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The Cleveland Planetarium

A Christmas through the eyes of children, the eyes of astronomers, the eyes of the scientists, the eyes of The Faithful, and even those of the weather man highlight the opening of this year's "Star of Bethlehem" program at the University of North Carolina's Morehead Planetarium at Chapel Hill. Moving and colorful pageantry retell the eternal story of events surrounding the birth of the Christ Child.

"Star of Bethlehem" is being offered at the following times during the holiday season: weekdays at 8:30 p.m., with additional programs at 3:00 p.m. on December 22, 23, 26, 29, 30 and 31; Saturdays at 11, 1, 2, 4 and 8:30 p.m.; Sundays at 2, 3, 4 and 8:30 p.m. The Planetarium and exhibit areas will be closed all day on December 24th and 25th only.

More that 7,728 persons have already seen the "Star of Bethlehem" program this year, according to the planetarium secretary, Shirley Scism. Mrs. Scism also pointed out that reservations are not accepted for public presentations, and that patrons should arrive at least 20 minutes before the program starting times to be assured of good seating.

School groups may see "Star of Bethlehem" at any of three times daily: 10 a.m., 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. by advance reservation

Christmas
In the spirit of this beautiful season, we greet our friends and extend sincere gratitude for their kindness and loyalty.
Marion Edwards
Edwards Farm Supply
Beulaville, N. C.

Greetings
The exchange of Christmas greetings among friends is one of the happiest traditions of this season. We extend our greetings to all of you... along with a heartfelt thanks.
BLACKBURN'S SERVICE OIL CO., INC.
Warsaw, N. C.

CHRISTMAS...
May the serenity and joy of the Holy Family inspire you with the spirit of love and peace at Christmas. Our sincere thanks to everyone.
SMITH'S WASH & DRY LAUNDRY
Warsaw, N.C.

First Family's Plans For Christmas

RALEIGH--North Carolina's First Family will spend most of the Christmas holidays in Raleigh.

Governor Bob Scott said the family will spend a little time at their home in Haw River, however, so the five children can visit neighborhood friends and Mrs. Scott can check the progress of a new room being added to their home on Melville Farms.

Mrs. W. Kerr Scott -- "Miss Mary" -- the Governor's mother, and his brother, Osborne, are expected to join the family at the Executive Mansion on Christmas Eve and spend Christmas Day there.

Governor Scott said public appearances will be held to a minimum and there will be no entertaining at the Mansion after December 21. No guests, other than the family, are expected.

Mrs. Scott's relatives will visit the Mansion during the holidays, their first visit to the Mansion as a group.

The Governor has completed his Christmas shopping. "I bought a gift for Jessie Rae," he said. "She handles all the rest."

Mrs. Scott said she had completed her shopping also. The children were still looking.

The Scotts are, with one exception, sending no Christmas cards this year. "We are using the news media to express our season's greetings and best wishes for the new year," Governor Scott said. "That way we don't leave anyone out."

The exception is service clubs and USO's around the world.

The Scotts will continue several family traditions this Christmas.

The Governor and First Lady will open their presents to each other Christmas Eve night. The children will open theirs Christmas morning.

About mid-morning Christmas Day, the family will sit down to a big breakfast of pancakes and sausage.

Mrs. Scott said the family will watch family movies Christmas Eve night.

"We took movies of the twins on their 1st. Christmas and have continued each year since," Mrs. Scott said. "All of us get a big laugh out of seeing the films again.

One tradition the Scotts had to give up this year was the cutting of the Christmas tree on the farm. Their house this year--the Executive Mansion--was decorated by garden clubs in Raleigh, including the three trees which came from three different sources.

The Scotts usually take axe in hand and wander over hill and vale on the farm at Haw River until they find a cedar to their liking, then drag it home and decorate it.

It will be a family-oriented Christmas for the Scotts. "I want to spend as much time as I can with the family while the children are out of school," the Governor said. "We may take a short trip somewhere."

Governor Scott will spend part of his holiday preparing his year report to the people on his first year in office.

The Governor said he also plans to catch up on his reading. "I've gotten 'way behind on that during the year," he said.

Santa's Workshop is on display at National Spinning Company in Beulaville. Santa's Workshop features Santa and his helpers preparing for Christmas. This display is a delight for children and adults-featuring mechanically operated elves, a toy machine, and Santa's reindeer and sleigh.
(Photo by James Campbell)

Ministry To The Deaf

A new ministry to the deaf has been initiated at Winter Park Baptist Chuch for deaf persons in Wilmington and the surrounding area.

The new work will enable deaf people to participate in the Sunday School. Future plans are for these deaf persons to participate in the worship services, Training Union and other church activities. Rev. Douglas Farmer is pastor of the church. Preparation for the deaf ministry includes training of workers to use the language of signs. Thirteen hearing persons are presently enrolled in the Advanced Sign Language class, which meets each Sunday evening at 6 o'clock.

Deaf people who would like to know more about this new ministry are invited to contact Mr. John Griffin at the church office.

The most unusual feature of this new deaf ministry is the DEAF-BLIND section. A young hearing man, Mr. Henry Spradlin, is presently serving as interpreter for the two DEAF-BLIND members. Mr. Spradlin sits betwee the two multiple-handicapped men and spells the lesson into their hands while the regular teacher teacher in voice and sign language.

Christmas Holiday Traffic - Drive With Care

Take the Scrooge syndrome out of your Christmas holiday this year and make it the merriest by staying out of the 1,500 traffic accidents which the N.C. State Motor Club warns may take 30 lives and injure 900 other persons on North Carolina's streets and highways during the extended weekend.

The state will officially count its Christmas highway toll from 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 24, through midnight Sunday, Dec. 28, a period of 102 hours. In a 30-hour period last year when the holiday fell in the middle of the week, the cold statistics showed seven killed and 254 others injured in 452 accidents.

Leading causes of these accidents were: speeding, 112; failed to yeild right of way, 55, drove left of center, 54; under influence of alcohol, 32; and reckless driving, 29.

"Tis the season to be jolly, but not if you're a careless drinking driver," cautioned Thomas B. Watkins, president of the motor club. "The six holiday periods so for this year have brought death to 115 persons in traffic accidents as against 171 for the year before.

"Traffic deaths are still running behind the 1968 pace, and we have a good chance to show a decrease for this year," he said. "Let's make our state the nicest Christmas gift of all by driving with extra care to keep ourselves and our fellow man out of the obituary columns."

Medicare Reinburstment

The last chance to file for reinmbursement for doctor's bills for treatment received between October 1, 1967 and September 30, 1968 is December 31, 1969. This applies to everyone covered by Medicare's Supplementary Medical Insurance.

Mr. James P. Temple, Manager of the Goldsboro Social Security Office, also reminds senior citizens, "Doctor's bills for October, November and December 1969 can sometimes be applied to the 1970 deductible".

The Social Security Office at 134 North John Street, Goldsboro, N. C. has a staff to help the public file Medicare Claims. The office hours are from 8:45 a.m. until 5:00 p.m, Monday through Friday. The telephone number is 735-6811.

Casements Heighten 'Mod' Decor

One of the most contemporary-styled windows is the wood casement — an increasingly popular feature in both single and multi-family homes.

The slim lines and uncluttered glass areas of wood casements reflect and emphasize modern decor. At the same time, the window offers simple operation, cleaning ease, good visibility and maximum ventilation.

Casements open outward at a 90-degree angle with the turn of an easy-to-reach handle. This makes them especially practical in awkward locations — such as above kitchen sinks and countertops. They are available in stock sizes of ponderosa pine at local lumber dealers.

Merry Christmas
Greetings
The merriest of holidays to you and thanks for your loyal patronage.
WHITE'S STORE
Mount Olive, N. C.

A Very Merry Christmas to All!
Happy holiday wishes to each and every one of you. And thanks for your very kind patronage.
Wells Stockyards
Wallace, N. C.

CHRISTMAS Blessings
As we relive the miracle of that first Christmas, we send our sincerest greetings to everyone. For your kind patronage, our thanks.
HERRING SUPPLY CO.
Rose Hill, N. C.

GREETINGS
Allow us this moment, to send our sincere and hearty thanks and best wishes to all our friends and neighbors, whom we have served with pleasure and pride throughout the year. May the best of holidays be yours.
WALLACE GAS SERVICE, INC.
Wallace, N. C.