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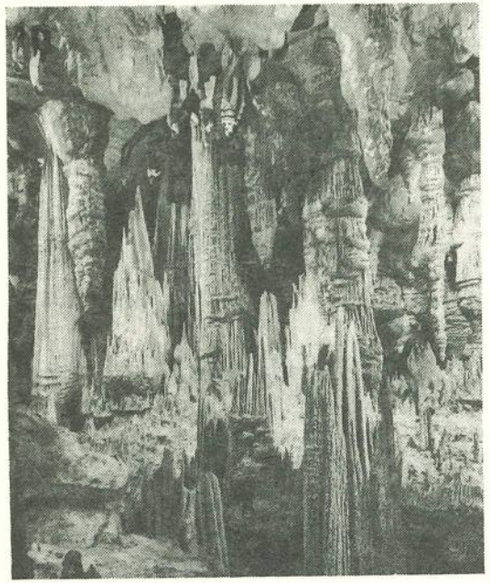
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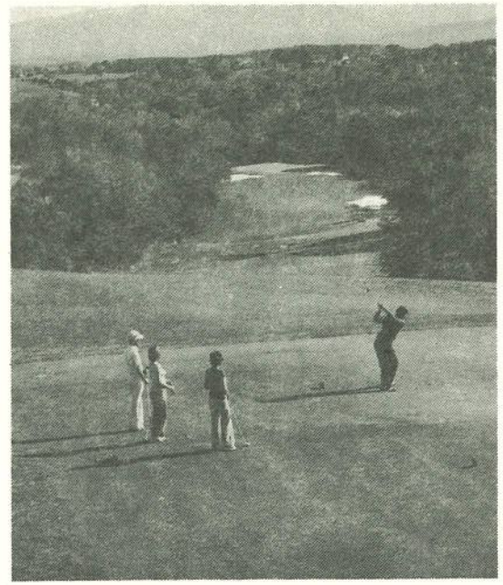
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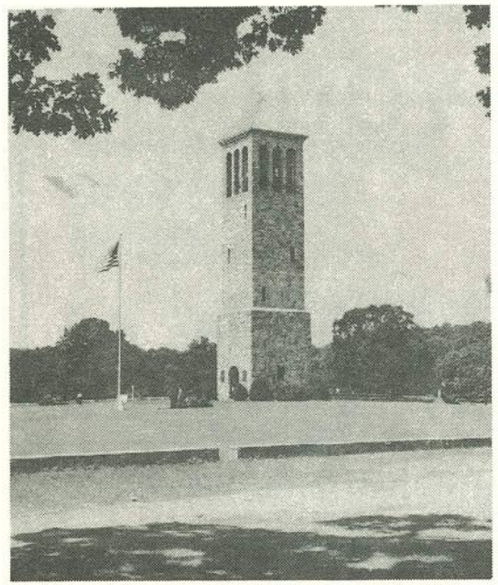
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Processional: O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL — arr. DAVID WILLCOCKS

1. *O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,*
   O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
   Come and behold him, born the King of angels:
   O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

2. *True God of true God, Light of light eternal,*
   Our lowly nature he hath not abhorred;
   Son of the Father, begotten, not created:
   O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

3. *Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,*
   Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
   Glory to God in the highest:
   O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

4. *Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,*
   Jesus, to thee be glory giv'n;
   Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing:
   O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!

INTONAZIONE — GIOVANNI GABRIELI c. 1555-1612

HODIE CHRISTUS NATUS EST — GIOVANNI GABRIELI
(sung in Latin)

(Today Christ is born; today the Savior has appeared. Choirs of angels sing on the earth: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to all of goodwill.)

SICILIANA — WILLIAM WALOND 1725-1770

ET IN TERRA PAX — ANTONIO LOTTI
(sung in Latin)

(And on earth peace to all of goodwill.)

DING DONG MERRILY ON HIGH — arr. DAVID WILLCOCKS

I SING OF A MAIDEN — PATRICK HADLEY

DER JAGER — JOHANNES BRAHMS 1833-1897
(sung in German)

(The hunter Gabriel found the Virgin Mary and informed her that she will bear a child who will make earth and heaven one. Mary fell to her knees and said, "It shall be according to your word.")

RUF ZUR MARIA — JOHANNES BRAHMS
(sung in German)

(To you, Mother of God, we call: pray for us, that our anxieties may be resolved, that our lives may be such that one day we will live with the heavenly host on high, that the Holy Ghost may lighten our way to true repentance and full confession.)

IL EST NÉ arr. JOHN RUTTER
(sung in French)

(He is born, the divine Christ-child! Play the oboes, sound the musettes, and sing of his arrival!)

Prelude on **QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR AGRÉABLE** PAUL MANZ

QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR AGRÉABLE arr. DAVID WILLCOCKS
(sung in French)
Wes Rediger, baritone

(What is this lovely fragrance, shepherds, which so ravishes our senses?)

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THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS arr. JOHN RUTTER

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(the premiere performances of a cycle of American folk songs for Christmas, arranged for the Shenandoah Valley Choral Society)

1. What you gonna call yo' pretty little baby?
   Jeff Lamont, baritone
2. Awake, awake the sacred song
3. The Babe of Bethlehem
4. Star of the east
   Susan Gutshall, mezzo soprano
5. I believe this is Jesus
   Curtis Nolley, tenor

FROM HEAVEN ABOVE TO EARTH I COME tune and text by MARTIN LUTHER

Prelude FRIEDRICH WILHELM ZACHAU, 1663-1712
1. Children's Choir arr. JOHANN SCHELLE, 1648-1701
2. to be sung by **everyone:** arr. PAUL BUNJES, b. 1914

To you this night is born a child of Mary, chosen virgin mild;
This newborn child of lowly birth shall be the joy of all the earth.

Prelude JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH, 1685-1750
3. Choral Society arr. HANS LEO HASSLER, 1546-1612
4. Children's Choir arr. RICHARD HILLERT, b. 1923
Prelude CASPAR OTHMAYR, 1515-1553
5. to be sung by **everyone:**

Welcome to earth, O noble guest, through whom this sinful world is blest;
You turned not from our needs away! How can our thanks such love repay?

6. Choral Society arr. MICHAEL PRAETORIUS, 1571-1621
7. Choral Society arr. BARTHOLOMÄUS GESIUS, 1555-1613
8. to be sung by **everyone:**

"Glory to God in highest heav'n, who unto us his Son has giv'n."
With angels sing in joyful mirth: a glad new year to all the earth!

ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY arr. DAVID WILLCOCKS

4. Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by,
we shall see him; but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high
where like stars his children crowned all in white shall wait around.

HALLELUJAH GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL
(to be sung by everyone) 1685-1759

VIRGA JESSE FLORUIT ANTON BRUCKNER
(sung in Latin) 1824-1896

(The rod of Jesse hath blossomed, a virgin hath brought forth One who was both God and man. God hath given peace, reconciling the lowest with the highest to Himself. Alleluia.)

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OCTOBER 1984: Aaron Copland's *"Appalachian Spring and Tenderland Suite"* with community orchestra

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