

TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

People often forget the real meaning of Christmas. Without Christ, there is no Christmas. Gifts are given, cards are sent, and greetings are issued to one another, but the greatest gift was given to us, a King to save our souls and to give everlasting life. He came to prepare, a place for us in his father's Kingdom. He came to give everlasting life to the immortal body. Let's not forget his birth, his suffering, and his never tiring patience and kindness.

When we sit around our fires and open our gifts, let us remember, had it not been for the Holy conception of Christ, his living, dying, and the miracle of rising again, that we would never be able to even murmur the words Merry Christmas.

The very idea of gift giving began when the Lord gave to us his son, a Savior which is Christ the Lord. The wise men came from near and far to honor him, praise him, and bring him the most precious of worldly gifts. We give gifts as a symbol of our devotion and as a means of thanking one another for so many unmentionable things. Too often we forget during our merry making and gift receiving, the First Christmas, and the deeper meaning of Christmas.

The first Christmas was not merely a material gift, but it was an enlightenment and a blessing that would last forever and ever and always.

May you share the Yule tide season with Christ in mind. May God bless you now and always.

—Editor

EULOGY TO PRESIDENT

The assassination of the late President John Fitzgerald Kennedy may be regarded as the most tragic incident to have occurred in the history of the United States of America.

Lee H. Oswald, a Fidel Castro sympathizer who once tried to gain Russian citizenship, has been accused of having committed this inhuman act.

Kennedy was a superb statesman who sought to contribute his best to his country. He was a Christian who never forgot that God exists, and that it was because of God that he lived. His personality exemplified sincerity, kindness, thoughtfulness, and intelligence.

Such tragic news was shocking to the entire world. Many individuals were speechless and became filled with uncontrollable tears when informed of Kennedy's death. Such news did not seem to be a reality, for Kennedy was a wonderful person.

No other president in the history of the United States has taken such drastic steps toward civil rights as Kennedy. He fought to relieve all citizens of this nation of injustice and strove to terminate confusion and thus develop a peaceful nation, a nation whose aims would be more than just living, but living together harmoniously.

Kennedy's relationship with the entire world was the most infinite relationship that any United States president has been able to establish. His friendship was accepted by many nations who previously shrank when attempts were made to establish peace. His unusual personality was captivating; one that will never be forgotten by the people of the entire world.

Before Kennedy's death, many of us were aware of his contributions to the entire universe in striving to solve the problems of world peace. Many individuals were also aware of his great concern for the American Negro, and of his contributions to charity. However, it was after Kennedy's death that millions realized what a great person he was and how close he was to them, although they never had an opportunity to meet him personally. It has often been said that a person's greatness is not actually revealed until life ceases.

It is my sincere hope that leaders of today, as well as tomorrow, will follow the footsteps of the late John Fitzgerald Kennedy, that this nation might live religiously, that Kennedy will not have died in vain.

Editor

CHANGES FOR THE BETTER

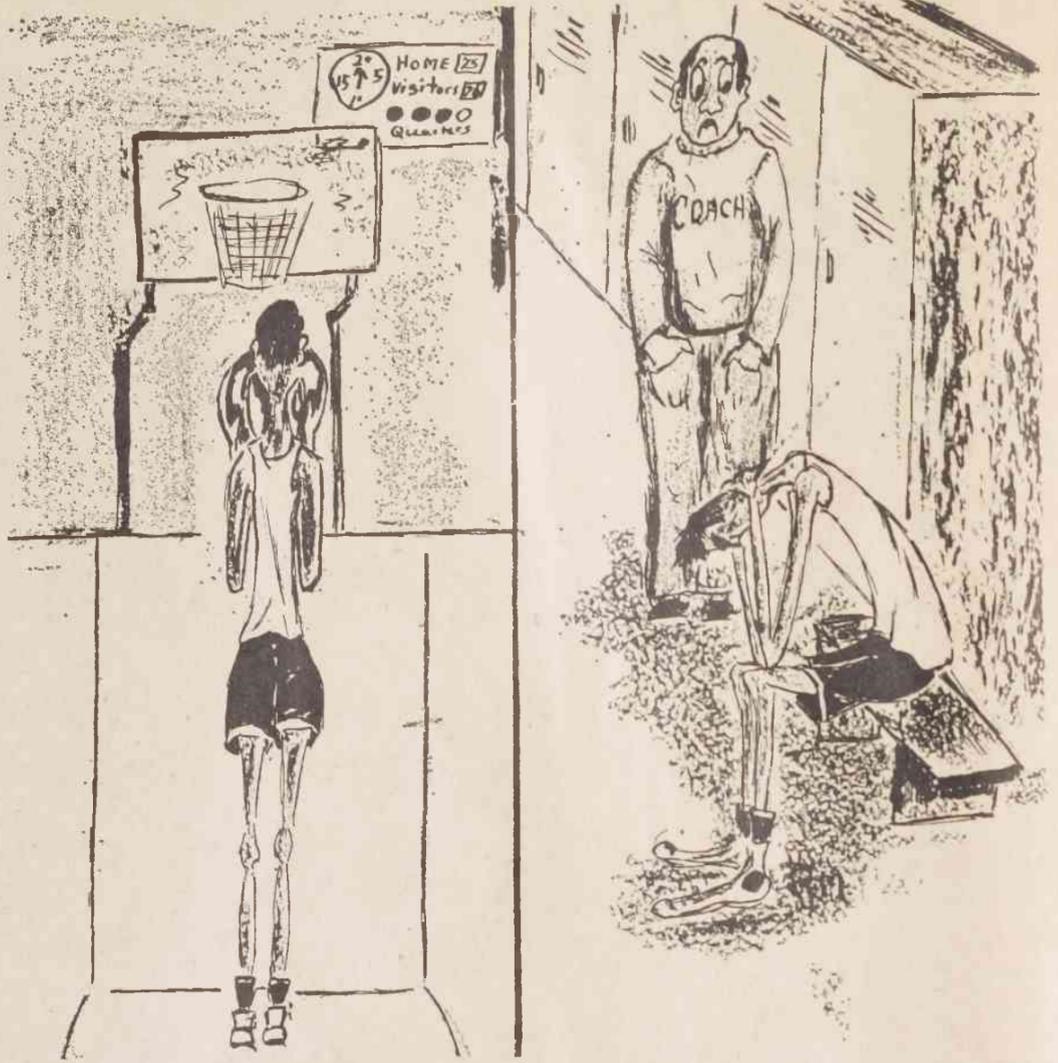
The Winston-Salem State College has been experiencing a dramatic change in its curriculum, goals, purposes, objectives, name, and preparation for adequate living of the common wealth. Naturally, with these modifications, the school must have an alma mater to express its mountain heights.

Formerly, State College was a teacher education institution, but its borders have been expanded and must have a school song to state such, including all of its areas.

State College has an interesting history. It was founded as the Slater Industrial Academy on September 28, 1892. At this time this institution was operated as a private institution. In 1919, the Slater Industrial Academy raised its level from elementary to a standard high school course and two years of college training were offered. In 1922, Slater State Normal School became the first Negro Institution in North Carolina to restrict its work entirely to the college level. The year 1925 marked the change from the Slater State Normal School to the Winston-Salem State Teachers College. Finally, in 1963, the Winston-Salem Teachers College became Winston-Salem State College.

Presently, the school song states "as we go forth from ole T.C.," but we are no longer attending a teacher education institution, but a liberal arts college including teacher education and offering degrees in other fields as well. Therefore, it is a must that our school song convey our modern and scientific changes.

—Editor



Student Council

The Student Council of the Winston-Salem State College completed six projects this school year. They are:

1. Miss Winston-Salem State College election.
2. Miss Winston-Salem State College and her attendants, trip to Virginia Union.
3. Two buses to A & T College for football game.
4. Float for Miss Winston-Salem State College in the Homecoming Parade.
5. Reception for Miss Johnson C. Smith.
6. Two dances in the Student Lounge.

This report was presented to the student body at Fries Auditorium on Wednesday November 20, 1963 by assistant secretary of the Student Council, Mary Wells.

The Student Council has not made any plans for the remainder of the year. Suggestions were to be made by the student body in chapel and plans made from these suggestions but there were no suggestions. "Plans will be made at the next Student Council meeting," said president Geraldine Pete when asked about future plans.

It was believed by the Council that questions would be asked about future plans, and by the student body. Dr. Kenneth Williams, college president, was on the program to answer all questions. Some questions asked were:

1. Why doesn't the school have a Dean's list as well as a failing list?
2. Why is registration so long?
3. Why is the nine weeks letter list posted all over campus?

President Williams commented that the nine weeks letter list was extremely long. Too much going is one reason for this long list. He said, "Students will have to stay up a little later and study a little more."

Letter To The Editor

The shock that made the nations weep . . .

Words are expressionless. No emotion is powerful enough to express the many sorrows of the people who honored him, loved him and looked upon him for guidance. Tears alone cannot show enough grief for the assassination of our secular beloved leader; hence, to portray our ultimate affection and loyalty, we can strive to fulfill our worldly vital task that he faithfully and wholeheartedly fought for. So with God's help, let us not burst into ignorance! "There's nothing more frightful than ignorance in action." We should show vestibule of our "Common Sense"; thus using it as we have been using it before.

Everyone seeks to know why this diastrous catastrophe was inflicted upon our exalted king. The answer lies in the twilight. Our president's soul has journeyed, inductively, from the known to the unknown. We know not what gigantic good or evil forces may mingle about the heavens, but I, too, believe as Socrates, that "nothing bad can happen to the good!"

Our former leader was a man of intellect, a firm fighter for the rights of every man, a devoted patriot, and a man who put God first in everything that involved him and this nation.

President Kennedy, a forty-six year old brilliant, stabledminded magnificent, and effective chief, who died in action, has earned the golden bed beside our most highly honored heroic soldiers for his eternal resting place. As he sleeps peacefully on his man-made couch, may the glory of his motto, "Ask not what your country can do for you; Ask what you can do for your country," be fulfilled.

May God bless him !!!

—Mary Aldridge

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