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The Babe in the Manger
A Christmas Story

And there were in the same country
shepherds abiding in the field, keep-
ing watch over their flocks by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came
upon them, and the glory of the Lord
shone round about them: and they were
sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear
not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings
of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the
city of David a Saviour, which is Christ
the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye
shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling
clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel
a multitude of the heavenly host praising
God, and saying,

Glory be to God in the highest, and on
earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels
were gone away from them into heaven,
the shepherds said one to another, Let us
now go even unto Bethlehem, and see
this thing which is come to pass, which
the Lord hath made known to us.

And they came with haste, and found
Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in
a manger—Luke 2:8-16

**THEATRE GUILD
STARTED SEASON
WITH LIVELY COMEDY**

With an all-star cast presenting
the play, "Depend on Me," the Little
Theatre Guild opened the season at
the high school auditorium last
Friday night. Unlike the former
Theatre Guild offering, "The Dust
of the Earth," which portrayed the
stark tragedy of human loneliness,
the play given last Friday night was
a lively rollicking comedy with plenty
of swift-moving action and charac-
ter portrayal. The marital difficul-
ties of Mr. and Mrs. John Craig
were effectively interpreted by M.
W. Gordon and Miss Katherine
Weathers. Their good resolutions
were often cracked—not to say
broken, but they were always re-
paired, and in the end they were
kept safely—that is until the next
quarrel. S. H. Pennington, as Justin
Hollins who enjoys poor health gave
a very realistic performance with
Frank Goldsmith as the efficient phy-
sician to help him, and Miss Mary
Margaret Giles as his patient, long-
suffering niece. Virginia Gilkey as
the gold-digger made a valiant, and
eventually successful, attempt to
capture the wealthy young man, Pat-
rick McCormick, the latter part be-
ing taken by Carlton Gilkey very
excellently. The wise cracks of
Laura Nesbit, as given by Miss
Grace Mary Justice were a promi-
nent part of the play, as she tried to
bring peace and harmony to the oft-
quarreling Craigs. Guyon Whitten
gave a masterful performance of
the young man who knows exactly
what he wants—and exactly how to
get it. Last, but most certainly not
least, comes the faithful maid who
can always be depended upon to
keep the secrets told her in strictest
confidence. This part was splendidly
portrayed by Miss Debs Henderson
with inimitable grace and skill.

The very appreciative audience
that enjoyed this performance will
be awaiting with great interest the
announcements of the next offering
of the Little Theatre Guild.

The Junior Woman's Club spon-
sored this play for the benefit of the
fund for the Community Club house.
The members of the high school hon-
or society served as ushers.

**CROSS SCHOOL KEEPS
CHRISTMAS IN SONG
AND CHEERFUL GIVING**

The Eugene Cross School closed
for the holidays Tuesday, Dec. 19.
Each room had a Christmas party,
after which the entire school assem-
bled and sang Christmas carols. The
children for the past two weeks
have brought food, toys and clothes
for the needy. These articles were
delivered by the children and from
their expressions one could readily
see "It is more blessed to give than
to receive."

Buy Christmas Seals. Fight tuber-
culosis.

★ ★ ★
A Star of Hope ★ ★ ★

TWENTY centuries ago a brightly-shining star led the
shepherds on the hills of the Holy Land to a little
house in Bethlehem and to a realization of a new spiritual
power that had come into the world. That star still sheds
its light over the world and at this time of year man lifts
his eyes to it and the glow from it kindles in his heart
that fire which we know as the Christmas spirit.

This year the Christmas star shines more brightly than
ever before for it is a star of hope. Behind us lie the dark
years of depression and defeat, of fear and foreboding, of
economic disaster and social disorder. During the past year
we have come up from the valley of gloom and started
once more to scale the heights toward the light. The star
of hope is leading us on to a richer life, richer in spiritual
values as well as material values.

Let us keep our eyes firmly fixed on that star. Let the glow
from it warm our hearts with the true spirit of Christmas
—with charity, with kindness, with friendliness, with forgive-
ness, with forgetfulness for the past and hope for the future.

Let us join together in keeping the spirit of Christmas alive
in our community not only on Christmas day but on every
day of the year; let us support community enterprises,
foster a stronger community spirit and make our com-
munity a better place in which to live.

To that endeavor the encouragement, the aid and the
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**COLLEGE SET COMES
HOME FOR CHRISTMAS**

Many of the young people of Mc-
Dowell attending college have already
arrived for the holidays; all will
be at home by the end of the week.
Following is a list of those reported:

Cecil's Business College: Evelyn
McMillan.
McCallie, Chattanooga: John
Jonas.

State School, Morganton: Ermine
and Roberta Neal.

Berea College: Helen and Harold
Klontz, Michael Fryga, Robert Shuf-
ford.

State, Raleigh: Hubert Bolch, Ed
Treverton, Haskell Ledbetter, Frank
Hunt.

Rutherford College: Bernice
Smith, Mamie Sue Watkins, Nan and
Nell Cowan, Buddy Cox.

Citadel, Charleston: Alford Mor-
gan, Micky Walker.

Greensboro College: Mabel Bish-
op.

Duke: Lon Coone, Katherine
Giles, James Ouzts, Carolyn McIn-
tosh.

Meredith: Reba and Lucille Par-
ker.

Woman's College, Greensboro:
Virginia and Elizabeth Copeland,
Hazel Whitten, Betty Wilson, Etha-
lyn Hicks, Mary Anna Miller.

Lenoir Rhyne: Mary Snoddy, Ruth
Wylie, Strobie Hogan, Estelena
Young.

Queens-Chicora: Miriam Story,
Ruth Hunt.

Flora McDonald: Anna Kate Craig
Farmville School, Va.: Emily Blan-
ton.

Lees McRae: Thelma Poteat.
Va. Episcopal: Joe Noyes.

Agnes Scott: Marguerite Morris.
Furman: David Bray.

Woodberry Forest, Va.: Wallace
Winborne.

Marjorie Webster, Washington:
Mary Louise Morgan.

U. N. C.: Virginia Yancey, Char-
lotte Winborne, Edgar McCall, Al-
bert Neal.

Appalachian State: Grace Mitch-
em, Conrad Bost, Nancy Carson.

Oak Ridge: Wayne and Warren
Adkins, Karcher Clay.

Presbyterian Junior: Oliver Cross,
Hugh Conley, Landis Laughridge.

U. of Ga.: Phil Tate.

Mars Hill: Iris Rabb, Billie Car-
ter, E. W. Parker, Jr.

St. Mary's: Laura Neal Newton.

Asheville Normal: Averyl Ellis,
Mildred Padgett, Ellen Wilson, Edna
Mae Cranford.

Blanton's Business: Beulah Woody
Columbia U.: Nannie Sue Sandlin
N. Y. U.: William Treverton.

Wake Forest: John Robert Hawes

**BAPTIST CHURCH
CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

Dr. B. F. Bray will conduct serv-
ices in the First Baptist church as
usual Sunday morning, his sermon
carrying an appealing Christmas
message, at eleven o'clock.

From 6:00 to 6:30 Saturday even-
ing, members of the B. Y. P. U. will
hold a song service on the court-
house lawn, singing Christmas car-
ols and inviting everyone to attend.

The white gift service was held
Wednesday afternoon and evening.
The congregations made contribu-
tions in kind for the Mills Home at
Thomasville. A special prayer ser-
vice was held at 7:30.

A good program on Saturday at
Marion Theatre, with a mystery mel-
odrama, serial, Mickey McGuire com-
edy, and two other shorts.

**MARY PICKFORD TO
LEAD OFF THEATRE
PROGRAM THIS WEEK**

After fifteen years of home mak-
ing, Mary Pickford comes back suc-
cessfully to picture making. She will
be at the Marion Theatre today in
"Secrets" a picture of early Califor-
nia days into which is woven some of
Mary's life of recent years. Leslie
Howard and a good cast in support.

The regular program Friday after-
noon and night will feature "Tillie
and Gus" with W. C. Fields and Al-
lison Skipworth and Baby Leroy.
Family bargain day.

Saturday, the "Bureau of Missing
Persons" with Lewis Stone, Bette
Davis, Glenda Farrell. You'll see
what happens to runaway wives,
kidnapped beauties, and meet the
men who are smashing the snatch
racket.

Christmas Day fun will be pro-
vided by Slim Summerville and Z.
Pitts in "Love, Honor and Oh, Ba-
by!" See Slim hold up his right hand
and take the pledge; ZaSu start the
fireworks.

Tuesday, Dick Powell and Pat O'-
Brien, Ann Dvorak and Hugh Her-
bert bring "The College Coach" to
make a football story worth while;
Silly symphony also.

"Strawberry Roan" is the nag
Ken Maynard rides into favor here
Wednesday. Ruth Hall helps Ken to
make this one of the greatest West-
erns.

**TEACHER IN CITY
SCHOOLS SPENDING
HOLIDAYS AT HOME**

Most of the out of town teachers
in Marion city schools have departed
for their respective homes where
they will spend the holiday season.
Miss Helen McGlohon goes to Ro-
anoke Rapids; Miss Anne Tucker, to
Advance; Miss Alyce Fuller, Hen-
derson; Miss Cyrene Duvall, Cher-
raw; Miss Ethel Covington, Rocking-
ham; Miss Aline Todd, Derita;
Miss Elizabeth Elam, Kings Mt.;
Miss Jonnie Edwards, Kingston; Miss
Frances Fowler, Hertford; Miss
Katharine Weathers, Raleigh; Zeb
Vance, Crossnore; Miss Bertha Mos-
ser, High Point; Miss Emily Hoof,
Newberry, S. C.

ATTEND FUNERAL HERE

Among the out of town people
here for the funeral of Mr. Finley
Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. L.
Lackey and Miss Nancy Finley of
Old Fort; Rant, Finley, Chattanooga;
Mr. and Mrs. Will Finley, Margar-
ette and William Finley, Charlotte;
Mr. and Mrs. William Weeks, Miss
Miss Beulah Ottinger, Fred Otting-
er and Mrs. Ed Robinson, New-
port, Tenn.

AT RUTHERFORD FUNERAL

Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Crawford, Mr.
and Mrs. G. C. Crawford were in
Rutherfordton Tuesday for the fun-
eral of Mrs. Gus Miller, who passed
away in that city Monday. Mrs. Mil-
ler was the mother-in-law of D. W.
Crawford, brother of the Marion
gentlemen.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Proffitt, of
New Orleans, La., announce the
birth of a son, Douglas Walton, on
December 6th. Mrs. Proffitt was Miss
Evelyn Walton before her marriage
and lived in Marion for some time.

Mrs. C. T. Elliott, formerly a
teacher in the Clinchfield school, ar-
rived Tuesday from Atlanta, to spend
Christmas with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. T. A. Porter, in Old Fort.

The
MARION THEATRE

Extends Christmas Greetings
to everyone
May your Holiday Season be a
Happy one, and the New Year a
Brighter one.

Special for Thursday,
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PICTURE OF PICTURES!**



MARY

**PICKFORD
IN
Secrets**
with
LESLIE HOWARD
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UNITED ARTISTS PICTURE

And For Monday, Christmas Day



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and OH, BABY!**

The funniest breach of
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sented by Carl Laemmle.
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NIGHT SHOW starting at 12 P.
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py Musical Comedy—
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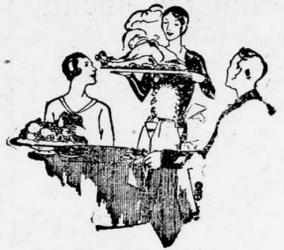
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