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Sunday, December 14.

Church today was choir with Messiah. Excellent. President called after in great mood - wants the soloist used for White House entertainment. Was disturbed because of many empty seats, and wants staff invited to Hope show tonight so all seats are filled.

Got into writer business again because Kissinger's draft for Vietnam announcement tomorrow is no good. Also the draft for Tree Lighting Tuesday, is too long and wrong spirit. Is going to work at EOB this afternoon, on speeches.

Bob Hope at White House tonight. Cast dinner first, turned into shambles as they all got autographs and pictures. Show was pretty bad, and most of audience couldn't see, or hear. Band too loud. Usual stuff, but President thoroughly enjoyed it, and the press is pretty good on it.