



LITERARY STRIVINGS

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

Joyce Vick

One night as the moon shone brightly on a hill in Judea, four shepherds and a small lame boy, Joel, were gathered watching their sheep. Suddenly Joel exclaimed, "Look!

See that star; I never remember seeing it before. It is so near by it looks as if it's over Behtlehem." The older shepherds agreed that they, too, had not seen it before. Then in the air there was a bright beam and as it came nearer, the shepherds saw it was an angel. As the shepherds became frightened and fell to their knees, the angel said,



"Fear not; for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

As the four shepherds started off to Bethlehem, Joel thought sadly, "Since I can't keep up, I'll stay here

WHY I THINK AMERICA SHOULD DECLARE WAR

Taken From A Tenth Grade Theme By Horace High,

We shudder at the thought of the horror of the war being raged in Europe today; and, of course, we shudder to a greater extent at the thought of being involved; but as John Paine said in his "Common Sense"; "The time has come"-for us to take a stand.

I say this not for the fact that the democracy of America is endangered, at least not for the present, but for the fact that the democracies of our fellowmen are endangered and over a long period of time ours probably will be too.

"TO WRITE WELL IS TO THINK WELL; IT IS TO POSSESS AT ONCE INTELLECT, SOUL, AND TASTE!"

and watch the sheep until they return." He sat on the hill side and suddenly became happy as he thought about the stories of the great King to come.

When the shepherds returned, Joel started on to Bethlehem with the crutch under his arm. He walked into the stable and was so overjoyed at the sight of Jesus, that he threw down his crutch as the baby smiled up into his face. He walked slowly out of the stable forgetting he ever had a crutch.

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Rules And Courtesies Required In The Library

Don't--

- Talk loudly.
- Walk heavily.
- Shove books to the back in shelves.
- Take books from one place to another.
- Take magazines out without signing for them.
- Handle books roughly.
- Let baby get the book.
- Turn down corners.
- Leave book open with face downward.

Do--

- Straighten books to keep shelves neat.
- Show torn pages to librarian so she can mend them.
- Use flat bookmarks.
- Use two hands in returning library book to shelves.
- Place books at the very edge of a shelf.
- Straighten chairs when through with them.

POETRY TRANSLATED IN PRECIS PROSE

Christine Finch

Forgetful of her years, she stood at the window gazing in on the articles of clothing that women desire to possess-- silks, bright colors, jewelry. Existence and poverty were things forgotten. Then suddenly the youth flame went out, leaving behind an ugly and unchangeable past.