



Teen Topics

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Hi!
This week has been a special one for us at New Bern High School. Everyone has been counting the days until we get out for the holidays. And today was the day.

No school for two weeks. Aren't we lucky? Pity our poor parents though. I know they'll be glad when January comes, and we're back in school.

Wednesday we had club day at school. The French Club is planning to go caroling, and I expect some other clubs are planning things too.

Thursday night was the Choral Concert, presented by the New Bern High School glee clubs and choir. It was great. I always enjoy these concerts. Everyone puts a lot of work into them.

Today we had our Christmas Assembly. Santa and all his reindeer and elves visited us. Letters that were written to

Santa by members of the classes were read. Some of them were really cute. You couldn't imagine what some of the kids want for Christmas.

Since the Mirror's regular columns do not appear in next week's Christmas issue, I take this opportunity to wish each of you a joyful and meaningful celebration of the Christ Child's birth. Once a year, the Friday following Christmas, the Mirror suspends publication, so I'll wish you a Happy New Year too.

The editor, who has a special place in his heart for teenagers, and the rest of the Mirror family also extend their warm wishes for a wonderful holiday season.

Looking Glass—

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had agreed on never came back, so far as anyone knows.

As for Lon Chaney, the greatest of all horror actors, he was in real life a kind, gentle, and very sentimental man. When he was on the set, performing for the camera, he always had a studio violinist play the sad strains of "Dear Old Girl" to stir his emotions. It worked too.

Chaney's recognized successor in the horror field, Boris Karloff, is a gentle person too. Kay Kyser's mother, the beloved "Mom" he dedicated his coast to coast broadcasts to, once told this editor that Karloff was the "nicest" and most polite celebrity she ever met in Hollywood.



BIG ORDER—Robert Brittain Blackerby, 20 month old son of Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Blackerby, tries to remember everything he wants Santa Claus to bring. Incidentally, we would have the job of getting wide awake Britt to sleep on Christmas eve.—Photo by Eunice Wray.

Top Ten Tunes In New Bern This Week

1. Winchester Cathedral--New Vaudeville Band.
 2. Good Vibrations--Beach Boys.
 3. Mellow Yellow--Donovan.
 4. Devil With A Blue Dress On--Mitch Ryder & Detroit Wheels.
 5. Lady Godiva--Peter & Gordon.
 6. Keep Me Hanging On--Supremes.
 7. Born Free--Roger Williams.
 8. Stop Stop Stop--Hollies.
 9. That's Life--Frank Sinatra.
 10. I'm A Believer--Monkees.
- (This week's Mirror pick for a future spot in the Top Ten is Nancy Sinatra's "Sugar Town.")

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