkler, Conductor, assisted by John E. Fay, Organist

PROGRAM PROGRAM Two Moters—"Exultate Deo", 5 parts
"If By His Spirit", 5 parts

Organ—Sicilienne Fugue in G minor Melodia

Bach Reger

JOHN E. FAY Sub-Dean, Maine Chapter

ENGLISH—"Sing We and Chaunt It", 8 parts
"Lady, When I Behold the Roses", 6 parts
"Fire, Fire, My Heart", 5 parts
"Orpheus with His Lute", 8 parts
"My Lady Wakes", 6 parts

Organ—Poeme d'Automne Canyon Walls Intermezzo

Bonnet Clokey Karg-Elert Karg-Elert

Antiphon
Choral Prelude "Nun Danket"
JOHN E. FAY MODERN—"I Sowed the Seeds of Love", 5 parts

Holst Cui Ferrari De Lamarter arr. by Cain Clokey Wood

Fowed the Sector of Love , 5 parts

"Radiant Stars", 5 parts

"In The Great Hall", 5 parts

"A June Moonrise", 8 parts

"Go Down Moses", 8 parts

"Hall, Gladdening Light", 8 parts

"Hail, Gladdening Light", 8 parts

CONSTANCE RUNDLETTE at the piano.

6.00 P. M.-Informal dinner

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PROGRAM PRELUDE—Sonata II Grave and Adagio

PROCESSIONAL HYMN-"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

PSALM 91

FIRST LESSON

MAGNIFICAT IN D

SECOND LESSON

NUNC DIMITTIS IN D

ANTHEM -- "God be in my head"

PRAYERS AND GRACE

ANTHEMS-

"Let Thy merciful ears" "The Peace of God"

Rheinberger Arthur Foote "I will arise" Rachmaninoff

"Today hath Salvation come"
THE CHOIR OF EMMANUEL CHURCH

OFFERTORY ANTHEMS-"Let all that hath breath praise the Lord"

"Jesus, Lover of my Soul"

Whitford

Rairstow

Davies

Weelkes

DOXOLOGY

PRAYERS AND BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN-"O what the Joy and the Glory must be!"

Postlude—Symphony II
Allegro Risoluto ma non troppo vivo

The Service will be played by ARTHUR M. PIULIPS. The Prelude will be played by WESLEY A. DAY and the Postlude by RUTH DONNELLY, the winners respectively of the First and Second prizes in the Competition for Young Organists held April 23, 1938.

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T. FREDERICK H. CANDLYN	.12
Bread of Heaven, on Thee we Feed Short Communion Service in G	.12
T. TERTIUS NOBLE	
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in A	.20
CHESTER NORDMAN	
O Jesus! When I Think of Thee	.12
HERBERT SANDERS	
Take my Life and Let it Be	.12
FRANCIS W. SNOW	
Come, Labour on!	.15
ERIC THIMAN	
O be Joyful in the Lord (Jubilate)	.15
CHRISTOPHER THOMAS	
O Clap your Hands Together	.12
Lord, Thou Hast Been Favourable Grant, O Lord	.12
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ALFRED WHITEHEAD	
The Chariots of the Lord are Strong	.12
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#### PROGRAM

#### Tuesday, May 3, 1938

10.00 A. M.—Brown Hall, New England Conservatory of Music. Paper by Dr. Carl McKinley, A. A. G. O. Subject: "Some Problems of Choral Repertoire"

11.00 A. M.—Paper by Dr. Hamilton C. Macdougall, A. G. O. Subject: "Some Reflections on New England Colonial Music from 1620 to 1820"

12.30 P. M .- The Dean's Luncheon

2.00 P. M.—Brown Hall.

Paper by George W. Stanley, Dean of the Rhode Island Chapter, A. G. O. Subject: "Electronics as an Adjunct to, and a Competitor of, the Pipe Organ."

3.15 P. M.—Emmanuel Church, 15 Nowbury Street, Boston.

ORGAN RECITAL BY ROY P. BAILEY
Past Dean of The Rhode Island Chapter, A. G. O.

Organist and Choirmaster, All Saints' Memorial Church of Providence, R. I.

PROGRAM

J. S. BACH In dulci jubilo Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier Fugue in G minor

FRANCOIS COUPERIN

CHARLES MARIE WIDOR Symphonie II—Adagio

SIGFRID KARG-ELERT Choral-Improvisation on "O Gott, du frommer Gott"

LEO SOWERBY A Joyous March

LOUIS VIERNE
Premiere Symphonie—Allegro vivace
Berceuse (sur les paroles classiques)
Deuxieme Symphonie—Allegro

4.30 P. M.—The Leslie Lindsey Chapel, Emmanuel Church, Boston.

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"As pants the hart"
"The Peace of God" (First performance)
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"Come, Jesu, come"

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Church of the Advent, Boston REVEREND WHITNEY HALE, Rector

Briday Evening, May 20, 1938, at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

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All Saints Church, Worcester The Reverend RICHARD GREELEY PRESTON, Rector Manday Evening, February 13, 1939, at 8 o'clock

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE: Moderato and Choral, from Symphony Gothique Widor William E. Zeuch, Organist and Choirmaster, First Church in Boston

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 192

Coronation

NUNC DIMITTIS

Gretchaninoff

Choir of All Saints Church William Self, Organist and Choirmaster

ANTHEMS: Hear My Prayer

Arcadelt

O Lord, Most Holy

Franck

Choir of Central Congregational Church Mabel S. Reed, Director Alfred W. G. Peterson, Organist

ANTHEMS: Show Me Thy Way

Thompson

Now Thank We All Our God

Cruger-Mueller

Choir of Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church Donald C. Gilley, A.A.G.O., Organist and Choirmaster

Choir of All Saints Church

OFFERTORY: Our Father

Gretchaninoff

ANTHEMS: O Nightingale, Awake

Arr. by Dickinson

Praise to the Lord

Christiansen

Choir of the First Lutheran Church

Arvid Anderson, Organist and Choirmaster

**HYMN 441** 

St. Finbar

ANTHEM: Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee

Combined Choirs, conducted by Homer Whitford, F.A.G.O.,

Dean of the Massachusetts Chapter

RECESSIONAL HYMN 445

St. Anne

POSTLUDE: Te Deum

Reger

Dr. Carl McKinley, Organist and Chairmaster, Old South Church, Boston

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# Chapter XIII: The Deanship of Homer Corliss Humphrey (1939-1942)

Homer Humphrey was born in Yarmouth, Maine on August 1, 1880. His early studies in piano were with E. A. Blanchard. In 1899 he came to Boston as a student at the New England Conservatory of Music from which he graduated in 1901, taking his soloist's diploma in 1902. He was an organ pupil of Wallace Goodrich and later studied with Joseph Bonnet in Paris. At the Conservatory he took theory with Louis C. Elson, counterpoint with George W. Chadwick and piano with Alfred de Voto.

He has been a member of the faculty of the Conservatory since 1904 as a teacher of organ. He has won several prizes in composition including the Paderewski prize in 1927 and the National Chamber Music prize for his trio for violin, bello and piano. Also he won the Conservatory Alumni Song Contest in 1930 for his work, "Give Me of Thy Delight." Mr. Humphrey served as director of the Fall River Choral Art Society from 1920 to 1924. He was organist of the Second Church in Newton from 1910 to 1916, three years at the Second Church in Concord and for over twenty years was organist at the Second Church in Boston, Beacon Street and Park Drive (1924-1947). From 1952 to 1956 he served as organist of the West Somerville Congregational Church.

Mr. Humphrey has been active in the Guild in Boston ever since its formation in 1905, in fact the early records state that he was present at the first public service of the Chapter held at Emmanuel Church, November 20, 1906. He served for two years as Sub-Dean under Mr. Whitford and was promoted to the deanship on September 1, 1939.

Some of the events held during his first year as Dean were:

Oct. 23, 1939 – Dinner and social at Second Church in Boston. Eulogy given to John O'Shea, former director of music in the Boston schools by past-Dean Walter J. Clemson. An address by Dr. Archibald T. Davison of Harvard who spoke of the recently establish Isham Library of organ music. He gave a history of its foundation through the generosity of Mr. Isham and that its original object had been the accumulation of music of the pre-Bach and Bach periods. Photostat copies of the earliest known music up to the point of the first publication were obtained, including source material of the Bach Passacaglia. The library has collected photostat of early choral music and added to its collection of organ music through the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries.

Nov. 29, 1939 - Service of Solemn Vespers and Benediction at the Church of the Holy Name, West Roxbury. Service conducted by the Rev. Fr. Edward F. Ryan, D.D. Liturgical music by Palestrina, McGrath, Lambilotte and Stewart as rendered by two choirs — a mixed group in the gallery and a Sanctuary choir in the ambulatory. The music was conducted by Francis J. Mahler, organist and choirmaster of the church, assisted by Theodore N. Marier, organist of St. Paul's Church, Cambridge.

The Prelude was played by Frederick Johnson – slow movement of the Symphony "Media Vita," by Ermend Bonnal. The Offertory was played by Raymond Robinson – "Adagio" from the 8<sup>th</sup> Symphony of Widor. The postlude was played by Dean Humphrey – "Komm, Heiliger Geist" of Bach.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee in December of this year, it was voted that Fr. Ryan be made an Honorary Associate of the Chapter in appreciation of his deep interest in the Guild and music of the Church and in consideration of his having donated the Wicks organ at the Church of the Holy Name.

Jan. 22, 1940 – Recital by George Faxon, organist and choirmaster, First Church in Belmont, at the Church of the Advent, Boston.

Jan. 29, 1940 - Annual Dinner at the Myles Standish Hotel. Speaker – the Rev. Vivian T. Pomeroy of Milton, who spoke sympathetically of the present relation between the clergy and the church musicians and offered constructive ideas for more close cooperation.

Feb. 19, 1940 – Festival of Mixed Choirs at Old South Church with these participants:

Arlington Street Church, Ellwood Gaskill, organist and choirmaster. Church of the Covenant, Henry R. Austin, organist and choirmaster. First Church in Boston, William E. Zeuch, organist and choirmaster. Old South Church, Dr. Carl McKinley, organist and choirmaster.

The Prelude was played by Lincoln Spiess of the Winchester Unitarian Society. The Offertory was played by Donald C. Gilley, A.A.G.O., of the Wesley Methodist Church, Worcester. The Postlude was played by Gardiner C. Evans of the Church of Our Saviour, Brookline.

Mar. 12, 1940 - Service of Evening Prayer at Trinity Church, Boston. These choirs participated:

Trinity Church, Dr. Francis Snow, organist and choirmaster.

Christ Church, Cambridge

Schola Cantorum of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston, Everett Titcomb, organist and choirmaster

The Prelude was played by Dr. Snow – "O Mensch bewein" of Bach. The Postlude was played by Edna D. Parks – "Fantasie in G Major" of Bach.

Apr. 24, 1940 – Festival of Five Choirs at Wesley Methodist Church, Worcester with these participants:

Central Congregation, Mabel Reed, director. First Unitarian, Clifford Fowler Green, A.A.G.O., director. Wesley Methodist, Donald C. Gilley, director. All Saints' Episcopal, William Self, director.

The Prelude was played by Dowell P. McNeill of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Hingham. The Offertory was played by Homer Whitford of First Church in Cambridge, Congregational. The Postlude was played by Francis J. Mahler of the Church of the Holy Name, West Roxbury.

Apr. 29, 1940 – Recital by G. Huntington Byles of Trinity, New Haven at the Memorial Church, Harvard University.

May 15, 1940 – Annual meeting at the Second Church in Boston. The speaker was Ernest M. Skinner. The Dean announced that the Isham Library at Harvard would be visited next year in conjunction with an

event to be given by the Harvard Choir. A Regional Convention in Portland, Maine was announced for August 20-21-22. Dr. Snow will play and Mr. Titcomb will give a paper.

Oct. 28, 1940 – First social of the season was held at the Second Church in Boston. Mr. Titcomb gave his paper on the liturgical music which he delivered to the organists at the Regional Convention in Portland.

Dec. ?, 1940 – Choral service at King's Chapel, Boston, by the choir of this church under the direction of Raymond C. Robinson, past-Dean (1930-1933). Motets of the 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century were used.

The Prelude -1<sup>st</sup> movement of the "Symphony of the Mystic Lamb" by Maleingreau was played by Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O.

The Offertory – "Prière" of Jongen was played by Harold F. Schwab, A.A.G.O.

The Postlude – "Dorian Toccata" by Bach was played by Walter Branne of the Mystic Congregational Church, Medford.

Jan. 20, 1941 – the 198<sup>th</sup> Chapter Recital by E. Power Biggs at the First Church in Boston. "the recital was an exhibition of perfect clarity, fine taste in rendition and color painting throughout. It was certainly one of the greatest recitals this writer has ever attended." Mr. Biggs used selections by Handel, Bach, d'Aquin, S.S. Wesley, Farnam, Sowerby, Dupré and Reubke.

Feb. 3, 1941 – Annual dinner at the Myles Standish Hotel. Speaker was Orin Skinner of the Connick Studio who gave an extremely erudite and interesting talk on the making of stained glass. In his lecture he used colored slides which showed many of the great and historical windows in Europe as well as examples of Mr. Connick's work in America. "...He carried us from the period when stained glass was at its greatest height in the accomplishment though the period of lowest decadence and to the present point where the work of great artists is equal to or approximating the output of the earliest masters." Announcement was made of the passing pf past-Dean John P. Marshall (1926-1930) and Dean of the College of Music of Boston University.

Mar. 18, 1941 – Service of Vespers and Benediction at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Harrison Avenue, Boston. The choir was under the direction Leonard S. Whalen, organist and choirmaster.

The Preludes were played by Mark S. Dick and Francis J. Mahler.

The Offertory was played by Francis W. Snow.

The Postlude was played by Homer C. Humphrey

Apr. 23, 1941 – 199<sup>th</sup> Organ Recital by Dr. Carl K. McKinley at Old South Church.

May 7, 1941 – 150<sup>th</sup> Public Service at Trinity Church, Boston. Two-choir Festival with the choirs of Emmanuel Church and Trinity. Program included two 16<sup>th</sup>-century compositions and the rest from Victorian anthems through contemporary English, Russian and American schools.

The Prelude was play be George R. Hunsche, assist organist of Emmanuel Church – "St. Anne Fugue" of Bach. The Postlude was played by Dr. Snow – "Fantasie in G Major" of Bach.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> Minutes of the Secretary (Gardner C. Evans) of Jan. 20, 1941

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May 19, 1941 – Service at First Lutheran Church, Worcester. Joint Festival with Gloria Dei Lutheran Church of Providence, Rhode Island. Anthem from contemporary American, English, Russian, pre-Bach to Bach.

The Prelude was played by Richard Klausli of Union Church, Boston.

The Offertory was play by Clarence Helsing of Providence.

The Postlude was play be Donald C. Gilley or Wesley Methodist Church, Worcester.

The 1941 – 1942 was an extremely busy one for the Chapter. Under Mr. Humphrey's deanship, 13 services were held at 12 churches; 6 recitals at 5 churches; 32 participants at services and 10 speakers at meetings – undoubtedly a record.

At the first social in October, 1941, Harris Shaw reported on the Washington Convention. Wesley Day resigned from the Executive Committee to go to St. Andrew's Church, New Orleans. Dr. Cole, new minister of the Second Church reviewed the book "Heritage of America" by Comminger and Nevin. At the November social at Arlington Street Church, Dr. Werner Mueller of Harvard Medical School spoke to the group on the subject of "hearing." He covered the field of the anatomy of the ear and demonstrated with pitch pipes, tuning forks and resonators. The annual dinner in January saw Dr. George H. Edgell, director of the Museum of Fine Arts, give an illustrated talk on "Masterpieces in the Museum." He showed art objects from all periods: Egyptian, Roman, Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, American.

Some of the programs given during 1941 – 1942 included a Festival Service at Eliot Church, Newton, by the choirs of Trinity Church, Newton, Leland A. Arnold, organist and choirmaster; Eliot Church, Newton, Earl Weidner, A.A.G.O., organist and directory; and the Second Church in Newton (Congregational), West Newton, William Lester Bates, organist and director. The Prelude was played by Marjorie Marshall of St. Anne's Church, Lowell and the Postlude by John F. Cartwright of the First Congregational Church, New Bedford.

The outstanding event of the season was the memorable recital of joseph Bonnet, eminent French organist, at the Church of the Advent, Boston, on January 28, 1942. His program was given to a packed church, a large array of sponsors having contributed to making the recital possible. His program was well varied and contained a representative selection of all periods of organ composition. The complete program is here listed:

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#### Church of the Advent

Brimmer Street, Boston

Rev. WHITNEY HALE, D.D., Rector

Wednesday Evening, January 28, 1942

at 8.15 o'eleek

#### Program

Old French Masters

LOUIS COUPERIN (1526?-1661)

Nicolas de Grigny (1671-1703)

Récit de tierce en taille

Francois Couperin

Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux de la Messe solenelle des Paroisses

(1685-1750)

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH Two Preludes on "Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier"

a. Four part harmonization of the

b. Canon at the Fifth (five parts) for

three Manuals and Pedal

Passacaglia et Thema Fugatum

JOSEPH BONNET

Poëmes d' automne

a. Lied des Chrysanthèmes

b. Matin provençale

c. Poëme du Soir

JEHAN ALAIN

Litanies

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JEHAN ALAIN JEHAN ALAIN

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SETH BINGHAM

Choral (St. Flavian)

Bells of Riverside

ALEXANDRE GUILMANT

Noël languedoeien

CHARLES-MARIE WIDOR

Allegro cantabile (Symphonie  $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ )

CÉSAR FRANCK

Choral in A minor (no. 3)

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An interesting recital featuring the works of Chapter members was given at Emmanuel Church, Boston, on March 2, 1942, by George R. Hunsche, assistant organist at Emmanuel and organist-director at Central Congregational Church, Jamaica Plain. He played several numbers from Ms., including these three selections:

Elevation – Gardner Evans Stabat mater – Edward Jenkins Canzone – Homer Humphrey Scherzo – Everett Titcomb (recently published)

A Festival Service was held at the Church of the Covenant on April 29, 1942 featuring the choirs of that church, Arlington Street Church and Harvard Church, Brookline. Music was by Byrd, Thompson, Williams. The Prelude was played by Raymond Robinson, the Offertory by Velma L. Harden and the Postlude by Elwood Gaskill.

Due to the new rules instituted at Headquarters the annual meeting of 1942 saw for the first time a surplus of candidates for membership on the Executive Committee. There were five nominated with three to be elected. Those elected were E. Power Biggs, George R. Hunshe and Richard Klausli. Mr. Hunsche entered the service of his country in the fall of 1942, and Mr. Klausli moved to Rhode Island, the vacancies created thereby were filled by the election of the two unsuccessful candidates at the annual meeting in May: Miss Velma L. Harden and Mrs. Eleanor Packard Jackson. Dean Humphrey retired after three years in office in May 1942.



## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

## One Hundred Forty-fourth Public Service

Church of the Holy Name, West Roxbury

The Reverend EDWARD F. RYAN, D. D., Pastor

Assistants
REV. JOSEPH A. QUIGLEY REV. CHARLES RILEY
REV. CHARLES BRYSON REV. EDWARD DESMOND

Manday Evening, November 20, 1939, at 8.15 o'clock

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE: Assez lent (Symphony "Media Vita") Ermend Bonnal

ANTHEMS: O Bone Jesu Palestrina GLORIA (Missa Pontificalis) McGrath

THE MIXED CHOIR

OFFERTORY: Adagio (Symphony VIII) Widor

PROCESSIONAL: Praise to the Holiest Edmonds Tozer

ANTHEMS: Panis Angelicus Lambilotte

> SANCTUS (Mass in D minor) H. J. Stewart THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

SOLEMN VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Komm Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott J. S. Bach

The Congregation is requested to remain seated during the Postlude.

The Prelude is played by FREDERICK JOHNSON, F. A. G. O., Organist, The Church of the Advent, Boston.

The Offertory is played by RAYMOND C. ROBINSON, Mus. Bac., F. A. G. O., Organist, King's Chapel, Boston.

The Postlude is played by HOMER HUMPHREY, Organist, The Second Church in Boston.

The Service is played by Francis J. Mahler, Organist and Choirmaster of the Church of the Holy Name, assisted by Theodork Marier, Organist of St. Paul's R. C. Church, Cambridge.

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# American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter One Hundred Ninety-sixth Organ Recital

GEORGE FAXON, F. T. C. L.

Organist and Choirmaster of the First Church in Belmont

Church of the Advent, Brimmer St., Boston The Reverend WHITNEY HALE, Rector

Monday Evening, January 22, 1940, at 8.15 o'clock

PRELUDE AND FUGUE in C major Georg Bohm ADVENT-HYMNUS Michael Praetorius VIVACE (Sonata II) J. S. Bach CHORAL FANTASIA, "How brightly shines the Morning Star" Dietrich Buxtehude CHORAL PRELUDE, "Deck thyself, my soul" Johannes Brahms SONATA EROICA Joseph Jongen NOCTURNE Homer Humphrey FANTASY FOR FLUTE STOPS Leo Sowerby Two Short Pieces Percy Whitlock Pastorale Scherzo VARIATIONS ON A NOEL Marcel Dupre

Note: The offering is taken to defray the expenses of the recital.

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## 1940 Mar 12 One Hundred Forty-sixth Public Service



## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

#### One Hundred Forty-sixth Public Service

Trinity Church, Boston Rev. ARTHUR LEE KINSOLVING, D. D., Rector

Tuesday Evening, March 12, 1940, at 8.15 o'clock

The Choir of Trinity Church, Francis Snow, Choirmaster
The Choir of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston
and the Evening-Choir of Churst Church, Cambridge
Everett Titcomb, Director

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL: O Mensch, bewein'dein Sünde gross

Bach

Gregorio Allegri (The Faux-Bourdons sung by Trinity Church Choir) (The words may be found at Page 403 in the Prayer Book)

CHORAL EVENSONG

PSALM 111 (Prayer Book, Page 482)

Gregorian

MAGNIFICAT (Prayer Book, Page 26)

(The Faux-Bourdons sung by St. John's and Christ Church Choirs)

AFTER THE THIRD COLLECT

MOTET (First time)

THY WORD is a lantern unto my feet and a Light unto my paths. RESPONSORIUM Tomas Luis Victoria (From the Office of Tenebrae) (1585-1611)

O VOS omnes, qui transitis per viam, attendite et videte: Si est dolor similis sicut dolor meus. Attendite, universi populi, et videte dolorem meum.

of ALL ye that pass by, behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unio my sorrow. Behold, all ye people, and see my sorrow.

MOTET: O Gladsome Light (ST. JOHN'S AND CHRIST CHURCH CHOIRS)

Archangelsky

PRAYERS (read)

MOTETS

Before the Ending of the Day

O Lord Increase my Faith

I will not Leave you Comfortless

Give Peace in our Time (TRINITY CHURCH CHOIR)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

REJOICE IN THE LORD (The "Bell Anthem")

Henry Purcell

(Sung by the combined Choirs)

THE DOXOLOGY

RECESSIONAL: FANTASIE IN G

Bach

The congregation is requested to remain seated during Postlude.

The Processional is played by Dr. Snow, the Recessional by MISS EDNA PARKS, Organist and Choirmaster, Christ Church, Quincy. Assisting during the service, Mr. George Faxon, Organist.

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# American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

One Hundred Ninety-seventh Organ Recital

#### G. HUNTINGTON BYLES, Mus. Bac.

Organist and Choirmaster of Trinity Church in New Haven, Conn.

at

# The Memorial Church

HARVARD UNIVERSITY, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

Monday Evening, April 29, 1940, at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

J. S. BACH - PRELUDE AND FUGUE in C minor

HANDEL - MINUETTO FROM CONCERTO II

FRANCK - CHORAL IN E

DUPRÉ - SPINNING SONG FROM SUITE BRETONNE

VIERNE - FIFTH SYMPHONY

IV Larghetto

V Final

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## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter One Hundred Ninety-eighth Recital

E. POWER BIGGS

Mirst Church in Boston Berkeley and Marlborough Streets

REV. CHARLES E. PARK, D. D., Minister WILLIAM E. ZEUCH, Organist and Choirmaster

Monday Evening, January 20, 1941, at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

George Frederick Handel

Concerto No. 2 in B Flat

A tempo ordinario e staccato-Allegro Recitative—Allegro Moderato

In organ literature there are few works so splendidly vigorous and attractive as the concertos of George Frederick Handel, which he wrote and performed for the London public during the first half of the 18th century. Designed to be played with orchestra, Handel treats the sold instrument with fine orchestral verve and effectiveness. For this occasion the work is arranged for organ solo.

Johann Sebastian Bach

Sheep May Safely Graze A beautifully expressive little piece of tone painting with a recurring melodic figure suggesteep bells, arranged from the "Birthday Cantata."

D'Aquin was Organist to King Louis XIV, and at St. Antoine in Paris. This Noel with Variations is from a collection published in 1735. Louis Claude D'Aquin

Sonata in C Minor-"The 94th Psalm" Iulius Reubke The composer was a favorite pupil of Franz Lizzt. Born in 1834 he lived only 23 years, yet produced one of the greatest works in the repertoire of the organ. Composed on the lines of Lizzt's "Tone Poems" and based on the drama of the 94th Psalm, the three movements comprising the sonata are played without break, and the music is unequalled for its sustained level of power and

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, son of the foremost English organist of his time, was in his turn a distinguished composer and organist. He was born in London in 1810, and held many important posts, such as organist of Hereford, Exeter, Winchester and Gloucester Cathedrals. Air and Gavotte

Lynnwood Farnam

Toccata on "O Filii et Filiae"

A Fantasy for the Flutes A painting in the Japanese style was the inspiration of this unique and imaginative music, in which the composer has caught exactly the fanciful conception of the artist.

Variations on an Old Christmas Melody Marcel Dupré Ten variations in modern style, with extremely clever use of canonic and imitative device, on the traditional melody, heard first in he soprano.

#### VICTOR RECORDS

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## 1941 Mar 18 One Hundred Forty-ninth Public Service



## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

### One Hundred Forty-ninth Public Service

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Buston Very Reverend Francis L. Archdeacon, S.J., Rector

Officiating Clergy

Celebrant: Rev. ROBERT E. SHERIDAN, S.J. Deacon: Rev. John W. KELLEY, S.J. Subdeacon: Rev. PHILIP MORIARTY, S.J.

Master of Ceremonies: Rev. Gerard W. Bowman, S.J.

Tuenday Evening, March 18, 1941, at 7.45 o'clock

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL: "Brightly Gleams Our Banner" . . . Haydn LITURGICAL CHOIR

b) Chorale Preludes:

Jesu, meine Freude
Valet will ich dir geben

PRANCIS I MAHLER

FRANCIS J. MAHLER Organist and Choirmaster, Church of The Holy Name, West Roxbury

MOTETTE: "O Sanctissima" . . . . . . Greiti

LITURGICAL CHOIR Soprano Soloist—Master Edward Rhilinger

WELCOME to the A. G. O. by the Rector,

Very Rev. Francis L. Archdeacon, S.J.

Dr. FRANCIS W. SNOW Organist and Choirmaster, Trinity Church in Boston

#### Solemn Bespers und Benediction

Cantors: Messrs. Charles Tobin, James Powers, John Mahoney

ANTIPHONS AND PSALMS . . . . Plain Chant

HYMN: "Ave Maris Stella" . . . Old Melody

MAGNIFICAT . . . Plain-Chant and Falso-Bordone

ANTIPHON OF OUR LADY: "Ave Regina" . . . Plain Chant

Tantum Ergo, Number One, for T. B. B. . Pietro Yon
Organ Accompaninent played by
Mr. WILLIAM K. RUTLEDGE

Adoremus and Laudate Dominum . . . Plain Chant

POSTLUDE: Salve Regina (Symphonie II) . Ch.-M. Widor
HOMER HUMPHREY

Organist and Choirmaster, The Second Church in Boston

RECESSIONAL: "Hail, Holy Queen Enthroned Above"

A. Edmonds Tozer

The Service is played and conducted by LEONARD S. WHALEN, A.M., Choirmaster and Organist of the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

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# American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

# One Hundred Ninety-ninth Organ Recital

CARL McKINLEY, Mus. D., A. A. G. O.

Organist of the Old South Church

## Old South Church in Boston Copley Square

RUSSELL HENRY STAFFORD, D. D., Minister

Wednesday Evening, April 23, 1941, at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

TOCCATA AND FUGUE IN D, Op. 59
ARIA SERIOSA, Op. 86
ANDANTE, from the Fourth Trio Sonata
SONATA I

Max Reger
Sigfrid Karg-Elert
J. S. Bach
Paul Hindemith

- I Mässig schnell-Lebhaft
- II Sehr langsam-Phantasie, frei-Ruhig bewegt

GRANDE PIÈCE SYMPHONIQUE

César Franck

Andantino serioso—Allegro non troppo e maestoso Andante—Allegro—Andante Allegro non troppo e maestoso

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## 1941 May 7 One Hundred Fiftieth Public Service



## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

## One Hundred Fiftieth Public Service

Trinity Church Boston, Mass.

Rev. OLIVER J. HART, D. D., Rector

#### TWO CHOIR FESTIVAL

Choir of Emmanuel Church, Boston DR. THOMPSON STONE

Choir of Trinity Church, Boston

Wednesday Evening, May 7, 1941, at 8.00 P. M.

ORDER OF SERVICE

EMMANUEL CHOIR

PRELUDE: Fugue in E flat

Bach

HYMN: 445 SENTENCES

ANTHEMS

O For a closer walk

Roberton

Open our Eyes Easter Song

MacFarlane Pluddermann

Kopolyotf

Roberton ByrdeVittoria

Brewer

LESSON

MOTETS

Alleluia! Christ is Risen All in the April Evening Looke downe, O Lord

Ave Maria

TRINITY CHOIR

COLLECTS AND GRACE

AT THE OFFERTORY

I was Glad

BOTH CHOIRS

Doxology

ANTHEMS

Our Master hath a Garden

To Thee, O Lord Cherubim Song

EMMANUEL CHOIR Gretchaninoff

Clokey Rachmaninoff

BENEDICTION God be in my Head

Davies

Hymn, 509

POSTLUDE: Fantasie in G

Bach

The congregation is requested to remain seated during the Postlude.

The Prelude is played by GEORGE HUNSCHE, Mus. M. Assistant Organist of

The Postlude is played by Dr. Francis Snow, Mus. D., Organist and Choirmaster of Trinity Church.

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## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

#### Perkins Institution for the Blind

DR. GABRIEL FARRELL, Director

#### CONCERT OF CHRISTMAS CAROLS

given by

THE CHOIRS OF THE INSTITUTION

Under the direction of John F. Hartwell and Eleanor W. Thayer

Marjorie A. Johnston, Organist

for

MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER A. G. O.

DWIGHT HALL
Perkins Institution, Watertown

Wednesday Evening, Becember 10, 1941, at 8.00 o'clock

Organ Prelude: "Ave Maria" from "Cathedral Windows"
EDWARD W. JENKINS Karg-Elert
Anthem: "Praise" Alec Rowley
"What is this Scent?" Arr. by L. Woodgate
Carol for Children: "Cornish Bells" T. T. Noble
"Jesu, Thou Dear Babe Divine" Arr. by C. Dickinson
Alto Solo: "The Christ Child"
Children: "Everywhere, Christmas To-night" E. Nevin
"Shepherd's Christmas Song" Reimann-Dickinson
"The Kings"
"In Excelsis Gloria" W. Cooke
Children: "The Shepherd's Madrigal" Kreisler-Baldwin
"Ring Out, Wild Bells" P. E. Fletcher
"O Filii et Filiae" V. Leisring
Girls' Choir: "And Lo, the Star" B. Loveland
Baritone Solo: "O Holy Night"
Carols with descants: "I Saw Three Ships" Arr. by F. Johnson "Good King Wenceslas"
"Come, Ye Gentles" E. C. Bairstow
Christmas Recessional: "Rex Gloriae" S. R. Gaines WAYNE MOODY, Reader
Organ Postlude: Allegro con Brio from Sonata IV . Mendelssohn

PHILLIP SMALL

Your presence at the Concert of Christmas Carols at Perkins Institution is carnestly requested. This Program is complimentary to Members and their Guests, the general Public not being admitted. The high degree of excellence of these Choirs is well known to us all, and their Annual Carol Concerts have come to be a recognized feature of the Christmas Season in Boston. Members are urged to bring Guests with them. Let us show our appreciation of the courtesy thus extended by a very general attendance.

Perkins Institution is situated at No. 175 North Beacon Street, Watertown. It is best reached by trolley by the Watertown car from Harvard Square to Watertown Square; thence walk or taxi on Riverside Street to the School. Care should be observed to take Riverside Street and not Charles River Way. Or from Central Square, Cambridge take a Watertown car, leaving the car at Beechwood Avenue, thence a short walk to the School. The Institution is also easily reached by automobile.



## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

## One Hundred Fifty-fourth Public Service

The Church of St. John the Evangelist Bowdoin Street, Boston

The Rev. Granville Mercer Williams, Superior, S.S.J.E., Rector

## Service for the Feast of the Annunciation, B.V.M.

Wednesday Evening, March 25, 1942, at 8 o'clock

	Name and Address of the Control of t	
ORGAN PRELUDE:	ORDER OF SERVICE Prelude	The state of the s
	ESSED VIRGIN MARY (Loretto) entary Hymnal No. 929)  Jan Defossa (1603)	
ANTIPHON - Ave	Regina caelorum William Byrd (1543–1623)	
MOTET - Ave Mar	ria Tomas Luis de Victoria (1535–1611)	
	rn, we bow before Thee . L. Bourgeois (1543) Hymnal, No. 640)	
ADDRESS-	By the Father Rector	
OFFERTORY MOTET-	—Thy word is a lantern unto my feet Francis W. Snow	
	At Benediction	
O SALUTARIS (Eng	dish Hymnal, 330, Part 2) . Gardner Evans	
Momen O anom a	Pagast Titomb	

Organ Postlude—First Movement of the Sonata, op. 98
(on the MAGNIFICAT)

Rheinberger (1839-1901)

The Congregation is requested to remain seated during the Postlude

Note: The offering is taken to defray the expenses of the Service

The Service is sung by St. John's Schola Cantorum, Everett Titcomb,
Director.

The Prelude is played by Dr. Francis W. Snow, Organist and Choirmaster, Trinity Church in Boston.

The Postlude is played by HOMER HUMPHREY, Organist and Choirmaster of The Second Church in Boston.

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# Chapter XIV: The Deanship of William Belknap Burbank (1942-1944)

William Belknap Burbank, a modest, self-effacing man who was greatly beloved by all who knew him, became Dean of the Massachusetts Chapter on September 1, 1942. He brought to his duties a background of solid musicianship. He was both a church musician and educator. For twenty-five years he had been supervisor of music in the schools of the town of Brookline and for a long period served as organist and choirmaster of St. Paul's Church there. His untimely passing, so soon after the death of this lovely wife, in June 1944, came shortly after his announced retirement as Dean of the Chapter and was a great shock to his host of friends.

At the first social of the 1942-1943 season, Dean Burbank showed movies he and Mrs. Burbank had taken of a trip throughout the country the summer previous. The December social brought an address by Edward Gammons of Groton School on the history of organ-building. At the annual dinner in January, Wallace Goodrich gave a talk about the Boston Opera Company and stressed the necessity of small American opera companies. He spoke of the large part the Conservatory had in opera in Boston and of the work of Eben D. Jordan. He deplored the need of having foreign conductors, but stated that until our men had ten to twenty years' experience it would be impossible to change conditions. At the annual meeting on May24, 1943 the speaker was Ernest M. Skinner who was presented with an embossed certificate of honorary membership in the Chapter.

Numerous festival services were held during 1942-1943, among them a Service of Evening Prayer at the Church of Our Saviour, Brookline, in November, with the combined choirs of St. Paul's, Brooking, William B. Burbank, organ and choirmaster; All Saint's, Brookline, Rowland W. Halfpenny, organist and choirmaster; and the Church of the Redeemer, Chestnut Hill, Richard G. Appel, organist and choirmaster, with the choirs conducted by Mr. Burbank. The service was played by Gardner Evans, organist of the host church, with the prelude by Mr. Appel and the postlude by Mr. Halfpenny. The 158<sup>th</sup> Public Service was held at Trinity, Boston, on February 15, 1943 and the Secretary notes that the temperature was "14 below zero." The choir was augmented by the choir of St. Anne's, Lowell. The 159<sup>th</sup> Service was held at Wollaston Congregational Church, Quincy with the choirs under the direction of Edward B. Whittredge, F.A.G.O., organist and director. The prelude was played by Eleanor K. Bowering of the Wellesley Congregational Church and the postlude by John Hermann Loud of Park Street Church, Boston. Only one recitalist was heard this season: William E. Zeuch at First Church on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Announcement was made of the death of the first Dean of the Chapter, George A. Burdett, A.G.O. Mr. Evans, the Secretary, says in his minutes: "Mr. Burdett was not only a founder of the Guild, but one of the committee of three with S. B. Whitney and Henry M. Dunham appointed from Headquarters in New York to arrange illustrative services before New England had a chapter. He was appointed later to organize and to be Dean of the New England Chapter." 54

There were eight events held this season, three recitals, two services and three socials. The effect of wartime abstinence plus gas rationing was felt in these times.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> Minutes of Executive Meeting, April 5, 1943.

E. Power Biggs gave a recital at the Harvard Church in Brookline on October 18<sup>th</sup>. George Wald of First Presbyterian, Utica, New York played at the Church of the Covenant on March 20<sup>th</sup> "...to avoid bad weather, so the worst blizzard of the year came that day," according to Dean Burbank.<sup>55</sup>

At the first social meeting at Pilgrim Congregational Church, Central Square Cambridge, an informal talk by four organists on their duties at their respective churches was given:

Ernest E. Hardy, All Saints', Belmont William K. Provine, North Congregational, Cambridge Elmer G. Westlund, Swedish Evangelical, Cambridge Leonard S. Whalen, Immaculate Conception, Boston

An interesting paper was given by Dr. Rupert A. Chittick, senior physician at McLean Hospital, Waverly on "Music Therapy for Mental Disorders."

The choir of St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston presented Franck's "Mass in A" with Ludwigh Theis, new organist and choirmaster conducting, November 1, 1943. At the annual dinner on January 24, 1944 at the Second Church in Boston, the speaker was Dr. T. Tertius Noble of St. Thomas Church, New York.

His sermonette was delightfully informal and humorous and was principally concerned with his personal contact with church music from his boyhood days to his recent retirement. His years of service at Ely Cathedral and York Cathedral were recounted with much color and interesting detail. He concluded with a brief talk on the choir school at St. Thomas' Church, New York, its beginnings and accomplishments and its influence in the lives of the boys. <sup>56</sup>

At the annual meeting at Harvard Church, Brookline on May 22, 1944, Sub-Dean Harris Shaw was introduced following his election as the new Dean. The speaker of the evening was George E. Judd, manager of the Boston Symphony Orchestra who gave a history of the orchestra and traced the background of his work with the personnel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> Report of the Dean, May 22, 1944.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> Minutes of the Secretary (Margaret Reade Martin), Jan. 24, 1944.

## 1942 Nov 9 One Hundred Fifty-seventh Public Service



# American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

## One Hundred Fifty-seventh Public Service

St. Baul's Church in Brookline

ASPINWALL AVENUE AND ST. PAUL STREET

Monday Evening, November 9, 1942, at 8.15 o'clock

#### FESTIVAL SERVICE

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
Rev. Harold Bend Sedgwick, Rector
Mr. Rowland Halffenny, Organist and Choirmaster

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR
Rev. HENRY MCF. B. OGLBY, Rector
Mr. GARDNER EVANS, Organist and Choirmaster

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
Rev. Cornelius P. Trowbridge, Rector
Mr. Richard Appel, Organist and Choirmaster

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH
Rev. Frederic C. Lawrence, Rector
Rev. Francis A. Caswell, Assisting
Mr. WILLIAM BURBANK, Organiet and Choirmaster

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE: Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (Arr. by R. G. A.) Bach

With All My Heart

Stabat Mater

Winfred Douglas

PROCESSIONAL: Hymn 433, "Once to Every Man and Nation"

Welsh

Bach

CHORALE: Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee

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VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

PSALM 111

FIRST LESSON

MAGNIFICAT, Tone VIII with Fauxbourdons

Titcomb

SECOND LESSON

NUNC DIMITTIS, Tone III with Fauxbourdons

Titcomb

CREED AND PRAYERS

AFTER THE THIRD COLLECT:

O God, Thy Goodness Reacheth Far

Beethoven Arr. by Gardner Evans

OFFERTORY: How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place

ace Brahms

Send Forth Thy Spirit Praise to the Lord

Schuetky
Stralsund Gesängbuch, 1665

Arr. by Herbert Sanders

PRAYERS

HYMN 436: "O God of Love, O King of Peace"

"Hesperus"

BENEDICTION

AMEN

RECESSIONAL: Hymn 430, "God of Our Fathers"

Warren

POSTLUDE: Toccata

Gigout

(The congregation is requested to remain seated during the Postlude)

The service is conducted by Mr. Burbank. The Prelude is played by Mr. Appel; the service music is played by Mr. Evans; the Postlude is played by Mr. Halffenny.

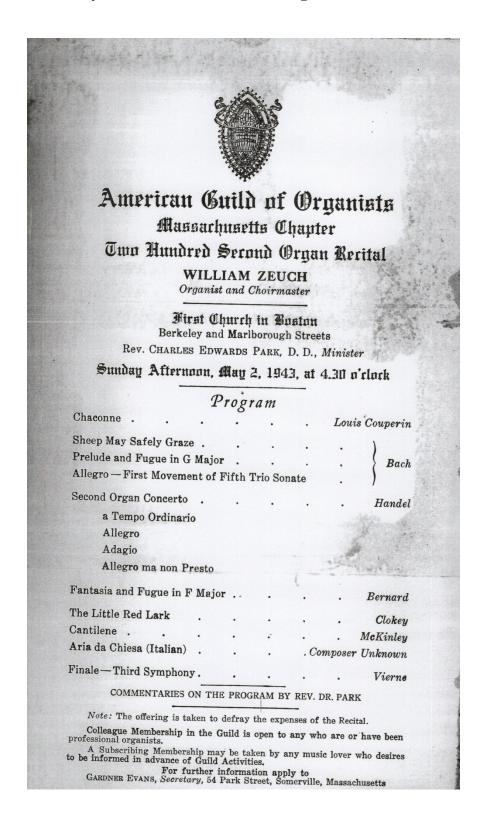
Rev. Dr. Lawrence is in charge of the service. The Lessons are read by Rev. Mr. Sedgwick and Rev. Mr. Ogilby. Evening Prayer is by Rev. Mr. Caswell. Benediction by Rev. Mr. Trowberidge.

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## 1943 May 17 One Hundred Sixtieth Public Service

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#### COMING EVENTS OF THE CHAPTER

The Two Hundred Second Organ Recital, to be played by Mr. William Zeuch, on Sunday afternoon, May 23, at 4.30, at First Church in Boston, Berkeley and Marlborough Streets.

The Annual Meeting and Election of Officers, on Monday evening, May 24, 8.00 o'clock, at First Baptist Church, Clarendon Street and Commonwealth Avenue, Boston. Mr. Ernest M. Skinner will be the speaker. Music and refreshments.

### AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER

WILLIAM B. BURBANK

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## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

#### One Hundred Sixtieth Bublic Service

SWEDISH EVANGELICAL MISSION CHURCH Beech and Orchard Streets CAMBRIDGE

Rev. AARON MARKUSON, Pastor

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE Given by the Choir of the Church ELMER G. WESTLUND Organist and Director

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 17, 1943, AT 8 O'CLOCK

#### Order of Service

ORGAN: Prelude and Fugue in G Major

I. S. Bach

LUDWIG THEIS

Organist and Choirmaster, St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: No. 59-Christ is made the sure foundation

INVOCATION

Praise ye the Lord above

Saint-Saens

We adore Thee

Palestrina

O Lord most holy

Franck

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 96

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah

Hastings

Christ in the temple

Christiansen

Bethlehem

Glatz Folksong, arr. by Davison

MEDITATION: The Harmony of the Soul-Psalm 103:1

Alleluia! Come good people

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

Alleluia

Joy fills the morning

OFFERING

Lamb of God

Söderman-Christiansen

Sangen om Jesus

Skoog

Psalm 117

Wennerberg

Davis

Davies

Dickey

Lotti

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: No. 23-O God, our help in ages past

BENEDICTION

ORGAN: Allegro con brio

Gigout

CLARENCE W. HELSING, Mus. B. Organist and Choirmaster, Gloria Dei Church, Providence, R. I. Chaplain's Assistant, U.S.N.R.

(The congregation is requested to remain seated during the playing of the postlude.)

The service is played and conducted by Mr. Westlund.

Note: The offering is taken to defray the expenses of the Service.

## 1943 Oct 18 Two Hundred Third Organ Recital



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Two Hundred Third Organ Recital

### E. POWER BIGGS

Organist and Choir Director

### Harvard Church

Harvard Street, Brookline Rev. Ashley Day Leavitt, D.D., Minister

## Monday Evening, October 18, 1943, at 8.15 o'clock

#### PROGRAM

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH Toccata in F major

Three Chorale Preludes:

A Mighty Fortress is Our God Have mercy on me, O Lord God All Glory be to God on High

Two Arrangements from the Cantatas:
Sheep may safely graze
God's time is the best time

Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor

CESAR FRANCK

Prelude, Fugue and Variation

Heroic Piece

JEHAN ALAIN

Litanies

MARCEL DUPRE

Variations on a Noel

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## 1944 May 2 One Hundred Sixty-second Public Service



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#### One Gundred Sixty-second Public Service

#### Church of the Immaculate Conception

761 HARRISON AVENUE, BOSTON

Very Reverend ROBERT A. HEWITT, S.J., Rector

OFFICIATING CLERGY
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Deacon: Rev. Joseph L. Murrany, S.J.
Subdeacon: Rev. Stephen A. Shea, S.J.
Master of Ceremonies: Rev. Thomas J. Kelly, S.J.

#### Tuesday Evening, May 2, 1944, at 8:00 o'clock

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL: "Concordi Laetitia"

Plain Chant

ORGAN: Improvisation on Gregorian Theme

"Cibavit Eos" Eve

HARRIS S. SHAW, A. A. G. O.

Organist and Choirmaster, Grace Church, Salem Everett Titcomb

MOTETTE: "Veni Domine"

ORGAN: "Salve Regina"

Pietro Yon

LITURGICAL CHOIR
Soprano Soloist—Master John Desaulnier

WELCOME TO THE A. G. O. BY THE RECTOR Very Rev. ROBERT A. HEWITT, S.J.

Pieter Cornet (1562-1626)

LUDWIG THEIS

Organist and Choirmaster, St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston

OVER

#### Compline and Salemn Benediction

Cantors: Messis. Charles Tobin, William Gaffney, Joseph Murphy, G. Porter Brown

ANTIPHONS AND PSALMS

Plain Chant.

HYMN, "Te Lucis ante Terminum"

Severus Gastorius (— d. 1678)

CANTICLE OF SIMEON, "Nunc Dimittis" ANTIPHON OF OUR LADY, "Regina Coeli"

Plain Chant

Holling

Felice Anerio

TANTUM ERGO LAUDATE DOMINUM

L. Viadana (1564-1627)

150th PSALM

Cesar Franck Bach

ORGAN: Prelude and Fugue in E minor (Wedge) JOHN HERMANN LOUD, F. A. G. O. Organist and Choirmaster, Park Street Church, Boston

RECESSIONAL, "Praise to the Holiest"

A. Edmonds Tozer

The Service is played and conducted by LEONARD S. WHALEN, A.M., Choirmaster and Organist of the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Note: The offering is taken to defray the expenses of the Service

This Service commemorates the 80th anniversary of the inaugural recital on the organ at the Immaculate, which occurred four months after the opening of the famous Walcker organ of the old Boston Music Hall. Both instruments marked the greatest advance in organ construction in this country at that time.

The Immaculate organ is a Hook and Hastings, renowned for the beauty of its stops, and the completeness of its registration, there being no borrowing, duplicating or unification. Built in 1863, it was enlarged from three to four manuals in 1893 and electrified in 1902.

Dr. WILCOx, the first organist, and Mr. George E. Whiting, were two of the many notable musicians who have presided at this superb instrument.

COMING EVENT IN THE CHAPTER

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 22, Annual Meeting at Harvard Church, Brookline. S. Whalen; Church of the Immaculate Conception, Boston.

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## Chapter XV: The Deanship of Harris Stackpole Shaw (1944-1947)

Harris Shaw was born at Thomaston, Maine in December 1883. He was educated in the local schools and began playing the organ at age 12. In his boyhood he was the accompanist and organist for the Maine Festival Chorus. In 1903 he moved to Boston to make a career, studying music and supporting himself. For a number of years he accompanied Max Heinrich, Stephen Townsend, Willard Flint and several of the Boston Symphony Orchestra soloists. He studied piano with Carl Baermann and Edward Bowman in Boston and later with Leopold Godowski in New York. His organ teachers were Wallace Goodrich and Everett Truette and in Europe he did work with Widor in Paris and Alfred Hollins in Edinburgh. His theoretical work was largely with George Chadwick, Loeffler and Louis Elson. His close association with Emil Mollenhauer in his study of conducting is one of his prized memories.

Mr. Shaw's official positions have been so many that it must suffice to enumerate only a few in these pages. He served as head of the piano and organ department at the University of New Hampshire for three years; as organist and choirmaster at the Universalist Church in Boston for fifteen years; at Harvard Church, Brookline for four years, and since 1923 he has been organist and choirmaster at Grace Episcopal Church, Salem. He was music director at the Harvard Summer School in 1914-1915; director of music at Middlebury College, Vermont in 1917-1918; past-president of the Music Manuscript Club of Boston; past-president of the Pianoforte Teachers' Society of Boston 1933-1940; past-president, New England Choir Directors' Guild 1940-1942; and Sub-Dean of the Massachusetts Chapter of the A.G.O. under Dean Burbank 1942-1944. Mr. Shaw succeeded Mr. Burbank upon the latter's death in June 1944, having been elected at the annual meeting on May 22<sup>nd</sup> for the term beginning September 1<sup>st</sup>. Dean Shaw served for three memorable years from 1944 to 1947. It was this writer's privilege to serve on the Executive Committee the final year of Mr. Shaw's deanship and he came to know the geniality and hospitable friendliness of the leader of the chapter. The Spring Festival sponsored by the Chapter in April 1947 was the high point of the season and a fitting climax to Dean Shaw's three years' tenure.

The first event of the 1944-1945 season was a recital by Catherine Crozier of Rochester, New York at the First Church in Boston on October 9, 1944. She played selections by Karg-Elert, Bach, Hindemith, Vierne, Simonds, Bennett and Leo Sowerby. A service was held at Perkins Institution for the Blind on December 14<sup>th</sup> with music by the choir of the school directed by John F. Hartwell. ON April 16, 1945 a service was held at the Church of the Holy Name, West Roxbury, under the direction of Francis J. Mahler, organist and choirmaster. The Prelude was played by Herbert J. Irvine, A.A.G.O. and the Postlude by Dowell P. McNeill.

Speakers at the Social meetings included Rudolph Elie, music critic of the Boston Herald, who spoke at the meeting on November 14, 1944, at First Church in Cambridge. At the annual dinner at Copley Methodist Church in January, 1945, Warden S. Lewis Elmer from Headquarters was the chief speaker. He spoke informally and informatively about the history of the Guild. He said it was the dream of Dr. Gerritt Smith who visited the English Royal College of Organists. He said that of 145 Founders, only 19 are now living; that 1200 have passed the Associate examination, 400 the Fellowship examination, 17 the Choirmaster examination and 12 Royal College diploma recipients "ad eundem." He mention the Massachusetts Chapter's early connection with the Guild of B. J. Lang, Messrs. Burdett, Clemson and Truette who were instrumental in organizing a representatively strong chapter of over 100 members. At

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> The Guild granted its Fellowship or Associateship certificate to any organist with the corresponding degree in any of the English universities.

the annual meeting at St. Paul's Church, Brookline in May, 1945, the speaker was Dr. Charles E. Park of First Church, Boston, who showed his colored slides of New England.

The first social of the 1945-1946 season was held at All Saints' Church, Belmont. Several returned servicemen were present and were warmly greeted by Dean Shaw. A moment of silent tribute was given in memory of William Lester Bates, who served for thirty years as organist of the Second Church in West Newton. A forum was held on the procedure of choir rehearsals in various churches. Those who spoke included:

Homer Humphrey Edward Howard Francis Hagar Gerald Frazee Reginald Crowley Kenneth Hanly

Dr. Carl McKinley of Old South Church, Boston, was the featured speaker and told of his facilities for choir rehearsals at that church. He said he is fortunate to have risers in his rehearsal room grouped about the piano. Other events of the year were:

Nov. 7, 1945 – Recital by David Craighead at Old South Church

Jan. 14, 1946 – Annual Dinner at First Baptist, Boston. The speaker was Dr. Ashley Day Leavitt, ministeremeritus of Harvard Church, Brookline. His talk was based on the comparable ideals, problems and activities of the ministries of religion and music.

Feb. 4, 1946 – Chapter meeting for Guild members only at the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist. A recital was given by E. Power Biggs, organist of Harvard Church, Brookline; by Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O., organist of the Mother Church; and by Robert Hall Collins, baritone soloist of the host church. The numbers presented were:

Sonata in C minor Julius Reubke Variations on a Noel Marcel Dupre

Mr. Biggs

Lord God of Abraham (Elijah) Mendelssohn

Thy Faith Hath Saved Thee Liddle
Blessed is the People that Know the Joyful Sound Parker

Mr. Collins

Fantasy on Concord Thatcher
Communion Purvis
Finale from First Symphony Vierne

Mrs. Arno

April 1, 1946 – Recital by William Self of All Saints' Church, Worcester, at the Memorial Church, Harvard University, with works by Couperin, Titelouze, Bach, d'Aquin, Franck, Dupre, Widor, Vierne and Gigout.

Dec. 17, 1945 – 166<sup>th</sup> Public Service at North Church, Congregational, Cambridge. A program of Christmas music by the combined choirs of the North Church, William K. Provine, organist and choirmaster; and First Baptist Church, Medford, Edward H. Howard, organist and choirmaster, using music composed by Mark S. Dickey of Cambridge.

Apr. 7, 1946 – Service at the First Baptist Church, Newton Centre. A performance of the "Messe Solenelle" of Gounod, sung in Latin by the choirs of that church and the First Church in Cambridge, Congregational. The "Song of Penitence" of Beethoven was sung at the Offertory by Gertrude Milburn, contralto. Homer Whitford of the Cambridge church conducted and Gerald F. Frazee, organist of the host church at the organ.

May 13, 1946 – Annual meeting at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Brookline. The speaker was the Rector, the Rev. Frederic C. Lawrence whose subject was: "What music can do for a service, as a Minister hears it."

At an Executive Committee meeting early in September, 1946, at the home of Leslie A. Charlton, Treasurer, in Natick, the resignation of the newly-elected Secretary, Mrs. Eleanor Packard Jackson, was read and accepted. 58 Details of the Dupré concert were discussed.

The recital by Maurice Dupré, the eminent organist of the Church of St. Sulpice, Paris, which was held in Emmanuel Church, Boston, on October 2, 1946, was undoubtedly the high spot of the regime of Dean Shaw.

An unprecedented attendance of 1975 people filled the church and overflowed into the street. Over 400 people were turned away. The Lindsey Chapel was opened and people were standing. M. Dupré's program and performance exploited fully the resources of the large Casavant organ. The outstanding impression was of ongoing dominance, complete technic and great inventive ability as composer and improviser.<sup>59</sup>

A Roll Call Meeting was held at the Second Church in Boston on November 18, 1946. The Dean mentioned the founding of October 16<sup>th</sup> of the New Hampshire Chapter with 63 members, also the likelihood of a new Chapter in western Massachusetts. It was voted to proceed with plans for the Chapter Spring Festival.

Other events of the year included:

Dec. 19, 1946 – Recital by Mary Crowley, A.A.G.O., at the Church of the Advent, Boston. Music by Scheidt, Sweelinck, Bach, Franck, Dupré.

Jan. 13, 1947 – Annual Dinner at First Baptist Church, Boston.

Feb. 10, 1947 – 167<sup>th</sup> Public Service at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Bowdoin Street, Boston. ".... The members were welcomed by the Rev. Granville Mercer Williams, S.S.J.E., Superior of the Cowley Fathers, who spoke of the aims and activities of the Guild in promoting the standards of church music. Everett Titcomb, organist and choirmaster of St. John's for over thirty years is well-known for his choral and organ compositions and as one of the best exponents of Plainsong and Gregorian music. His large choir showed real feeling for this type of music and sang with color and conviction." The program was as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> Minutes of the Executive meeting, Sept. 8, 1946.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> Minutes of the Secretary, Oct. 2, 1946. (The former Secretary, Miss Margaret Reade Martin, consented to serve a fourth year in that capacity.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> Report of the Secretary, Feb. 10, 1947.

Antiphons: Salve Regina (Sarum Processionals) Mode I

Alma Mater Redemptoris Mode V
Ave vera virginitas (Flemish School) des Pres
Ave Verum Corpus (English) Byrd

Velum temple (Roman) Marc Antonio Ingegneri

Tanquam ad latronem (Spanish) Vittoria
Nunc dimittis, Mode VII with faux-bourdons Snow
Te deum laudamus Titcomb

At Benediction: O Salutaris hostia Mode VI

Hymn: Adoro te devote Mode VI, arr. Guiglio Bas

Tantum ErgoSpanish PlainsongAdoremus in aeternumGregoro AllegriLauda te dominumGergoro Allegri

Organ Prelude: Alleluia pashca nostra Titcomb

(Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O.)

Motets:

Canticles:

Organ Postlude: Ave maris stella (Finale) Dupré

(George Faxon, F.T.C.L.)

Mar. 3, 1947 – Organ Recital at Eliot Church, Newton, by Samuel T. Walter, A.A.G.O., organist and director:

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God Marcello Ich ruf zü dir Bach Vater unser in Himmelreich Bach Prelude and Fugue in B minor Bach Cantilena McKinley Scherzo Snow Antiphon on Regina Coeli **Titcomb** Antiphon of Regina Coeli (Ms.) Walter Cantabile Franck O Gott du frommer Gott Karg-Elert Harmonies du soir Karg-Elert Widor Toccata from Fifth Symphony

The outstanding event of Dean Shaw's term of service was the Massachusetts Spring Festival held April 14 and 15, 1947. The Executive Committee, supplemented by special committees, had worked for three months to assure a fine program for members. The events themselves proved worthwhile and a good attendance of 133 registered for the conclave. Recitals were given by J. Donald DeLong at the Church of the Covenant; Norman L. Proulx at Old South Church; Grover Oberle at Emmanuel Church; Ruth Barrett Arno at the First Church of Christ, Scientist; Mary Crowley at the John Hays Hammond Museum in Gloucester; and by E. Power Biggs at Harvard Church, Brookline, assisted by two trumpeters from the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Public services were held the two evenings of the convention, one at the First Church in Boston with a program of miscellaneous service music by the choir, conducted by William E. Zeuch, with guest organists George Faxon and Carl McKinley. The other program was held at Harvard Church, Brookline, followed by the Guild banquet. The first half of the program was devoted to music rendered by the Men's choir of King's Chapel, Boston, under the direction of Elwood Gaskill, organist and choirmaster; and the second section, by the choirs of the Second Church in Dorchester, Congregational, under the direction of Margaret Reade Martin, organist and director. The King's Chapel

choir closed the program with another group of numbers. The Prelude was played by Eleanor Packard Jackson, organist of the First Baptist Church, Boston, and the Postlude was play by Harold F. Schwab, A.A.G.O. of the Newton Highlands Congregational Church.

The annual meeting was held at Emmanuel Church, Boston, preceded a delightful recital of harpsichord music by Daniel Pinkham. Dean-elect Gerald Frazee was introduced to the members following his election. The final event of the season was a picnic outing at Serlo Hall, Methuen. Arthur Howes, F.A.G.O., Director of the Organ Institute, demonstrated the organ and gave a brief history of it.

## 1944 Oct 9 Two Hundred Sixth Organ Recital



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#### CATHARINE CROZIER

EASTMAN SCHOOL, ROCHESTER, N. Y.

#### Birst Church in Boston

Berkeley and Marlborough Streets

The Rev. CHARLES E. PARK, D.D., Minister

Monday Evening, October 9, 1944, at 8:15 o'clock

#### Program

SYMPHONIC-CHORAL: "Abide with us, O Saviour"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

"Abide with us, O Saviour, nor let Thy mercy cease Sustain us by Thy word Abide with us, Thou Light of Light Let not the enemy defy us Grant us strength and help us in our need"

#### CHORALE-PRELUDES

J. S. Bach

Comest Thou Jesu, from Heaven to Earth?

The Old Year Hath Passed Away

Rejoice, Beloved Christians

PASSACAGLIA AND FUGUE in C Minor

J. S. Bach

OVER

#### SONATE I

Paul Hindemith

I. Moderately fast-Lively

II. Very slowly-Fantasie-Quietly moving

Hindemith, Professor of Music at Yale University, is a prolific composer in all forms. His first organ sonata, one of three, was published in 1937 and represents the composer's mature period. The style of the work is generally light and transparent except for the broad and rapid passages in the Fantasic section.

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PRELUDE on "As now the sun's declining rays" Bruce Simonds

Bruce Simonds, a professor of music at Yale University, has based this composition on the melody of the vesper hymn for Saturdays and Trinity Sunday in the Roman Catholic Church.

ALLEGRETTO GRAZIOSO (Sonata in G) Robert Russell Bennett

The second movement of the Sonata in G, published in 1934, is polytonal. The parts for the two hands and pedals are each written in different keys, producing an exotic and sometimes amusing effect.

he Rev. CHARLES E. PARK, D.D., Minister Note: The offering is taken to defray the expenses of the recital.

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## \* COMING EVENT

Monday, October 30, 8.15—Christ Church, Cambridge, Polyphonic Choir.

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Passacagla and Puone in C Minor

OVER



## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

## One Hundred Sixty-Sixth Public Service

THE NORTH CHURCH, CONGREGATIONAL Massachusetts Avenue at Roseland Street Cambridge, Massachusetts

Monday, December 17, 1945, at 8.15 P. M.

## A Service of Christmas Music

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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MEDFORD

Rev. Alexander Henderson, Minister Edward H. Howard, Organist and Choirmaster

The service will be conducted by Mr. Howard and played by Mr. Provine

#### Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 69

Veni Emmanuel

INTROIT (Congregation standing)

Organ. Fantasia on "Adeste Fidelis"

Two Variations on "Silent Night"

CAROLS. "Let our Gladness know no End" from the Bohemian

Christmas Folksong, "The little Jesus"

"Now the Holy Child is born" from the French

ANTHEM. "And there were Shepherds"

RUTH CARLSTROM, Soloist

OFFERTORY. Christmas Meditation, with Violin DORIS WATSON, Soloist

SOLO. In Praesepio

ELAINE WYNNE, Soloist

CAROLS. "Come, all ye Shepherds" from the Bohemian
with the Junior Choir of First Baptist Church

"All my Heart this Night rejoices"

Carol of the Children

ANTHEM. Gloria in Excelsis, from the Mass in C

BENEDICTION.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 91

Mendelssohn

ORGAN POSTLUDE on the tune, "Duke Street"

(The congregation is requested to remain seated during the playing of the postlude.)

NOTE: The offering is taken to aid in defraying the expense of the Service

SOLOISTS

RUTH CARLSTROM, Soprano
DORIS WATSON, Violin

OF NORTH CHURCH

MARY TIGHE, Soprano

MARY MORGAN, Alto

JOHN FIELDING, Tenor

FRANK DAVIS, Baritone

OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

ELAINE WYNNE, Soprano

MARJORIE BRYAR, Alto

AUDRAYE JACKSON, Tenor

itone

IRVING THORLEY, Bass.

COMING EVENT

January 14, 1946 — ANNUAL DINNER at the First Baptist Church, Commonwealth Avenue, Boston

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MEETING AT

The First Church of Christ, Scientist Boston, Massachusetts

**FEBRUARY 4, 1946** 

**ORGANISTS** 

E. Power Biggs

RUTH BARRETT ARNO

Assisting Artist

ROBERT HALL COLLINS, Baritone

**PROGRAM** 

Sonata in C minor on Psalm 94

Variation on a Noël

Julius Reubke

Marcel Dupré

Mr. Biggs

Lord God of Abraham

"Elijah"

Felix Mendelssohn

"Thy faith hath saved thee"

"Blessed is the people that know the

joyful sound"

Samuel Liddle

Clifton Parker

Mr. Collins and Mrs. Arno

Fantasy on Hymn Tune "Concord"

Communion

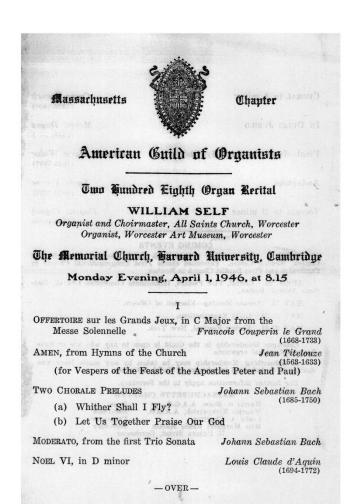
Finale

Symphony I

Mrs. Arno

Howard R. Thatcher
Richard Purvis
Louis Vierne

## 1946 Apr 1 Two Hundred Eighth Organ Recital



CHORAL in A minor Cesar Franck (1822-1890) IN DULCI JUBILO Marcel Dupre (1886- -Final—from the third Symphonie Charles Marie Widor (1845-1937) Andantino Louis Vierne (1870 - 1937)Toccata in B minor Eugene Gigout (1844-1925)COMING EVENTS APRIL 7. One hundred sixty-seventh Public Service, First Baptist Church, Newton Centre. Combined choirs First Congregational Church in Cambridge and First Baptist Church in Newton. · APRIL 29. Recital, Flor Peeters, Immaculate Conception Church, Harrison Avenue, Boston. MAY 13. Annual Meeting-Election of Officers. MAY 23-24. Guild Examinations. MAY 27-31. Spring Festival, New York. Colleague Membership in the Guild is open to any who are or have been professional organists. A Subscribing Membership may be taken by any music lover who desires to be informed in advance of Guild Activities. For further information apply to the Secretary. MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER MASSAGUSETTS OHAT LANGE AND A CO. Maurice Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O. Sub Leslie A. Charlton Miss Margaret Reade Martin Section 75 Dakota Street, Dorchester Dean Sub-Dean Treasurer Secretary

## MARCEL DUPRÉ

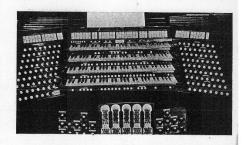


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ANTIPHONS: Salve Regina (from the Sarum Processionals) Mode I Alma Redemptoris Mater

MOTETS: Ave vera virginitas (Flemish School) Josquin Des Pres

Hail, true virginity, Immaculate Chastity, Whose purification has been our purgation, Hail, thou who art preeminent in all angelic virtues, Whose assumption has been our glorification. O Mother of God, remember me. Amen.

Ave Verum Corpus (English School)

Hail, true Body, born of Mary, Spotless Virgin's virgin birth;
Thou who truly hangedst weary On the Cross for sons of earth;
Thou whose sacred side was riven, Whence the Water flowed and Blood,
O mayest Thou, dear Lord, be given, At death's hour to be my food:
O most kind! O gracious One, O sweetest Jesu, holy Mary's Son. Amen.

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Velum templi (Roman School) Marc Antonio Ingegneri
1540-1592

The veil of the temple was rent, and the whole earth did quake: the thief from the Cross cried out, saying: Lord remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom. The rocks were rent, and the graves were opened, and many bodies of the saints which slept arose.

Tamquam ad latronem (Spanish School)

Tomas Luis de Victoria

Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple and ye laid no hold on me: and behold, ye scourge me, and lead me away to be crucified.

CANTICLES: Nunc Dimittis (Prayer Book, Page 28)
Mode VII with Faux Bourdons

by Francis W. Snow

Te Deum Laudamus (Prayer Book, Page 10)

Everett Titcomb
(The organ accompaniment played by Paul Stanton)

#### At Benediction

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA (Hymnal, No. 209)

Mode VI

HYMN: Adoro Te devote

Mode V, arranged by Giuglio Bas

TANTUM ERGO (Hymnal, No. 200)

Spanish Plainsong

Adoremus in Aeternum and Laudate Dominum Gregorio Allegri
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PSALTER

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(over)

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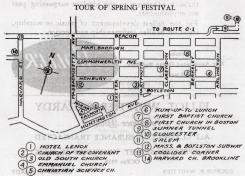
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9:30 A.M. REGISTRATION under the direction of E. Hilda Barnes
Church of the Covenant, Berkeley and Newbury Streets,
Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O., Organist and Director.

10:00 A.M. ORGAN RECITAL at the Church of the Covenant by J. Donald DeLong.

> Prelude in C Minor..... a. Tempo ordinario e staccato b. Allegro

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10:30 A.M. Old South Church and Gordon Chapel, Dartmouth and Boylston Streets, Copley Square. Dr. Carl McKinley, A.A.G.O., Or-ganist and Choirmaster.

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11:30 A.M. Organ Recttal by Grover J. Oberle, F.A.G.O., Organist and Choirmaster, Emmanuel Church, Newbury Street near Arlington.

In the Main Church 

Legend .......Sigfrid Karg-Elert

In the Lindsay Chapel . Choral Prelude on St. James (No. 1) . . . . . . T. Tertius Noble Prelude ...... Hermann Schroeder

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12:30 P.M. ORGAN RECITAL by Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O., Organist,
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> Solemn Prelude from "Gloria Domini".....T. Tertius Noble

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1:30 P.M. Lunch at the Kum-Up-Tu. (One block from The Mother Church.)
(All registrants are the guest of the Chapter)

#### Monday, April 14, 1947 (Continued)

4:00 P.M. First Baptist Church, Clarendon Street and Commonwealth Avenue. Eleanor Packard Jackson, Organist. Trio: Mark S. Dickey, Composer-Pianist; Hope Wright, Vio-linist; Mildred Ridley, Cellist.

Talk by Ralph A. Harris, M.S.M., F.A.G.O., Organist and Choir-master, Grace Church, Providence, Rhode Island, and former National Secretary of the Guild. Discussion following.

6:30 P.M. BUFFET SUPPER — First Baptist Church.

8:15 P.M. First Church in Boston (Unitarian), Marlborough and Berkeley Streets. Program by the Choir under the direction of William E. Zeuch, Organist and Director, Past Dean of the

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#### Tuesday, April 15, 1947

9:15 A.M. Trip to the John Hays Hammond Museum, Gloucester, Mass.

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11:00 A.M. Organ Recital by MARY CROWLEY, A.A.G.O., at the Hammond Museum.

Concerto in A Minor.... Chorale and Variations "Meinen Jeum Lass Ich Nicht"

Johann Walther 
 Legend of the Mountain
 Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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1:30 P.M. LUNCHEON at Grace Church, Episcopal, Essex Street, Salem, near Public Library. Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O., Organist and Choirmaster.

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6:30 P.M. FESTIVAL DINNER at Harvard Church.

8:15 P.M. PROGRAM OF CHORAL MUSIC at Harvard Church by the Combined Choirs of the Second Church in Dorchester (Congregational), Margaret Reade Martin, Organist and Director, and King's Chapel (Unitarian), Boston, Elwood E. Gaskill, Organist and Choirmaster.



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# Chapter XVI: The Deanship of Gerald Foster Frazee (1947-1949)

Gerald Frazee became Dean of the Massachusetts Chapter on July 1, 1947, succeeding Harris Shaw. He had served on the Executive Committee from 1932 to 1935 and again from 1938 to 1940. The Chapter was fortunate to secure his services as Dean. He was born in Wilmington, Massachusetts in 1896, graduated from the new England Conservatory of Music in 1916 and was a Navy bandsman in World War I. Mr. Frazee has been organist and choirmaster in various suburban churches of Boston, and for a considerable period at Auburndale Congregational Church. In recent years he has been organist and choirmaster at the First Baptist Church, Newton Centre. He succeeded Raymond Floyd at this church (former Treasurer of the New England Chapter of the Guild). Mr. Frazee was formerly the head of the music department at Dean Academy, Franklin, and is at present associated with the Frazee Organ Company of South Natick, Massachusetts.

The first meeting of the 1947-1948 season was one that was largely attended, due in no small part to the announced collation to be given by the Seiler Company, well-known Boston caterer. The evening of music, however, also justified the large turnout and everyone present enjoyed himself thoroughly. The meeting was held in the church hall of the Eliot Church, Newton Corner. The music of the evening was a demonstration of the facilities of the Baldwin electronic organ with a talk by A. Thorndike Luard of the Baldwin company. Three members of the Chapter gave short programs on the instrument: Margaret Reade Martin of the Second Church in Dorchester, Leo G. Brehm of Sacred Heart Church, Newton Centre, and Samuel T. Walter, organist of Eliot Church. In November a recital was given at All Saints' Church, Belmont, by Velma Harden and Homer Whitford to demonstrate the newly-rebuilt Frazee organ in that church. Edward Whittredge gave an interesting account of his experience at the Fred Waring summer school.

A joint effort by the Guild and the Music Teachers' National Association was held at the Memorial Church, Harvard University, on January 2, 1948, with a recital by E. Power Biggs, assisted by Roger Voisin, trumpeter, and the choir of King's Chapel, Boston, Elwood Gaskill, conductor. Other recitals given this year included a program given by three members of the Chapter on February 16, 1948 at North Church, Cambridge on the new 3-manual Aeolian-Skinner instrument. William K. Provine, organist of North Church, was most cordial in allowing the members to try the instrument after the concert. Selections were played by Edith Lang, Paul Akin, and Mr. Provine. Marshall Bidwell, organist of the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, gave a recital at First Church in Boston on April 14<sup>th</sup> to a large audience. In May, Earl Weidner, A.A.G.O. demonstrated the Wurlitzer Orgatron at the First Baptist Church, Newton Center.

At the annual dinner in January, Arland A. Dirlam, church architect, spoke in general terms on the problems of chancel design, organ placement and organ chamber measurements and said that he hoped there would be more cooperation between church organists and architects. In March, a program was given at the Wollaston Congregational Church, Quincy, by the choir of that church under the direction of Edward B. Whittredge, F.A.G.O., organist and director, preceded by a short recital by Willem Friso Frank. The annual meeting was held on May 10<sup>th</sup> at the Wellesley Congregational Church with a talk by Dr. J.

Burford Parry, pastor, who showed colored slides of "Pre- and Post-War England." He should the destruction of churches and places of interest during the blitz, as well as pictures of Shakespeare's home and other historical places as they looked before the war.

The second year of Dean Frazee's leadership saw a forum on the Guild examinations given at the Leyden Congregational Church, Brookline, with Dr. Norman Coke-Jephcott of New York's Cathedral of St. John the Divine as the chief speaker. John Hermann Loud told of the examinations in the early years and as they are today. Elizabeth Papineau, one of the younger Associates of the Chapter, spoke on "Personal Reflections on Preparing for the Guild Examination." Harris Shaw spoke on the idea that more thorough study should be required before taking the tests. Two test pieces for 1949 were played by Herbert Irvine and Samuel Walter.

Sub-Dean Elwood E. Gaskill resigned that office because of his new duties as Registrar of the New England Conservatory of Music, and the Dean announced at the annual dinner on January 10, 1949, that Mrs. Ruth Barrett Arno, organist of the Christian Science Church, had accepted the appointment to fill the vacancy.

It was undoubtedly due to Mr. Frazee's efforts that the National Convention of 1950 came to Boston. He did a magnificent "selling-job" at the St. Louis Convention of 1948, and so it was no surprise when the convention was awarded to Boston by the National Council at Headquarters.

Other events of the year included the 167<sup>th</sup> Public Service at the First Church in Cambridge by the choirs of Old Cambridge Baptist Church, Francis E. Hagar, organist and director; the Evangelical Covenant Mission Church, Elmer G. Westlund, organist and director; the North Church, Congregational, William K. Provine, organist and director; and the First Church in Cambridge, Homer Whitford, organist and director. Preludes were played by Mrs. Helen Borngesser of Central Congregational Church, Newtonville; the Offertory by Mark S. Dickey; the Postlude by Joseph K. Burns, F.A.G.O.

At Emmanuel Church on March 7, 1949, a fine recital was given by Alexander Schreiner of the Salt Lake City Tabernacle. "...he played with clarity, verve and astonishing aplomb in controlling the resources of the large organ. The program was one for a musician, making no concessions to a relaxed popular taste and was finely balanced." <sup>61</sup>

The contest for young organists was held in conjunction with the annual meeting in May at the First Baptist Church, Malden. Participants included Jean B. Hersey, Dana Cottle Brown and Shirley Collins of Worcester. The committee, headed by Harris Shaw<sup>62</sup>, chose Miss Hersey as the winner. Edward W. Flint, curator of Serlo Hall, Methuen, spoke of the organ at the hall and the programs sponsored during the year there. Joseph Whiteford of the Aeolian-Skinner Company spoke briefly on the recent work of that company.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> Report of the Secretary (Marjorie Fay Johnson), Mar. 7, 1949.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Repot of the Secretary (Marjorie Fay Johnson), May 16, 1949.

In June a picnic was held at the Groton School in Groton. A large group of members of the Guild attended, traveling both by private car and chartered bus. A very interesting talk was given by Edward B. Gammons, organist and master of the Choristers in St. John's Chapel, and selections on the 3-manual Aeolian-Skinner (Harrison) instrument were played by him and also by Dr. Edith Nobs of Berne, Switzerland. In late July, an Executive Committee meeting was held at Mrs. Arno's home and convention plans discussed. Joseph S. Whiteford was appointed General Chairman of the convention with Mr. Biggs as Program Chairman.

### 1947 Oct 21 Eliot Church of Newton

### MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER

### AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

The Eliot Church of Newton

Tuesday, October 21, 1947

### PROGRAM

Cycle of Eight Pieces

Karg-Elert

Margaret Reade Martin

Prelude

Francis Snow

Adore Te Devote

Titcomb

Legende

Vierne

Postlude on "Ite Missa Est" XII Gregorian Mass

Guilmant

### Leo G. Brehm, A.M.

Berceuse

Louis Vierne

Little Prelude and Fugue in D Minor

J.S. Bach

I Stand With One Foot In The Grave

J.S. Bach

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Andriessen

Toccata

Samuel T. Walter

The Organ is an electronic instrument built by The Baldwin Piano Company.

We are indebted to the Baldin Piano Company for their invitation to be their guests this evening. Also to The Eliot Church and Mr. Samuel T, Walter for their courtesy in permitting us to use this Parish House.

# MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

# The Parish of All Saints' Church Belmant, Massachusetts

Rev. Frederick H. Arterton, Rector Ernest E. Hardy, Organist and Choirmaster

### Tuenday, November 25, 1947, at 8 p. M.

PASTORALE		. Zipoli
SONG OF THE EARLY PATRIOTS		Billings-Gaul
Rondo Francaise		. Boellmann
CANZONE		Homer Humphrey
A Joyous March		. Leo Sowerby
VELMA HA	RDEN	

### TALK BY EDWARD B. WHITTREDGE

HOMER WHITFORD

FRAZEE ORGAN

COMING EVENT: Annual Convention of the Music Teachers' National Association, December 30, 1947 to January 2, 1948. Our Chapter is co-operating in two events; (1) Wednesday, December 31, 10.40 A. M., Hotel Statler, Parlor C. papers on organ and choral music by Dr. Archibald T. Davison and Edward B. Gammons. For members only. (2) Friday, January 2, 8.30 P. M., Memorial Chapel, Harvard University. Recital by E. Power Biggs assisted by Men's Choir of King's Chapel, Elwood Gaskill, Director. Open to Guild members and the general public.

Membership in the M. T. N. A., is open to any musician or persons interested in music. The Convention program offers a veritable feast of outstanding lectures and recitals, and it is urged that you investigate the possibilities of membership in order that you may enjoy the privilege of attending these.

Further information may be obtained from the Dean or other officers of the Chapter.

# ORGAN RECITAL

FOR

THE MUSIC TEACHERS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

AND THE

AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS, MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER

E. POWER BIGGS

ASSISTED BY

ROGER VOISIN, Trumpet

AND

THE CHOIR OF KING'S CHAPEL, BOSTON

ELWOOD E. GASKILL, Organist and Choirmaster

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### PROGRAM

I

Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

II

THE AGINCOURT HYMN

Attributed to John Dunstable

RICERCARE FROM Fiori Musicali

Girolamo Frescobaldi

SONATA FOR TRUMPET AND ORGAN

Henry Purcell

Allegro Adagio

Allegro

FOR TRUMPET AND ORGAN

III

Motet: Praise ye the Lord

Peter I. Tschaikowsky

MOTET: AGIMUS TIBI GRATIAS

Orlandus Lassus

CHORALE AND KYRIE: LORD, OUR GOD, HAVE MERCY

J. S. Bach

MOTET: IMPROPERIA (THE REPROACHES)

Palestrina

CANON: HALLELUJAH, AMEN!

Thomas Norris

IV

Symphony in G for Organ

Leo Sowerby

Movement I: Very broadly and freely

Prelude and Fugue on a Theme of Vittoria

Benjamin Britten Jehan Alain

LITANIES

V

CHORALE PRELUDES:

Wachet Auf

Durch Adams Fall

Gottfried August Homilius

TRUMPET TUNE

BELL SYMPHONY FOR ORGAN

Henry Purcell

TRUMPET VOLUNTARY

FOR TRUMPET AND ORGAN

Memorial Church, Harvard University January 2, 1948, at 8:30 P.M.

# 1948 Feb 16 Two Hundred Fourteenth Organ Recital



### Massachusetts Chapter American Guild of Organists

Two Hundred Fourteenth Organ Recital

### North Church (Congregational), Cambridge, Mass.

Rev. FRANK E. DUDDY, Ph.D., D.D., Minister WILLIAM K. PROVINE, M.A., Organist and Choirmaster

### · Monday Evening, February 16, 1948, at 8.00 o'clock

# Program

PRAELUDIUM	J. S. Bach
Petites Litanies de Jesus	G. Grovlez
LE PASTOUR	G. Grovlez
LAUDAMUS DOMINUM	E. Lang
EDIDIT TANG	

FANTASIA AND FUGUE IN C MINOR C. P. E. Bach Joseph Clokey CATHEDRAL PRELUDE

WILLIAM K. PROVINE

DUETTO Percy Whitlock Percy Whitlock FOLK TUNE Paul de Maleingreau TOCCATA, OP. 18, No. 3 PAUL AKIN

Social hour for members and guests

### COMING EVENTS

MAECH, Musicale featuring compositions by our own Chapter members.

To be held at the Wollaston Congregational Church.

APRIL, Recital by Dr. Marshall Bidwell, Organist of Carnegie Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa.

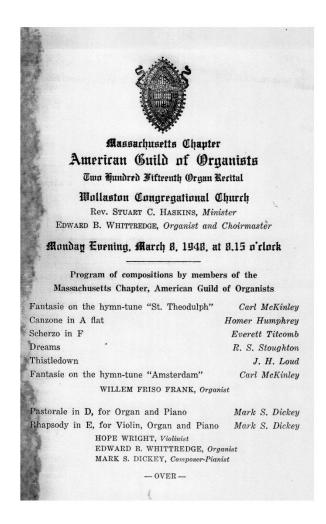
MAY, Annual Meeting, to be held at the Congregational Church, Wellesley.

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The new three-manual Memorial Organ replaces an instrument installed in this church in 1881, which was purchased from a church in Springfield, Mass., and built by the firm of Steere and Turner, formerly of that city. The old two-manual tracker organ gave dependable service for nearly one hundred years and the pipes were of such quality and so well preserved that they were practically all incorporated into the new instrument. The contract for the new organ was awarded to the Aeolian-Skinner Co. in 1945 and it was built under the direction of Mr. G. Donald Harrison, with Mr. Edward B. Gammons, of Groton School, as technical advisor. The organ was dedicated at a special vesper service on Sunday, December 21, 1947, with a program of organ and choral numbers under the direction of Prof. William K. Provine, Organist and Choirmaster of the church.

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	SWELL ORGAN	
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	CHOIR ORGAN	
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# 1948 Mar 8 Two Hundred Fifteenth Organ Recital



Lead Kindly Light Edith 1 I Will Not Leave You Comfortless Everett Titco I Will Give Thanks Gardner Eve Behold Now, Praise the Lord Everett Titcoi THE CHOIR OF THE WOLLASTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH EDWARD B. WHITTREDGE, Director Offertory Suite in A, for Piano and Organ Edward B. Whittre I. Chorale, Allegro moderato ma con brio II. Adagio mistico III. Rondo a la tarantella EDWARD B. WHITTREDGE, Composer-Organist ALICE B. SEAMANS, Pianist The Offering will be used to defray the expenses of the Recivil Note: To reach this church take subway to Ashmont Station, then take Wollaston Beach bus to Winthrop Avenue. Or take train for Wollaston leaving South Station at 7.15 P.M. A Subscribing Membership may be taken by any music lover who desi-to be informed in advance of Guild activities. Colleague Membership in the Guild is open to any who are or have professional organists. For further information apply to the Secretary. MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER Gerald F. Frazee

Sub-Dean

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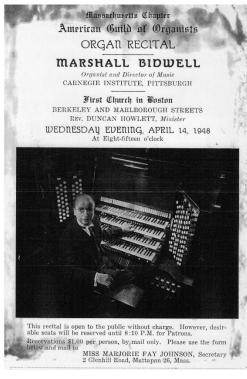
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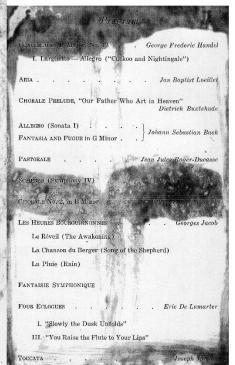
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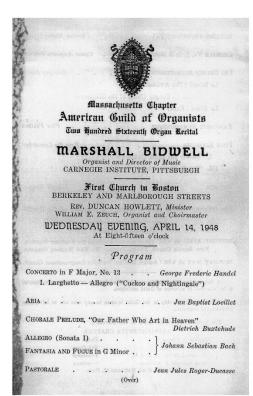
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Miss Marjorie F. Johnson Secre 2 Glenhill Road, Mattapan 26, Mass.

# 1948 Apr 14 Organ Recital Marshall Bidwell







SCHERZO (Symphony IV) .	· . Charles Marie Widl
CHORALE No. 2, in B Minor .	. César Auguste Franc
LES HEURES BOURGUIGNONNES	Georges Jaco
Le Réveil (The Awakening)	
La Chanson du Berger (Son	
La Pluie (Rain)	shinglanden Mb
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FANDATOID CVARDIONIO	Flor Peeter
FOUR ECLOGUES	Eric De Lamarte
I. "Slowly the Dusk Unfo	lds"
III. "You Raise the Flute to	Your Lips"
TOCCATA	Joseph Jonge
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COMING	EVENTS
MONDAY, APRIL 26, 8:15. Demonst	ration Recital on the Wurlitzer Orgatror
First Baptist Church, Newto	n Centre. Mr. Earl Weidner, Organist
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# Massachusetts Chapter American Guild of Organists

Two Hundred Seventeenth Organ Recital

ORGAN RECITAL, on WURLITZER ORGAN, at The Buptist Church, Newton Center, Muss.

Monday Evening, May 26, 1948, at 8.15 o'clock\*

EARL WEIDNER, A. A. G. O., ORGANIST EDGAR M. RANDLE, TENOR

# Program

CAPRICE HEROIQUE		
CANZONA		Si
CLAIR DE LUNE .		Si
ODE HEROIQUE .		1
	MR. WEIDN	ER

SUNSET'S EBBING GLOW

. Joseph Bonnet Sigfried Karg-Elert Sigfried Karg-Elert . . Cyril Scott

M. Austin Dunn

No Unhallowed Desire, from "Judas Maccabaeus" Handel
BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH, from "St. Paul" Mendelssohn
MR. RANDLE

		223					toccom Bunn
LIEBESTRAUM	•		•				. Liszt
ELFS	MR	WEII	ONER	•	٠	•	. Bonnet
SERENADE		# ·					Schubert
THIS DAY IS MINE .	MR	RAN	DLE		•	•	Ware
IN MOONLIGHT		200				D.	alah Vinden

Following the Recital there will be a Reception

### MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER

American Guild of Organists

Founded - 1905

### November 22, 1948

### FORUM ON THE GUILD EXAMINATIONS

Monday Evening 8 P.M. Leyden Congregational Church, Brookline

... Theodore Marier, F.A.G.O., Chairman

Principal Speaker - Norman Coke-Jephcott, Mus. D., F.A.G.O.

Several Aspects of the Guild Examinations

"The Guild Exams in the 30's and as They Are John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.

"Personal Reflections on Preparing for a Guild Exam" Elisabeth Papineau, A.A.G.O.

"More Thorough Study Required"
Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O.

III Playing of Test Pieces for the 1949 Examinations

Prelude and Fugue in C . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . J.S. Bach Herbert J.A. Irvine, A.A.G.O.

Prelude and Fugue (Wedge) in E minor . . J.S . Bach Grover J. Oberle, F.A.G.O.

IV Refreshments and Social Hour

# 1949 Jan 31 One Hundred Sixty-seventh Public Service



# American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

One Hundred Sixty-neuenth Public Service

First Church in Cambridge, Congregational Dr. JOHN H. LEAMON, Minister

Monday, January 31 1949, 8.00 H. M.

ORGAN: Thou wondrous king

Karg-Elert

Divinum Mysterium

Purvis

HELEN BORNGESSER, Organist, Central Congregational Church, Newton

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 476

Marion

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

ANTHEMS: A good thing it is to give thanks

Bitgood

O Lord, be merciful

Franck

Choir of the Old Cambridge Baptist Church FRANCIS E. HAGAR, Organist and Director

FIRST LESSON

ANTHEMS: Deep River

Arr. Ringwald

Go, tell it on the mountain

Traditional

St. Francis' Prayer

Olds

Choir of Evangelical Covenant Church ELMER G. WESTLUND, Organist and Director

SECOND LESSON

ANTHEMS: All go unto one place

Wesley

Winter passes over

Purvis

Choir of North Congregational Church WILLIAM K. PROVINE, Organist and Director

PRAYER

ANTHEMS: Thy blessings, Father

Johnson Whitford

Let all that hath breath praise the Lord

Choir of First Church, Congregational HOMER WHITFORD, F.A.G.O., Organist and Director

Offertory (Organ): Rosace (Esquisses Byzantines)

Mulet

MARK S. DICKEY

ANTHEM: Laudamus (Welsh Chorale)

Arr. Protheroe

THE COMBINED CHOIRS

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN 23

Dulce Carmen

ORGAN: Fugue in G Minor (The Lesser)

Bach

JOSEPH A. BURNS, F.A.G.O.

COMING EVENT

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1949

Recital by Alexander Schreiner, Organist of the Mormon Tabernacle, Salt Lake City. Place to be announced.

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# 1949 Mar 7 Two Hundred Seventeenth Organ Recital



# American Guild of Organists

Massachusetts Chapter

Two Hundred Seventeenth Organ Recital

### ALEXANDER SCHREINER

MORMON TABERNACLE, SALT LAKE CITY

EMMANUEL CHURCH, BOSTON

The Reverend Robert G. Metters, Rector Grover J. Oberle, F. A. G. O., Organist and Choirmaster

Monday, March 7, 1949, 8.00 P. M.

### PROGRAM

I. Prelude and Fugue in E flat

J. S. Bach

This great work was written when Bach was cantor at St. Thomas' Church in Leipzig. It is characterized by grandeur, dignity, and masterly development.

II. Chorale in B minor

Cesar Franck

By the term chorale we usually mean a church melody or a hymn tune, but this "Chorale" is really a fantasy, that is a composition in free and extended form. Cesar Franck justified his use of the title by saying that a chorale is heard throughout the composition. Certainly a devoutness of lofty and majestic quality is expressed. It is an instrumental hymn of praise.

III. Symphony in A. Opus 53

Camil Van Hulse

Prelude

Meditation

Scherzo

Intermezzo

Finale

Camil Van Hulse was trained in his native Belgium but he now lives in America. This symphony, composed in 1948 in Tucson, Arizona, demonstrates strong and colorful writing. The movements are in the following moods: rhapsodic, contemplative, light and scintillating, slow, exuberant. In the last part, the main themes of the preceding movements are summoned back, one by one, and are woven together in as contrapuntal tapestry.

IV. Meditation Religieuse

Henri Mulet

Henri Mulet, organist at the Church of St. Roch in Paris, is one of the most talented of present-day French composers.

Intermezzo

Augustin Barie

This light-hearted composition is in the spirit of a Frenchman in Paris, at least as he felt in the happy days before the two wars. Augustin Barie (1883-1915) was organist at St. Germain des Pres in Paris.

V. Symphony I, Finale

Louis Vierne

The theme of this Finale is given out in the pedals, while a brilliant embellishment is presented in the manuals. Louis Vierne was official organist of Notre Dame Cathedral from 1900 until his death in 1937.

An offering will be taken to help defray expenses

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# 1949 Apr 25 One Hundred Sixty-eighth Public Service



### American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

One Gundred Sixty-eighth Public Service

St. Paul's Episcopal Church 59 COURT STREET, DEDHAM

The Reverend RUDOLPH ROELL, Rector Lloyd M. Palmer, Organist and Master of Choristers

### Monday Evening, April 25, 1949, at 8.15 o'clock

### ORDER OF SERVICE

a. Fantasia on "Ton-y-Botel"

Richard I. Purvis

b. Meditation on "Brother James' Air" Harold Darke H. WINTHROP MARTIN

Organist and Director, Wellesley Congregational Church

PROCESSIONAL: Hymn 94

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

St. Kevin

OPENING SENTENCES: Psalm 98, Page 461

FIRST LESSON: Magnificat, No. 654

Rimbault

SECOND LESSON: Nunc dimittis, No. 673

Plainsong

CREED, PRAYERS, GRACE

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Allegretto, Fourth Sonata Mendelssohn PAUL C. AKIN Organist and Director, St. John's Episcopal Church, Roxbury DOXOLOGY

THE ANTHEMS:

By Early Morning Light (Traditional 1675)

Arr. Reimann-Dickinson

Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled ......Foster 

BENEDICTION: Threefold Amen

RECESSIONAL: Hymn 350, Rejoice, the Lord is King

POSTLUDE: Carillon de Westminster Vierne

BARBARA LASKI

Organist and Director, Union Congregational Church, East Walpole

(The congregation is requested to remain seated during the Postlude) The service is played and conducted by Mr. Palmer

Note: The offering is taken to defray the expenses of the Service

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Sub-Dean Secretary

# Massachusetts Chapter American Guild of Organists

National Open Competition in Organ Playing
Preliminary Contest

# First Baptist Church, Malden

MONDAY, MAY 16, 1949, 8:00 P.M.

# Program

Dorian Toccata

J. S. Bach

Blessed Are Ye Faithful Souls

J. Brahms

Fugue in G Minor

Marcel Dupré

JEAN B. HERSEY (Melrose, Mass.)

Prelude and Fugue in D Major

J. S. Bach

Chorale Prelude, "Herzlich tut mich verlangen"

J. S. Bach

Rondo Alla Campanella

Sigfried Karg-Elert

DANA COTTLE BROWN (Woburn, Mass.)

Prelude in G Major

J. S. Bach

Chorale Prelude, "Herzlich tut mich verlangen"

J. Brahms

Toccata

E. Gigout

SHIRLEY COLLINS (Worcester, Mass.)

Following this program the Annual Meeting and Election of Officers will be held. Mr. Edward W. Flint will speak briefly about the Methuen organ. Social hour and refreshments.

# Chapter XVII: The Deanship of Ruth Barrett Arno/Phelps

In January 1949, the Chapter was exceedingly fortunate to have available the services of Mrs. Walter M. Arno as successor to Sub-Dean Elwood Gaskill who had resigned. Mrs. Arno had been active in the Chapter since coming to Boston in 1934 as the successor to Claude Saunier at the First Church of Christ, Scientist (The Mother Church). Mrs. Arno's teachers in organ have been Lilian Carpenter, Lynnwood Farman, Ernest Mitchell and Fritz Heitmann. Her theoretical work has been with Clement Gale (harmony and counterpoint), Frederick Schlieder (improvisation), and Frank La Forge (accompanying). She attended the Guilmant Organ School in New York and the American School of Music at Fontainebleau, France. She has given Town Hall recitals. Two of her collections of organ music entitle "the Sacred Hour at the Organ" have been published by Carl Fischer Company.

That she is a sensitive musician and highly successful as organist of the Mother Church can be judged by her continuing tenure there, as a rotation of organists had usually been the practice in this and other churches of that denomination. In March 1950, Mrs. Arno married Lawrence I. Phelps, organ architect and custodian of organs at the Mother Church. The new 4-manual Aeolian-Skinner instrument installed in June 1953 is the largest church organ in this country (235 ranks and over 147 speaking-stops). It was designed by Mr. Phelps.

During 1949-1950 when Mrs. Arno was Dean of the Massachusetts Chapter, Guild classes were started for the purpose of stimulating and promoting interest in the Guild examinations. During these years the classes were well-attended and the Choir Master examination was held for the first time in Boston. <sup>63</sup> Also a joint meeting with the New England Choir Directors' Guild was held on April 11, 1950. Another "first" is the fact that Mrs. Arno was the first woman to become Dean of the Chapter.

Few recitals per se were held during the 1949-1950 season, although Geraint Jones, the English organist, played a program at the Church of the Advent in February 1950. Several public services were held, making use of the capable choirs conducted by some Chapter members. The first service was held at the Parkway Community Methodist Church in Milton on November 7, 1949 with the combined choirs of that church and the First Congregation Church of Milton uniting in a program largely consisting of contemporary music. The choirs were conducted by Marshall Sumner Wilkins of the Congregational Church and the organ accompaniments were by Gale Hanson Harrison of the host church. The Prelude was played by Dean Arno, the Offertory by Secretary Marjorie Fay Johnson and the Postlude by Harold F. Schwab, past-Secretary of the Chapter. A delightful carol service was held at the Evangelical Covenant Church, North Cambridge in December with Elmer G. Westlund, organist and director, conducting. This is one of the finest non-professional choirs in the greater Boston with no solo voices. Following the annual dinner at the Arlington Street Church, Boston, in January, the members head a fine rendition of two cantatas by the choir of the church led by John B. Woodworth, organist and choirmaster: Buxtehude's "Rejoice, Beloved Christians" and Bach's "Saviour of the Heathen, Come."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> Samuel Walter was the first successful candidate.

An unusual event of the year was a trip to the factory of the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Company in Dorchester with over 125 in attendance. The joint meeting with the Choir Guild was held at the Harvard Church, Brookline, on April 11, 1950, with a banquet preceding the concert by the Boston University Choral Art Society, conducted by Dr. H. Augustine Smith. The latter part of April a program of Gregorian chant was given at St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, Cambridge, under the direction of Sub-Dean Theodore Marier. The choir sang the original melody before each organ number was played. The music was notable in that is was sung by a small choir of ten men from the rear gallery, but the excellent acoustics of the edifice made it seem like a much larger group. The program included:

Frescobaldi

Nibelle Mulet

Weitz

Nibelle

Dupre

Prelude on the Kyrie
Sanctus
Agnus Dei
Dismissal Chant
Benedicamus Domino
Carillon on "Puer natus est"
"Crucifixion" from Passion Symphony, Stabat Mater
Spiritus Domini (Introit of the Mass of Pentecost)
Dextera Domini (Offertory for Holy Thursday)
Ave Maria (Offertory for the 4th Sunday in Advent)

Mrs. Phelps' regime as Dean was outstanding in that the 20th National Convention of the Guild was held in Boston in June 1950 under her leadership. E. Power Biggs served as Program Chairman for the Convention. High praise has been given the Chapter by President S. Lewis Elmer, the National Council, and by many who attended the event (1,141 persons were registered) for the smooth scheduling of events and the outstanding programs of the five-day jamboree. Certain it is that all who came to the Convention will always have pleasant memories of that week, and that is possibly the highest tribute that can be expressed for such a fine convention. It was a success socially, musically and financially. The report of the Convention that appeared in the July 1950 issue of the nation magazine of the Guild, "The Diapason," is herewith appended.<sup>64</sup>

The first event of the 1950-1951 season was a recital given by Dr. Fritz Heitmann, organist of the Dom, Berlin, Germany, on September 25, 1950 at the Church of the Advent, Boston. Dr. Heitmann play the entire Catechism of Bach, as well as the Prelude and Fugue (St. Anne) in E flat. In November, Dr. Alfred Greenfield, conductor of the Oratorio Society of New York, spoke to the members on "Messiah" and conducted them in a rehearsal of certain portions of the work from the newly published Coopersmith edition.

The first "Composer's Night" was instituted in January, 1951 in conjunction with the annual dinner and works by various Chapter members was performed. Miss Edith Lang had suggested such an event over twenty years previous, but it had never been acted on favorably until this time. It was appropriate,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> Due to the size of the report and the fragility of the paper, the Convention report from "The Diapason" magazine has been added to the Appendix of this transcription.

therefore, that she was asked to serve as master of ceremonies for the program, following the dinner. Selections by Homer Whitford, Miss Lang, Mark Dickey and Edith Stearns were performed, the most unusual being Miss Lang's "Three Divertimenti in Canon Form" for two recorder-flutes.

The "First Symphony Hall Concert" was held on February 26, 1951, with a recital by Claire Coci of New York and the Chorus Pro Musica of Boston, Alfred Nash Patterson, conductor. The choral group sang Dupre's "De Profundis, Psalm 130." Miss Coci played several Bach numbers, the Liszt "Ad nos, ad Salutarem undam," and two numbers from Dupre's "Passion Symphony." In addition, in the middle of the program, an hour's broadcast by the Boston "Pops" Orchestra was featured, with the Vivaldi-Bach "Concerto in A-minor" performed by Miss Coci. It was undoubtably the longest Guild program ever presented by the Chapter, concluding after 11:30 p.m. Just to make things interesting the organ blew a fuse early in the evening (on the next-to-the-last chord of the Liszt number), and other untoward events occurred to lighten the program. <sup>65</sup>

A fine Guild service was held in the new Daniel L. March Chapel of Boston University on March 5, 1951, with a program given by the B.U. Seminary Singers, Dr. James Russell Houghton, conductor, with the chapel organist, Samuel Walter, at the console. A joint meeting with the Choir Directors' Guild was held in April at the First Church in Cambridge, featuring a banquet and a rhythmic dance group from Hanover, New Hampshire. The young organists' contest was held at the Church of the Advent in May, followed by the annual meeting in Mosely Hall. The contestants included George Butler, Dana Cottle Brown, Lynda Copeland, Virginia Ring, Alan Walker and Ilo Elizabeth Allen. The judges (Sub-Dean Marier acting as chairman) pronounced Mr. Butler as the winner with Mr. Walker receiving honorable mention.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> See report of the Registrar (H. Winthrop Martin), "The Diapason," April 1, 1951.

# 1949 Nov 7 One Hundred Sixty-Eighth Public Service



### Massachusetts Chapter American Guild of Organists

One Hundred Sixty-eighth Public Service PARKWAY COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH MILTON, MASSACHUSETTS

### Mouday Evening, November 7, 1949, at 7.45 o'clock

PARKWAY COMMUNITY METHODIST CHURCH The Reverend Robert M. Pierce, D.D., Minister Gale Harrison, Director of Music

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH The Reverend George B. Ratcliffe, Minister Marshall Sumner Wilkins, Director of Music

#### ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDES: Werde Munter

Percy Whitlock

Beatitudo

Leon Verrees

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 65

ADVENT ANTHEM: Veni Emmanuel

"Lasst Uns Erfreuen"

INVOCATION

Rev. Mr. Pierce

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP: Behold! The Tabernacle of God Edith Lang

arr. by Carl McKinley

GENERAL ANTHEMS: Bow Down Thine Ear, O Lord  $Haydn\ M.\ Morgan$ Give Me a Faith

Roberta Bitgood

(OVER)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Rev. Mr. Ratcliffe

COMMUNION ANTHEMS: Thee We Adore
T. Frederick H. Candlyn

O Holy Jesu

Hugh A. Mackinnon

PRAYER

Rev. Mr. Pierce

PRAYER ANTHEM: Prayer to Jesus

George Oldroyd (Words by Richard Rolle, 1300-1349)

OFFERTORY: Cibavit Eos

Everett Titcomb

GENERAL ANTHEMS: Turn Back O Man

Gustav Holst

Look Down, O Lord

William Byrde

EASTER ANTHEM: Ye Sons and Daughters of the King Harmonized by Eric H. Thiman

RECESSIONAL HYMN: No. 358

"Marion"

BENEDICTION

Rev. Mr. Ratcliffe

CHORAL RESPONSE: God Be in My Head

H. Walford Davies

POSTLUDE: Fugue in G minor (The Lesser)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Note: The audience is requested to remain seated until the Postlude has been concluded.

The Offering will be used to defray the expenses of the Service.

The Prelude is played by Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O., Organist of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston; the Offertory by Marborne Fax Johnson; the Service by Galle Hanson Harrison of this church; the Postlude by Harold Schwar, F.A.G.O., Director of Music, Newton Highlands Congregational Church.

To Reach the Parkway Church: Take trolley from Ashmont to Mattapan, turn left outside station, cross bridge and walk three blocks along left hand side of Blue Hills Parkway. Automobiles should drive to Mattapan and follow same directions.

> FOURTH NATIONAL BIENNIAL CONVENTION BOSTON, JUNE 19-23, 1950

### 1949 Nov 14 Concert By The Boston Symphony Orchestra

#### THE PROGRAM

The Organ Concerto by Haydn, composed in 1756, has never been published. Mr. Biggs has obtained copies of the parts from Austria where the manuscript has survived in the monasteries of Melk and Göttweig. Haydn in his old age stated that he wrote the music for the ceremony in which Therese Keller, the pupil with whom he fell in love, disappointed him by taking her vows as a nun. Karl Geiringer who examined the manuscript in Vienna finds in it "nothing of the passion or melancholy" of a lost love, but that it is "more like a piece of ensemble music than a real concerto."

Paul Hindemith wrote his Concerto for Organ and Chamber Orchestra in 1929. He combines the solo instrument with a woodwind and brass group. The composer is now giving a series of lectures at Harvard University on a Charles Eliot Norton Lectureship. \* \* \*

The Concerto by Francis Poulenc was composed in 1938, first performed in Paris under the direction of Charles Munch, and introduced at the Boston Symphony concerts, October 29, 1948, Richard Burgin conducting. Poulenc, a member of the Parisian "Groupe des Six" will appear as piano soloist in a new concerto of his own at the Boston Symphony concerts on January 6 and 7.

The music by Bach chosen for this program is described in the following notes kindly furnished by Mr. Biggs:

The Preludes, Toccatas and Fugues of Johann Sebastian Bach are the grandiose in organ music, but it is in the Chorale Preludes, in their intimacy and pictorial qualities, that the universality and warmth of Bach is revealed.

These Chorale Preludes date from 1746. They derive their name from the fact that they were selected and arranged by Bach for the publisher, Johann Schubler, of the town of Zella, in Thuringia.

The counter melody of "Sleepers Wake!" has aptly been described as one of the most spacious melodies ever written.

The music of "Abide with us, Lord Jesus Christ," conveys the quiet evening atmosphere of the scene on the way to Emmaus, described in St. Luke, with a flickering left hand obbligato suggestive of the fading light.

The last Prelude is on a chorale of praise, and the wayward grace of the right hand figuration is said to depict the hovering of an angel from

"Shelters thee under His wings, Yea so gently sustaineth."



# SYMPHONY HALL Monday Evening · November 14, 1949 CONCERT By The Boston Symphony Orchestra CHARLES MUNCH, Conductor and E. POWER BIGGS ORGAN For the Benefit of the ALBERT SCHWEITZER HOSPITAL All participating in the present concert are giving their services.

### ABOUT THE NEW ORGAN

The new organ has been built by the Aeolian-Skinner Company installed for the 50th anisoten out to y the Acohan-Skinner Company and installed for the 50th aniversary season of Symphony Hall. Dr. Albert Schweitzer, visiting Boston last summer, inspected the organ at the factory, and gave it his enthusiastic endorsement, writing the following inscription on the instrument: "Für die Orgel in der Symphonihalle, Boston, mit besten Wünschen für den Klang des Instruments — Boston, Many Verligten von Chillian". Albert Schweitzer - 20 Juli '49."

Mr. G. Donald Harrison, the President of the Aeolian-Skinner Company, has taken advantage of the latest improvements in organ building and has given the new instrument an all-inclusive range, combining the advantages of the baroque organ of Bach's time and the more colorful tone qualities of the Romantic period. The fact that there are 67 stops and nearly 5,000 pipes in all will give the layman an idea of

The cost of a totally new organ with these complete specifications would have been \$70,000. By utilizing pipes and other parts of the old organ (which, built with the Hall, had served its 50 years), Mr. Harrison was able to reduce the cost to \$45,000. Available funds and donations have further reduced the indebtedness of the Orchestra to \$23,000, which it is desirous of discharging as quickly as possible.

### THE SCHWEITZER HOSPITAL

Dr. Albert Schweitzer, medical doctor, theologian, organist, Bach scholar, philosopher of civilization, founded his hospital at Lambarene in French Northern Africa 36 years ago. He did not leave his work from 1939 until last summer when he made a brief visit to America. There are until last summer when he made a brief visit to America. There are forty buildings in a plantation extending for a half a mile along the banks of the Ogowe River near the Equator. It is the only hospital in a vast area subject to many tropical diseases, and takes care of as many as 700 patients at one time. The hospital is entirely free and the majority of the staff give their services. It operates completely on voluntary contributions and the produce from 110 acres which are under cultivation.

### Program

HAYDN...... Concerto in C major, for Organ and Orchestra Allegro molto Allegro moderato Largo (First American performance)

HINDEMITH......Concerto for Organ and Chamber Orchestra Sehr langsam und ganz ruhig Nicht zu schnell

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH (1685-1750)

Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C major

Three Chorale Preludes

"Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme"
"Sleepers Wake! a voice is calling"

"Ach bleib 'bei uns, Herr Jesu Christ"

"Abide with us, Lord Jesus Christ"

"Kommst du nun, Jesu, vom Himmel herunter"
"Comest Thou now Jesus, from Heaven Above"

Toccata and Fugue in D minor (Organ Solo)

POULENC...... Concerto (In one movement) for Organ and String Orchestra with Timpani

# 1949 Dec 20 Christmas Candlelight Carol Service

Take North Cambridge car from Harvard Square Subway Station.

Beech Street is off Massachusetts Avenue, one car stop north of Porter Square. The church is one block from Massachusetts Avenue at the corner of Orchard Street.



Colleague Membership in the Guild is open to any who are or have been professional organists.

A Subscribing Membership may be taken by any music lover who desires to be informed in advance of Guild activities,



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IN BOSTON - JUNE 19 to 23, 1950



# American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

### Evangelical Covenant Church

Beech and Orchard Streets
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS
Rev. AARON MARKUSON, Pastor

# CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT CAROL SERVICE

by THE CHURCH CHOIR

Tuesday Evening, December 20, 1949 at 8 o'Clock

Service played and directed by ELMER G. WESTLUND, Organist and Director

Organ Prelude — Offertory — Postlude Played by ELWOOD E. GASKILL, M.A. (Mus.) Organist King's Chapel, Boston

### Order of Bernice

ORGAN PRELUDE: From heaven high to earth I come

Pachelbel

Fanfare for Christmas Day

Shaw

Smith

Luvaas

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: No. 40 - O come, all ye faithful

INVOCATION

All my heart this night rejoices Dickey

Du signade stjärna Ekberg

Rise up early in the morning Kountz

Sing we Noël once more

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 2: 1-20

Christmas Song Cornelius
God rest you merry, gentlemen Traditional
Go, tell it on the mountain Spiritual

Sweetly angel choirs are singing

MEDITATION: "The Christmas Message and Us"

Hasten swiftly, hasten softly

Norwegian Christmas Song

Hokanson

Come, all ye shepherds

Dickey

O tell me, children dear

Clokey

Offertory: How brightly shines the morning star

Karg-Elert

Lullaby on Christmas Eve

Christiansen

As it fell upon a night

Davis

Lyssna, lyssna!

Holstedt

Beside Thy cradle here I stand

Bach

Congregational Hymn: No. 34 — Joy to the world

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Adeste fidelis

Whitford

# 1950 Jun 19 A Choral Service Trinity Church

The Twentieth Convention of the American Guild of Organists

### TRINITY CHURCH

in the City of Boston

Rev. Theodore P. Ferris, D. D., Rector

A CHORAL SERVICE

BY

### TRINITY CHURCH CHOIR

Francis W. Snow, Mus. D., Choirmaster

Prelude

Arioso

Sowerby

Hymn 522

**Opening Sentences** 

Psalm 96

Lesson

Magnificat (tone VII)

Snow

Prayers and Grace

Three Classical Motets

The Righteous Perisheth

If Ye Love Me Ave Maria Handl Tallis Vittoria

Three Contemporary Motets

O Sacred Feast

I Will Not Leave You

God That Madest

Willan Titcomb Snow

Benediction

Hymn 518

Postlude

Prelude in E Minor

Bach

The Prelude will be played by Dr. Carl McKinley; the Postlude by George Faxon; the Service by Dr. Snow



Monday, June 19. 1950, at five p.m.

# American Guild of Organists 20th National Convention

# THE NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC JORDAN HALL

290 HUNTINGTON AVENUE, BOSTON

June 20, 1950

# A Program of Modern Music

CHORUS pro MUSICA
ALFRED NASH PATTERSON, Director
MARILYN MASON, Organist
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

VARIATIONS ON A RECITATIVE, FOR ORGAN, OPUS 40
Arnold Schoenberg (1947)

### MASS FOR CHORUS AND WIND INSTRUMENTS

Igor Strawinsky (1948)

- I KYRIE ELEISON (Lord have mercy upon us)
- II GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Glory be to God on high . . .)

  LAUDAMUS TE (We praise Thee, we bless Thee . . .)

  DOMINE DEUS (O Lord God, heavenly King . . .)
- III CREDO (I believe in one God . . .)
  CRUCIFIXUS (And was crucified . . .)
- IV SANCTUS (Holy, Holy, Holy . . .)

  PLENI SUNT (Heaven and earth are full . . .)

  BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT (Blessed is he that cometh . . .)

  HOSANNA (Hosanna in the highest.)
- V AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God . . . have mercy upon us . . grant us peace.)

### SOLOISTS

KAYREN MORRILL, Soprano BARBARA PATTERSON, Contralto RAYMOND GILBERT, Tenor GEORGE MURCH, Tenor

RICHARD RIDDELL, Bass

This will be the first performance of the Mass in Boston. The orchestra is comprised of players from the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

# 1950 Jun 20 King's Chapel

None were musicians as we understand the term. But their music became so integrated with the patterns of life in our young country that it may be regarded as a true folk expression.

At the outbreak of the war Belcher fought in the Revolution. Later he kept an inn. He bought the old Ingraham House in Stoughton in 1778, and turned it into a tavern. It had been known for years as a meeting place for local singers, and diaries which recorded a "sing at Ingrahams" now changed to a "sing at Belchers".

As Belcher began to compose, he followed the style of the Singing Master. Crude, simple, unaffected but deeply moving music. It was social as well as

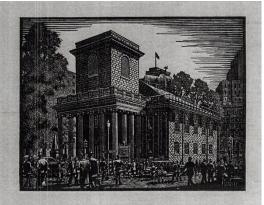
He wanted to "promote the innocent pleasures of the community . . . .". Ho "aimed at originality . . . as much as possible", and mainly hoped for "approbation" from "the candid judges of Musick".

They approved indeed! They lavished the highest praise by likening him to Handel.

After the Revolution, Supply Belcher moved to Maine, living out the remainder of his days in the town of Farmington. Here, in 1794, he completed his book The Harmony of Maine, which was printed by Thomas and Andrews of Boston.

OLIVER DANIEL





King's Chapel Boston, Massachusetts

20th National Convention American Guild of Organists

June 20th, 1950

### KING'S CHAPEL

THE REVEREND PALFREY PERKINS, D. D., Minister

Organ Prelude

Toccata in D minor-The Dorian

Johann Sebastian Bach

Two Chorale Preludes:

Hark, a Voice saith, All are Mortal A Man, Thy Grievous Sin Bemoan

> CHARLES BRAND Schenectady, New York

A PROGRAM OF MUSIC OF COLONIAL AMERICA

THE YANKEE CHORISTERS

Conducted by OLIVER DANIEL Producer-Director Columbia Broadcasting System

Four Anthems from "The Singing Master's Assistant"

and "Continental Harmony" William Billings Lamentations over Boston

1746-1800

I heard a Great Voice

Fare You Well, My Friends

Chester

Three Down East Spirituals

The Lord did on my side engage How short and hasty is my life

Firm was my health, my day was bright

Jacob Kimball 1761-1826

A Lesson, for Organ

William Selby 1758-1798

Supply Belcher

1751-1836

Four Choruses from "The Harmony of Maine"

Invitation

He reigns! the Lord, the Saviour, reign!

"Set down that glass!"—for know you not The anguish of a drinker's lot?

No brandy will we take, We'll rum and gin forsake

Four Anthems from "The Singing Master's Assistant"

and "Suffolk Harmony"

William Billings 1746-1800

Retrospect

The Bird

David's Lamentation

Modern Music

Organ Postlude Carillon in B flat

Louis Vierne

CHARLES BRAND

King's Chapel had the first organ in the Colonies. This instrument, the gift of Thomas Brattle, had originally been willed to the Brattle Square Church, and rejected by members of that parish. Brattle, however, had provided that in such an event the instrument was to be given to Queen's Chapel. Even there the prejudice was so great that the organ remained seven months on the porch of the Chapel before it was unpacked, and many members of the congregation were in favor of dumping the packing case, with its "box of whistles and the Devil" into the Harbor.

King's Chapel, then Stone Chapel, was the scene of the first Music Festival to be given in the Colonies. The event was organized by William Selby. Paul Revere of Midnight Ride fame, cast the bell for King's Chapel, and also engraved the plates for the "New England Psalm Singer" by William Billings, and it was during the seige of the City that this composer poured out his "Lamentation over Boston."

Jacob Kimball, Supply Belcher, William Selby, Billings and others, were the pioneers of an independent music in Colonial America.

WILLIAM BILLINGS was born in Boston, October 7, 1746, and as a boy was apprenticed to a tanner.

In 1769 he opened a singing school, and a year later published the first of his six books. He married once, sired nine children, and bought a house in whince he wrote, printed, bound and sold his music. He established an independent musical society, and fostered one in Stoughton, Massachusetts, which is still active.

Billings nourished a contempt for little rules and regulations. He framed his own declaration of musical independence. "Nature is the Best Dictator, for all the hard, dry rules will not enable any Person to form an Air without Genius. Nature must inspire the thought."

He relished octaves and consecutive fifths, and combinations of dissonance that were ahead of his time. He wanted his music "most majestic" and "exceeding grand." At times he achieved an eloquent and poignant expression of grief, colored by the almost Gothic bent of the Puritan mind. Confluent in his music is a strain of balladry that lends a lilt to many dull verses. "Is any merry? Let him sing Psalms," he quoted, and so they sang Billings.

On September 26, 1800, he died in poverty and was buried in the Boston Common.

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KIMBALL'S parents were Jacob, a blacksmith, who was often called upon "to set ye Psalms" on Sunday mornings, and Priscilla Smith Kimball. Son Jacob was born in Topsfield, Massachusetts, February 22, 1761, not far from the fields where Salem witches had met their deaths. At fourteen, during the Revolution, he became a drummer boy and at nineteen, graduated from Harvard. As a student he was, despite his poverty, "as restless and irregular in attendance of classes as any rich boy of his generation." So we are informed by Clifford K. Shipton, Librarian of the American Antiquarian Society, who tells us further that "Jake was assigned a commencement part but his effort is not in the file of commencement manuscripts." The reason is, apparently, that he could not rake up the money to pay the graduation fees. He was the first Harvard graduate to become a musician.

Kimball studied law and was admitted to the bar in Stratford, New Hampshire. He studied music with Hans Gram—a Dane who possibly knew more about harmony than any man in Boston. Pastor Bentley, who visited the Kimball family in 1795, wrote in his diary on December 7, "Found Mr. Kimball, the celebrated musician, at his father's. It is his purpose to establish himself in the law in Maine". Instead he taught school—for a while in the Ipswich Grammar School—organized singing classes and joined the ranks of itinerant tune-teachers. In 1800 we find him conducting classes in Danvers, Massachusetts. He failed sadly to profit by the sale of his books, which he endeavored to promote.

Almost fragmentary though they seem, Kimball's hymn-tunes, like those of Billings, Holden, Belcher and others, are legitimate Northern Spirituals. They are for the most part uncomplicated by the fuguing tune preoccupation that so excited William Billings. Kimball preferred instead a poetic simplicity.

SUPPLY BELCHER had a faculty of acquiring names. His friends called him Ply; youngsters called him Uncle Ply; acquaintances referred to him as Squire Belcher; and men who regarded him as a distinguished composer paid tribute with The Handel of Maine.

Belcher was born in Stoughton, Massachusetts, in 1751. His was a strong and vital personality. He resembled his father Clifford Belcher, the town's first physician who was famous locally as an athlete and wrestler. But despite his medical skill and physical prowess, dysentery struck the family and Dr. Belcher die "in such a surprising manner" on April 26, 1773. Likewise his wife, two sons, a daughter and his mother-in-law, all succumbed to the malady. With a constitution as rugged as his, young Supply Belcher lived, sired ten children, and attained the age of eighty-five.

He became a distinguished man: a Justice of the Peace, school teacher, musician, and member of the state legislature. He lived among that ingenious lot of early Americans—tanners, comb-makers, inn-holders and horse-breeds—who, sharing the common characteristic of versatility, became our first composers.

# 1950 Jun 22 A Bach Service

RECESSIONAL HYMN: No. 126—For all the Saints  $Ralph\ Vaughan\ Williams$ 

POSTLUDE

Fantasia and Fugue in G minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

ROBERT NOEHREN

Chorus, Soloists and Orchestra conducted by IFOR JONES, F.R.A.M. Conductor, The Bach Choir of Bethlehem

Phyllis Curtin, Soprano Lilian Knowles, Contralto

David Lloyd, Tenor James Pease, Bass

Erwin Bodky, Harpsichord
Gottfried Wilfinger, Concertmaster
Phillip Kaplan, Flute
Proposition Flute
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### Program

The Passacaglia and Fugue in c minor, perhaps the greatest of all Bach's organ works, was written while he was court organist at Weimar. A Passacaglia is an early dance form in triple time originating in Italy or Spain, which in its highest state of development was formed of variations built over a continually repeated bass theme.

ally repeated bass theme.

The first four measures of the theme of Bach's Passacaglia were borrowed from a "trio en Passacaille" by Andre Raison, a 17th century French composer, and expanded to make an eight-measure theme upon which twenty variations are constructed. As the theme occasionally occurs in the upper voices the form of this piece could be more correctly called a Chaconne. After employing innumerable figurations and devices of variation, never once straying from the key of eminor, Bach proceeds to construct a free fugue based on two subjects, one of which is the first half of the theme from the Passacaglia. The composition closes with a brilliant and majestic climax.

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"My Soul doth magnify the Lord"

"Lord Jesus Christ, with us abide"

About the year 1746 Bach selected for publication a group of six vocal movements from his church cantatas. Bach arranged these movements for the organ alone and as each employs a chorale tune they may be properly classified as chorale preludes. This group was engraved and published under the direction of Bach by J. G. Schubler of the Thuringian town of Zella — thus these six chorales have come to be known as the "Schubler Chorales." These are the only transcriptions occurring among the chorale preludes of Bach.

The organ arrangement of "My soul doth magnify the Lord" is made from the fifth movement of Cantat number ten, a duet for alto and tenor. The chorale melody is familiar as the Tonus Peregrinus, and the cantata is known as the German Magnificat.

"Lord Jesus Christ with us abide" is arranged from the third movement of Cantata number six, a soprano solo with an obbligato for the violoncello piccolo, an instrument rarely used for this purpose. No harmonization of this chorale tune is to be found in any of the known cantatas. It was preserved for posterity by its inclusion in the Birnstiel collection of Bach's Chorales Vol. II published in 1769.

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Recitativo

Adagio-Andante Allegro Fugue

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### PROGRAM - Continued

DE PROFUNDIS, Psalm 130 . . . . . . For Soloists, Chorus, and Organ

Latin

1. De profundis clamavi ad te, Domine;
Domine, exaudi vocem meam.

2. Fiant aures tuae intendentes in vocem
deprecationes meae.

3. Si iniquitates observaveris, Domine;
Domine, quis sustinchi?

4. Quia apud te propitatio est, et propter
legem tuam, sustinuit te, Domine.

5. Sustinuit anima mea in verbo ejus,
speravit anima mea in nomino.

6. Et custodia matutuin ausque ad noctem
speret Israel in Domino um redemptio.

7. Quia apud Dominum misericordia et
copiosa apud eum redemptio.

8. Et ipse redimet Israel ex omnibus
iniquitatibus ejus.

9. Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Marcel Dupre, a nativo of Rouen and organist at St. Sulpice, Paris,

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\*\*AUNIMA 2001 of the depths have I cried unto
thee, O Lord, cloth che ears be attentive to the voice
of my supplications.

3. If thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquities; O Lord, who shall stand?

4. But with thee is forgivenes, and because of thy law, I have trusted in the,
O Lord.

5. To with the Lord there is mercy and
with him is plenteous redemption.

8. And he shall redeem Israel from all
her sins.

9. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

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Marcel Dupre, a native of Rouen and organist at St. Sulpice, Paris, wrote the "De Profundis" shortly after World War I and dedicated his composition to "The soldiers who died for their country," It is scored for chorus of four mixed voices with solo parts for soprano, tenor, and bass. The full organ is not used as an accompanying instrument, but takes the place of a symphony orchestra; it requires the services of a virtusos performer. The work falls into nine sections, six of which employ the chorus. The text is taken from the 130th Palm, Out of the depths have I called unto Thee'; the final part is a setting of the "Requiem Acternam;" thus making the psalm doubly applicable for those to whom the work is inscribed.

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As in the preceding movement, Dupre proceeds to paint a lucid tonal picture of the Resurrection. It is woven around the Gregorian hymn tune of the Blessed Sacrament group "Adoro to Devote," which is introduced immediately in the pedals with manual figuration, creating an atmosphere of peaceful calm in keeping with the hushed dawn of the sacred, first Easter morning. Before the pedals complete the hymn melody it is taken up by the manuals with continued figuration accompaniment, an effective development device. Gradually the glorious day is unfolded. The triumph of Eternal Life is proclaimed by a fanfare of stupendous chords.

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THE DANIEL L. MARSH CHAPEL - BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Monday Evening, March 5, 1951, at 8:15

Concert by the B. U. Seminary Singers James R. Houghton, Mus. D., Conductor
Samuel Walter, A.A.G.O., Ch. M., Chapel Organist

The Organ Prelude will be played by Francis W. Snow, Mus. D., the Offertory and Postlude by Mr. Walter. The Service will be conducted by William E. Smith, Chaplain of the University.

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### Monday Evening, March 5, 1951, at 8.15 o'clock

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude: Images from "The Symphony of the Mystic Lamb" (1906) Paul de Maleingreau

SAMUEL WALTER, A.A.G.O., Ch.M. University Chapel Organist Instructor in Organ, Boston University

PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 12: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (Hymn to Joy) Beethoven

INVOCATION

Chaplain Smith

THE ANTHEMS: Come, Let Us to the Lord our God

Hugh Roberton Palestrina

Tenebrae Factae Sunt.

Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee J. S. Bach

THE BOSTON UNIVERSITY SEMINARY SINGERS JAMES R. HOUGHTON, Mus.D., Conductor

ORGAN SOLO: Choral in E Major MR. WALTER César Franck (1882 - 1890)

THE ANTHEMS: Go to Dark Gethsemane

T. Tertius Noble

De Profundis Laudamus (Bryn Calfaria) Ancient Chant

THE SEMINARY SINGERS

OFFERTORY: Offertory for Easter Day "O Filii et Filiae"

Jean-François Dandrieu (1684?-1740)

MR. WALTER

(OVER)

THE ANTHEMS: Arise, O Ye Servants of God

Jan Pieters Sweelinck

Glory to God

Antonio Lotti

Almighty God of Our Fathers

Will James

Hallelujah Amen (Judas Maccabeus)

G. F. Handel

THE SEMINARY SINGERS

RECESSIONAL HYMN No. 266: O Young and Fearless Prophet (Blairgowrie) John B. Dykes

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Chaplain Smith

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Chaconne in F Major MR. WALTER

Louis Couperin (1626-1661)

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## 1951 May 7 AGO National Open Competition in Organ Playing Preliminaries

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-A.G.O. NATIONAL OPEN COMPETITION IN ORGAN PLAYING

### PROGRAM

Ilo Allen

Toccata in C Ich Ruf' zu Dir Toccata Bach Bach Widor

George Butler

Trio Sonata No. 4 Last Movement

Bach Durufle

Dana C. Brown

Prelude and Fugue in B minor

Bach

Lynda P. Copeland

Transports of Joy Passacaglia in C minor Messian Bach

Virginia Ring

A la Breve Claire de Lune

Nun danket alle Gotte

Bach Karg Elert Whitford

Alan Walker

Chorale Prelude, O God, Thou holy God

Toccata in F Major

Brahms Bach

Monday, May 7th, 1951 Church of the Advent Brimmer and Mt. Vernon Sts. Boston, Mass. Judges: Mr. Theodore Marier, Chairman Mass. Chapter Committee for Preliminary Competition Dr. Carl McKinley

Mr. Harris S. Shaw

# Chapter XVIII: The Deanship of Theodore Normand Marier (1951-1952)

Theodore Marier, F.A.G.O., Ch.M., served two terms as Sub-Dean of the Massachusetts Chapter, succeeding to the Deanship on July 1, 1951. He was born in Fall River in October 1912. He was educated at Boston College (A.B., 1934) and Harvard University (M.A. in music, 1940). He served as director of music at Boston College from 1937 to 1942 and has been organist and choirmaster at St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, Harvard Square, Cambridge, since 1934. For several years he served as conductor of the Schola Cantorum Society of the Archdiocese of Boston. He has been church editor for a number of years for the McLaughlin & Reilly Company, music publishers in Boston, and is still active in that capacity. He is on the summer-school faculty of the Pius X School of Liturgical Music in New York.

The Chapter Bulletin was commenced under Dean Marier's leadership in September 1951, with David Ashley Cotton serving as Editor. Announcements of all the Guild events for the coming month are included as well as many notices of musical services by members of the Chapter. This bulletin is now an integral part of the Chapter's service to its members.

Guild events held during 1951 – 1952 were:

Oct. 15, 1951 – First Baptist Church, Boston – Talk by Alfred Nash Patterson, conductor of the Chorus Pro Musica, and organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Advent, Boston. Mr. Patterson conducted the members in a rehearsal of portions of the Brahms' Requiem using the technics he has acquired with Robert Shaw and others.

Dec. 10, 1951 – Marsh Chapel, Boston University – Program of choral works and organ numbers for the Guild examinations performed by a choir conducted by Samuel Walter, professor of organ and chapel organist of the university, accompanied by H. Winthrop Martin, organist and director of music at the Wellesley Congregational Church. The solo organ numbers were played by Herbert J. Irvine, A.A.G.O., organist of the Eliot Church in Newton.

Jan. 21, 1952 – St. Ignatius' Church, Chestnut Hill – Service using polyphonic music for the Catholic Choirmaster Examination, sung by the men and boys of the Church of the Holy Name, West Roxbury, Francis J. Mahler, organist and choirmaster. Plainchants sung by the Gregorian chant Schola Cantorum of St. Paul's Church, Cambridge, Theodore Marier, F.A.G.O., Ch.M., organist and choirmaster.

A featured recitalist of the year was Virgil Fox of the Riverside Church, New York City, who gave a varied program at Symphony Hall, Boston, on February 5, 1952, to a near-capacity house. He was enthusiastically received and showed off the organ to great advantage ... even the tremolo was used!, Grover J. Oberle, Sub-Dean, played a program on the new Wicks instrument at the Boston Conservatory of Music in March, and the annual Composer's Night was held at the First Church in Cambridge on April 21st. Numbers written by a large number of Guild members were performed, both in the church sanctuary, and later, in the parish house auditorium:

Samuel Walter Homer Whitford
Paul Guiliana Homer Humphrey
Frances Farrell Carl McKinley
Edith Lang Anthony Cirella
Clara Fenton Mark Dickey

A recital was given by George Butler, Regional Contest Winner, at Old South Church, following the annual meeting on May 19, 1952. At this meeting special Guild pins were presented to all living past-Deans of the Chapter as a memento of their deanship. The pin was in the form of a fraternity key, affixed to a tie-clip and chain for men, with a specially-designed pin for Mrs. Phelps. Retiring Dean Theodore Marier was also present with a similar pin by Sub-Dean Grover Oberle. All living past-Deans were present except William E. Zeuch (1936-1937). Those present at the head-table included:

John Hermann Loud F.A.G.O.	(1922-1926)
Homer Pasco Whitford F.A.G.O.	(1937-1939)
Homer Corliss Humphrey	(1939-1942)
Harris Stackpole Shaw A.A.G.O.	(1944-1947)
Gerald Foster Frazee	(1947-1949)
Ruth Barrett Phelps, A.A.G.O.	(1949-1951)

On May 26, Jean Langlais, organist at Ste. Clotilde, Paris, played a fine program at Church of the Advent, Boston, using these selections:

Prelude in E flat Bach Benedictus Couperin Dialogue deGrigny Allegro vivace (Symphony I) Vierne Chorale Prelude on Domine Jesu Demessieux Berceuse Demessieux Prelude from Suite Française Langlais Langlais In Quiet Joy Theme and Variations from Hommage á Frescobaldi Langlais Postlude No. 2 Langlais Symphony on improvised themes Langlais

In June a picnic was held at Serlo Organ Hall, Methuen, preceded by a recital by Ivar L. Sjöström, organist and director of the Second Church in Newton (Congregational), West Newton.

## 1951 Nov 26 Recital of Organ Music by Mary Crowley Vivian

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Recital of Organ Music

by

MARY CROWLEY VIVIAN, F. A. G. O.

#### Church of the Advent

The Reverend WHITNEY HALE, Rector ALFRED NASH PATTERSON, Organist and Choir Director

MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 26, 1951 At 8:15 o'clock

#### Program

GEORGE FREDERICK HANDEL (1685-1759) Concerto in B flat

A Tempo ordinario e staccato, Allegro

Adagio e staccato, Allegro, ma non presto

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

Six Schübler Chorale Preludes

(1685 - 1750)

WACHET AUF, RUFT UNS DIE STIMME

"Sleepers, wake!"

WO SOLL ICH FLIEHEN HIN

"Whither shall I flee?"

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT LÄSST WALTEN

"He who suffers God to guide him"

MEINE SEELE ERHEBT DEN HERREN

"My soul doth magnify the Lord"

ACH, BLEIB BEI UNS, HERR JESU CHRIST

"Abide with us, Lord Jesus"

KOMMST DU NUN, JESU, VOM HIMMEL HERUNTER

"Now, Lord, Thou dost descend from heaven"

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART (1756-1791)

Fantasy in F minor

ROBERT SCHUMANN

Three Pieces in Canon from Opus 56

(1810-1856)

E Major, B minor and B Major

ERN ST KRENEK (1900....)

Sonata

Aeolian Skinner Organ

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## 1951 Dec 10 Public Service Using Music for the Guild Test Pieces

The Chorus consists of members of the newly-organized Guild Student Group at the Boston University College of Music, colleagues of the Massachusetts Chapter,

The Chorus is conducted by SAMUEL WALTER, A.A.G.O., Ch.M., Chapel Organist of the University and Supervisor of the Guild Student Group.

The service is played by H. WINTHROP MARTIN, Organist of the Wellesley Congregational Church.

The organ selections are played by HERBERT IRVINE, A.A.G.O., Organist of the Eliot Church of Newton,

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#### PUBLIC SERVICE

#### MUSIC for the GUILD TEST PIECES

#### Marsh Chapel, Boston University

The Rev. FREDERICK W. PHINNEY, Officiating Minister SAMUEL WALTER, University Chapel Organist

MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 10, 1951 At 8:15 o'clock

#### Order of Service .

ORGAN PRELUDE: Joy to the World

Maurice C. Whitney

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 51: Tallis' Canon

Thomas Tallis

RESPONSIVE READING, p. 563, Second Reading

CANTICLE FOR EASTER DAY Tone I, Ending 4

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Mr. PHINNEY

CANTICLE FOR THANKSGIVING DAY William Boyce

VERSICLES AND RESPONSES

MOTET: O Lord, Increase My Faith

Orlando Gibbons

THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEMS: The Day of Judgment

A. Arkhangelsky

The God of Love

Godfrey Sampson

ORGAN SELECTIONS: In Dulci Jubilo

Marcel Dupré

In Thee Is Joy

Dupré J. S. Bach

Fugue in B-minor (on a theme by Corelli)

CHORAL ANTHEMS: Now There Lightens Upon Us

Leo Sowerby

O Wisdom

T. Tertius Noble

Greater Love

John Ireland

RECESSIONAL HYMN 279: Cwm Rhondda

Mr. PHINNEY Welsh Hymn Melody

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Vom Himmel Hoch

Garth Edmundson

CASAVANT ORGAN

The congregation is requested to remain seated during the playing of the

All choral numbers used in this service are the test pieces for the Guild Choirmaster A (Protestant) examination (Ch.M. certificate)

All organ numbers played at this service, except the Prelude, are the test pieces for the Guild Associate examination. (A.A.G.O. certificate).

## $1952\ Jan\ 21\ Music\ Required$ for the $1952\ Guild\ Examinations$



## American Guild of Organists

Massachusetts Chapter

## **PROGRAM**

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*Cor Jesu  *Offertory for Mass of Seventh Sun Pentecost Sicut in Holocausta	NDAY AFTER
*Cantate Domino	E. Bouichere
Salemn Benediction of the Most B. Celebrant: Rev. Thomas M. Herli	lenned Sacrament IHY, S.J., Pastor
*SICUT CERVUS	G. P. Palestrina
TANTUM ERGO (Mode III)	
Adoremus — Laudate	Gregorian Chant
RECESSIONAL: Praise to the Holiest	
Postlude: Westminster Carillon	L. Vierne
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Compositions marked with an asterisk (*) are t Guild Examinations.	those required in the 1952
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## 1952 Feb 5 Virgil Fox at Boston Symphony Hall



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Toccata and Fugue in D Minor Chorale Prelude: In Dulci Jubilo Arioso Toccata in F

A. CORELLI

Sarabande

J. BRAHMS

A Lovely Rose Is Blooming

## Program

J. S. BACH

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Sarabande

J. BRAHMS

A Lovely Rose Is Blooming How Gladly Do I Welcome Thee

J. REUBKE

Sonata on the Ninety-fourth Psalm

L. VIERNE Scherzo from Symphony II

J. LANGLAIS

Chant de la Paix

M. REGER

Introduction and Fugue: How Brightly Shines the Morning Star

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## PROGRAM PRELUDE, UN POCO ALLEGRO, FUGUE in G major Bach The un poco allegro is the last movement of the E minor "organ sonata" and originally is said to have been inserted between the Prelude and Fugue in G major. CIACCONA Buxtehude KLEINE PRAELUDIEN und INTERMEZZI I. Maestoso II. Andante Sostenuto III. Allegro moderato IV. Allegretto V. Andantino - INTERMISSION -SONATA, for Organ and Strings. Pinkham Andante e molto semplice CONCERTO in G major. BALLADE for English Horn and Organ.... Sowerby CONCERTO in B flat major Op. 7, No. 1 Handel II. Andante III. Largo, e piano IV. Bourée, Allegro REV. HENRY B. WHITNEY, President of the Board of Directors of the Boston Conservatory of Music, will speak briefly immediately following the intermission.

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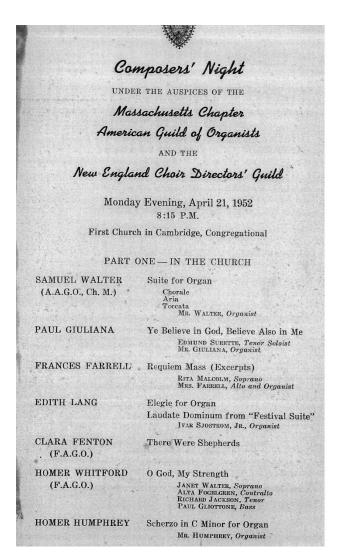
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## 1952 Apr 21 Composers' Night



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(A.A.G.O.)	Fast and rhythmic Slow and restrained
	Very fast and energetic  Ivan Waldbauer, Pianist
ANTHONY CIRELLA	In Manus Tuas (Into Thy Hands)
(F.A.G.O.)	Before the Paling Stars
en de la companya de	The Catholic Guild for the Blind Choristers Mr. Cirella, Director
SAMUEL WALTER	E Tenebris (Oscar Wilde)
(A.A.G.O., Ch. M.)	The Shepherd Speaks (John Erskine)
	Oh God, Thou Art My God
	(Book of Psalms)  JANET WHEELER, Soprano
	Mr. Walter, Accompanist
MARK DICKEY	Pieces for Recorder
	Old King Cole—Ladies' Dialogue— The Dying Swan—Early One Morn'— On the tune "Meinhold"—Mr. Isaac's Whim PAUL WING, Jr., Soprano Recorder MARION ZEREE, Alto Recorder HELEN RULE, Tenor Recorder
HOMER WHITFORD	Folk Song Arrangements for Two Pianos
	Reapers' Song (Czech) Swing Low, Sweet Charlot (Spiritual) Arkansas Traveler (American) HELEN BORNGESSER AND DR. WHITPORD, Duo-pianists
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## 1952 May 19 Organ Recital by George M. Butler Jr.

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## 1952 Jun 7 Organ Recital Ivar Sjöström

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Adagio: Allegro (Concerto #13 in F) G. F. Handel
Air and Variations William Felton (1713-69)
Largo (Concerto in D Minor) Antonio Vivaldi
Fugue in G Minor J. S. Bach
Sonata I in F Minor Mendelssohn Allegro moderato e serioso Adagio Recitative Allegro assai vivace
Two Casual Brevities (1941) Rowland Leach  1. The Desert 2. Chollas dance for you
Laudate Dominum (1950) Edith Lang
Regina Coeli (1940) Everett Titcomb
Toccata "Tu es petra" Henri Mulet

## Chapter XIX: The Deanship of Grover John Oberle (1952-1954)

Grover J. Oberle, F.A.G.O, Ch.M., succeeded to the Deanship of the Boston Chapter on July 1, 1952. He was born December 5, 1913; was a boy chorister at St. Thomas' Church Choir in his youth; studied organ with Dr. T. Tertius Noble, the renowned organist of the church. During World War II Mr. Oberle served in the U.S. Navy as Chief Specialist and was stationed at the US. Naval Reserve's Midshipmen's School in New York City. At this time he became assist organist to Dr. Noble at St. Thomas'. Later he served as organist and choirmaster of St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington, D.C., coming to Boston in 1946 as organist and choirmaster of Emmanuel Church. His predecessors at this church were among the most eminent in the organ world: Lynnwood Farnam (1913-1918) and Albert W. Snow (1918-1938). His immediate predecessor was Dr. Thompson Stone (1938-1945) with a brief interim period by William Strickland (1945-1946). While in New York, Mr. Oberle served as a member of the National Council of the Guild at Headquarters and thus was well-equipped to guide the destinies of the Boston Chapter of the Guild.

One of the largest-attended recitals in years was held at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, on October 20, 1952, with Dr. Fritz Heitmann of Berlin as the organist. Over 800 people were present, admitted either by ticket or their Guild membership card.

William A. Little (A.B., Tufts College), a member of the Executive Committee, was elected Registrar at a meeting of the committee early in September to succeed H. Winthrop Martin, now organist and choirmaster of St. Joh's Episcopal church in the Village, New York City, and a student at Union Theological Seminary. Fr. Peter Blynn, curate of the Church of the Advent, Boston, was elected to be the first Chaplain of the Chapter. The Guild organization in Boston Officially became "The Boston Chapter" on July 1, 1952, having had two other names in its lifetime, "New England Chapter" and "Massachusetts Chapter." A fine set of new Chapter by-laws was voted into effect at the annual meeting in May 1953.

Events of the 1952 – 1953 season included:

Nov. 17, 1952 – Service of Choral Evensong – Emmanuel Church, Boston. Music sung by the choir of Emmanuel Church, conduct by Dean Grover Oberle. An address was given by the Guild Chaplain, Fr. Peter Blynn, on "Church Music." The Prelude was played by George H. Faxon, F.T.C.L., organist and choirmaster of St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston, and Sub-Dean of the Chapter. The Postlude was played by Samuel Walter, A.A.G.O., Ch.M., organist of Boston University.

Dec. 15, 1952 – Lecture demonstration in Leslie Lindsey Memorial Chapel, Emmanuel Church, by Edward B. Gammons.

Jan. 5, 1953 – Twelfth Night Celebration and Banquet at the rooms of the Harvard Musical Association, 57-A Chestnut Street. (The first time the Guild has met there in sixteen years.)

Mar. 2, 1953 – Recital by Jeanne Demessieux, talented French organist, at Symphony Hall.

Apr. 7 & 8, 1953 – Regional Convention for Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

May 18, 1953 – Annual meeting at the rooms of the Harvard Musical Association. Marshal Sumner Wilkins, A.B., (Harvard University) elected as Registrar succeeding William A. Little, now in U.S. Army. The Guild by-laws prepared by the special committee were adopted with amendments from the floor.

The 1953-1954 season brought these events:

Nov., 1953 – Recital by André Marchal at the French church in North Cambridge.

Dec. 1, 1953 – Joint meeting with the New England Choir Directors' Guild at Old South Church. Composer's night with music written chiefly by Chapter members being used exclusively.

Jan. 4, 1954 – Twelfth Night Party at the 20th Century Club.

Feb. 8, 1954, Demonstration High Mass at St. Paul's Church, Cambridge. Men and boys' choir conducted by Theodore Marier, F.A.G.O., Ch. M., organist and choirmaster.

Mar. 27, 1954 – Recital by Jean Langlais at Symphony Hall, arranged by Most Rev. Eric V. MacKenzie, chairman, Music Commission of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston. Performance of a Mass by M. Langlais sung by a chorus of Guild members and friends.

Beginning February 9<sup>th</sup>, each Tuesday a recital is given at Emmanuel Church, broadcast over station WERS. Those taking part this season include: Samuel Walter, George Faxon, Jean Young, Theodore Marier, Ivar Sjöström, H. Trall Heitzenrater, Max Miller and George Butler. In April a series of Monday night Guild programs will take place in the peripheral areas of Boston.

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JOHANN NICOLAUS HANFF (1630-1706)

Chorale Prelude

O God, Look Down From Heaven

JOHANN GOTTFRIED WALTHER-TELEMANN (1684-1748)

Concerto in C minor Adagio, Allegro Adagio Vivace

HUGO DISTLER (1908-1942)

Partita: Wake, Awake, a Voice Is Calling
Toccata Bicinium Fugue

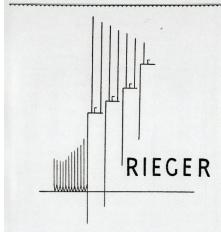
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TOCCATA SUR UN CHORAL .... Charles Tournemire (L'Orgue Mystique No. 18)

SONATA ......Ernst Krenek

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Prelude

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Allegro Andante

Adagio Allegro Moderato

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## Chapter XX: Guild Expansion in New England

Over the years since the New England Chapter was first organized in 1905, it has had notable growth in many areas.

On January 8, 1919, the Main Branch was formed in Alfred Brinkler's studio on Portland. He served as the first Regent of the group before it became a full-fledged chapter. It is interest to note that Dr. Brinker is the only living member of that first group of founders of the New England Chapter that met in Everett Truett's studio to organize the second Guild Chapter in the country. He has served for many years as organist and choirmaster at St. Luke's Episcopal Cathedral in Portland and also as official organist for the city of Portland at its renowned Kotzschmar Memorial Organ in the Municipal Auditorium, succeeding Will C. Macfarlane. He retired from both positions in 1952 and is now devoting his time to leisure, in addition to serving as Regional Chairman of the Guild for Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. Bowdoin College has conferred on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Music. In 1935, the Guild absorbed the National Association of Organists and the Portland Branch became the Maine Chapter.

A Guild group was started in Providence about the same time that Portland organized its branch, but its life was short. The New England Chapter in Boston continued to hold services occasionally in Providence. In 1933, the interest had multiplied sufficiently so that the Rhode Island Chapter was organized.

By 1933 it became evident that the question of expansion into other sections might be taken into consideration. At a meeting of the Executive Committee on March 6<sup>th</sup> of that year the matter was discussed.

A fictitious conversation between Dr. Macdougall and the Warden on the subject (contained in a letter from Dr. Macdougall) pointed out that extension of the Guild organization was a province of Headquarters and that such a reorganization of the activities in New England would necessitate some change of name of the present New England Chapter. It was voted that the Dean write to representative chapter members in possible centers of activity through the section and sound them out as to the likelihood of one plan or the other proving valuable. 66

In April of that year a letter was received from Homer Whitford of Dartmouth College stating his idea of the desirability of more chapters in New England. No action was taken on it, however. In Mary, 1933, there weas a discussion of the best way to make the Guild useful to organists not located near Boston, and a proposal was brought out to divide the New England territory in several smaller groups, either as new chapters or as branch chapters. Recitals in a greater variety of cities was proposed and also the possibility of having "outlying organists" play in recital in Boston was debated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee, March 6, 1933.

By September the subject was pressed by Headquarters which was in favor of splitting the New England territory into several independent chapters. "It was suggested that Mr. Doersam (the Warden) be asked to go to these centers and attempt the organization of those chapters, upon the assumption that any move from officers of the New England chapter would not be well-received." Warden Doersam was reported as desirous of arousing interest in a Guild group in Providence, Rhode Island. By December a northern New England Chapter was on its way with a meeting arranged for Dartmouth the coming February. The Vermont-New Hampshire Chapter was organized May 28, 1934 under the leadership of Mr. Whitford. The Rhode Island Chapter had come into existence the previous December.<sup>68</sup>

The question of changing the name of the New England Chapter was reported under discussion in September 1937 and at a board meeting in October a letter was read from the Warden giving full authority to change the Chapter title. "It was moved that a letter be prepared for Chapter members laying the question of change of name before them for their consideration." At the annual dinner held at the Myles Standish Hotel in January, 1938, the question was brought up. Sub-Dean Homer Humphrey moved that the name be changed to the "Massachusetts Chapter." A very brief discussion was held and a rising vote was taken with the motion carried by a large majority.

In March, 1939, a petition was received from several organists in Worcester asking for permission to form a branch in that city. Evidently it was granted even though the minutes do not report it, for in October, at the first Executive meeting of the Chapter, it was voted " ... not to give aid to the Worcester Branch financially ... but that if they have any events themselves they should be allowed to keep revenues provided they assume their own expenses." Later that month there was a discussion of the status of the Worcester Branch and the possibility of disbanding it and having the members affiliate with the Massachusetts Chapter in Boston. No action was taken. The next report of Worcester comes in December, 1941, when a letter was read from Headquarters suggesting re-formation of the Worcester Chapter. Sentiment was definitely against it although the possibility of a branch in Springfield was discussed.

On September 28, 1948, past-Dean Harris S. Shaw of the Massachusetts Chapter (1944-1947) was appointed Regional Chairman for the lower half of New England, with authority to promote new Guild groups in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. That his activities have borne fruit is evident in the amazing growth of Guild chapters that has been made under his leadership. In addition to the "mother chapter" in Boston, five excellent chapters have been started in other communities in the state. Mr. Shaw has been largely responsible for the encouragement of the local organists to commence these Guild chapters. The Worcester Chapter was again organized on March 14, 1949 with Frederick Kinsley, F.T.C.L., organist and director at the Wesley Methodist Church, Worcester, as Dean. In November 1951 a Regional Convention for the tri-state area of lower New England was held in that city. The other Massachusetts chapters include:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee, Sept. 18, 1933.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup> Rhode Island Chapter organized, Dec. 11, 1933.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee, Oct. 25, 1937.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> Minutes of the Executive Committee, Oct. 2, 1939.

Springfield Chapter, organized November 6, 1946
Berkshire Chapter (Pittsfield), organized May 15, 1947
Brockton Chapter, organized September 25, 1949
Cape Cod Chapter (Hyannis), organized September 22, 1951

In addition, Mr. Shaw lent encouragement and advice to the members in Manchester, New Hampshire when they sought to organize the New Hampshire group in October 1946.

Because many new chapters had been formed in the state since 1938, the subject of again changing the Chapter name to a more suitable was brought up in the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Chapter on April 13, 1951. Notice was given to the general membership that the matter would be voted upon at the annual meeting in May.<sup>71</sup>

On May 7, 1951, at the annual meeting, Dean Ruth Barrett Phelps reported that " ... it was the opinion of many members that the name should be changed, inasmuch as there are now four other Chapters besides our own in the state." Discussion ensued with several members participating. It was moved that the name be change to "Greater Boston Chapter," but this motion was lost. Proposed titles of "Old Colony Chapter" and "The Hub Chapter" were brought up but no motions made. Past-Dean Homer Humphrey (1939-1942) then moved that the name be changed to "Boston Chapter," with the Registrar seconding this motion. A standing vote was called for with the motion being rejected by a vote of:

YES 
$$-20$$
; NO  $-27$ 

An amusing sidelight of this was that Mr. Phelps voted against the motion, while Mrs. Phelps voted in favor of it.

At the Executive Committee meeting on April 21, 1952, there was considerable discussion as to whether or not a question concerning the change of name should be included on the ballot for the annual meeting. At an adjourned session of the committee, following the evening program, it was moved that the following be inserted into the ballot:

"The Executive Committee requests that you vote on the following:

QUESTION: Shall the name of the Massachusetts Chapter be changed to "Boston Chapter," effective July 1, 1952?"

At the annual meeting held May 19, 1952, the result of the vote on this question was:

<sup>71</sup> Dean Phelps read a tentative letter to be sent to the members before the Annual Meeting. It was moved and seconded that the Committee recommend that the name of the Chapter be changed from "Massachusetts" to "Greater Boston." This recommendation is to be mentioned in the letter so that the member may have time to consider the proposal.

After many years of agitation and discussion the Chapter name was finally changed to the name most accurately describing its major scope of activity: "Boston Chapter." It is unlikely that there will ever be a need of amending it as the new title pretty accurately describes the area it serves. Any Guild member may join another Chapter by the method of dual-membership provision of the By-laws, so any member in any section of the state may affiliate with the Boston group if he chooses.

## Chapter XXI: Movie Music Played by Organists

In the twenties it was in style for members of the profession to play for the movies. The most outstanding member of the Chapter who served as organist in this capacity was Miss Edith Lang, organist at the Exeter Theatre and the Boston City Club. At a social meeting in March, 1921, Miss Lang gave an address on "The Organ in the Movies." The Secretary's report of her talk says:

Scarcely anyone is better qualified to discourse upon that subject than Miss Lang, and her grasp of the subject was impressive. Her paper was for the most part an enumeration of the qualifications which movie organists must have to ensure success at that game, and they are indeed many, and detailed mention of the music most desirable. Her paper was so interesting that she had finished apparently before those present fully realized it.<sup>72</sup>

At the annual Chapter dinner in February, 1926, Warden Frank L. Sealy spoke to the members and said: " ... I believe the Guild must take cognizance of the fact that the future progress and advancement of the art of organ playing rests in the hands of the excellently-schooled organists of the theatres." <sup>73</sup> He recommended that organists that organists enter this field of effort as the "... emolument for services is greatly superior to that obtained from the churches." <sup>74</sup> He was followed by Messrs. Macdougall, Truette, and Clemson, who were in agreement that the day of the "deification of the legato touch" and the "smudge" had passed to be supplanted by clear, rhythmical playing.

At the first social meeting of the 1928 – 1929 season, Lloyd G. Del Castillo spoke on movie music and prefaced his organ accompaniments of some motion pictures with brief remarks wherein he expressed himself as favoring for theatre uses the unified organ in preference to the "straight" instrument because of its greater flexibility and because of its practicality. He said:

It is more convenient and more comfortable, matters that deserve consideration when an organist is called on to play several hours at a stretch. A literature rich in orchestral color has already been evolved and developed to vast size and this literature is quite unlike that organ music used in church.

"Mr. del Castillo accompanied a newsreel that pictured sailors, soldiers, rustic scenes, a forest fire, and other episodes. Although organists have cue sheets in this type of work, Mr. del Castillo seems to have abandoned all such artifices and improvised without restraint. It can be left as an open question whether organ music as played for films after the manner of the evening's entertainment would be considered intrinsically artistic apart from the films or not. Evidently the two art-forms must more or less be blended into a single concept in order to be successful."<sup>75</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> Report of the Secretary (Mr. Loud), March 28, 1928.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> Address by Warden Sealy, Feb. 15, 1926.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> Report of the Secretary (S. Harrison Lovewell), November 26, 1928.

Dean Marshall, in his annual report of 1929, said: " ... theatre music is a professional occupation for organists today and approaches, if it does not exceed in importance, church organ playing."

## Chapter XXII: Ethics

At a Chapter Executive Committee meeting in March 1941, a letter was read from Headquarters regarding the local chapters keeping a record of complaints about malpractice, unfair treatment of organists or of the clergy. It was voted to bring the matter before the annual meeting in May. It was suggested that before any action could be taken by the Chapter, inquiry be made as to what action would be taken by the New York Committee on Ethics in case of such complaints. At the annual meeting, May 12, 1941, it was moved that the Executive Committee act as repository of any information regarding unethical practices in the Chapter and forward them to New York.<sup>76</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> Copy of the Code of Ethics as formulated by the New York Committee appears on the following page.

# 1938 Jan 31 Study of Playing of Special Services by the Organist and Use of the Organ by Unauthorized Persons

#### NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

The New England Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, in an endeavor to establish a standard of agreement between church organists and their ministers and music committees, has appointed a committee to make a study of existing conditions regarding the playing of special services by the organist, and the use of the organ by unauthorized persons.

Inquiry of many organists has led to the belief that there is no uniform arrangement between organist, minister and music committee regarding the playing of organ music for weddings, funerals, etc. While the majority of the members questioned have stated that satisfactory arrangements have already been made, several members have informed the committee that through proper understanding it is a common practice for persons arranging for weddings and funerals in their churches to ask friends to play for them. In the case of funerals it is not uncommon for the undertaker to furnish the music. These arrangements are usually made without consultation with the regular organist of the church.

When an organist is appointed to a church position it is reasonable for him to assume that his playing will be required not only for the actual church services on Sundays but for all other occasions when organ music is needed in the church. In recent years many organists have worked on a reduced income due to economic conditions, and the fact that they receive comparatively small remuneration for their services should make it apparent that any fees paid for special services are a rightful part of their income.

In view of the evident lack of a uniform agreement in the churches, the committee makes the following suggestions:

That the organist of the church be invited to play for all weddings and funerals in the church when music is desired, and that he receive a fee for his services from the person engaging him, the amount of the fee to be left to the discretion of the organist in churches where there is no established charge.

That the organist have the privilege of practicing on the organ as much as he wishes, and that he be permitted to give lessons on the organ without charge for the use thereof.

That pupils of the organist be allowed to practice on the organ, paying to the church an amount sufficient to cover the cost of power and light, and that no other person be permitted to use the organ without the consent of the organist.

It is suggested that the organist have a conference with the minister and music committee of his church, and that the subject matter of this letter be frankly discussed. The committee feels that the unsatisfactory arrangements in some churches regarding these matters are largely due to a lack of knowledge on the part of the minister and music committee as to the common practice in the majority of churches, and that when the facts are presented to them, they will gladly cooperate with the organist.

Committee William B. Burbank Anne Everett Carl McKinley

January 31, 1938.

## American Guild of Organists

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## CODE OF ETHICS





#### Adopted by the Council

- RULE 1. No organist shall apply for a position, nor shall any teacher or school of music seek to place anyone in a position, unless a present or prospective vacancy definitely has been determined.
- RULE 2. When demanded, churches should give organists a yearly contract, which may be terminated upon expiration, at ninety days notice.
- RULE 3. None but the regular organist of a church shall play at weddings or funerals, except by arrangement with said organist.

#### THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

- A. That a bureau (or committee) be established at Headquarters, and in each Chapter, to receive complaints of irregular and unfair practices, on the part of both organists and churches. Such complaints shall be kept on file, and notices of protest may be sent to the offending organists or churches.
- B. That organists be cautioned against these unethical practices, and advised to be ready to cope with the situation, by preparing themselves for all possible requirements of their positions, thus making themselves invaluable to the churches.
- C. That churches appoint as "Minister of Music," an organist who has proven his worth, with full power to carry out the policies in regard to music in the church, as the pastor and music committee may authorize. That such a "Minister of Music" shall be protected in his tenure of office, and hence be free to do his best work.

Your committee does not think it desirable to unionize the Guild. Nor do we recommend any effort to fix a minimum rate of pay, either in amount or in its relationship to other expenditures of the church. In our opinion, owing to the varied conditions in churches throughout the country, any such effort would be futile. We do, however, strongly recommend, that at Headquarters and in all Chapters, steps be taken to strengthen the Guild, by bringing into its membership a larger proportion of the organists of the country.

In conclusion, we wish to emphasize the fact, that a large majority of churches need no code; that in them music has its rightful and highly honored place. But we deplore the increasing number of cases brought to our attention, of organists who have been discharged without adequate notice, and of efforts by organists and others to supplant another organist in his position.

We hope the mere calling attention to these highly unethical and unprofessional practices may result in their diminution.

COMMITTEE ON CODE OF ETHICS Samuel A. Baldwin, Chairman

## **Appendix**

Report on the 1950 A.G.O. National Convention in Boston from "The Diapason Magazine" July 1, 1950

This is a transcription of the reporting in "The Diapason" of the 1950 Convention. "The Diapason" was the official magazine of the American Guild of Organists at the time.

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Five Days and Nights Filled with Recitals, Services, Orchestra Concert and Other Events – Crowds Tax Buildings

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Organists from every part of the country descended upon Boston more than a thousand strong the week of June 19 to attend the largest convention of their clan ever to be held, so far as records show. A total of 1,141 members of the American Guild of Organists and other visitors were registered at the twentieth national gathering of the organization. Five days and nights were filled with a series of events that had been arranged by the Massachusetts Chapter, including a forfeit of recital programs, services, papers and a great banquet.

Every building in which a program was presented was jammed to the last seat throughout the week and hundreds were unable to gain entrance at the service in Trinity Church, while for the Boston "Pops" concert in honor or the Guild the house was sold out and for Dr. Fritz Heitmann's recital on the famous Boston Music Hall organ now in Methuen, is was necessary to have the patient artist play his program twice so that all might hear him once. There were some noteworthy thrills at several of the recitals and in quality as well as the size the events deserved comment in superlatives.

All the proceedings of the week were carried out like clockwork, and even the weather man was cooperative, all except the last day being comfortably cool.

#### **Opens with Evening Service**

In view of the religious background of the A.G.O., it was fitting that the first event of the convention should be a church service. Famous Trinity Church was filled for the evensong Monday at which Francis W. Snow, Mus.D., presented his choir of men and boys in a program of service music of great beauty. Nearly all of the visiting organists were impressed by the rarely fine quality of the boys' voices. The Rev.

Theodore P. Ferris, D.D., rector of Trinity, welcomed the Guild cordially. Dr. Carl K. McKinley played a Prelude and Arioso by Sowerby as the prelude. The postlude, the only other organ number, was the Prelude in E minor by Bach, played by George Faxon. Mr. Snow's Magnificat was followed by three classical motets, by Handl, Tallis and Vittoria, and three contemporary motets, by Willan, Titcomb and Snow. These offerings proved what could be done with a boy choir of excellence. Dr. Snow made a brief address on boy choirs. [Dr. Snow's paper will be published in a future issue of "The Diapason".]

#### **Recital by Virgil Fox**

Since it was evidently desired to give the convention recitals a brilliant beginning, Virgil Fox was selected to give the first one of the week. With the large Casavant organ in Emmanuel Church under his hand and feet Mr. Fox had an adequate vehicle for another demonstration of his talents. With a dynamic personality Mr. Fox combines the technical facility of a virtuoso and so wherever the organist of the Riverside Church in New York appears, from coast to coast, something far beyond the ordinary is expected. The church was jammed for the occasion and many had to stand.

In his recitals this season Mr. Fox has made Erik Satie's "Messe de Pauvres" his opening number and this time he had the cooperation of Grover J. Oberle, F.A.G.O., and his choir in making this an effective number in which soloists in the rear gallery did much to enhance the impressiveness of the work. To follow this with the Bach "Fugue a la Gigue" created a pronounced contrast. The Schumann Canon in B minor was nothing new to this audience. Florent Schmitt's Prelude, Op. 11, was a piece of lovely moods. The Healy Willan Introduction, Passacaglia and Fugue is a work of overwhelming proportions.

The remainder of an hour and a half included Bach's Sixth Sonata, two well-known chorale preludes by Vaughan Williams, and the Bach "Come, Sweet Death" and Prelude and Fugue in G major. One of Mr. Fox's stunts, if it may be called that, is to have the congregation sing a hymn, and the great audience and the organ gave one something to remember in the singing of "Hyfrydol" while playing "Come, Sweet Death" as played by this organist is something that one might wish Bach could hear.

#### **Unionization Is Discussed**

The convention was opened officially in the Copley Plaza Hotel on Tuesday morning by Joseph S. Whiteford, chairman of the convention committee, who introduced John B. Brown, the city's official greeter; Ruth Barrett Phelps, A.A.G.O, dean of the Massachusetts Chapter, and S. Lewis Elmer, A.A.G.O., president of the A.G.O. Mr. Elmer directed attention to the fact that this was the largest convention ever held by the Guild.

The first of the "information and discussion" sessions came next, with William H. Barnes, Mus.D., as chairman. This developed into a discussion of the status of the organist and the organ recital and the question whether the organ profession would be benefited by affiliation with the musicians' union. Rudolph Elis, music critic of the Boston Herald, was the first speaker. He quoted from his recent articles, reprinted the "The Diapason" and made the subject of editorial comment. His emphasis was on the neglect of the organist and he point out a few of the possible causes. He lamented the fact that the average musician appreciated all forms of music excepts organ and chamber music.

"We are all missing a tremendous amount of musical enjoyment," he declared, because of this condition. "The people today do not know the organ," he said. To the practice of making orchestra arrangements of some of Bach's works he referred in plain terms, calling the results "frightful."

Harold Gleason of the Eastman School of Music delivered a very interesting and thought-provoking talk, beginning by referring to the organist's profession as a very noble one and regretting that too often the organist is too yielding and does on stand on his rights against the "lady in the church who knows what she likes and likes what she knows," and does not know much, and against those who will accept a meager fee for playing at a wedding while hundreds of dollars are spent for flowers. The organist, he asserted, must learn to say "no." He went into the subject of unionization at some length, pointing out its disadvantages.

Edward A. Grossman of St Louis, who spoke from the standpoint of a business man as well as a church organist, took up various questions that would have to be considered in reaching the decision to organize a union and made it plain that after all the organist's work is part of worship and that the idea of adopting labor methods, such as picketing and other evils, has no place in this profession.

#### Organ and Harp Program

Dr. Alexander McCurdy, head of the organ department at the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia and at the Westminster Choir College, and his talented wife, the harpist, gave variety to the week with their program of organ and harp selections. Dr. McCurdy made use of three organs on exhibition in the ballroom. These were the Aeolian-Skinner classic instrument, the Wicks organ and the Möller "Artiste." The ensemble selections were two dances – "Sacre" and "Profane" – by Debussy and Introduction and Allegro by Ravel, the closing number. Dr. McCurdy's organ selections consisted of five chorale preludes, the Cathedral Prelude and Fugue and the Vivace from the Second Trio-Sonata, all by Bach.

#### Early Day Music in King's Chapel

The next event in a crowded day was a visit to historic King's Chapel. Where Charles Brandon of Schenectady, N.Y., a blind organist, provided the organ selections – the Bach Dorian Toccata and two chorale preludes and the Vierne "Carillon." In keeping with the colonial setting in King's Chapel the Yankee Choristers, conducted by Oliver Daniel of the Columbia Broadcasting System, sang a program of music of colonial America which gave the organists present an accurate picture of the musical offerings of the 1770s as they sat in the pews once occupied by George Washington and other great men of those days. There were four anthems by William Billings, who was born in 1746, including "Lamentation over Boston" and a tear-producing number entitled "Fare You Well, My Friends"; three "Downeast" spirituals by Jacob Kimball, who was born in 1761; four choruses from "The Harmony of Maine" by Supply Belcher, of which "Set Down That Glass" and "No Brandy Will We Take" gave evidence that there was a liquor problem in the eighteenth century as well as in the twentieth; four other anthems by Billings, the last of them entitled "Modern Music" and an organ number of a past period by William Selby, with the title "A Lesson for Organ."

To bridge an abrupt jump from the oldest American music to the latest modern output there was an interval in which the visitors either went on a drive provided for them so that they might see the historic spots in Boston or listened to a scholarly lecture on "The Miracle of Hearing." The lecturer was Dr. Werner Mueller, assistant surgeon at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and an instructor at the Harvard Medical School. Dr. Mueller is also an organist. It was unfortunate that many who wish to hear him yielded to the opportunity to see the sights, but a large audience was present to benefit from a talk of highly scientific interest.

#### Tribute to the Moderns

The latter part of the afternoon and the evening were devoted to the works of the moderns. In Jordan Hall at the New England Conservatory of Music the program was divided between the organ and a choral offering. Miss Marilyn Mason of the faculty of the University of Michigan, who took the place of Robert Ellis at the last moment when the Texas organist was unable to come to Boston, aroused admiration with a fine performance of Schoenberg's Variations on a Recitative from memory. This work was written in 1947. Miss Mason played with ease and poise. The chorus Pro Musica, directed by Alfred Nash Patterson and accompanied by instrument from the Boston Symphony Orchestra, played Stravinsky's Mass for Chorus and Wind Instruments, a composition only two years old. It was the first Boston performance of the work.

#### Catharine Crozier's Recital

The Church of the Advent was filled, with many latecomers standing, to hear Catharine Crozier's demonstration of much of the best work of the modern composers for the organ. That her performance made an excellent impression was attested when at the close she received an enthusiastic and prolonged round of applause – in a famous Episcopal church. For those who are devoted to modern organ music it was a feast; to those whose tastes do not find much of this palatable fare there was admiration for the player who was able to glorify this type of music. As Miss Crozier has been heard on tours across the nation and gave her first recital at an A.G.O. convention some years ago in Cincinnati, her virtuosity caused no surprise.

All of the program offerings have been composed in the last twenty-five years. Miss Crozier began with the First Sonata of Hindemith and immediately proved her command of the large Aeolian-Skinner organ and the virility which marks her playing. De Maleingreau's "Tumult in the Praetorium," from his Passion Symphony, is a brilliant work which has become almost a war horse for those who can master its difficulties. There were two pieces by Leo Sowerby which were delightful to any ear – his lovely Fantasy for the Flute Stops and the elegy entitled "Requiescat in Pace." Eric DeLamarter's "Soliloquy" is a well-named and thoroughly enjoyable composition. Edmund Haines' "Promenade, Air and Toccata" is marked by a very brilliant final movement. Jehan Alain, the young Frenchman who became a war casualty, was represented by his "Litanies" and a "Fantaisie." The program closed with Marcel Dupré's Variations on a Noel, which is one of his best work, in the opinion of many.

Thus, with an unmistakable display of enthusiasm from the great throng, closed the oblation to the latest music of the prevailing mode.

#### Fred Waring and Two-Organ Program

Fred Waring, whose name is a household word in radio and television, conducted a "choral workshop session" as the first event of Wednesday and demonstrated his methods and ideas in the realm of choral technique in a way to hold the interest of his audience for an hour and a half; incidentally he organized the organists into an impromptu chorus that showed that the tradition that organists are poor singers could be disproved.

One of the unusual features of the convention was a concert for two organs which was made possible by the exhibits prepared by several organ builders. Fenner Douglass of the Oberlin Conservatory at the

Aeolian-Skinner and Lawrence H. Moe of the Central Washington College, Ellensburg, Wash., at the Wicks were the performers, presenting a Sonata by Cherubini, a Concerto by Couperin, a sixteenth century piece entitled "Jon, Come Kisse Me Now," which was music of a character to produce the desired result; the Bach "Mirror" Fugues, from "The Art of Fugue", and the Concerto of Antoni Soler, recently presented on the air by E. Power Biggs. It was the antithesis of modern music, but it was pleasing and was played as if the two performers had done this for a long time.

#### Visit to Methuen and Andover

With Andover and Phillips Academy, and Methuen, home of the famous Boston Music Hall organ, as its destination a fleet of buses which did not help the Boston traffic situation started out after luncheon for a delightful trip. The events in both places had to be divided into sections, a practice more frequently necessary on the railroads than at organ recitals. At the Phillips Academy chapel Harold W. Friedell, F.A.G.O., of St. Bartholomew's Church in New York and the chairman of the Guild examination committee, played the 1951 examination pieces as recently published in "The Diapason" and the Chorale-Toccata of Ivan Langstroth, the organ composition which won the J. Fischer prize this year. The Organ Institute Chorus, directed by Arthur Howes, F.A.G.O., sand the anthem which won the H.W. Gray prize – "Thy Mercy, O Lord, Is in the Heavens," composed by Carl W. Landahl. This anthem impressed the organists as possessing beauty and practical service possibilities.

At Methuen the visitors were impressed with the building which houses the Boston Music Hall instrument, once consigned to the oblivion of storage by those who did not realize the value of the great instrument. As it stands today the organ and its home deserve to be counted as one of America's great historic and artistic treasures. To hear this organ as played by an artist of the rank of Fritz Heitmann provided something to be remembered. And the fact that he had to give his recital twice because the convention throng was more than twice the capacity of the hall was another fact that made the afternoon memorable.

Professor Heitmann, organist of the Dom in Berlin, who is making his second American tour and who was brought to the United Stated to teach at the Organ Institute, made such use of the instrument that everyone was thrilled. It was a German-built organ he played, and his program was all-German. The items known to the majority were the Bach Passacaglia and Fugue on "B-A-C-H," which was the final number. The remainder of the program was devoted to a Prelude and Fugue by Bruhns, Variations on a Chorale by Paul Hoffer and a Toccata and Fugue by Wolfgang Fortner. The performance was one that justifies the use of superlative and the modest-appearing man who sat at the console was able to arouse his hearers to great enthusiasm for himself and for the magnificent organ whose original grandeur has been enhanced by the additions and changes it has undergone since its rescue from Boston dust.

#### Great Evening at the "Pops"

There was a pronounced change of scene for the evening when the organists formed a large part of an audience which made Arthur Fiedler and his "Pops" orchestra play to a sold-out house at the Boston Music Hall. The "Pops" are a Boston institution with a European flavor, at which the audience sits at small tables in groups of five and if the musical fare is not adequate finds solace in sandwiches, beer and soft drinks. It is a real experience to see and hear at a Boston "Pop" concert. As an interlude, a certificate of honorary membership in the A.G.O. was presented to Mr. Fiedler by President Elmer.

As the special feature of the evening the program interspersed a series of popular classics with a Concerto for Organ and Orchestra in C major, by Leo Sowerby, with E. Power Biggs at the Console of the new Aeolian-Skinner organ. The concerto, in three movements, gave the orchestra the opportunity to let loose in an almost riotous performance of a distinctly modern work which was thoroughly enjoyed by even those not yet acclimated to the modern type of composition. The wild ovation given Dr. Sowerby, Mr. Biggs and Mr. Fiedler made it unmistakably clear that everybody was happy.

#### Organ Matter the Topic

Organ design was the topic for Thursday morning and in the hour devoted to the subject those present were able to gain a considerable amount of information on organ problems. Emerson L. Richards of Atlantic City, organ architect and "fan," was in the chair and recalled events in connection with the development of new conceptions reflected in specifications in recent years. B. C. Baldwin of the Estey Organ Company, the first speaker, told of plans of his company for much more active participation in the building of pipe organs. Joseph S. Whiteford, vice-president of the Aeolian-Skinner Company, devoted a short time to describing the organ on exhibition at the convention which is to be installed at the new England Conservatory as a practice instrument. M. P. Möller, Jr., head of M. P. Möller, Inc., presented a paper in which he listed the points to be considered in planning an organ suitable for every purpose.

A dissertation on "Planned Acoustics in Relation to Music" followed the organ session and in it was brought up a topic which is disturbing to organists and organ builders – that of the installation of acoustical material which in many instances reduces the effectiveness of the organ. G. Donald Harrison, president of the Aeolian-Skinner Company, cited two instances in which havoc was wrought by covering the ceiling with acoustical material. He found that the laying of red carpet had caused a loss of 75 percent of one organ's power. He expressed regret that there were today no standards for good acoustics. Mr. Harrison suggest that no acoustical expert who had material for sale should ever be employed and that a guaranty should be exacted under which the person or firm installing the acoustical material would be compelled to remove it if it did not perform what was promised. Edward B. Gammons of the Groton School, an organ designer, seconded Mr. Harrison's arguments. Robert B. Newman of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology faculty represented the architects and in his talk admitted many of the complaints to be justified.

#### **Program for Organ and Strings**

Three young American virtuosos played the composition of three American composers, presenting works written in the last six years in a program of concerts for organ and strings by American composers in the hotel ball-room before noon. Mary Crowley Vivian of Dallas played the Sowerby Classic Concerto. William Watkins was at the organ for the Prelude and Allegro by Walter Piston. George Markey of Philadelphia played a Passacaglia by Ellis B. Kohs. The Fiedler Sinfonietta, conducted by Arthur Fiedler, provided the strings. It was another triumph for modern compositions, as attested beyond peradventure of a doubt by the audience's applause.

President Elmer had all the deans present at the convention, together with the regional chairmen, as his guests at the luncheon in the Old South Church Thursday and reports of chapter activities from nearly every state gave a picture of the widespread work of the Guild throughout the land.

#### **Arthur Poister's Recital**

Arthur Poister played a program of standard organ works in the early afternoon at Symphony Hall with the authority and clarity that make him an outstanding recitalist. Mr. Poister is on the faculty of Syracuse University. Four of the numbers in Dupré's "Stations of the Cross," modern music of intense feeling, were finely interpreted. These were supplemented by the Franck Chorale in B minor and Bach's Prelude and Fugue in E flat major.

Archibald T. Davison, Ph.D., professor of music at Harvard and known to church musicians through his writings, delivered a paper on the subject of "The Church Choir of the Future" at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, after Mr. Poister's recital. He kept his audience interested for an hour with his impressions of the church music of today and his remarks were punctuated with much wit and a modicum of sarcasm. The way to improve the service music of today, which he found in a rather low estate, is through more music education in the schools. Dr. Davison has high ideals as to what is proper in church music and evidently does not find those ideals close to attainment.

#### **Program of Concerted Music**

After taking a group photograph on the steps of Trinity Church the convention listened to a program of concerted music in the Copley Plaza ballroom under the direction of Ernest White of the University of Western Ontario faculty in London, Ont., an instructor at the Andover Organ Institute and nationally eminent through his recitals and as director of music at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in New York over a long period. Mr. White's forces for this program consisted of a quartet of strings from the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Raymond Wicher, baritone, and Edward Linzel of New York at the harpsichord, with Mr. White at the organ. The program began with a rendition of the Prelude in B minor of Bach. Bach's solo cantata No. 56 was beautifully done by Mr. Wicher and the accompanying instruments. The last offering was the Concerto No. 1, in G minor, by Handel, for organ and strings. The entire performance was one of rare beauty and style.

#### **Bach Service Impressive**

The Bach service Thursday evening at Trinity Church was an occasion long to be remembered for its impressiveness. The great church, one of the many famed houses of worship in Boston, was filled to the last seat and literally hundreds stood outside. The academic procession of Guild members in hood and gown gave evidence of the academic character of the A.G.O. Robert Noehren, professor at the University of Michigan, played the prelude, consisting of three Bach chorales, and the postlude, the Fantasie and Fugue in G minor. The feature of the evening was a glorious performance under the baton of Dr. Ifor Jones of the Bethlehem Bach Choir, of the Magnificat by the excellent Boston Chorus Pro Musica, which was trained by its director Alfred Nash Patterson; a quartet of distinguished vocal soloists, Erwin Bodky, harpsichordist, and an orchestra composed of students and faculty of the New England Conservatory.

A brief address by the Rev. Theodore P. Ferris, D.D., rector of Trinity Church and once a church organist, pointed out the importance of the organist to the church. Two things which all men have in common, he said, are religion and music. He referred to various kinds of organists, some of whom, like Bach, are devoted to the church, while some "are in it, but not of it." "Adoration" he defined as a recognition of something supremely great.

#### Report Show Guild's Condition

A business meeting was the first order of the final day. President Elmer directed attention to the prosperous condition of the Guild and asked several committee chairmen to make reports. Seth Bingham, head of the national expansion committee, reported a total membership of 11,800, according to the latest figures, an increase of 1,700 in the last year. Paul Swarm of Decatur, Ill., reported for the committee on members' interests and told of the mailing of 22,500 questionnaires to organists in all parts of the country. Dr. Carl Wiesemann told of the organ play competition and on the behalf of the committee on college contacts explained the plan to interest college graduates who majored in music to take the A.G.O. examinations.

Invitations to hold the 1952 national convention were presented by Rene Dosogne, dean of the Illinois Chapter, on behalf of Chicago, and by Edward Berryman on behalf of St. Paul and Minneapolis. A telegram contained an invitation from Charlestown, S.C. These invitations will be submitted to the council for action.

Representing the Associated Organ Builders A. G. Sabol asked the convention to adopt a resolution, which was done unanimously, appealing to architects in designing churches to allow enough space for the installation of an adequate organ. He stated that in many instances only enough room for an electronic instrument is included in the plans.

The business session was followed by the last of the series of information and discussion sessions of the week. This one was devoted to the Guild examinations and Harold W. Friedell, chairman of the examination committee, was in the chair. Valuable advice to those aspiring to win the A.G.O. certificates was presented by Carl McKinley, Mus. D., of the New England Conservatory and Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O., of Boston. A well-prepared paper was the contribution of Rowland W. Dunham, F.A.G.O., of the University of Colorado, who spoke on "Musicianship" and emphasized the statement that "it is not how much one studies, but how he studies." Mrs. Charlotte Boserman of Seattle, Wash., presented a number of suggestions for making the examination serve better to carry out their object. She advocated stronger emphasis on accompaniment and advocated the elimination of certain features of the tests which she considers of little practical value to the church organist.

#### Recital by Robert Owen

Robert Owen of Christ Church in Bronxville, N. Y., offered a program which avoided extremes and therefore was doubly enjoyable when he gave the first recital of the busy day in the hotel ballroom on the Aeolian-Skinner organ. The Concerto in B flat of Handel was beautifully interpreted. The "Air Tendre" of Loeillet and d'Aquin's "Noel Grand Jeu et Duo" were followed by an "Elegy" by Mary Howe, which was pleasing except for some of its dissonances. Louis Speyer was English horn soloist in the Sowerby "Ballade," composed for him, and the same composer's Toccata. Mr. Speyer is a member of the Boston Symphony.

The convention throng was transported in buses to Cambridge as the afternoon opened and first visited the Harvard Germanic Museum, a place of special interest to organists everywhere because of the Sunday coast-to-coast broadcasts on its Aeolian-Skinner organ by E. Power Biggs. After viewing the many exhibits the visitors heard a short recital by Mary Crowley Vivian of Dallas, Tex., a young woman who has already attained a wide-spread reputation as a recitalist. Mrs. Vivian played a Bach program consisting of the First Trio-Sonata, the Chorale Prelude "O Guiltless Lamb of God" and the Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C.

#### **Contest Winner Is Heard**

What the contest for young organists, held for the first time this year, has brought out was illustrated at the recital by Bob Whitely of Oklahoma City, who won the contest, with Miss Joanne Birrell of Norwood, Ohio, another of the eleven contestants selected in regional preliminary contests, receiving honorable mention. The performance proved that the new generation may be trusted to carry on in the best tradition of organ playing. Mr. Whitely began with Buxtehude and ended with Messiaen. His Bach number was the Fugue in B minor. Haydn's "Suite for a Musical Clock" and Messiaen's "Celestial Banquet" were other numbers in an eclectic program. His playing of the Franck Chorale in A minor was the highest quality and Sowerby's Arioso – the last Sowerby composition of the convention – was a lovely piece. The recital offered convincing evidence of the value of the 1950 contest in disclosing real talent.

To complete the variety of offerings on the convention program the last item was outstanding. It was a service of Gregorian chant and other liturgical music conducted Everett Titcomb, nationally eminent exponent of this type of music, directing the Schola Cantorum of the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, the church of the Cowley Fathers. Theodore Marier, F.A.G.O., of St. Paul's Catholic Church was at the organ and Paul Stanton played the Te Deum composed by Mr. Titcomb. The beauty of tone of the choir, the high quality of Mr. Titcomb's Te Deum and the impressiveness of the entire service in this old Episcopal church made this one of the worthwhile convention features.

#### Banquet in a Blaze of Glory

The convention came to a close Friday evening in a scene of splendor and gaiety when the great Copley Plaza ballroom was filled with a happy crowd. Mr. Biggs opened the postprandial proceeding by introducing Bill Cunningham as master of ceremonies. This prominent newspaper man traced his interesting career from his home in Texas, where his father was a minister, where he helped to support his widowed mother as assistant janitor of a church, and where he first learned to play the organ, to his success in the East, later as a "movie" organist, up to his "reform" when he entered newspaper work. President Elmer presented the contestants in the 1950 contest and handed Mr. Whitely, the winner, a plaque from the Guild. Mr. Elmer also read a cordial letter from Dr. Albert Schweitzer. Fritz Heitmann and Mrs. Heitmann were presented and the German organist's greeting in German was translated by Dr. Werner Mueller.

Charles McConnell, author, director of recording for R.C.A. and one-time organist, was the evening's principal speaker. He told of the status of the great orchestras of America and revealed the approaching introduction of a marvelous new recording machine that may revolutionize the entire musical situation – a machine which, as he said, "can produce not only one Heifetz and forty Heifetzes."

Every evening after the serious convention events the crowd relaxes in the ballroom with a variety of nonserious and sometime hilarious proceedings under the direction of Christopher Tenley of Washington, master of ceremonies.

Exhibits made by several organ builders added to the interest of the week. The Aeolian-Skinner Company installed a two-manual classic organ whose pipes, gilded and simonized and in full view

because of the absence of a swell-box, resounded every day. This instrument will be placed in the New England Conservatory of Music for studio use. The Wicks Organ Company had a fine piece of work on the opposite side of the ballroom, also showing the internal workings. M.P. Möller, Inc., had one of its small "Artiste" organs of large tonal possibilities. The Estey Company showed one of its practice organs. The Frazee Company exhibited a console. The Schantz Company was well represented and Aeolian-Skinner placed on exhibition the four-manual console to be installed in the Central Presbyterian Church of New York.

# **Roster of Chapter Officers**

### **DEANS**

George Albert Burdett, A.G.O.	Dec. 1905 – Sept. 1908
Hamilton Crawford Macdougall, A.G.O., Mus. C.	1908 – 1909
Walter John Clemson, A.G.O., M.A. (Cantab.)	1909 – 1918
Everett Ellsworth Truette, A.G.O.	1918 - 1920
George Albert Burdett, A.G.O.	1920 - 1922
John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O., A.R.C.M.	1922 - 1926
John Patten Marshall, Mus. D.	1926 - 1930
Raymond Clark Robinson, F.A.G.O., Mus. D.	1930 - 1933
Frederick Harrison Johnson, F.A.G.O., F.T.C.L.	1933 - 1936
William Edward Zeuch	1936 - 1937
Homer Pasco Whitford, F.A.G.O.	1937 - 1939
Homer Corliss Humphrey	1939 - 1942
William Belknap Burbank <sup>77</sup>	1942 - 1944
Harris Stackpole Shaw, A.A.G.O.	1944 – 1947
Gerald Foster Frazee	1947 - 1949
Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O. (Mrs. Walter M.)	1949 - 1950
Ruth Barrett Phelps, A.A.G.O. (Mrs. Lawrence I.)	1950 - 1951
Theodore Normand Marier, F.A.G.O., Ch.M.	1951 - 1952
George H. Faxon, F.T.C.L.	1954 - 1955
Eleanor Packard Jackson (Mrs. Albert F.)	1955 - 1956
Herbert J.A. Irvine, A.A.G.O.	1956 -

### SUB - DEANS

Albert William Snow	1909 - 1914
-?- (Snow or Whelpley)	1914 – 1915
Benjamin L. Whepley, A.A.G.O.	1915 – 1922
John Patten Marshall, Mus. D.	1922 - 1926
Raymond Clark Robinson, F.A.G.O., Mus. D.	1926 - 1930
Francis Williams Snow, Mus. D.	1930 - 1933
Edward B. Gammons	1933 - 1936
Homer Pasco Whitford, F.A.G.O.	1936 - 1937
Homer Corliss Humphrey	1936 - 1937
Dowell P. McNeill	1937 – 1939
William Belknap Burbank	1940 - 1942
Harris Stackpole Shaw, A.A.G.O. <sup>78</sup>	1942 - 1944
Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O., M.A.	1944 - 1947
Elwood E. Gaskill, M.A. (Mus.) <sup>79</sup>	1947 - 1949
Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O.	1949

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> Sub-Dean Harris Shaw became Dean in June 1944 upon the death of Dean William B. Burbank

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> Ibid

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> Sub-Dean Elwood Gaskill resigned November 15, 1948. Mrs. Walter M. Arno's appointment was announced Jan. 10, 1949

Theodore Normand Marier, F.A.G.O., Ch.M.	1949 - 1951
Grover John Oberle, F.A.G.O., Ch.M.	1951 - 1952
George H. Faxon, F.T.C.L	1952 - 1954
Eleanor Packard Jackson	1954 - 1955
Harold F. Schwab, A.A.G.O.	1955 - 1957
Mary Crowley Vivian, F.A.G.O. (Mrs. Charles H.)	1957 -

#### **SECRETARIES**

Everett Ellsworth Truette, A.G.O.	1905 - 1906
Arthur S. Hyde	1906 - 1908
C.G. Hamilton	1908 - 1909
James D.D Comey	1909 - 1912
Charles Henry Doersam, F.A.G.O.	1912 - 1913
J. Willis Conant, F.A.G.O. <sup>80</sup>	1913
John D. Buckingham, A.G.O.	1913 - 1918
John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O., A.R.C.M.	1918 - 1922
S. Harrison Lovewell	1922 - 1929
Francis Williams Snow, Mus. D.	1929 - 1930
Arthur H. Ryder	1930 - 1931
Harold F. Schwab, A.A.G.O.	1931 - 1934
Paul C. Akin <sup>81</sup>	1934 - 1936
Edward B. Gammons	1936 - 1937
George F. Faxon, F.T.C.L.	1937 - 1939
Gardiner C. Evans	1939 - 1943
Margaret Reade Martin	1943 - 1946
Eleanor Packard Jackson <sup>82</sup>	1946
Margaret Reade Martin	1946 -1947
Marjorie Fay Johnson	1947 - 1950
Emma Jane West	1950 - 1952
Emma Jane Trembly (Mrs. Gray C.)	1952 - 1956
Eleanor Knight Bowering (Mrs. A. Stanley)	1956 -

### **ASSISTANT SECRETARIES**

Marion Louise Chapin 1933 - 1934

### **TREASURERS**

Warren A. Locke, A.A.G.O.	1905 - 1906
-?- (Locke or Whelpley)	1906 - 1908
Benjamin L. Whelpley	1908 - 1910
Wilbur Hascall	1910 - 1921
Edward Jacobs Smith	1921 - 1936

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> Mr. Conant was elected Secretary May 19, 1913. He resigned Sept. 17, 19131, moving to Washington, D.C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> Mr. Akin resigned in March, 1936, moving to Pennsylvania

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>82</sup> Mrs. Jackson resigned Sept. 1, 1946 and never served.

Raymond Floyd	1936 - 1938
Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O., M.A.	1938 - 1941
Elwood E. Gaskill, M.A. (Mus.) <sup>83</sup>	1941 -1942
Paul F. Stanton <sup>84</sup>	1942 - 1943
Leslie A. Charlton	1943 - 1947
Herbert J.A. Irvine, A.A.G.O.	1947 - 1952
Ernest E. Hardy	1952 - 1956
David Ashley Cotton	1956 -

#### **REGISTRARS**

Harold Winthrop Martin <sup>85</sup>	1949 - 1952
William A. Little <sup>86</sup>	1952 - 1953
Marshall Sumner Wilkins <sup>87</sup>	1953 -

#### **CHAPLAINS**

The Rev. Peter R. Blynn, Curate, Church of the Advent, Boston

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

1905 - 1906

Walter J. Clemson, A.G.O.

Henry Morton Dunham, A.G.O.

Arthur Foote, A.G.O.

Arthur Foote, A.G.O.

Hamilton C. Macdougall, A.G.O.

Samuel Brenton Whitney, A.G.O.

1906 - 1907 -?-

1907 - 1908 -**?**-

1908 - 1909

Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O. Wallace Goodrich

George A. Burdett, A.G. O. William C. Hammond, A.G.O., Mus. D.

<sup>83</sup> Mr. Gaskill resigned in September 1942.

<sup>84</sup> Mr. Stanton resigned in September 1943.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>85</sup> Mr. Martin was appointed by Dean Arno to serve as acting Registrar at a business meeting of the Chapter held at the First Church of Christ, Scientist in October 1949. On November 14, 1949, the Executive Committee elected Mr. Martin as Registrar for the 1949 – 1950 season. He was then elected by the Chapter members at the annual meetings of 1950, 1951 and 1952. He resigned as Registrar on September 1, 1952 to enter the School of Sacred Music, Union Theological Seminary, New York City.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup> Mr. Little was elected Registrar by the Executive Committee on September 8, 1952 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Martin. He entered the U.S. Army in April 1953.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>87</sup> Mr. Wilkins was elected to succeed Mr. Little at the annual meeting of May 18, 1953.

Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O.

S. B. Whitney, A.G.O.

1909 - 1910 Same as above

1910 - 1911

Arthur Foote, A.G.O. William C. Hammond, A.G.O. S.B. Whitney, A.G.O.

1911 - 1912 -?-

1912 - 1913

Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O. -?-

1913 - 1914

William C. Hammond, A.G.O. John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O. Allen W. Swann, A.G.O.

1914 - 1915 -?-

1915 - 1916

Albert W. Snow Allen W. Swan, A.G.O.

1916 - 1917

Arthur Foote, A.G.O.

-?-

1917 - 1918

Hamilton C. Macdougall, A.G.O. Albert W. Snow

Francis W. Snow Allen W. Swan, A.G.O.

1918 - 1919

Albert W. Snow Francis W. Snow Allen W. Swan, A.G.O

1919 - 1920

Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O. George A. Burdette, A.G.O. Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O.

Myron C. Ballou John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.

Myron C Ballou Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O. Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O.

Charles D. Irwin
John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O.
-?-

Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O. Hamilton C. Macdougall, A.G.O.

George A. Burdett, A.G.O. Henry M. Dunham, A.G.O. W. Lynnwood Farnam John Hermann Loud, F.A.G.O. Everett E. Truette, A.G.O

John D. Buckingham, A.G.O. Homer C. Humphrey Raymond C. Robinson, F.A.G.O -?- Florence Rich King, F.A.G.O.

William E. Zuech

Charles D. Irwin Benjamin L. Whelpley

Wilbur Hascall Francis W. Snow **B.L.** Whelpley John D. Buckingham, A.G.O. Albert W. Snow

John D. Buckingham, A.G.O. Albert W. Snow Florence Rich King, F.A.G.O. Charles D. Irwin Henry E. Wry

Charles D. Irwin Henry E. Wry E. Rupert Sircom Florence Rich King, F.A.G.O. Irving H. Upton

Florence Rich King, F.A.G.O. Irving H. Upton **B.L.** Whelpley John D. Buckingham, A.G.O. Albert W. Snow

Leland A. Arnold William E. Zeuch Francis W. Snow Charles D. Irwin Henry E. Wry

1920 - 1921

Francis W. Snow

-?-

1921 - 1922

-?-

1922 - 1923

**Ernest Mitchell** 

-?-

1923 - 1924

Florence Rich King, F.A.G.O.

Charles D. Irwin Henry E. Wry Homer C. Humphrey

1924 - 1925

E. Rupert Sircom Wilbur Hascall Francis W. Snow **B.L.** Whelpley

1925 - 1926

B.L. Whelpley

John D. Buckingham, F.A.G.O.

Albert W. Snow Francis W. Snow

1926 - 1927

Francis W. Snow Charles D. Irwin Henry E. Wry E. Rupert Sircom (resigned) Homer C. Humphrey (appointed)

1927 - 1928

Homer C. Humphrey Rena I. Bisbee, A.A.G.O. Irving H. Upton B.L. Whelpley

1928 - 1929

Charles D. Irwin B.L. Whelpley Homer C. Humphrey

Rena I. Bisbee, A.A.G.O.

Irving H. Upton

Rena I. Bisbee, A.A.G.O.

Irving H. Upton Arthur H. Ryder Leland A. Arnold William E. Zeuch 1929 - 1930 **Edith Lang** 

Charles D. Irwin B.L. Whelpley

Arthur H. Ryder

Leland A. Arnold

William A. Zeuch Francis W. Snow

Homer C. Humphrey

1930 - 1931

Leland A. Arnold Albert W. Snow **Edith Lang** Charles D. Irwin B.L. Whelpley

Homer C. Humphrey Rena I. Bisbee, A.A.G.O. Harold R. Schwab, A.A.G.O. Frederick N. Shackley

Henry R. Austin William E. Zeuch Homer C. Humphrey Rena I. Bisbee, A.A.G.O. Frederick N. Chackley

1931 -1932

Frederick H. Johnson, F.A.G.O.

Leland A. Arnold Albert W. Snow **Edith Lang** 

Blanche T. Brock Albion Metcalf

Frederick H. Johnson, F.A.G.O.

Leland A. Arnold Albert W. Snow

1932 - 1933

Gerald F. Frazee Henry R. Austin William E. Zeuch Homer C. Humphrey

1933 - 1934

Marion P. Frost Velma L. Harden Homer C. Humphrey Blanche T. Brock Gerald F. Frazee Albion Metcalf Albert W. Snow Henry R. Austin William E. Zeuch

1934 - 1935

Francis W. Snow Marion P. Frost Homer C. Humphrey Gerald F. Frazee

Albert W. Snow William E. Zeuch Velma L. Harden Blanche T. Brock Albion Metcalf

1935 - 1936

Marguerite L. Barnes

Edward B. Whittredge, F.A.G.O.

Francis W. Snow Marion P. Frost

Homer C. Humphrey

1936 - 1937

Homer C. Humphrey Florence G. Wheeler

William B. Burbank

Albert W. Snow

Dorothy A. Sprague

1937 - 1938

Marguerite L. Barnes H. Everett Titcomb

Gerald F. Frazee

Carl McKinley, A.A.G.O.

Florence G. Wheeler

William B. Burbank

Francis W. Snow

Raymond Floyd

Albert W. Snow

William E. Zeuch

Velma L. Harden

Carl K. McKinley, A.A.G.O.

Edward B. Whittredge, F.A.G.O.

Marguerite L. Barnes

Ann J. Everett

**Arthur Phelps** 

Dowel P. McNeill

Blanche T. Brock Henry Jackson Warren William B. Burbank Ann J. Everett

Edward B. Whittredge, F.A.G.O.

1939 -1940

Carl McKinley, A.A.G.O.

Marguerite L. Barnes

H. Everett Titcomb

Gerald F. Frazee

Francis J. Mahler

Florence G. Wheeler

Carl McKinley, A.A.G.O.

Marguerite L. Barnes

H. Everett Titcomb

1940 -1941

Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O.

Blanche T. Brock

Henry Jackson Warren

Raymond Floyd

Wesley A. Day (resigned)

Margaret Reade Martin

Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O.

Blanche T. Brock

Henry Jackson Warren

1941 - 1942

Francis E. Hagar

Francis J. Mahler

Florence G. Wheeler

Carl McKinley, A.A.G.O.

1942 - 1943

E. Power Biggs

Richard Klausli (resigned)

Eleanor Packard Jackson (appointed)

Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O.

Francis E. Hagar

Margaret Reade Martin

George R. Hunsche (resigned)

Velma L. Harden (appointed)

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Francis J. Mahler Florence G. Wheeler H. Everett Titcomb

Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O.

Elmer G. Westlund Velma L. Harden Francis E. Hagar Leonard S. Whalen 1943 - 1944

Ernest E. Hardy
E. Power Biggs
Eleanor Packard Jackson
Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O.

Mark S. Dickey

Leonard S. Whalen Ernest E. Hardy E. Power Biggs 1944 - 1945

Hebert J. Irvine, A.A.G.O. Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O. Elmer G. Westlund Velma L. Harden

Eleanor Packard Jackson

E. Hilda Barnes

Samuel T. Walter, A.A.G.O. Herbert J. Irvine, A.A.G.O. Ruth Barrett Arno, A.A.G.O. Elmer G. Westlund 1945 - 1946

William K. Provine Mark S. Dickey Leonard S. Whalen Ernest E. Hardy

Kate Marion Chapin, A.A.G.O.

H. Winthrop Martin William K. Provine Mark S. Dickey Leonard S. Whalen 1946 - 1947

Elwood E. Gaskill
E. Hilda Barnes
Samuel T. Walter, A.A.G.O.
Herbert J. Irvine, A.A.G.O.

Paul C. Akin

Myrtle Vradenburg Kenneth J. Hanly E. Hilda Barnes

Samuel T. Walter, A.A.G.O.

1947 - 1948

George H. Faxon Kate M. Chapin, A.A.G.O. H. Winthrop Martin William K. Provine

Edward H. Howard John B. Woodworth

George Faxon

Kate M. Chapin, A.A.G.O.

H. Winthrop Martin

1948 - 1949

Theodore N. Marier, F.A.G.O. Paul C. Akin Myrtle Vrandenburg Kenneth J. Hanly

Mark S. Dickey

Marshall Sumner Wilkins

1949 - 1950

**Edith Lang** 

Edward H. Howard

Grover J. Oberle, F.A.G.O. Paul C. Akin

Myrtle Vradenburg

John B. Woodworth George Faxon

1950 - 1951

Francis E. Hagar William A. Little Edith Lang

Edward H. Howard John B. Woodworth

Eleanor Packard Jackson Mark S. Dickey

Marshall S. Wilkins

Grover J. Oberle, F.A.G.O.

1951 - 1952

Myrtle E. Richardson Francis E. Hagar William A. Little Edith Lang

Alfred Nash Patterson Ivar L. Sjostrom

Eleanor Packard Jackson Mark S. Dickey

Marshall S. Wilkins

1952 - 1953

Jean B. Hersey Alfred Nash Patterson

Ivar L. Sjostrom

Eleanor Packard Jackson Claude A. Higgins (appointed)

Harold A. La Croix Myrtle E. Richardson Francis E. Hagar

Eleanor K. Bowering

William A. Little (resigned)

1953 - 1954

Ella France Jones Eleanor K. Bowering Jean Hersey White Myrtle E. Richardson

Gerald F. Frazee<sup>88</sup>

Samuel Walter, A.A.G.O., Ch.M.

Harold A. La Croix Alfred Nash Patterson

Ivar L. Sjostrom

Claude A. Higgins

1954 - 1955

Stephen J. Ortlip Gerald F. Frazee

Samuel Walter, A.A.G.O., Ch. M.

Harold A. La Croix

1955 - 1956

Sally Slade Warner Ella France Jones Eleanor K. Bowering Jean Hersey White

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup> Past – Dean Gerald F. Frazee (1947-1949) became the first past-Dean to qualify as an elected member of the Executive Committee under the new By-Laws adopted by the Chapter at the annual meeting held May 18, 1953. By vote of the Executive Committee of the New England Chapter, April 22, 1918, past-Deans served as ex-officio members of the Committee with a full vote. Under the new By-Laws this provision is eliminated and this section substituted:

All past-Deans shall be invited to attend the meetings of the Executive Committee in an advisory capacity. (ARTICLE IV, Sect. 3)

Lawrence H. Moe, A.A.G.O. Mary Crowley Vivian, F.A.G.O. Myrtle Vradenburg Leslie A. Charlton Ella France Jones Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O. David Ashley Cotton Sally Slade Warner Gerald F. Frazee

Roy E. H. Carlson Peter Waring

Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O. Claude A. Higgins (resigned)

Myrtle Vradenburg

Edith Sloane

Marion Boron Douglas L. Rafter, A.A.G.O. Louise B. Jenkins Max Miller, F.A.G.O. 1956 - 1957

Louise B. Jenkins

Lawrence H. Moe, A.A.G.O. Mary Crowley Vivian, F.A.G.O. Barbara Laski (appointed Sally Slade Warner

1957 - 1958

David Johnson, A.A.G.O. Roy E. H. Carlson Peter Waring Harris S. Shaw, A.A.G.O.

#### **HONORARY MEMBERS**

Alfred Brinkler, F.A.G.O., Portland, Maine
The Rev. Raymond Calkins, D.D., Cambridge, Massachusetts
The Rev. Charles E. Park, D.D., Boston, Massachusetts
\*Most Rev. Edward F. Ryan, D.D., Burlington, Vermont
The Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, D.D., New York City
Ernest Martin Skinner, Dorchester, Massachusetts
\*deceased

## List of Annual Meetings

Dec. 28, 1905 Everett E. Truett's studio, 218 Tremont St. -?-, 1906 -?--?--?-, 1907 May 15, 1908 Jordan Hall, New England Conservatory of Music Apr. 28, 1909 Young's Hotel, Boston Apr. 21, 1910 Hotel Brunswick, Boston Apr. 24, 1911 -?-Apr. 25, 1912 Harvard Musical Association, 57-a Chestnut St. May 19, 1913 do May 6, 1914 -?-, Boston -?-, Boston May 3, 1915 -?-, 1916 Harvard Musical Association, 57-a Chestnut St. May 2, 1917 do May 6, 1918 do

May 12, 1919	do
May 3, 1920	do
May 9, 1921	do
May 8, 1922	do
May 15, 1923	do
May 12, 1924	do
May 12, 1925	do
May 11, 1926	do
May 17, 1927	do
May 14, 1928	Twentieth Century Club, 3 Joy Street, Boston
May 13, 1929	Harvard Musical Association, 57-a Chestnut St.
May 19, 1930	do
May 21, 1931	-?-
May 16, 1932	-?-
May 9, 1933	Harvard Musical Association, 57-a Chestnut St.
May 14, 1934	The University Club, Stuart Street, Boston
May 20, 1935	Harvard Musical Association, 57-a Chestnut St.
May ?, 1936	-?-
May 25, 1937	Harvard Musical Association, 57-a Chestnut St.
May 16, 1938	do
May 27, 1939	Serlo Organ Hall, Methuen
May 15, 1940	Second Church in Boston, Beacon St. & Park Drive
May 12, 1941	St. Paul's Church, St. Paul St., Brookline
May 11, 1942	Second Church in Boston, Beacon St. & Park Drive
May 24, 1943	First Baptist Church, Clarendon St., Boston
May 22, 1944	Harvard Church, Harvard St., Brookline
May 14, 1945	St. Paul's Church, St. Paul St., Brookline
May 13, 1946	do
May 26, 1947	Emmanuel Church, 15 Newbury Street, Boston
May 10, 1948	Wellesley Congregational Church (the Village
	Church), Central Street, Wellesley
May 16, 1949	First Baptist Church, Church Street, Malden
May 15, 1950	First Church in Boston, Berkeley and Marlboro
	Streets, Boston
May 7, 1951	Church of the Advent, Mt. Vernon and Brimmer
	Streets, Boston
May 19, 1952	Old South Church, Boylston and Dartmouth
	Streets, Boston
May 18, 1953	Harvard Musical Association, 57-a Chestnut St.
May 18, 1954	Emmanuel Church, 15 Newbury Street, Boston
May 23, 1955	First Baptist Church, Clarendon St., Boston
May 22, 1956	Emmanuel Church, 15 Newbury Street, Boston
May 14, 1957	do

Vote Cast for Members of the Executive Committee

May 11, 1942	*E. Power Biggs <sup>89</sup> Velma L. Harden *George R. Hunsche Eleanor Packard Jackson *Richard Kleusli (Two-year term of Wesley A. Day)	(Vote not recorded)
	*Maurice C. Kirkpatrick (One-year term of Harris S. Shaw) *Everett Titcomb	(Vote not recorded)  (Vote not recorded)
May 24, 1943	*Ruth B. Arno Leslie A. Charlton Reginald H. Crowley *Ernest Hardy *Elmer Westlund (One-year term of Margaret Read Martin)	(Vote not recorded)
	*Leonard S. Whalen	(Vote not recorded)
May 22, 1944	Ada Courage *Mark Dickey Francis Hagar *Herbert Irvine *Leonard S. Whalen	36 52 28 37 57
May 14, 1945	*E. Hilda Barnes Harriet H. Forbush Barbara Laski Rachel Quant *William K. Provine *Samuel T. Walter, A.A.G.O.	49 22 22 31 47 43
May 13,1946	*Kate M. Chapin Frances Ray Dunlevy *Elwood Gaskill Edward H. Howard *H. Winthrop Martin	53 41 56 38 60
May 26, 1947	*Paul C. Akin *George Faxon Kenneth J. Hanly Francis J. Mahler *Myrtle Vradenburg Marguerite L. Barnes (write-in)	63 82 28 41 47
May 10, 1948	*Edward H. Howard Louise B. Jenkins	88 69

<sup>89 \*</sup> Denoted elected

	*Theodore N. Marier, F.A.G.O.	76
	Franklin P. Taplin	42
	*John B. Woodworth	79
	(One-year term of Elwood E. Gaskill) <sup>90</sup>	
	*Kenneth J. Hanly	112
May 16, 1949	*Mark S. Dickey	86
	*Edith M. Lang	103
	Barbara Laski	63
	Elmer G. Westlund	57
	*Marshall S. Wilkins	92
	(Two-year term of Theodore N. Marier)	
	*Grover J. Oberle, F.A.G.O.	127
May 15, 1950	C. Emerson Fox	53
	*Francis E. Hagar	79
	*Eleanor Packard Jackson	97
	Ella France Jones	47
	Barbara Laski	39
	*William A. Little	86
May 7, 1951	Evelyn M. Borofsky-Roskin	51
	Esther M. Nazarian	36
	*Alfred Nash Patterson	95
	*Myrtle E. Richardson	57
	*Ivar L. Sjostrom	72
May 19, 1952	Eleanor K. Bowering	54
	*Jean B. Hersey	87
	Claude A. Higgins	40
	*Harold A. La Croix	57
	Hope Lincoln Petrie	54
May 19, 1952	Second Vote <sup>91</sup>	
	*Eleanor K. Bowering	38
	Hope Lincoln Petrie	16
May 18, 1953	Leslie A. Charlton	40
	*Gerald F. Frazee	46
	Claude A. Higgins	25
	*Ella France Jones	50
	*Samuel B. Woodworth	39

 $<sup>^{90}</sup>$  Mr. Gaskill was elected Sub-Dean on May 26, 1947. The Dean (Mr. Frazee) appointed Kenneth J. Hanly to fill the vacancy and he met with the Committee during 1947 – 1948. At the election of May 10, 1948, he was elected for the balance of Mr. Gaskill's term.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> The vote cast for members of the Executive Committee at the annual meeting of May 19, 1952 resulted in a tie vote for one of the three places. The Dean (Mr. Marier) called for a second vote, with the above result.

May 18, 1954	Helen E. Borngesser	45
,	Rowland W. Halfpenny	60
	*Claude A. Higgins	77
	*Stephen J. Ortlip	74
	*Sally Slade Warner	63
May 22 1055	Maurica C Kirknatrick A A C O	43
May 23, 1955	Maurice C. Kirkpatrick, A.A.G.O. Barbara Laski	43 27
	*Lawrence Moe	45
	*Harris Shaw, A.A.G.O.	60
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	*Mary Crowley Vivian, F.A.G.O.	62
	(Two-year term of Claude A. Higgins – printed	
	incorrectly on ballot as "one-year term")	72
	*David Ashley Cotton	73
	(Two-year term of Stephen J. Ortlip)	70
	*Myrtle Vrandenburg	72
	(One-year term of Samuel Walter)	
	*Leslie A. Charlton	73
May 22, 1956	*Roy E. Carlson	40
	Mark Dickey	29
	Margaret Godfrey	5
	Paul St. George	24
	Max Miller	29
	Alfred Hoose	24
	Florence R. Flanders	21
	*Louise Jenkins	41
	Albert B. McConnell	15
	*Peter Waring	55
	(One-year term of David Ashley Cotton)	
	*Claude A. Higgins	74
May 14, 1957	*Marion Boron	54
, ,	Leo Brehm, Ch.M.	28
	*David Johnson, A.A.G.O.	70
	*Douglas Rafter, A.A.G.O.	43
	Clifford Webber	26
	(One-year term of Lawrence Moe)	= =
	*Max Miller, F.A.G.O.	69
	(One-year term of Mary Crowley Vivian)	
	*Edith Sloane	67

# Referendum

May 19, 1952 QUESTION: Shall the name of the Massachusetts Chapter be changed to "Boston

Chapter," effective July 1, 1952?

YES - 71 NO - 38 BL1ANKS - 1

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## 1952 May 19 Official Ballot for the Annual Meeting

## American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter

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MAY 26, 1947

The Nominating Committee recommends the election of the following Members as Chapter Officers for the year July 1, 1947—July 1, 1948.

LESLIE A. CHARLTON, Chairman ANN J. EVERETT EDWARD H. HOWARD THEODORE N. MARIER, A. A. G. O. WILLIAM K. PROVINE Nominating Committee

> Dean GERALD F. FRAZEE

Sub-Dean ELWOOD E. GASKILL

Secretary
MARJORIE FAY JOHNSON

Treasurer HERBERT J. IRVINE, A. A. G. O.

Executive Committee Members
(For Three Years—term expires July 1, 1950)

### Vote for Three Only

PAUL C. AKIN
GEORGE FAXON
KENNETH J. HANLY
FRANCIS J. MAHLER
MYRTLE VRADENBURG

The Past Deans ex officio

American Guild of Organists Massachusetts Chapter



## OFFICIAL BALLOT

for

ANNUAL MEETING
MAY 19, 1952

The Nominating Committee recommends the election of the following Members as Chapter Officers for the year July 1, 1952—July 1, 1953.

GERALD F. FRAZER, Chairman
PAUL C. AKIN

EDITH LANG
ELEANOR PACKARD JACKSON
MARSHALL S. WILKINS

Nominating Committee

#### Vote for Three Only

PAUL C. AKIN
GEORGE FAXON
KENNETH J. HANLY
FRANCIS J. MAHLER
MYRTLE VRADENBURG

#### The Past Deans ex officio

(The following Members of the Executive Committee remain in office. They are not subject to ballot at this time.)

Term expires July 1, 1949 KATE M. CHAPIN A. A. G. O. H. WINTHROP MARTIN

Term expires July 1, 1948
E. HILDA BARNES
WILLIAM K. PROVINE
SAMUEL T. WALTER, A. A. G. O.

Members who do not expect to be present and vote in person may sign the attached proxy, authorizing the Secretary to cast their ballots, and forward the same to Miss Margaret Reade Martin, Secretary, 75 Dakota St., Dorchester, Mass.

#### PROXY

I hereby appoint MARGARET READE MARTIN as my proxy to vote the ticket as indicated above at the Annual Election of Officers for Massachusetts Chapter, A. G. O., to be held on May 26, 1947.

Signed Chair B Dunckles.

# 1953 Feb 16 Proposed By-Laws Boston Chapter, American Guild of Organists

FEBRUARY 16, 1953

#### PROPOSED BY-LAWS BOSTON CHAPTER, AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

ARTICLE I

This Chapter shall be called the Boston Chapter, American Guild of Organists.

#### ARTICLE II

The Constitution and By-laws, "Purposes", and "Code of Ethics" of the National Guild are recognized as being the guide and standard of the Boston Chapter, as this Chapter is considered but part of the whole.

#### ARTICLE III Membership

Section 1. The membership of the Chapter shall consist of: Founders, academic members, non-academic members.

Section 2. Academic membership shall be determined by examinations as directed by the National Guild headquarters. Fellows, Associates, Choir masters.

Section 3.a Colleagues shall consist of organists or choir masters who shall have been proposed by two active members in good standing, and who shall have been elected by the Executive Committee of this Chapter, who shall recommend their election to the National Council.

Section 3.b Honorary members shall consist of those, not professional organists or choir masters, who shall have distinguished themselves according to the judgment of the Executive Committee in the advancement of the purposes of the Guild. Honorary members may be elected by a two-thirds vote at any annual meeting of the Chapter, upon the unanimous recommendation of the Executive Committee.

Section 3.c Subscribers shall be entitled to attend recitals, services, and social meetings of the Chapter and shall receive notice thereof. Admittance to this classification shall be open to any interested individuals upon payment of a fee of \$2.00 per annum. They shall not be entitled to vote, hold office, and require no election.

Section 4. Applicants for Colleague Membership must submit their names with a resume of their musical experience in writing, for consideration by the Executive Committee. Two members in good standing in the Guild must recommend the applicant, it being understood that said applicant be directly known to them. The \$2.00 fee for admission shall accompany the application, together with the annual dues.

Section 5. MEMBERS are expected to conform to the ethical standards of the Guild, striving to advance its purposes, and to participate in its activities and benefits. Section 6. Members in good standing may act and vote in the transactions of the Chapter, and are eligible for election to any office, or appointment to any committee.

Section 7. Members in good standing, removing from the jurisdiction of this Chapter may, upon application to the National Secretary, be transferred to another Chapter with the approval of the Chapter.

Section 8. Honorary members shall be exempt from dues. Any member whose dues are six months in arrears, notice of that fact having been sent by mail to his address by the Chapter treasurer, may be considered to have forfeited his membership. ARTICLE V, Section 3.

### ARTICLE IV

Officers, Committees, and their Duties and Election

Section 1. The Chapter Officers shall be: Dean, Sub-Dean, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, and Chaplain. All of them shall be elected by ballot from among the resident members of the Chapter (except the Chaplain), at the Annual Meeting in May. officers shall hold office for one year or until their successors shall have been elected. The terms of all Officers shall begin July 1st of each year.

Section 2.a The Dean, not to serve more than two successive terms, shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Committee and at all General Meetings of the Chapter. He shall be a member ex-officio of all special and standing committees of the Chapter. He shall have power to fill all vacancies in all committees of the Chapter. He shall appoint special committees, insure the Chapter of well-balanced activities, lead and appoint special committees, insure the Chapter of well-balanced activities, lead and direct the business of the Chapter, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee.

Section 2.b The Sub-Dean, not to serve more than two successive terms in this office, shall assist the Dean in any Chapter business upon the request of the Dean, and perform the duties of the Dean in the latter's absence.

Section 2.c The Secretary shall perform the duties usually associated with that office. He shall keep lists of members in their respective classes, and shall have the custody of the records of the Chapter. He shall be Secretary to the Executive Committee of the Chapter.

Section 2.d I. The Treasurer shall give security for the faithful performance of his trust as the Executive Committee shall deem sufficient.

II. He shall keep an accurate and detailed set of books relative to the financial standing of the regular and invested funds of the Chapter, presenting such reports at all meetings of the Executive Committee or business meetings of the Chapter.

III. The treasurer is authorized to send bills for all dues, and to receive and credit these to the said members.

IV. He is empowered to pay only those bills against the Chapter authorized by the Chapter or the Executive Committee.

V. The accounts of the Treasurer shall be audited annually by such auditor as shall from time to time be selected by the Executive Committee.

VI. The auditors' report is to be presented at the Annual Meeting. The fiscal year of the Chapter is to start January first.

Section 2.e The Registrar shall keep a careful record of the proceedings at all meetings of the Chapter. He shall send a report to the official organ of the National Guild on activities and events of the Chapter for their publication.

Section 3 The Executive Committee shall consist of three officers, the Dean, Sub-Dean, Treasurer, Secretary, and nine members from the Chapter, three of whom shall be elected annually to serve a term of three years. All past-Deans shall be invited to attend the meetings of the Executive Committee in an advisory capacity. It shall meet with regularity upon call of the Dean, or at the request of any three members of the Committee submitted in writing to the Dean or Secretary. Its duties shall be to transact all business relative to the continued well-being of the Chapter, to vote on all applicants for membership, to appoint standing committees, to advise the Dean in all matters deemed proper, to recommend business to be presented to the Chapter, remembering that it represents the membership of the Chapter as a whole. A member may not be re-elected to succeed himself. Vacancies in the Executive Committee, official or otherwise, may be filled by the Executive Committee for the unexpired term at any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. Three members shall constitute a quorum.

Any member of the Executive Committee who shall be absent from two consecutive regular meetings of the Executive Committee without adequate excuse shall be deemed to have forfeited his office and membership in the Executive Committee; and the Executive Committee may proceed forthwith to fill such vacancy. It shall be the duty of each member to notify the Secretary in advance of the meeting if he cannot be present.

Section 4. The operation of the Nominating Committee and Nominating ticket shall be in accordance with the National Constitution, Article III, Section 4g.h., Sec. 5.

#### ARTICLE V Finances

Section 1. The Finance Committee shall consist of the Chapter Treasurer and two members of the Executive Committee who shall consider any matters connected with the finances of the Chapter, and making their recommendations to the Executive Committee.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall act on behalf of the Chapter in the matter of invested and general funds, insuring that all moneys are carefully and wisely handled.

Section 3. Dues are payable in advance of the year ending December 31 for the ensuing year. Dues are \$4.00 per annum. Members are to be considered no longer in good standing if their dues are not paid by February 15, and shall be termed delinquent. See ARTICLE III, Section 8.

Section 4. Life subscribers may be entered on the rolls upon payment of \$40.00. Notice of this provision shall be sent to all new subscribers.

Section 5. Prior to the Annual Meeting, the chairmen of the various standing committees shall present to the Executive Committee their recommendations for a budget for the ensuing year. The budget shall be presented to the membership at the annual meeting in May.

Section 6. The Dean's signature will be on file on all Bank Accounts of the Chapter

#### ARTICLE VI Meetings and Events

Section 1. The Annual Meeting of the Chapter shall be held in May of each year, at which the election of officers, members of the Executive Committee shall take place. At this meeting the Officers and Chairmen of committees shall render reports in writing of the condition, financial and otherwise, of the Chapter and of its work for the preceding year, but no business shall be transacted at any such meeting, unless notice thereof shall have been given in the call of the meeting.

Twenty members shall constitute a quorum at an Annual or Special meeting.

Section 2. So that the primary aims of our Chapter and the Guild may be realized and advanced, events are to be sponsored and arranged with regularity in the interest of fostering the appreciation and enjoyment of organ and choral music. Every attempt shall be made to make all events self-supporting by the encouragement of offerings, the sale of tickets where deemed advisable, or the paid sponsorship of individuals.

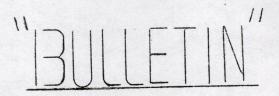
Section 3. Social meetings should be arranged by the Dean and Executive Committee so that the members may have the opportunity of gathering together.

#### ARTICLE VII

Any By-law may be made or amended at any annual or special meeting held in accordance with Article VI, Section 1, by a vote of two-thirds of those present, notice whereof shall have been given in the call of the meeting.

MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER A.G.O.

MONTHLY



Vol. I, No. 1

October, 1951

Greetings to all!

We are looking forward to an interesting year of A.G.O. activities. Our first meeting of the new season will be held on Monday, October 15. As many as possible should plan to be on hand for this meeting. Further information will be found in the Program Calendar on Page 2.

Among the novelties offered this year is the BULLETIN, the first issue of which you are now reading. Through the medium of this newsletter it is our hope to bring to the attention of all our members items of help and interest. The BULLETIN will be issued on the first day of each month and will contain notices of programs given by members of the Massachusetts Chapter as well as programs by non-members, meetings, lectures, information pertaining to church positions open, and other items. All members are hereby invited to submit for inclusion in this BULLETIN any material which they feel they would like to bring to the attention of the Chapter.

Mr. David Ashley Cotton is the editor and all communications pertaining to the BULLETIN should be mailed directly to him at 190 Marlborough Street, Boston, Mass. All listings in the BULLETIN will be made free of charge. Kindly have copy in the Editor's hands not later than the 20th of the month previous to the date of publication. All copy for appearance in the November issue should be in by October 20.

It is our sincere hope that this new project proves helpful to all.

The Dean.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the last meeting of the season held at the Church of the Advent in May, 1951, the following officers and Executive Committee members were elected:

Dean: Theodore Marier Sub-Dean: Grover J. Oberle Secretary: Emma Jane West Treasurer: Herbert J. Irvine Registrar: H. Winthrop Martin Executive Committee:
Alfred Nash Patterson
Myrtle E. Richardson
Tvar L. Sjostrom, Jr.

GUILD EXAMINATIONS - Mr. Grover Oberle, F.A.G.O., Ch.M., Chairman,
15 Newbury St., Boston

Guild classes to prepare for the examinations are now forming. All those interested in this most important work of the A.G.O. should get in touch with the Chairman of the Examination Committee.

Preliminary tests for those who are planning to take the Associateship test this year will be given on January 17 and 18, 1952. The purpose of these Preliminary

Tests is to help the candidates determine whether they are ready for the regular exam or to find out in which phase of the examination they need to concentrate most. The exam papers are corrected and ratings sent to the candidates.

June 17-20, 1952 will be Examination Week. For further information write the Chairman.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION IN 1952

The 21st National Biennial Convention of the American Guild of Organists will be held in San Francisco from June 30 to July 4, 1952. Though California is a considerable distance from Massachusetts, we hope that our Chapter will be represented at this Convention.

#### ORGANIST SEEKS POSITION

Mr. Max Miller, A.A.G.O., now living at the Faculty Club, 147 Bay State Road, Boston, has come to Boston from California and is planning to transfer his membership to our Chapter. Mr. Miller wishes to obtain a position as organist and choir director in a Protestant church in this locality. Anyone knowing of an opening will kindly get in touch with Mr. Miller at the above address.

- - - - PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER - - - -

October 6: (Saturday)

"New England Day" sponsored by the National Association of Teachers of Singing at Hayden Memorial Bldg., Boston University. Afternoon session at 2; evening session at 7:30. Round table discussions, addresses, vocal clinics, open forums. Speakers include Dr. Marshal Bartholomew of Yale University and Miss Helen Huls of Teachers College, St. Cloud, Minnesota. A registration fee of 50¢ will be accepted at the door.

October 12 & 13: (Friday and Saturday) Vermont Chapter, A.G.O., is sponsoring a regional convention in conjunction with the Maine and New Hampshire Chapters, Oct. 12 in Brattleboro, Vt., and Oct. 13 in Hanover, N. H. Program includes a visit to the Estey Organ Co. in Brattleboro; lecture on "Tonal Designs of the Modern Organ and its Effect on Registration" by Edward Gammons; recitals by members of the Chapters; a recital by Carl Weinrich.

OCTOBER 15 (Monday)

First meeting of the new season of the Massachusetts Chapter, A.G.O. at First Baptist Church (corner Clarendon & Commonwealth) Boston at 7:45 p.m. For members only (subscribers and colleagues). Short business meeting followed by demonstration of choral techniques in choir training by Alfred Nash Patterson. Free refreshments and get-together after program. The work to be discussed will be Brahm's Requiem. Bring your own copies and extras for friends.

October 16 & 17: (Tuesday and Wednesday) Recitals at 8:15 p.m. by Fernando Germani at Methuen Memorial Hall. Tickets are \$1.80 and \$2.40 and are on sale at Homeyers and at the door. Miscellaneous program.

October 22: (Monday) Recital at 8:15 p.m. by <u>Virgil Fox</u> in First Baptist Church, Brockton (corner West Elm & Warren Sts. next to High School). Admission \$1.20; reserved seats \$1.80. Tickets may be procured from Mr. Frank Yates at 155 Laureston St., Brockton 30, Mass.

## COMING A.G.O. EVENTS IN NOVEMBER:

November 19 (Monday): Regular meeting of the Massachusetts Chapter.

Details later.

November 26 (Monday): Recital by Mary Growley Vivian at the Church of the Advent, Brimmer Street, Boston.

Notice: All members are invited to make use of the BULLETIN to announce programs or other items of interest. Also, we hope that readers will feel free to send in suggestions as to how best the BULLETIN can be of service to all.

1932 Jun 20 – 25 Eleventh General Convention of the American Guild of Organists

1950 Jun 19 – 23 General Program for the Twentieth National Convention

1955 Dec 6 Golden Anniversary Program of the Boston Chapter 1905 – 1955

These three booklets are included in H. Winthrop Martin's book. They are bound into the work and could not be copied without damage to the book or the documents. They are referenced here. To view or reference the work, please email the Boston Organ Library <a href="mailto:organ:org