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SERIOUS THOUGHTS

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."—St. Luke II:11.

"Everywhere, everywhere, Christmas tonight!
Christmas in lands of the fir-tree and pine,
Christmas in lands of the palm-tree and vine;
Everywhere, Eveyrwhere, Christmas tonight!"
—Phillips Brooks

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

—Mary Anne Hartzog, '48

Of all the many beautiful and fascinating things about Christmas, many people like the Christmas carols best. There are several different kinds of carols. Most of them portray the birth of Christ; others tell of different things pertaining to Christmas, such as holly, bells, sleds, and snow. These are sung by young and old people who go from house to house singing these beautiful melodies.

It is always a joy to sing these carols which were sung before the fourteenth century. They have gained much popularity during these succeeding years. They make one really have the Christmas "spirit". One just has a feeling which cannot be described by singing these carols, such as "Silent Night," "O, Holy Night," and "The First Noel."

The candlelight service, which is sponsored by the different music clubs in town and is held a few weeks before Christmas, is a very impressive ceremony. In this, they sing all the different types of Christmas carols.

These songs tell the birth of Christ in such a sweet and simple way that it appears as a fairy tale to a small child. The older people also realize, more than before, what a wonderful thing the birth of Christ was.

Christmas would just not seem like Christmas without these carols. One should stop and think of the meaning of each word of every Christmas melody, and today, more than ever before, people should observe the spirit of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Towards Men."

THE BEAUTY OF CHRISTMAS

—Mary Allison Martin

Beauty is in the air during the Christmas time. This beauty has lasted since the first Christmas morning when the wisemen humbly brought gold,

Mr. & Miss L.H.S.

By Roberta Bafford



"You better not pout, you better not cry;
You better be good, I'm telling you why—
SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN!"

Hi ya, Santa! Give me something, too. "Goo-Ball" surely looks cute sittin' up there. But I don't blame "Slick" for playing Santa Claus; who wouldn't if he could have "Goo-Ball" sittin' on his knee? If you haven't already guessed, Betty Anne Wall and Jimmy Poston are Mr. and Miss L. H. S. for December.

"Getting down to facts, Betty Anne likes L. H. S., football games (Bensy's right tackle), "The Tin Can" (Bensy's car), assembly's, the beach, everybody, eating, LEXHIPEP and LEXICON (that's one way to advertise), and Christmas.

Betty Anne definitely doesn't like diets (she doesn't need to), studying, exams (they're getting close), moody people, and getting up to go to school on Monday mornings.

Betty Anne wants to go to Converse, and her ambition is to make one hundred on a French test. Her favorite song is "Stardust"; she plays it all the time.

Betty Anne seems to be in everything—Tri-Hi-Y, Co-Editor of the LEXICON, Quill and Scroll, Beta Club, and she's a cheerleader. She also was voted the most popular girl in the Senior Class.

Jimmy seems to like football games, cheerleading, dancing, singing, girls (specially Martha), Coble's ice cream pies, and sleep—beautiful sleep.

Jimmy doesn't like long skirts and black hose.

Jimmy's favorite pastimes are: shooting bull at the City Drug or the Green Door, dating, and sleeping.

His favorite song is "Ballerina," played by Vaughn Monroe, because it's pretty.

He wants to go to Carolina. (Everybody wants to go there.)

Jimmy's favorite teacher is Mrs. Hedrick. He likes her because she explains everything. (Bet he makes A on English next report card.)

His favorite movie picture is "Miracle on 34th Street." He's looking forward to seeing Santa Claus, too.

Jimmy's activities are Hi-Y, cheerleader, and being wonderful to everybody.

Betty Anne is the kind of girl who still has a smile for you after you've just stepped on her theme paper which she's already copied twice.

Jimmy is the kind of boy who still tries to put some pep into the pep meetings when everybody sits still and keeps his mouth closed.

Now one can really see why everyone like Betty Anne and Jimmy much, and why thy were chosen for Mr. and Mrs. L. H. S. of the month.

Oh, I nearly forgot, Santa Claus, Betty Anne wants that rag doll and Jimmy wants a red tricycle.

(Santa Claus' suit by courtesy of Conrad's)

frankincense and myrrh to worship the King of Kings. There were no fireworks on the first Christmas, no loudness, only calmness and sweetness.

Joy abounds in the heart of a man who walks up the aisle of his church on Christmas morning and hears from the great organ the strains of "Silent Night, Holy Night." His heart pounds a little, for he is proud to see his friends around him singing from the very depths of their souls, the story of Christmas. When the service is ended he walks slowly down the aisle and rejoices to meet his friends, for they are happy, too.

But, maybe in another part of town a dirty, homeless child sits heart-broken. All is sad, even the atmosphere which abounds.

These are two different pictures, but only one is beautiful. What can we do to make both of them beautiful? Is it part of our responsibility? Will we help these have a Merry Christmas, or will we leave them to make their own way while we enjoy all the blessings of an abundant Christmas?

Come, let us help to make others happy and life beautiful, as we rejoice in the wonderful Christmas spirit.