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STUDENTS RUN WAR FUND DRIVE

Louisburg College, under the direction of Miss Stipe, dean of women, with Josephine Lassiter as chairman, is united in a War Savings Drive. This local effort is a part of the nation-wide program sponsored by the Education Section, War Finance Division, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

The college drive was initiated in a rally of the entire student body of the college at 10:15 p.m., Tuesday, November 30. The students met in the auditorium where they sang patriotic songs: "The Star Spangled Banner" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee." The social hall and the stage were patriotically decorated. In the center of the stage was the service flag; also on the stage was a list of alumni now in service and of those who have been reported missing in action or killed in action.

Miss Stipe presented the program as planned by the War Finance Division. She mentioned interesting facts concerning the campus drive last year, when students of the college sold \$2,700 in bonds and stamps. This was more than the amount sold by students of one college that she mentioned with a much larger student body than that of Louisburg. Josephine Lassiter presented the plan to be followed in the local drive: the senior and junior classes compete in the drive to sell bonds and stamps.

After the rally Josephine Lassiter and Shirley Smith were in the bond booth ready to sell their bonds and stamps. Minutemen of the two classes, dressed in patriotic colors, were in the social hall telling students about the drive and selling their bonds and stamps. The minutemen of the senior class were Colleen Gillis, Mary Goodwin, Josephus Lassiter, and Shirley Smith. Minutemen of the junior class are Fred Davis, Margaret Helms, Talmadge Lancaster, and Charlotte Usher. The goal originally was to buy a jeep priced at \$1,165, which would be named the "Louisburg College Jeep." The students have far exceeded their original goal. Sales on the first day amounted to approximately \$1,300.

The student body has responded with apparent enthusiasm to the drive. Also sizable sales have been made by the college students to citizens of the town. The minute men are working. Up to the present date, seniors are leading. Mary Goodwin's sales exceed those of any other minuteman. Students have expressed the belief that sales this year will even exceed those of last year.

Fuller Honored By "The Oak" Staff

Oscar Fuller, editor in chief of *The Oak*, was honored at a social given by the staff in the English classroom on Thursday evening, October 18. The occasion for the event was Oscar's call to enter service in the armed forces. The group sang songs and conversed informally. Refreshments were then served.

Besides the honoree those present were the following: Miss Ruth Merritt, faculty adviser to *The Oak* staff; the Reverend Forrest D. Hedden, who serves as college chaplain; Robert Earl Williford, junior editor; Shirley Smith, literary editor; Anne Whitehead, junior literary editor; Douglas Bryant, sports editor; Billy Lewis, photographic editor; Colleen Gillis, business manager; Gibson Strickland, assistant business manager; Virginia Ann Goldston and Agnes Harris, advertising managers.

Christmas Season Brings Various Activities To Campus

Scene from Y.M.C.A.-Y.W.C.A. Christmas Pageant



—Bob Brown.

Reading left to right: "Shepherds"—Talmadge Lancaster, Robert Guin, Fred Davis, Robert Earl Williford; "Mary," Anne Whitehead; "Joseph," Edmund Harrison; "Wise Men"—Harold Sherrill, W. S. Gardner, Herbert Regan.

Y's Present Meaning of Membership

A program presenting the meaning of YWCA membership was held in the college auditorium, December 2.

The procession of the four officers and eight committee chairmen entered to the music of "Follow the Gleam," played by Elizabeth Harris. Each in the procession carried a lighted white candle and took a triangle formation at the center of the stage, unfurling and holding blue streamers, each carrying one of the words: Body, Mind, Spirit. The group sang "Father of Lights," and Anne Whitehead led in prayer. Then the officers and chairmen took a semi-circular formation and gave in succession words explaining their different types of work and expressing dedication to their tasks. Charlotte Usher then led in a litany of worship.

Miss Merritt made a brief talk based on the story of the Rich Young Ruler. "Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life," she quoted from the story, then challenged her hearers so to make and live their choices that they need not "go away sorrowful" at the end of the college year.

Lois Asbell read a poem, Frank Mason North's "The World's Astir," to the music of "Finlandia."

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COMMERCIAL CLUB SOCIAL

Members of the Commercial Science Club were entertained at a social in Mr. Kilby's classroom on Wednesday evening, November 24.

Virginia Floyd gave a poem, "Thanks." Molly Fearing gave a short talk on Thanksgiving. Jeanette Ricks led the group in singing "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come." Different games and contests followed.

The Thanksgiving color scheme was used.

Shirley Carver, Mary Chaney, and Marguerite Clement assisted in serving ice cream and cake to the guests.

"Getting Ready to Live"

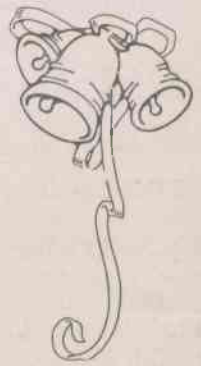
"Getting Ready to Live" was the subject of a talk by Dr. A. Paul Bagby to Louisburg College students, November 26. According to the speaker, many people miss proper preparation for life by assuming that the matter of major importance is making preparation for death.

Too few people prepare in a Christian manner to live on earth, he affirmed. They are more inclined to prepare for life in the hereafter than a good life on earth that will make them better Christians. "We should apply Christian ideals not only in preparation for death but for a fuller, more Christian life," said the minister, adding, "If a person prepares to live and lives a good life, when the time to die arrives, he will be ready."

Dr. Bagby said that the lives worth living could be classified in three ways: first, the unselfish busy life; second, the happy busy life; third, the Christian life. If a person lives these, Dr. Bagby maintained, he need not occupy himself with preparing for death, since living well will properly have prepared him for death.

The talk occasioned expression of student appreciation that indicated its being a favorite among the chapel talks heard by students this semester.

A Joyous Xmas



"God Bless Us Everyone"

This Christmas

Laughter, merry-making, songs, snow, sleigh rides, and festivity characteristically accompany thoughts of Christmas. This year, again however, there will in many countries be little festivity. In our own nation the usual sounds of gaiety will be somewhat stilled. There will be empty places at tables — empty because the men and women who filled them are now engaged in the nation's fight for freedom and peace. On the snow-capped mountains of Iceland, in the hot, steaming jungles of New Guinea, on the endless sands of the

Sahara, or in ships amid the vast unknowns of seas or skies—in these places and others service men and women will doubtless blink back a tear and cast aside a wave of nostalgia threatening to engulf them on Christmas day so far away from home. Naturally their memories will be of past Christmas days spent among loved ones; and their dreams, of hoped-for Christmas days that yet should come.

There is one blessing, however, that wars nor any circumstance can ever take away from Christmas:

that is, the thought and ideal of peace. Today even in countries engaged in actual warfare the hope and dream of future peace still lives. Through all the darkness that envelops the earth the light of hope still shines. Through all "the shouting and the tumult" of war the angels' song still echoes.

Perhaps, then, Christmas even in the tragedy of war will lead peoples of the world of today as of yesterday, toward their ultimate goal: "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Traditional and Non-Traditional Christmas Planned

The Christmas schedule of Louisburg College for 1943 includes a variety of events sponsored by campus organizations and committees representing various activities. Some of the scheduled events, such as the Christmas party given by juniors to faculty and seniors and the formal December dinner for all faculty and students, are a tradition of some years; other events, such as the Christmas pageant, represent an addition to former campus observance of the season.

The Other Wise Man To Be Read

Mrs. Lauryn Mizell will be in charge of the chapel hour at 10:30 o'clock on Friday morning, December 10. At this time she will read Van Dyke's *The Other Wise Man*, which, she describes as a special favorite of hers. The reading has been given by her on other occasions elsewhere.

Dr. Knight To Be Speaker At Formal Dinner

The faculty-student formal dinner will take place in the college dining hall on Friday evening, December 10. Dr. E. W. Knight, professor of education at the University of North Carolina, will be the guest speaker. The dinner will be served in courses, and the dining hall will be decorated for the occasion in Christmas motif.

The December birthday dinner will also be included in this celebration. The birthday guests are to be seated at a special table and the following students are to be honorees: Shirley Bartholomew, Bob Brown, Annie Laurie Coward, Vivian Creech, Agnes Harris, Mary Lee Hodges, Hoyt Medlin, Anna Mae Morton, and Earline Whitehurst.

A Christmas Carol To Be Read By President

On Saturday evening, December 11, President Patton's reading of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* will mark his fourth reading on Louisburg campus of this Christmas favorite of English literature. Interpreting the reading will be stereopticon slides of Victorian engravings used in an early edition of the story.

A social hour for students will follow the reading when coffee and doughnuts will be served.

Christmas Pageant To Be Presented By Y's

A pageant of the first Christmas, sponsored by the YMCA and the YWCA, will be given on Monday evening, December 13, at 7:00 o'clock. The program will consist of instrumental music, Christmas carols, choric speaking of selections from the Old and the New Testaments suggestive of the Christmas theme, the monologic reading of (Continued on page three)

Y's Hold Sing

A vesper service for a brief time just after supper on Sunday evenings is being conducted weekly altogether under student sponsorship in connection with the YMCA and the YWCA. At the meeting the leader first reads the Scripture and leads in prayer. A general singing of familiar hymns follows. The hymns are not previously selected, but are informally chosen according to favorites of those present.

Two such sings have been held, and attendance the second time surpasses that the first time.

