

CHILD OF THE MANGER

Almost two thousand years have gone by since that night so long ago; almost two thousand years have passed since the angels sang and the star twinkled over Bethlehem. Great nations have come and gone since that time; great men have played their parts on the stage of life and quietly faded away; but the Child who was born that night has left His indelible stamp on the hands of time and on the hearts of men.

Who can account for the powerful impact this little Child has had on our gigantic world? What is the secret of this power which had its beginning in an insignificant village so far away but survived to sweep the world and envelop mankind in its fold? Lives there a man who can explain how one tiny baby, born in a lowly stable instead of a palace and wrapped in coarse clothes instead of silken garments, could transform the hearts of mankind and change the course of human destiny? We can only say that the tiny infant of whom we speak was the Son of God, and He was sent from Heaven to rescue mankind from the throes of sin. He was the promised Messiah, the precious link between God and man; and, in Him, was revealed the one way to peace and union with God. Thus, we see why no other child could have had such an influence on the world; Christ's divinity made the difference.

Once again the Christmas season is here in all its glory, and once again we are caught up in the midst of parties, tinsel, bright lights, and shopping. Finding a present for Janie or Joe or what to wear to the dance tonight are foremost in the minds of many of us. But let us take time out for a moment, forget the mad rush, and, in a spirit of reverence, remember the One whose birthday we are soon to celebrate. By so doing, perhaps we, too, can recapture some of the joy which pervaded the hearts of the shepherds so long ago, when the angels sang and the star beamed over Bethlehem.

ON OUR HONOR

How many times have we heard the phrase, "Honesty is the best policy?" Whenever this well-known adage is repeated, we all agree. But — do we practice what we preach?

No school — and for that matter, no individual — likes to admit the possibility of cheating or thievery. Yet it goes on wherever people gather, work, or live. Since time began, dishonesty has been a problem, and whether or not we want to face it, dishonesty is a problem at Brevard College.

Have we seen copies of mimeographed tests floating around, seen someone looking on another's paper during a test, or overheard someone asking to copy his friend's homework paper? Of course we have, but have we done anything about it? That is the only way that we can stop dishonesty on the campus of Brevard College — to do it ourselves. Sermons will not help; honor codes will not help; but our efforts of not yielding to the temptation to look on our neighbor's paper, refusing to lend our homework paper, and keeping our paper covered during a test can be stimulants that will bring about a change in Brevard College. Can we do it?

CLASS LOYALTY

The slim attendance of class members at the recent class meetings has called forth action by the Student Government with backing from the Dean's office.

Usually these meetings deal with some very important items of business — business of interest to every student. It is a part of the obligation of each student to attend these meetings and to keep himself informed regarding the work his class is doing.

Class loyalties ought to be developing; punctuality should become a part of our working philosophy. We can solve this problem easily and quietly by making it a point to be present for all announced class activities. Let us not fail again!

LAURELS TO THE CHAPEL COMMITTEE

The chapel series this semester has offered both entertainment and spiritual sustenance of the very finest sort. The programs have seldom matched the well-planned ones of this year, and the chapel committee, under the leadership of Professor Roy, deserves highest commendation for its good work.

Soon we shall be entering the new year and a new semester, and we especially look forward to another well-planned chapel series as this committee continues to work.



THE CLARION STAFF is shown above, wishing everyone a very merry Christmas. Upper left are John Duvall, Mrs. H. W. Sigmon, Mary Allyn Reynolds, and Peggy Lewis. Lower right are Carol Walser, Bobby Davis, Horace Turner, and Loretta Helms. Not included in the picture are Roland Peacock, Judy McManus, and Shelba McKee.

OUR WISH FOR YOU

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE MERRY,
YOUR REST REFRESHING,
YOUR FOOD FESTIVE,
YOUR SLEEP UNDISTURBED,
AND YOUR DREAMS FULFILLED.

The Clarion staff.

Loretta Helms Wins

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is planning to continue her education at Peabody College in Tennessee. She enjoys basketball, tennis and music.

Mildred "Mitch" Miller, nineteen, comes to Brevard and Bradenton, Florida. Her hobbies are dancing and singing. She will further her studies of music at Florida State.

Ruth Souther, a day student from Brevard, is a business major. After graduation from Brevard, she will attend Furman University in Greenville, South Carolina. Ruth has brown hair, blue eyes, and is nineteen years old.

Elected as freshmen attendants are the following:

Chris Olson, seventeen, hails from Charlotte. She is taking pre-med and will attend the University of North Carolina after graduation from Brevard. This hazel-eyed, blond enjoys as hobbies, dancing, collecting records, and hula hooping.

Blond Cathy Osteen, eighteen, is a physical education major and hopes to attend the University of Georgia upon leaving Brevard. Her hobbies are basketball and swimming.

Brenda Edison comes from Gastonia and is majoring in business. She is eighteen years old, is 5'9" tall, has dark brown hair and green eyes. She is undecided as to whether she will continue her studies at the University of Maryland or East Carolina. She enjoys swimming and water skiing.

Betty Neale enjoys playing the

Women's Assembly

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lor. In the basement, guests were entertained by Nancy Fluke who sang "Let It Snow" accompanied by Edith Houck. Mildred Miller sang "White Christmas." The Madrigal Singers, composed of Mildred Miller, Rosemary Thompson, Agnes Hamilton, Carol Engleberth, Horace Turner, Mr. Cousins, Larry Oakley, and Keith Morris, sang two Christmas Carols, after which Mr. Cousins sang "Jesu Bambino," accompanied by Mr. Adams. Pat Gray was Mistress of Ceremonies for the occasion.

Christmas at Home is an annual event when students can celebrate Christmas together.

Campus Christmas

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the Christian Council. John Duvall is the president of Kappa Chi; Marion Swann, who presided at the lighting, is the chairman of the Christian Council. Mr. Roy is the advisor to both groups.

Many students and faculty alike have voiced the hope that the formal lighting of a campus tree can become an annual event or tradition for the college.

piano in her spare time. She is majoring in French and is tentatively considering attending Lynchburg College in Virginia upon graduating from Brevard. Betty's hometown is Charlotte.