



Photos by Amy Austin

BRITISH, GERMANS - Students in Mrs. Roxanna Gaffney's room represented the countries of England and Germany in last week's "Christmas Around the World" program at North School. Left to right are Shaun Grier and Mark Ross (England) and Tammy Tesseneer and Matt Rikard (Germany). The custom of having a Christmas tree started in Germany. Legend has it that the evergreen tree was chosen by the Christ Child as a symbol of Christmas. In Germany, people decorate their trees on Christmas Eve. In England, on the night before Christmas, Father Christmas slips into the house and fills the stockings with treats.

Christmas Around World Presented At North School

"Christmas Around The World" was the program theme of Thursday night's PTO-sponsored program at North School.

Third, fourth and fifth grade students presented the program in story and song. Mrs. Darrell Austin was piano accompanist and assisted with staging, directing and costuming. Third, Fourth and Fifth grade teachers, aides and parents assisted the young people.

The countries represented were: Germany, Ms. Parker's Fourth Grade, Ms. Crosby, aide; Sweden, Ms. Bell's Fourth Grade, aide, Mrs. Dixon;

Mexico, Mrs. Gladden's Third Grade, Aides, Mrs. Garvin, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Gibson.

Belgium: Ms. Goforth's Third Grade, Aides, Mrs. Garvin, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Dixon.

Netherlands: Ms. Phifer's Third Grade, Aide, Mrs. Gibson.

England: Mrs. Seism's Fifth Grade, Aide, Mrs. Gibson.

Jamaica, Mrs. Fender's Fifth Grade, Aide, Mrs. Foster.

Members of Mrs. Gaffney's Homeroom, Mrs. Herndon, aide, were the cast for the play. The cast included: Adriane Hardin, narrator; Robbie Wilson, first elf; Melody Hill, second elf; Kelli



ST. LUCIA - Fourth grader Melonie Jackson represented St. Lucia from Sweden in Thursday night's PTO program "Christmas Around The World" at North School.

Bowen, Mrs. Claus; Shane Clack, third elf; Debbie Stroupe, fourth elf; Matt Rikard, Hansel; Tammy Tesseneer, Gretel; Jamie Garrett, fifth elf; Aliyah Ellis, sixth elf; Scott Myers, Karl; Andre Barton, Kristen; Donelle Smith, seventh elf; Laura Jordan, Juanita; Michael Phillips, Miguel; Tim Adams, eighth elf; Emmitt McClain, Pieter; Tasha Tate, Jeane; Mark Ross, Bryan; Shaun Grier, Charles; Melonie Jackson, Saint Lucia, Melonie Jackson; Roger Suttle, ninth elf; Jennifer Carroll, Rosita; Rusty McAbee, John; Je'Myranee Weaver, Pam; Blake Lewis, Santa; Lucretia Coulter, tenth elf; and Raymond Rucker, speaker.



MEXICAN CELEBRATION - In Mexico, nine days before Christmas, people go from house to house celebrating the birth of the Christ Child. On the ninth night, they celebrate with good food, games and dancing. Children dressed Mexican style in North School's "Christmas Around the World" program last week were, left to right, Michael Phillips and Laura Jordan. Kelli Brown, second from right, was Mrs. Santa Claus and Blake Lewis was Santa Claus.



GERMAN CHORUS - Members of Ms. Parker's and Mrs. McDaniel's classes at North School sing "O Tannebaum" in German during North's PTO Christmas program Thursday night. Front row, left to right, are Stacy Parker, Shannon McGinnis, Rusty Burgess, Aaron Hayes, Mark Cooke, Cathy Hutto, Anne Hildreth, Selena Short and Cathy Short. Second row, Renea McClain, Tina Hunt, Ticki Thomas, Edward Heath, Dumetrice Wilson, Cindy Matheson, James Sellers, Oscar Ortega, Darrick Bess. Back row, Crystal Laws, Mark Howard, Samantha Hall, Rodney Fletcher, Max Washington, Billy McCutcheon and Jason Falls.



RISE AND SHINE - Michelle Taylor awakes from a peaceful sleep during Monday night's presentation of "Sixth Grade Scrooge" at West School. All fifth graders participated in the drama.

Sixth Grade Scrooge Presented At West PTO

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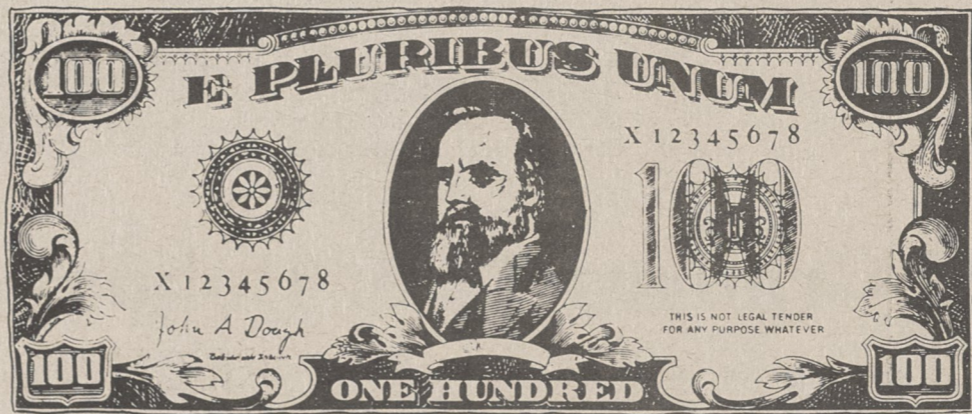
ington, Gary Scruggs, Matt Shockley, Lisa Stroupe, Lindsay Suber, Mark Wood, Eren Wright, Kelly Yarbrough, William Hoyle, Rick Reeves, Jennifer Blanton, Betty Jo Bridges, Jamey Case, Tomika Chambers, Nicole Childers, Brian Cook, Penny Dobbins, Paula Eckard, Philip Ellison, Audrey Falls, Bonnie Gore, Jermaine Grier, Robbie Hullender, Chad Huntsinger, David Jenkins, Jay Jenkins, William Lightsey, Cindy Pressley, Michale Roberts, Rachel Sanders, Seng Silapheth, Michael Smith, Crystal Stewart, Jessica Wellmon, Tommy Wilson and Ricky Wood.

FOURTH GRADERS - Don-

na Arrowood, Crystal Bees, Jonathan Blalock, Dathan Brannon, Billy Cathey, Lori Cobb, Todd Coner, Susan Eubanks, Tim Fletcher, Abbey Gann, Jamie Gilbert, Amy Jackson, Sharon Jefferies, Michelle Kaylor, Steven Murphy, Shawn Pettus, Holly Smith, Jason Smith, Joy Smith, Matt Stout, Angel Tetreault, Scott White, Lori Adams, Michael Barber, Matt Bell, Robbie Boyd, Tina Bridges, Teresa Childers, Sarah Dilling, Bobby Glenn, Gail Hardin, Tina Hinajosa, Peggy Hope, Jonathan Jones, Tracy Lemmons, Jason Little, Kevin Martin, Stevie Parker, Elena Roof, Tracey Shipman, Jill Sluss, Kirk Thompson, Brian Timms, Matthew Welborn and Christy Carigan.



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