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Thought for the day . . .

"O Holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sins, And enter in, Be born in us today We hear the Christmas Angels The great, glad tidings tell. O Come to us, Abide with us Our Lord, Emanuel."

PHILLIPS BROOKS.

At Christmas

Each year at this season many editorials are always written about the spirit of love and brotherhood, the spirit of Christ himself. But what editorial can ever express the real wonder of a Child given to a world that sorely needs Him? For weeks this wonderful Spirit has been prevailing over our campus. When we heard the choir rehearsing Christmas carols, when we first saw the Christmas lights turned on in our city, when we began to plan our holidays, the spirit grew and grew. It certainly is the most wonderful season of the year. Even Spring, with its freshness and its newness isn't quite so lovely as Christmas. The warmth of a fire in the hearth, the smell of evergreens on the mantel, the sound of Christmas music, the taste of Christmas turkey, the feeling that we indeed are especially blessed—all make up our Christmas. These holidays experiences are quiet and deep, hidden securely in our hearts for they are precious to every one of us. Christmas is a day of great joy. "For unto us a child is born. . . ." This child leads us all today. He is our comfort, our hope, our salvation and his name shall be Wonderful, Blessed, Jesus. To every man He comes to help, to heal, to save. Not just to the rich, not just to the white, not just to the educated, but to every man He comes. This Christmas, thank God that Christ has come to you. Happy holiday!

"EXCHANGING"

Getting out a paper is no fun. If we print silly jokes, people say we are silly. If we clip things from other papers we are too lazy to write them ourselves; if we don't we are too fond of our own stuff. If we don't print contributions, people meet us with a huff; if we do print them, the paper is filled with junk. Now it wouldn't surprise us if someone would say that we swiped this from another paper. Well, we did!

Saluting a Leader

By LA VERNE HARRIS



"I'm just a little country gal Who's never been outstanding." Such a statement from such a girl Deserves a reprimanding.

Aileen Belton, the sophomore class president from Winston-Salem, who has hazel eyes and brown hair, is recognized as an unusual person because she has—the personality to attract friends—ability to lead (as revealed in her duties as Freshman Class treasurer last year and hall leader for the Y.W.A.)—a consideration for everyone—an absorbing interest in people—and an unusual aptitude for overcoming hard tasks. And not only that, but,

"She's the kind of person, Who enjoys life. In all of her dealings, She's helpful and blithe.

She is especially interested in—"all kinds" of music—George (now a soldier in California who is "just plain cute")—baseball and football, although she is not "the athletic type"—chow mein and fried shrimp—"cold baths"—and business as a major. Further ability is proved when

With much poise and grace She is able to say The things that she means In a clear, precise way.

When asked what she thought of her class, she immediately replied, "All presidents like a chance to brag about their class, so I'll not let this one pass, for I want everyone to know how proud I am of the splendid spirit of cooperation shown by the sophomores in our recent Palio and Stunt." And now

"A salute and a word, That we all admit true. Aileen, you are outstanding, Because you are "just you!"

"Christmas Eve Will Find You . . ."

- MARY MARTIN—I'll be in Raleigh waiting for "Thurman" to come from Mississippi for the New Year!
NANCY GATES—I'm hoping that Christmas will bring me someone from Georgia—'cause that's all I ask! Kinston really would be wonderful with him near.
JOAN DRAKE—First I'll be in Statesville in a wedding—Betty's and Ed's. Then I'll be back in that lovely Georgia for a while.
DOT CLARKE—I'm gonna' see the bright lights, Times Square, and Fifth Avenue! And I hope I see snow!
CAROLYN COVINGTON—First I'm going to look over my new home in Chapel Hill, and then off to Rockingham to get Bobby to go to Charlotte shopping.
MARTHA DAVIS—If my brother gets home from overseas, our family's going to Illinois for Christmas.
TULA CAVALARIS—During Christmas, I'll have to decide whether I would rather live the rest of my life up North or down South—Manuel or Steve?

Advice

If you want to remember things, tie a string around your finger. If you want to forget things, tie a rope around your neck. Love is woman's eternal spring, Man's eternal fall!

Familiar Quips And Quotes

(from the Day Students)

- Gwendolyn Woodard: "Did I get any mail?"
Agnes Taylor: "I've got to go teach."
Roxie Vallas: "Is it too late to sign my chapel card?"
Kat Perry: "Let's go to the kitchenette."
Bunny Harris: "Has anyone seen Doris?"
Rebecca Yelverton: "Goin' in nurse's training in February."
Irene Frye: Flashing a diamond.
Gladys Greene (Since going to the Army-Navy Game): "I'm tired!"
Margaret Wilson: "Bill!"
Lillian Swinson: "I'm going home this week-end, finished my suit."
Jerry Miller: Going to Boarding House to eat.
Marguerite George: "Allen has to work again tonight."
Jean Peirce: Most studious day student.
Jean Daniel: "I've got to play for another wedding tonight."
Dot Stell Bowman: "Hope (husband) Alfred has dinner ready."
Jerry Winfree: "Hello, Ugly."

Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Santa:

Just thought I would take a little time and write you some helpful information. Since you are such a busy fellow at this time of the year, maybe this will lighten your worries. These Meredith girls would be very happy if you included their wishes in your pack.

Jean Witherspoon: I'm being considerate and asking for the whole suite. Madge doesn't expect anything else—you've come early for her this time. All Belle needs is Chuck—that's enough, isn't it? Doris' wants aren't quite so unified, but I think Pennsylvania is tied up with them in some way. Mine is no problem either. Just a small portion of Yale and lots and lots of fun.

Pattie Whitfield: A trip to New Orleans to see Carolina play in the Sugar Bowl would be divine, with the Carolina escort, of course.

Adene and Christine Mitchem: All we want for Christmas is much food, much excitement, and much time with Frank and Evell.

Margie Perry: I want two things—I can wait for one, but I need that fast writing shorthand pencil pretty bad right now.

Lois Wells: The second ring can wait, but for now the most fun jammed into two short weeks for us.

Frances Simpson: All I'm asking is two weeks full of good food, sleep, fun, and plenty of time with a certain guy—maybe even a lesson or two in golf.

Sue MacDonald: All that I'm asking is that you bring me a bag full of goodies and two weeks of fun. Also the long-planned trip to Florida would be nice.

There are many more girls that did not get to write what they wanted you to bring them but here's hoping that you will make their Christmas a happy one.

Sincerely, "ANGEL."

WORLDLY BULLETINS

from the Associated Pests

Living Controls Relaxed.

DEAN'S OFFICE, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Ruth Martin got away to a fast start recently after a general debate over section I, D, page 46, of the Student Handbook. Miss Martin, an ardent advocate of the "Teach or Try" theory of education, issued a statement today declaring that "the Chrysler automobile has every possible convenience needed for the transportation of orange crates, cigar boxes, and practice teachers."

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Past Asserts Possibilities.

U. S. POST OFFICE, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Vast quantities of memories, which Doris Allen has previously withheld from the public, have been discovered hidden in the first Christmas Card of the season. These memories date back to the Freshman Era of A.D. 1944, and their reasonable likeness will probably be in circulation in the near future. Pennsylvania-bred, one is told.

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Support Coal Strike.

MEREDITH COLLEGE, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Full support to the striking coal miners was pledged last night at a session of the "We Got Plans" twosome of the senior class, Vicky Manty and Carolyn Lockamy. The session (prompted by the vague possibility of an acute coal shortage here) adopted the resolution to leave Raleigh as soon as the school closes, in order to miss no single second of that Brunswick, Maine, house-party. Miss Manty, a two-year Southerner, stated: "I am accepting only cold drinks in preparation for that 'Nawthun' blizud wethuh."

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Safe and Seen.

IN CHAPEL, Nov. 19.—(AP)—The most honest applause of the season was undoubtedly manifested at the Professor Quiz chapel program, when the genial gentleman of the radio presented the unbeatable with the newest in smoker's accessories. This action is believed to have instituted a new type of slow torture for certain contestants and members of the howling audience.

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Pin Downed.

EXCHANGE, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Pinned down to the question, she made no statement, yet up to date facts prove that the famous "Little Joe" of Miami holds first place in the affections of Mary Lou Culler, dean of the "To Bleach Her Own" Society. "SPE-yew," says Miss Culler in after-thought.

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Claims Renewed Faith.

THIRD JONES, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Frances Ward declared today that her faith in regard to the problem of blind dates has recently been renewed. In support of this statement, she disclosed the fact that some gentlemen in this modern world still have the proverbial "rich uncle." Miss Ward is now engrossed in reading the third volume of the new, revised edition of How to Win Men and Influence Macy's Stockholders In Six Short Dates.

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As Happy as Haile Selassie.

LEXINGTON, Dec. 7.—(AP)—Miss Harriet Neese had as her house guest for the week-end a lad named Jason of N. C. State College. Enough said.

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Sheep "Baa" Objections.

THE PLAINS, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Skeptical sheep of the wild and rugged mid-western plains have sent an urgent appeal to Carolyn Gay and her knitting cohorts. The sheep complain of over-consumption of yarn (particularly red yarn) in this area, and they refuse to deliver any more 100 per cent virgin wool for Miss Gay's knitting. C's Lament: "Why, love, dost thou have such big feet?"

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'A Hunting They Did Go

THE STICKS, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Prayers were said recently by the entire student body for Jean Maddry, Hugh, Belle Rogers, and "Chuck." These four young people are, however, how well on the road to recovery, after an exciting, strenuous (plus fifty other adjectives), hunting trip. Bird, that is. It is sincerely felt that with aspects of a 'Gator Bowl trip in mind, Miss Maddry and Hugh will have completely recovered by New Year's Day.