



Members of the DE Club work busily mend toys they collected during their annual toy drive. Donnie Bland packs toys for delivery while Terry Holt repairs a rocking horse. Chips Wood and Bob Person seem "in the dark" about what's going on. Photo by Killebrew

Sleep, Work, Trips Included In Students' Christmas Plans

Christmas vacation plans vary from working in local stores and "having a ball" to lengthy trips by a few lucky individuals.

In answer to the question, "What are your holiday plans?" this reporter received most often the answer, "I don't know; just stay home and have a ball." Others answered in great detail, and some are "all shook up" about their plans.

—Sophomores Have Variety—
Sophomores Christmas plans are full of variety with Sue Rudd planning to go to Kentucky and Connie Knight to South Carolina to visit relatives. Pat Wilder said, "Let the good times roll". Harry Jones wants to give his books to Santa Claus, and Elizabeth English wants Santa to "Bring my Baby Back to Me."

—Juniors not Out-Done—
Not to be out done by the underclassmen, the juniors have plans somewhat wild in cases such as Randy Dabbs who is "going to stay home and wait for Santa to bring me a majorette." (Don't wait too long, Randy, school opens again January 2.) Peggy Bulluck plans to go horse-back riding and just "live it up," with NO STUDYING! Kurt von Gehr is going to New York state. "Wow!, Them girls." (where? where?). Linda Beland is looking for Herman, while Randy Sutton is working at the Englewood Super Market.

—Seniors Out-Do All—
The high and mighty, "last year"

students plan to out-do all other students by throwing parties, going on trips, and "making the rounds." Who? Puddie Gold will be bathing in the sunshine of Florida. (Smuggle some back, Puddie). Iris Edwards said, with that certain sparkle in her eye, "Coleman is coming home." She and Joyce Griffin also plan to throw a big party. While Jimmy Waters, retired football player, is working at Penny's Cecil Marks will be "making his rounds" — Greenville, Tarboro, Wilson, Enfield, Chapel Hill, Kinston and "maybe the beach." — (Must have a running car!)

From Favors

Clubs List Christmas Plans To Food

Service Club members are going to make favors for the county home patients. These favors will put in small paper baskets decorated with Christmas stickers.

Also the club members have elected a representative, Judy Smith, for the meeting in January when all service clubs will have a meeting to further knowledge of the Foreign Exchange committee's work.

Junior Classical League has 29 members under the direction of Miss Louise Parker. The officers of the League are Jo Williams, president; Betty Brock, secretary; Susan Harris, treasurer; Louise Raper, reporter; and Larry Lamm, parliamentarian.

This year the program consists of individual reports from members on the life, customs, activi-

ties, amusements and myths of the Roman civilization.

The Phalany Club under the direction of Mr. C. M. Edson has been making small cards with prayers for the tables in the cafeteria. Each card contains a Catholic, a Protestant and a Jewish prayer.

Members of the Radio Broadcasting Club have plans for continuing their program over WCEC in a few weeks. Also the club has a program over WEED every Saturday. Mr. C. F. Graham is adviser.

SOS Club members have chosen a needy family for their Christmas project and they are making plans for giving food, clothing, etc. Also the club is selling Christmas cards, wrapping paper, and stationery. The adviser to the club is Miss Dorothy Craighill.

Kudos Club also is playing Santa to a needy family. Mrs. T. D. Young is adviser.

The Distributive Education Club sponsored the toy drive this year for the needy children around Rocky Mount. The Blackbird staff and Homeroom 110 won the prizes for the most toys. Mrs. Betty Hunt, adviser said the drive was not as successful as the club had hoped. The members of the club are mending the toys for the children.

Cindy's Encounter (Continued from page 2)

As she lay there she just couldn't believe that she had tuberculosis.

What would her friends think? What would Bob think? Her father walked in finding her in tears. Sensing what was wrong, he said, "Cindy, having tuberculosis is nothing to be ashamed of; around 40 to 60 million Americans are infected with tuberculosis. With the right care you'll be your self in a short while."

Saturday morning calls and callers began pouring in. Cindy realized that her friends were concerned. Promising to visit her they all wished a quick recovery. That night Bob dropped by, bringing her a beautiful bracelet.

Monday morning Mr. and Mrs. Sellers drove Cindy to the hospital. The doctors explained to Cindy that her treatment would consist of rest in bed, drugs such as isoniazid, streptomycin, and PAS, and a balanced, wholesome diet, properly selected and prepared. Surgery was performed to remove damaged parts of the lungs, when necessary. They went on to explain that it would probably take around eight or nine months for a complete cure.

"Who makes all this possible?" Cindy wanted to know. The doctor explained that through the sale of Christmas seals, research was made possible. In 1907 Christmas seals sales were started by Emily Bissell. From this beginning has emerged the fight against TB today.

Cindy's time in the hospital passed quickly and in eight months she was released. With the help of a tutor she finished high school in the hospital.

Now Cindy is a junior in college wearing Bob's fraternity pin. When Christmas rolls arounds each year and the sale of Christmas seals begin, Cindy makes a special effort to contribute and encourages her friends to do the same. "Christmas seals saved my life," she says; "they may save yours!"

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