

**CAN YOU TOP THAT!** — The little ones beat Santa to the punch. Before the happy fella could unload his bag of dolls, guns, stuffed tigers, skates, drums and what-have-you . . . singo . . . the kiddie scrawl and box of cigars caught his eye. There is one thing for sure. After the Christmas holidays, the long season of joyous toymaking ahead will be mixed with some enjoyable cigar pulling by St. Nick way, way, way up there at the North Pole.

### Washington School News

STUDENTS PRESENT ONE-ACT CHRISTMAS DRAMA

Members of W. A. Rainbow's ninth grade presented a one-act Christmas drama entitled, "The Case of the Silent Caroler" for the December P. T. A. meeting. Members of the cast were Bernard Lassiter, Linda Wright, Patricia Parker, Earl Atwater, Deborah Edwards, Hover Whitehead, Janet Hardy, Michael Palmer, Shirleatha Davis, and Marilyn Merit. Carolers were Arnetta McClain, Dianne Kearney, Patricia Shelton, Gale Flagg, Wanda Cowley, Carolyn Ratliff and Gloria Jeffries.

The Washington School Ensemble under the direction of Miss Gen-

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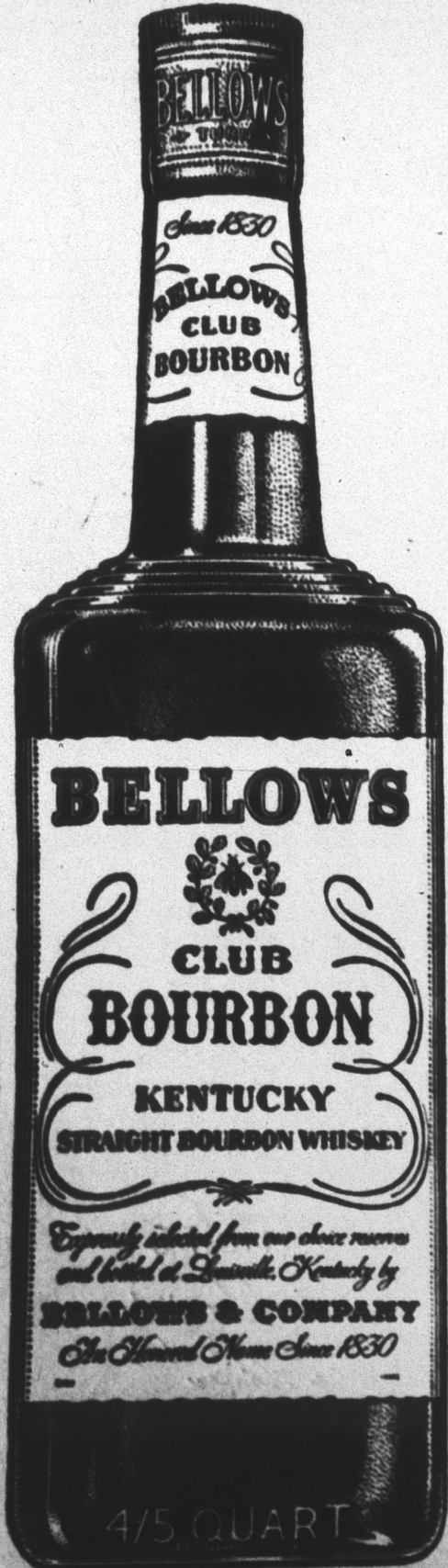
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evieve E. McAllister, sang the following numbers: "Rise Up Shepherd and Follow" and "Go, Tell It On The Mountain"

William Bell conducted the devotional period.

#### DECORATING DOOR WEEK

On Wednesday, December 16, 1964, the Washington Junior High School celebrated a week called "Decorating Door Week." It began Thursday, December 17. Each class from grades sixth through ninth decorated its class door. There were to be no articles on the door that required electricity.

The results were as follows: First place, Mrs. Louise M. Maye and her sixth grade class. Second place, Mrs. Martha S. Davidson and her eighth grade class. Third place, A tie between Mr. Greene and Mrs. Coburn, both having eighth grade classes.

The Student Council wishes you a Merry Christmas and the most joyous New Year. Reporter, John Cannady.

#### HONOR ROLL

The honor roll for the second six weeks is released from the principal's office as follows: Veronica Myers, Sharon Parham, Walter Cameron, Henri Glover, Brenda Martin, Leonia Hunt, Barbara Dolby, Perlie Simuel, Brenda Cannady, Lemuel Hinton, David Leak, Van McCullough, Phyllis Mitchell, Marsha Morgan, Lillie Hope Whitaker, Chie M. Handy, John V. Parham and Claudia L. Reid.

### Method

BY MISS DORA D. STROUD  
CHURCH ACTIVITIES  
St. James A. M. E.

**METHOD** — From Luke, the 2nd chapter and the 7th verse, Rev. J. N. Sheares brought his Christmas message Sunday morning. He very vividly expressed what had been given to us and how we should live and work at all times in the way Jesus Christ taught us. The senior choir was in charge of the Xmas music. Mrs. W. R. Gaynor presided at the organ. Two young girls united with the church at that service.

**Christmas Programs**  
Oak City Baptist and St. James A. M. E. Churches observed their Christmas programs and presented gifts to the children this week.

**Piney Grove A. M. E.**  
Its regular service Sunday at 11 a. m., with the pastor, Rev. J. N. Piney Grove A. M. E. will hold Sheares, in charge.

**Oak City Baptist**  
Regular services will be held at Oak City Baptist Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, with the pastor, Rev. Leotho Debnam, in charge.

**Prayer Service**  
Monday night prayer services are held in different homes. Wednesday night prayer service is held at the Oak City Baptist Church each week.

**Berry O'Kelly High School**  
The Christmas play given Monday night at the B. O. K. High School was good as usual. Much credit is due the students and faculty, who were responsible for its rendition. A short PTA session, under the leadership of the president, Mr. B. W. Bethea, was held also.

**Christmas Party**  
The Ladies Willing Workers Club had an enjoyable time at their annual Christmas party. Mrs. Sarah Smith entertained the club at her home. Mrs. Lucy Scarborough was mistress of ceremonies. A nice short program was rendered. Many expressions of thanks were spoken, appropriate games were played and the exchanging of gifts were in order. A nice repast was served.

The next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. Mattie Holloway and Mrs. Virginia Clark on the 2nd Thursday in January. This meeting will be held at Mrs. Virginia Clark's home. Both ladies will observe their birthdays at that time.

A report of the year's work will be given at that time. All members are requested to be present.

**Sick**  
Mrs. J. O. White is a patient at Wake Memorial Hospital for a few days. She is doing nicely and is expected to be back home soon. We are praying for her a speedy recovery. Our other sick are doing nicely at this time. Visits and cheer, as well as prayers are always in order.

**DEATHS**  
Mrs. Roxie Baker, who passed away Wednesday of last week was funeralled at the Oak City Baptist Church Sunday at 2:30 p. m. with Rev. Leotho Debnam officiating. Burial was in Method Cemetery. Clark's Funeral Home was in charge. We extend to her husband, Mr. Fletcher Baker and other relatives, our deepest sympathy.

**Returns From California**  
Mrs. Ida Thomas, who spent sometime in Los Angeles, California, with her son and his family returned home last week by way of Philadelphia, Pa., where she spent a while with her two daughters, Mrs. Louise Tripe, her youngest daughter, accompanied her home from Philadelphia. Mrs. Thomas reports having had a grand visit in California and Philadelphia. Mrs. Tripe returned home Sunday.

**Home For Holidays**  
All of our college girls and boys are at home for the Christmas holidays.

**Visitor From Winston-Salem**  
Mr. Howard Bethea, brother of Mr. B. W. Bethea, spent the weekend with his brother and family. Mr. Bethea's home is in New York, but he teaches in the Winston-Salem School System.

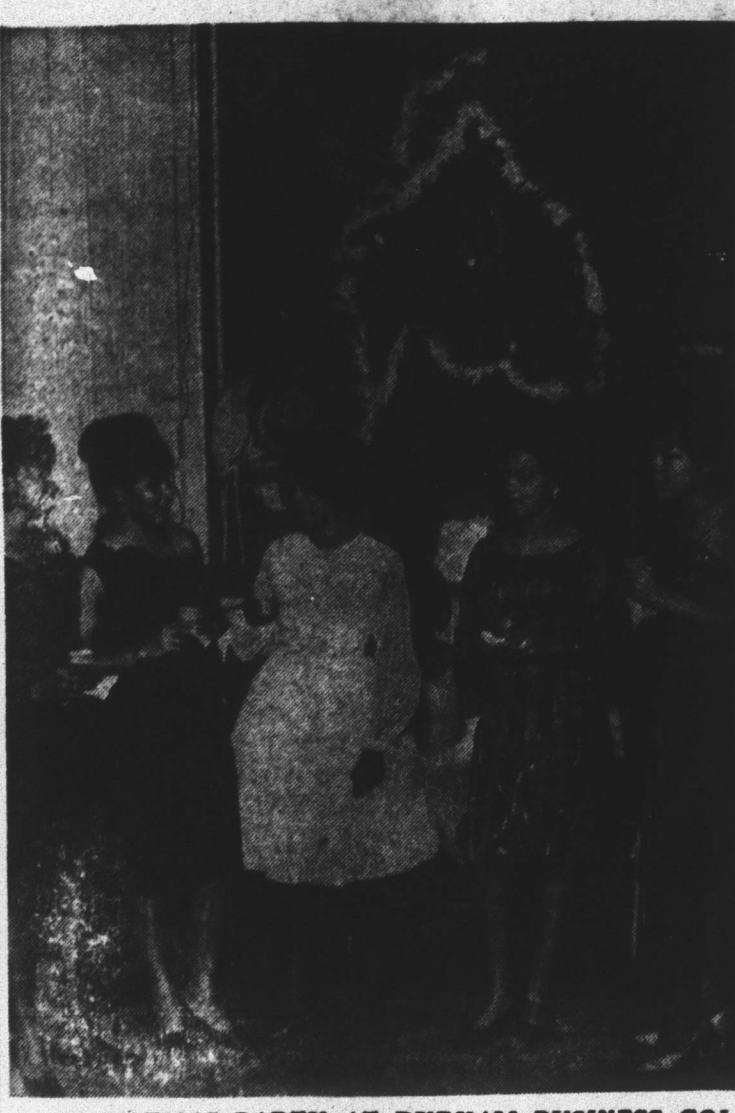
**MAY JOYS BE YOURS TODAY**  
May joys today  
The air is swell with singing  
Of wandering carollers  
And merry bells a-ringing.

May joy be yours today  
Smiles greet you everywhere  
Goodwill and happiness  
Are vibrant in the air.

May joy be yours today  
Lovely friends and family  
Blessed treasured hours about  
Your festive hearth and tree.

May joy be yours today  
And radiant 'n abide  
Within your heart until  
Another Christmas tide.

—By Gail Brooks Burkett



**CHRISTMAS PARTY AT DURHAM BUSINESS COLLEGE** — Students are shown enjoying the Annual Christmas Party at Durham Business College. Chatting during intermission are from left to right: Misses Bernadine Lacy, New York, N. Y.; O-neta Bowles, Martinsville, Va.; Mary Houston, Wallace; Sophronia Clark, Portsmouth, Va.; and Donnie Hamrick, Spindale.

### Clinton News

BY H. M. JOHNSON  
Ring Ceremony Held

**CLINTON** — On December 18, Mrs. J. M. W. Boykin, senior advisor of the Pleasant Grove H. S. School sponsored a Ring Presentation Ceremony in the school auditorium. The parents of the senior class were guests.

The program was opened by singing, "Fairest Lord Jesus," followed with prayer by Linda Aubry. This was followed with "Jesus Is All the World to Me," under the direction of Miss E. M. Hayes.

Rolind Draughorn gave the welcome address. "Definition of Ring," a poem composed by Lonnie Baggett, was read by Margaret Underwood. Mary Butler gave the signifi-

cance of Ring Ceremony.

Mr. F. E. Wright, principal, presented the rings. Roland Draughorn, class president, accepted the rings.

Peggy King read a letter of Dedication to the parents. The ceremony ended with the singing of "The Lord's Prayer," by the High School Glee Club.

**Nativity Program**  
The Pleasant Grove Faculty and Student Body presented their annual Christmas play last Thursday in the school auditorium. Mr. Frank F. Howard and others were in charge.

On Thursday afternoon, Mr. F. E. Wright, principal of Pleasant Grove High School, entertained the faculty with a barbecue din-

ner. Following the dinner, gifts were exchanged.

#### Present Christmas Play

The Youth Choir and others presented a Christmas play at the First Baptist Church last Sunday night. This play was directed by Mrs. Josie Moore, Mrs. Janet Spaulding and others.

Following the play, the annual Christmas Feast was held. Everyone present received a bag of fruit and Christmas candy.

The pastor, Rev. J. L. White, was presented a gift from the male chorus and church. Many others received gifts at the same time.

The Christmas musical recital was held at 4:00 p. m. last Sunday. The participants were members of Rev. J. L. White's music class. Those participating were: Pamela Berry, Renee Lyles, Debra Tatum, Mary Worthy, Priscilla Worthy, Catherine Blackman, Barbara Falson, Lawrence Moore, Jr., Andre Simmons, Charles R. Johnson, Thomas Logan, Marilyn Sampson.

Also, Janice Boykins, Cynthia Hix, Anselma Freeman, Carolyn Mathis, Janice Hicks, Peggy Davis, Callie Berry, Lavonne Jones, Mrs. Lillie Hall, Mrs. Lois Robinson, Mrs. M. Wynn, Mrs. Della Jacobs, Mrs. Lissie Harper, Mr. E. E. Melvin, Mrs. Annie Sampson, Mrs. Miss Fields, Mrs. Everlina Rich, Johnnie White, Jr., Almond Falson, Jr., Margaret Blackman, and Leon Fridgen.

Many of our college students are home for the holidays.

Mrs. Priscilla Thompson, of Meridian, Miss., is spending Christmas with her nephew and family, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. White.

Mrs. Annie Tatum and daughters, Muriel and Deborah are spending Christmas in Washington, D. C. with relatives.

### Cary-Asbury News

**CARY** — Sunday was regular service day at Union Bethel A.M.E. Church. Sunday School began at 10 a. m. with Mrs. Lena Jones, Superintendent, in charge. Worship service started at 11 o'clock. The message was delivered by the pas-

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### Miss M. R. Davis Speaker At St. Matthew Church

The A.C.E. Fellowship League of Saint Matthew A.M.E. Church, 805 E. Davis St., presented a pro-

gram, "Color Extravaganza," Sunday, Dec. 13, at 5 p. m.

Guest speaker was Miss Mattie Ruth Davis, a senior at Saint Augustine's College. Her major is physical education. She has just completed her student teaching at Washington Jr. High School here.

Her activities and organization memberships include: "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities", Intramural Council, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Physical Education Club, Honor Programs, NEA, Pre-Alumni Club, NAACP, Student Council, Reporter of Natural Science Club, and the Canterbury Club. She is a member of Saint Paul A. M. E. Church, Raleigh. Her hobbies include reading and creative art. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Davis, 1000 Hadley Rd., Raleigh.

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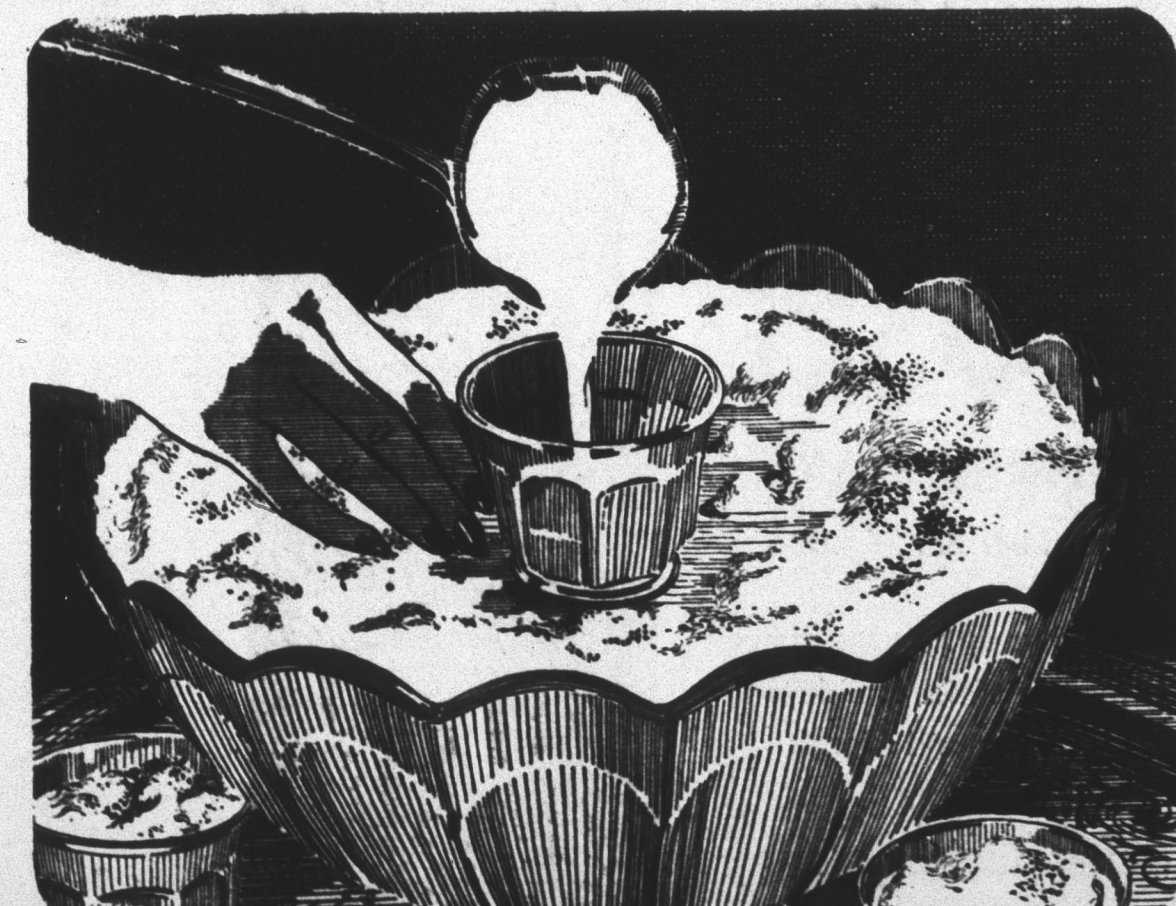


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