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Santa Claus, alias Billy Hatley of High Point, crowns Peggy Wells of Teachey, near Wallace, Christmas Queen of the Guilford Monogram Club at its Saturday night Christmas Ball at the gymnasium. Jimmy Morphis is president of the club.

Crane and Staley Receive Ragan Memorial Awards

The Guilford College financial aid committee has confirmed scholarships from the Amos and Martha Ragan Family Memorial Fund for Richard Leo Staley of Liberty and Joshua Crane of Lake Worth, Florida.

At the same time, David H. Parsons, Jr., chairman of the financial aid committee, announced the establishment of six new competitive scholarships for men under the Amos Stuart Fund, which was

established by the late Elbridge A. Stuart.

Parsons said the present grants and the new scholarships to be given next year will make possible aid for men at the college similar to that available for girls from the Roxie Armfield King Fund.

The new scholarship winners have been earning a large portion of their expenses under the college student program. Dick, a Senior, is president of the Guilford Scholar-



JOSHUA CRANE



RICHARD STALEY

Guilford College Safe Robbery Unsolved

At the time of the Guilfordian deadline, Monday, no arrests had been made in the \$4,050 safecracking at Guilford two months ago.

Sherriff's deputies and S. B. I. officers are reported to have suspects in the series of professional robberies during the past three months, but lack conclusive proof.

The Guilford loss was partially covered by insurance, but no settlement has been made.

Recreation Room Okayed

Final plans are being made for the Recreation Room planned for the students of Guilford College. Ray Blakeslee and his committee have received the O.K. from the college with only the problem of the money left open before work can be started.

With the O.K. from the administration, plans are being made to push the idea through so that the problem of the slack weekends can be eliminated.

ship Society and Josh, a Junior, is president of the Guilford College Student Christian Association.

Josh also heads the Southern college area of the Young Men's Christian Association. Dick is active in other extra-curricular activities and is famous for his dinners.

The Amos Stuart Fund, which makes possible the six new scholarships, was founded by Elbridge Stuart, founder of the Carnation Milk Company, as a memorial to his father, Amos Stuart, a native of Guilford County who was a trustee of the college from 1846 to 1864.

The Ragan Fund was established by Robert R. Ragan, High Point businessman, who is vice-chairman of the college board, as a memorial to his father and mother.

At Pensacola, Florida

Hugh Stokes, a student at Guilford last year, is now at the Naval School at Pre-Flight Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida. He is undergoing 16 weeks of ground training, his first step in the 18-month Naval Cadet Training program.

The Disillusioned Shepherd

By J. Floyd Moore
(Christmas Story of Ancient Palestine)

Amos was a sorrowful looking figure as he crossed the threshold of the little stone hut. For a young shepherd — only 19 — he was a strong and vigorous Judean.

His neighbors always said that he was the living image of the Prophet of Tekoa, his ancestor, in those far away days, 750 years earlier, when Uzziah was king.

He was outspoken. He had visions. He dreamed dreams. He cared for every lamb in his flock. He took time off to prune the fig trees, even as his great forefather had done.

It was the break of dawn when he got home that morning. He could see the shafts of sunlight rising from Moab, spreading over the Dead Sea and gently touching these hills below Bethlehem.

It had been a long night, a tiresome night. It had been a disturbing night. It must often have been like that to the earlier Amos, he kept thinking.

"Oh, Amos, my dear husband, where have you been all night?" It was his lovely young wife, still in the first year of their marriage, who betrayed her sleepless night.

"Wadad, Oh Wadad, You can never imagine what happened this night. Our people cannot understand it. Oh, if only we could understand!"

"But tell me, Amos. Tell me. What of The Star? What of the rumors from Jerusalem? What of King Herod?"

"Yes, Wadad, I'll tell you. But first a bit of food. Some olives and bread, and some leban to drink. I haven't eaten since I left yesterday afternoon."

Sitting, legs crossed, on the red camel-hair rug, Amos spoke and Wadad was sure that his eyes sparkled brighter than the morning sun. It seemed to her as if it were the Lord Himself speaking through her handsome young husband.

"It only took us about an hour," he explained, "to reach Bethlehem. Omar was with me, and Eliphaz and Zepho. We all left our sheep in the care of Zibeon. The town was so crowded. Everyone coming back for the tax census. And every one complaining about the high taxes to come, just to support all those Roman soldiers and officials."

Delegates Report on Student Legislature

Guilford College sent six delegates to the State Student Legislature Assembly that convened in Raleigh September 20. This sixteenth annual session of the mock assembly was adjourned at 1:00 p. m. September 22. Delegates from 23 colleges in the state considered and acted upon bills pertinent to North Carolina.

Those representing Guilford were: Senate, Marty Burton, Don Rockwell, Horace McManus; House of Representatives: Kaye Williams, George Velonis, Bob McDaniels. This was the first time any of the six had attended the sessions. Guilford has participated in the past but did not do so last year.

While the group did not originate a bill, they did support as their own, a bill introduced by Greensboro College to provide better educational facilities for the mentally retarded. In the Senate the local delegates proposed an amendment to a bill that substantially meant another bill. Livingston College introduced the original measure entitled, **To End The Crisis In Korea**, which proposed that the United Nations give in to the demands of the Reds that all prisoners be returned.

That proposal was eliminated and the bill passed as amended by Guilford College. Another bill heartily supported by the Guilford group was one to bring integration of the races in the public schools of North Carolina.

"But they were glad to be back, especially those who had to come all the way from Galilee."

"We had all sorts of trouble when we inquired about The Star. Everyone laughing or talking, yelling and swearing. No one took us seriously. They thought we were just dumb country shepherds, filled with superstition."

Finally, about one o'clock we got wind of some well-to-do strangers from Persia who had come to the little town, convinced by their study of the stars that some great event was about to occur. They had been able to find shelter at the little inn on Hebron Road. When we inquired of them, we were told that they had gone to a cave to visit a couple who had come down from Nazareth, Joseph and Mary by name.

"At length we found the cave. It turned out to be a stable near the Suq."

"It was cold. We had our hattas wrapped around our faces. The town was quiet by now."

"Wadad, you won't believe it, but it's the truth if ever I told the truth. As I stood at the entrance to that stable, it seemed almost as if The Star was just out of reach above my head. Its light nearly blinded me. For a moment I was not aware of my companions. It was The Voice speaking to me. I've told you about it before. But it was stronger than ever. It kept saying to me: Behold, Amos, My Son. But none will believe."

"We went in for just a moment. Joseph welcomed us. We congratulated him especially, since it was a boy. And then we looked across to the manger. There was Mary, exhausted but happy. The babe was asleep in her arms. But she looked up for a moment and a whisper came from her lips: 'Not just another boy,' she murmured, 'the Prince of Peace.'"

"At that moment, Wadad, I knew that we'd never be able to rid ourselves of the Romans by war. I knew that bitterness and hatred were all of the past. But I knew also that this Child will be rejected. Our people do not want peace by living peacefully. They think they can get it by fighting."

"Oh, Amos, don't be so discouraged. It isn't entirely hopeless. Maybe this is the Sign we've been waiting for. Now you just lie down before the fire and I'll cover you. You're tired and disillusioned."

Amos immediately dropped into a deep sleep and in his dream he saw the Amos of old, walking by the hills of Tekoa, and these were the words that he heard: "Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream."

Wadad smiled, for she knew, as only a wife can know, that Amos had truly found The Star.

Social Committee Plans Activities

Recent Social Committee plans (designed to rival "off-campus entertainment" in the Quaker date-books) have filled the calendar with free movies Saturday nights during January, February and March. Future on-campus weekends are also highlighted by hopes and plans for the new recreation room sponsored by the Men's Student Government — a project to which the Social Committee is giving full support.

Then the Valentine Dance is on the heels of the Christmas Dance.

There will be plenty of opportunity to keep Fred Astaire's footwork in practice between these big affairs — and without nickels — in the Soda Shop every Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights from 6:30 to 7:30.

Everyone invited — Come, stag or drag!

Notice

Due to the pressure of exams, there will be no mid-January Guilfordian.

—Editor.