# AKING IS BORN! WORLD REJOICES

### Carolinian Extends Greetings

At this time of the year we pause to observe the birthday of us, the Son of God. The CARO LINIAN looks forward each year to the publication of this special Christmas edition as it gives us the opportunity to great our sabscribers, readers, advertisers and other friends with a special and warm wish for a most joyous holiday seasou.

In part years it has been the custom of this newspaper to present for your enjoyment a page of stories and other information pertaining to this holiday and centered around the religious significance which it denotes.

On this page may be found The Christmas Story and other stories which relate to the birth of Jesus

Churches in the areas have planned special Vuletide services for Thursday morning. December 25, and Watchnight meetings have been slated for Wednesday night, December 31, at many of the churches in the city and county.

Charitable organizations in the area have made many hearts glad by contributing food, clothing and money to individuals, hospitals and families. One such contribution is made annual to the children at St. Agnes Hospital by a local chapter of a national social organization.

Business in Raleigh will be practically at a standatill for the next few days, most of them having closed Wednesday, December 24, and will reopen on Monday, December 29. Another long holiday weekend looms for many area residents as the New Year holidays will begin on Wednesday, De-

Raleigh and Wake County's schools closed Friday, December 19, and city schools will reopen on Monday, January 5. siving the school kids more than two weeks to enjoy their gifts from Santa and a vacation from the three R's. Wake County's schools will open their doors, however, on Thursday, January 1.

All in all it appears that this will be a Christmas or relative peace throughout the world. May we again extend to you our best wishes for a Merry

## Missing King

in a glare of lights before heaving same, he thought. It's all as dingy as when I left. Even the snow, gest ever to shine on Bethlehem, shepherd on the hill. train shed, looked dreary.

suitcase. Not much to come back ing at the stars on the pool. with, not much to show for two years abroad.

He walked out into the bad part of the main street, among buildings with dark, sullen faces lipsticked with smears of neon lights. In the square he saw a huge fir strung with colored bulbs and topped with a lighted star. A thin-faced, stout-stomached Santa Claus brushed past him, carrying a metal lunch box. He noticed several people carrying gaily wrapped packages, but their faces it was: A Star over Bethlehemwere tight-lipped and grim.

NO PLACE ELSE was the Christmas season. He had directly overhead it seemed curinot planned to arrive home then, ous that when everyone else was CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE but when you go by freighter you don't arrive by schedule. And the 34th, he thought, Christmas Eve Of all the days to come back to that house, the very day he had been blottling out of his mind. that day he never wanted to remember. Well, there was no place

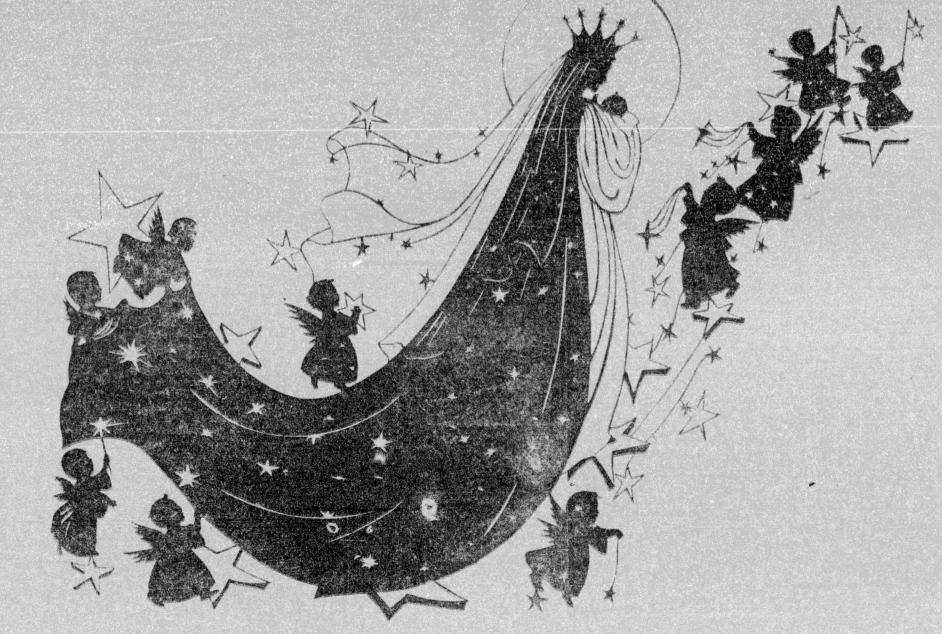
else for him to go. On his way up the hill to the house be stopped off at the corner grocery. He'd make himself a few sandwiches and kill a couple of cans of beer. The electricity would still be shul off, and there would be no heat, but he remembered he had a few logs left for the fireplace. He'd probably shove off again in a few days.

"You don't come around any. Joseph was about 20 at the time out to doubt handsome, fanned by more Mr. Stuart", the grocer said, of the birth of Christ. Common the list sun and raw wind, big and "The sense dictates that he must have oftens with cippling muscles and save money for school when I'm peering at him gloomily Theen young and strong God gives calloused hands. He was, in short | shie to work in the mine supermarket maybe?" to, not that, The been away, no one man an assignment he is the baid of visco our Abierican

Roam, Places like that | bable to carry out. Yet God com | boys admire "Fire proces's glames said plainty intestored Juseph to be the protect. | Bather than forgetting St. that there was no Spain or places or of Macy and the Child like that. He returned to his poan elbow against the frozen-food "Merry Christmas. Mr. Shuaurt", he said to Jeff's departing back, "Merry Christmas." The South? It would take a virtue sould manifested in his purity, o-1 bell at the top of the door lingled youth to tess Mary and the Child bedience, and sense of justice, cosed search to thear the alpaca.

safely on the flight into Egypt, These, indeed, are virtues for mod- "Your fingers are nimble" said a rearily as Jeff went out. He turned the key in his own imrough desert wastes, amid wild leve techniques. door almost with panie, 'I should animals and marading handits not have come hack', he mutter- pursued by Herod's soldiers. not have come back", he mutter- pe ed. "What made me do ti?" Or

erhaps, the thought hit him. Ti shouldn't have gone away. It was all he could do to keep from calling Kathy's name as he nored the enormous studio they had made together out of a ram-



### "ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

# At The Foot Of The Manger St. Francis At Greccio

BY JOHN TRAVERS MOORE

There was talk among the shepherds that an angel had appeared and more were to come, but the little shepherd of Bethlehem had no great hope of seeing Heavenly visitors or hearing the angels sing. His favorite lamb was missing again, and he was busy looking for it, which naturally required the attention of the valley of Ricti, Haly, the travboth—but mostly that of the little shepherd.

For some reason, his favorite lamb caused him more trouble eisean Sancharies. Christinss and a Happy New Year, thrn all the est of the flock and kept him continually looking from alar a small menastery after it to make sure it was here, and not there or someplace else.

A Forgotten Saint

BY REV. RAWLEY MYERS

Of the traditional figures that grace the Christmas crib. St.

It is time that the great and noble Joseph he better under-

stood. It is time that fallacious folktales concerning this man

Joseph was about 20 at the time ous to could handsome, fanned by

ian making the arduous trips flung that made St. Jeseph so [

Jerusalem and Bethlehom in the I sign! strength, but his strength of

is the greatest saint in heaven next to the Blessed Mother herself. sorting sheds.

Perhaps this was because he conand more lively, and liked to romp first had to discover it on earth and play-and it belonged to the before he saw it in heaven.

THE STAR IN THE POOL

gels and the golden star-the lar- peaceful and he was the only shepherds to the newborn King!

And just as he found it there, he tripped, and grumbled slightly and even frowned at it, which was considerable punishment coming from the little shepherd. But he carefully picked it up and carried it back to the fold.

He though that he had caught a glimpse of a large golden Star anong the other stars reflected on the pool, and just to make certain -he looked up. There in the sky and it must have been there all the time, for the little shepherd He remembered then that it had not thought to look for it so

among men to put to rest forever.

Joseph so often is pictured as a

tottering old grandaddy. But the

best authorities tell us that St !

A MAN'S MAN

Then, too, we recall that St.

Joseph was a carpenter. This is

no work for an old man today.

but in Palestine 1800 years ago

sidered it the linest lamb in all the looking up for the Star, he had had with a miracle worked by God to spense. St. Francis ordered the box y was-not that it looked much to look down to find it. But he different from any of the other had found it, and that was what and his friang should be a retired lambs, except that it was whiter was important, even though he

When he reached the top of the hill he made the lamb lie down But there were times when it beside him, to keep it from caus-Jeff Stuart swung easily to the tired his patience, and tonight was ing him further trouble, at least platform while the train paused one of them, for the little shepherd for the moment. And he talked to had wanted very much to stay on it as he often did when the night itself north. Everything looks the the hilltop and watch for the an- was particularly beautiful and

ranged in uneven drifts under the and the one that would guide the . He had heard about the Star that was now shining bright and golden His sketch pad bulged out of Of course the little shepherd aircetly over Bethlehem and of his coat pocket as he walked knew exactly where he would find what the angel had said to the through the tile-walled tunnel to the lamb-down at the bottom of shepherds, and what the shepherds

GOING TO SEE A KING

But two shakes of a lamb's tail are also not very easy to see, and the little shepherd was quite certain that he very possibly might have missed seeing them. Besides, he wanted so hadly to go to the won-

the street, carrying his battered the hill, where it always hid, look- and said to him. And of course he told this to his favorite lamb

He told it that in two shakes of lamb's tail he could go to Bethlehem and even see the newborn King, though he knew this was not very likely, because one does not just say "I am going to see a king." and go, and be allowed always to

derful happening he thought that if he hurried, even now he

Joseph is certainly the least known. He stands in the shadows, Feast." Baby Carlos on her hip.

like part of the background scenery, a forgotten saint. Yet here their mother trudged to the name

Joseph was youthful and vigor-

seph, we should bring him forth

Can you imagine an octogena- 3-ph is a saint for our times. The lane," frowned Estellan.

from Nazareth of the North to pleasing to God was not his phy- work or no Christmas Teast."

### Adapted By Brother Benedict Simon, O.F.M.

opposite the town of Greccio in as the beginning of the 13th cenone, and should be possed in places secluded from the noise of the of a high mountain, where it left

lous event before parrating the ac count of the institution of the Crib. which afterward took place in this

THE BOY AND THE BRAND preaching of St. Francis to live a tions. But this wealthy gentleman, being old and nelicate, found it the mountain leading to Francis' soli tary abode. Being desirous of not missing those instructions which solution, he requested St. Francis to select his abode somewhere near

St. Francis assented on condition that a little bey should be placed in the plazza which

poncho His father and his Hamas

toes on the terraces. We want food long.

were already at the silver mine.

"Esteban, you, shear the alpacas

After he ate, Esteban said

"Callo and Luis have a rich

uncle in Limat Where could

you get school money?" asked

"Father Ernesto says for me to

Thes teaching you to read and

Vines look the hoe: "I must !

LUS RETURNS

"Luis!" he exclaimed joyfully.

Esteban went to the stone en-

ould make you happy."

to Vinca: "When Callo was

back from school he read to me.

Wish I could go to school too."

so the wool can be sold before the

for our Christmas feast!"

town; that the boy should throw a firebrand; and that. wherever it should strike, that should be the place of his residence. The proposal was readily accepted since the rich man was convinced that the brand would not go beyond

the piazza. The boy was there with the brand, surrounded by the throng of people in a state of eager suthe brand; but lot it wer onward till it struck a rock a mile distant from the town, on the slope a black mark which can be seen

of the Nativity. St. Francis was in- ing neighborhood, and among the ery in such a way as to bring to the devotion of their Holy Father no easy task to ascend the steep of the Saviour with all the atter- representing the "Grotto Crib" in dant circumstances.

little chapel near the door which mas.

Christmas Gift For Esteban

"Rich people have more'n they

the Christ-Child. Then he placed outside, here and there, the figures of shepherds in the act of watching their flocks, and on high the heavenly messenger announcing to DIVINE APPARITION

On Christmas night a solemn Mass was sung in the chapel, St. Francis serving as deacon. Mass being over the figure representing the Divine Infant. which during Mass had been ried in procession by the celebrant of the Mass to the spot. and was placed in the manager by St. Francis.

No sooner had Francis deposited God baving shown by a miracle | a beautiful Infant surrounded with where the monastery should be the sacred figure than Christ anbuilt, and the mountain being the peared on his arms in the form of property of the man who accepted an aureola of glory. The people the things that they had heard and ic proposal, he donated it to the were overcome with a supernaturars, and there built a monastery | all loy at the sight of the divine apparition.

Being in one of his usual re-! The prodigious event was soon outs in preparation for the feast spread throughout the surroundnired to represent the great mys- friars who, desirous of imitating mind of the people the birth introduced the pious custom of the different churches of His order He constructed a platform in a during the holy season of Christ-

filled his soul with heavenly con- leads into the monastery. On it In the course of time the devointerior of which he placed the Order, and later pious people had igure of Mary and of St. Joseph, churches outside the Pranciscan. and the ex and ass representing the great mystery represented in the two animals that were in the some fitting place within their stable at the time of the birth of private homes.

sleeping a few hours in the

priest's house. Esteban, curled

in his ponche at the foot of the

doctor's bed, helped again at

dawn. Before the doctor left

that night, he gave instructions

about the care of the injured

to Father Erneste und Esteban.

I'll be back as soon as I can."

He gripped Esteban's band.

"You've healing fingers. You

"I want to be a doctor." Esteban

enswered knowing now that he

"Our Lord will find a way!" an-

Daily Luis coaxed Esteban to go

"No". Esteban was torn between

some and not wanting to steal.

"I won't tell. Papa's hurt.

should be a doctor!"

d "But how

wered the priest.

### Jesus' Birth, Childhood World's Greatest Story

Editor's Note: THE CAROLINIAN takes particular pleasure in reprinting from the Holy Bible the story of Jesus' birth and early growth. (As taken from the Authorized or King James Version, 2nd Chapter of St. Luke.)

(And it came to pass in those days, there went out a decree from Cac'sar Augustus that the world should be taxed.)

(And this taxing was first made when Cy-re'ni-us was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own ernor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, everyone into his city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Navareth into Juda, unto the city of David. which is called Beth'le-hem, thesuse he was of the house and neage of David). To be taxed with Mary his

And so it was, that, while they

lished that she would be deliver-

And she brought forth her firstmanger, because there was no doves, or two young pelgeons. oora for them in the inn

And there were in the same

And, lo, the angel of the Lerd came upon them, and the glery of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for: behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all peo-For unto you is born this

day, in the city of David, a

Savior, which is Christ the

Lord. con. Ye shall find the brose wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in selvation

And suddenly there was with fore the face of all people:

And it came to pass, as the an impolent of him tels were gone away from them. And Sime-on blessed them, and into Heaven, the shepherds said said noto Mary His mother, Be one to another. Let us now go even shold, this child is set for the fall

which the Lord hath made known against

babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they

And all they that heard it work dered at those things which were old them by the shephards. But Mary kept all these things

and pendered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, dorifying and praising God for all n, as it was told unto them.

And when eight days were accomplished for the circumelsing of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was

she was conceived in the

And when the days of her puriication, according to the law of Moses, were accomplished, they spoused wife, being great with brought him to Je-ru'sa-lem, to present Him to the Lord; (As it is written in the law of ere there, the days were accom- the Lord. Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to

the Lords And to offer a sacrifice accordown son, and wrapped him in ing to that which is said in the wadding clothes, and laid him in law of the Lord, a Pair of furtle

And, behold, there was a man in Jerusa-lem whose name was cuntry shepherds abiding in the Sime-on; and the same man was ld, keeping watch over their just and devout, waiting for the consolution of Is'ra-el; and the

Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should tot see death, before he had seen e Lord's Carist.

And he came by the Spirit unto he temple: and when the parents rought in the child Je'sus, to do or him after the custom of the

Then he took him up in his rms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lottest thou thy serint depart in peace, according to

Which thou hast prepared be

re angel a multitude of the heav- A light to lighten the Gentiles nly host, praising God, and say and the glory of the people ng. Glory to God, in the highest, lara-el.

And Joseph and his mother mar celled at those things which were

unto Bethle-hem, and see this and rising of many in Israel, and ling which is come to pass for a sign which shall be spoken

And they came with hacte, and through thy own soul also,) that found Mary, and Joseph, and the the thought; of many hearts may

> And there was one Anne a pr unctess, the daughter of Pha-nu'el isband seven years from her vir

forescore and four years, which de-parted not from the temple, but served God with fasting and pray

s night and day. And she, coming in that instant have thanks likewise unto the bord, and soake of him to all

so named of the angel before (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

### The Living Tree

A decorated evergreen is one of the most delightful none built an artificial grotto, in the tion was introduced into other essentials of the Nativity season. We can keep Christmas without it, for the real wonder of Christmas is a Child born unto us and a Son given to us for our salvation. But the tradition of the tinseled tree is here to stay.

Most of us, at some time or other, have wondered about the first Christmas tree. Who decorated it? When? Where? What is the connection between the birth of a Saviour and the presence of an evergreen i nour homes?

LOST IN ANTIQUITY

it to other ceremonial trees, such which Christ was crucified. Esteban worked on "He's breath- as the Maypole or the St. John's. There are various accounts of

> It was long a widespread belief fers, gilt, sugar, and so or that the sprig grew and produc-1 (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

It would seem that the genesis of the Christmas tree is lost in the mazes of antiquity. Some Moses Later it was cut down and the worship and invocation of the to the legend, it was recovered

tree around which people of an- Christmas festivities dating back When Papa was all right. Ester other age danced on the longest to the Middle Ages, but scant mention is made of a decorated Others associate the Christmas tree. A forest ordinance from tree with the beautiful old legend Ammerschweter. Alsace, dated of the Tree of Life. When Adam | 1561, ruled that "no burgher shall lay dying, runs the legend, he have for Christmas more than one sent his son. Seth, to the Garden bush of more than eight shoes of Eden to beg for the Oil of length". From a travel book is-Mercy. This was refused; how sued in 1605 we learn that "at ever, the angel who stood at the Christmas time in Strassburg they gate gave Seth a sprig from the set up fir trees in the rooms, and Tree of Life with instructions to they hang on them roses cut of plant it upon his father's grave, many-colored paper, apples, wa-

were asked to paracle outside the First of all the angels had to

the smallest of all the stars, and she was overcome by the honor. "I am very young and stupid," she said: "I am not sure that I will be able to do

rate," he said, "you are frank and nedest The angels will teach you

THE THREE KINGS

gates of Paradise where one of make her the most beautiful star them would be chosen for a very | in all the world, so they blew on her, and then polished her with

their sleeves. And as they worked. they told her tirelessly over and over again what she had to do. It was a very important mission. She listened and was afraid, because it seemed such a big responsibility, but the angels were very patient. Soon a happy smile spread

over their faces, because the little star was word perfect, and knew everything she must do. She was shining very brightly too. There was nothing more for the angels to do. So the star came down to-

Up in heaven, sit the stars were twinkling brightly, because they

dy, knowing he was needed at important job. The angels met them at the Luis repeated: "We must be in gates, and arranged them into rows, with the smallest ones in front Saint Peter bustled out and inspected them with a thoughtful gaze. Then he chose

my job as it should be done. Is it very difficult?" Saint Peter laughed. "At any

Esteban said: "You have a gay time! When do you study"" where the craftsman had to ent weak within often try to laughed. "I den't go to hugh and brag about their and hew the wood, carry the chool I'm supposed to work but structions, Esteban gave artificial the money come from? Maybe I planks, and transport his bulky sins to cover up for their cow-I'm with fellows who bein them- respiration. Aching, Esteban felt he should go with Luis and learn to products, only the strongest ardice. Strong in body, they selves to other peopl's puckets." | could not keep up the pumping | steal. (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE) (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE) | Esteban gasped could ply the trade. iany longer, but be did.

not straid to fight. Like a

did not surrender to tempiations. Luis described his life in Limis.

soldier he stood his ground and

Big men physically who are

"You'er quick" you could earn | "Dr. Monuell" All shouted. The It was daybreak in the Andra lots picking pockets, expecially doctor rushed to Esteban's side scholars believe it had to do with cast away; then, still according 'Good work!" he said. Then he mountains of Peru, when 14-year- when the Christmas Eve crowds are poured something between Papa's "Spirit of vegetation" and relate and fashioned into the Cross on old Esteban slipped on his faded around the Cathederal" "That's stealing!"

His mother ladled much for Este- need! Working in the mines you'll ban and his sister. "Vinca, after be old fore you earn enough for ba worked with others. How long day of the year. breakfast, hoe the beans and peta-school. With me it wouldn't be he worked he did not know, until the priest said: "Rest" Before Esteban rould answer The doctor staved all night.

> landslide!" he shouted. Esteban and Vinca ran down to he mine. Luis ran home muttering Why should I get hurt too?" Vinca sobbed: "Papa, Mama and

there was a sharp crack and a

roar Esteban's shears fell. "Mine

Carlos," She made the sign of the "Hope we're in time!" panted Esteban, sweating. T see Mama and Carlos!" gasp

"Aten are digging. If only Papa" Topa and his Hamas are burisd!"

write, remircied View That Mana prayed. Falction began to dig. Vinca and to Lima with him. As men were brought into the "Pather must on to his other as a model for our youth. For Jo- leherely ton He has little time for . Esteban looked eagerly. None wanting money fast so he could stuas his father.

There should be a doctor in our illage," complained the man next to Fateban, "Till Dr. Manuel gets Lime for Christmas," Finally he here from town, many will die un- threatened: "You must go with me! less someone helps Father Ernesto." You know my secret!" Esteban's shovel struck somevoice behind him Esteban jumoed thing soft. He ground. "A llama couldn't run away at Christmas! St. Josph was a man's man. He at the words, for he thought him- with a yellow tassel! One of Papa's | Luis towered over him, "You'll

> Vince caled: "Esteban quick!" In spite of blood and dirt, Esteban recognized Papa on the ground. ward home. Luis is bigger, he He felt warm, but wasn't breath- thought. He'll force me to go. I ing. Following Pather Ernesto's in- want to be a doctor but where'll

go or you won't live until Christ-Esteban dragged up the path to-

(CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE) what to do, and if you listen care- (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)