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Christ Child Born In Judea?

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Bright Star Leads Way To Manger

By SUE CAMPBELL
Staff Reporter

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Each year, Parthenon reporters classes 201 and 202 are asked to write the story of the birth of Christ according to modern news reporting style. The stories are then judged by the journalism faculty and The Parthenon staff. The following story was selected as the winner of this year's competition.)

BETHLEHEM, Judea—Last night, in the humble confines of a lowly stable here, a son was born to Mary, the wife of Joseph, a carpenter from Nazareth. The child is said to be the Son of God and the Saviour of the world.

A group of local shepherds, who were tending their flocks outside the city during the night, reported that an angel came down from the heavens and told them to follow a bright, shining star in the east, which seemed to be resting over the city, and to seek the Son of God.

The shepherds feared the angel, but the angel said, "Fear not, for I bring you good tidings of great joy . . . For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord."

The shepherds then followed the mysterious star to Bethlehem and the stable where the newborn child lay.

Judging from the excitement in the city, many others must have witnessed the extraordinary circumstances of the child's birth. Not long after he was born, a large crowd gathered outside the stable, seeking a glimpse of the mother and her son. And, men and boys ran through the streets of the city, shouting "Hosanna! Christ is born!"

Early this morning, three wise men from the east arrived at the stable where they worshiped the child, presenting rich gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The wise men said they had talked with King Herod, before coming to Bethlehem, and reported that he is deeply disturbed by the birth of the child.

Certainly, a stable is not a fitting place for a child who is supposedly the Son of God, but, according to Joseph, the stable was the only room he could find in the city.

He and Mary arrived here yesterday evening from Nazareth. They came to pay their taxes in accordance with the recent de-

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Merry Christmas---Happy New Year



From The Parthenon Staff

Ralston Submits Revised 2-Party Plan

By BRUCE GRUBER
Staff Reporter

An alternate plan for a two-party system has been submitted by Commission Co-ordinator Charles Ralston, Weirton junior. The alternate plan is aimed at resolving the problem of equal party distribution.

This plan has been transferred to the Parliamentary Committee

for review and revisions. It provides for control of party selection by the Student Government. The two parties would be divided equally by three methods: individually, alphabetically and alternately, according to the student's social affiliation.

At no time could a student change his party membership.

The Student Government

would be responsible for the calling nominating conventions in each party. Party leaders would be selected at each of the nominating conventions.

A candidate not endorsed by the party must secure 33.3 per cent of the party's support in orders to qualify as a "free filing" candidate from that party.

After work is completed by

the Parliamentary Committee, it will go directly to the Student Senate for a vote.

"The system could not be enacted until second semester registration is completed," according to Student Body President John Karickhoff, Spencer senior.

Big Green Holds Practice Debate

A Marshall debate team met Morris Harvey in a practice debate yesterday. Carolyn Karr, Huntington senior, and Walter Cosby, White Sulphur freshman, defended the negative side of the national intercollegiate debate question: Resolved, that Congress should be given the power to reverse decisions of the Supreme Court.

No decision was given, but a critique of the debate was presented by John E. Jenkins, Jr. a Huntington attorney and former University of Virginia debater.

Board Studying University Status

West Virginia Board of Education took no action Monday afternoon following a report by College President Stewart H. Smith asking university status and outlining reorganization.

Board President James E. Ansel of Charleston said the recommendations would be studied by the board before action, if any, was taken.

He pointed out that the recommendation for university status requires legislative approval, but

agreed that the state board's recommendation, if favorably, would add support to President Smith's position.

Following the president's report, Board Member Raymond Brewster of Huntington, managing editor of The Herald-Dispatch, said he "definitely is in favor" of university status for Marshall.

Following a luncheon, board members toured the campus and

met faculty members at a reception in Old Main. The joint faculty-board meeting followed.

Seven of the eight board members attended the session here. They were Mr. Ansel and Mr. Brewster, Vice President L. I. Rice of Martinsburg, Dr. S. J. Baskerville of Charleston, J. C. Jeffards, Jr., of Charleston, Dr. J. H. Murry of Gary, and C. Lee Spillers of Wheeling. Absent was A. H. Spangler of Bluefield.

Here's Yule Message By College President

I extend my best wishes to all members of our faculty, staff and students for a Christmas that will be filled with the quiet pace and satisfaction that comes with the joy of making others happy.

May your spirit of good will hasten the day when peace on earth will become a reality.

Stewart H. Smith
President

An Editorial

No Holiday Homework

God rest ye merry gentlemen . . . Well, it's that time again. One more day for most of us, then home for the holidays!

What do you have planned—sleep, parties and dances—solitude, study and meditation—or a Christmas job? Whatever your inclination we hope you won't have too much Holiday Homework.

We believe that a vacation period should be essentially free from specific textbook assignments so that the student will be able to enjoy his vacation as he chooses—to get ahead in his studies, catch up, or take a break for a few days—without a definite assignment hanging over his head.

If we're going to have regular assignments over the vacation, we might as well stay in school. We'd probably get more work done that way.

We haven't set a letter to Santa Claus yet, but if we were to submit at list of Christmas wishes, it would probably run something like this:

- 1) University status.
- 2) A "go ahead" on administrative reorganization.
- 3) Legislative approval for our proposed \$4 million classroom structure.
- 4) Federal loan approval for the proposed new men's dorm.
- 5) A booming school spirit on the part of both students and alumni.
- 6) WMCS "on the air."
- 7) Concrete suggestions to get the Student Government back in the back.
- 8) More projects of benefit to the ENTIRE Student Body.
- 9) A meaningful Life Planning Week.
- 10) A meaningful two-party system (with student interest).
- 11) A more successful sports year.
- 12) Two more College Theatre plays as fine as "Visit to A Small Planet."
- 13) A second All-Campus Talent Show even more successful than the first.
- 14) And, finally, the most exciting, most wonderful Christmas and New Year for each member of the Student Body, faculty and administration.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the entire Parthenon staff.

DON FANNIN
Editor-in-Chief

An Editorial

It's A Sudden Thing

Suddenly there is a twinkle, crinkle, sparkle, luster added to the eye.

Suddenly there are sounds of laughter, greetings, whispering, music brought to the ear.

Suddenly there are new aromas of holly and cedar, of burning wood, of spicy meals being prepared.

Suddenly the air is chilled with frost, just as quickly warmed by the hearth.

Suddenly the heart of the big city melts beneath its snow-crusted streets and comes to life with twinkling lights.

Suddenly gay Santas appear on every corner and children behave as tinsel angels, hoping their goodness will bring them toys.

Suddenly there are festive parties, and friends dropping in to say "hello," to spread "peace on earth, good will toward men."

Suddenly it's just 7 candy-coated days and diamond-dusted nights until Christmas.

Yes, all these things happen suddenly, because winter, like a baby's smile, is a sudden thing.

Danilee Cordea
Huntington senior
Editorial Writing Class

'Et Cetera' Due During January

The yearly edition of "Et Cetera" will appear early in the second semester, according to Sharon Woods, editor, and Mullens junior.

There have been approximately 80 contributions handed in, consisting of 50 pieces of poetry, and 30 pieces of prose.

No more written work will be accepted, but the staff is looking

for a lot of art work. Anyone who is interested in submitting art work, should do so as soon as possible. It will be accepted up until the beginning of the second semester.

The Editorial Board is now rating the writings, and deciding what prose and poetry will be used for publication.



Christmas Fashions On Parade

THE WELL-DRESSED COLLEGE COED will include the above outfits in her Christmas holiday wardrobe. (Left to right): Virginia St. Clair, Elkhorn junior, models a matching skirt and vest outfit; Wanda Duty, South Charleston sophomore, models a coat with a raccoon collar; and Judy Turner, Huntington freshman, models a cocktail dress with a brocade top.

Yuletide Wardrobes Planned As Holiday Season Nears

Christmas vacation is almost here and college women are preparing their wardrobes for the holidays. Their problem is: "What shall I take with me?"

The very popular matching skirt and vest or skirt and sweater outfits will serve many Christmas occasions. College women will be wearing them to do that last minute Christmas shopping, to visit their friends, and to many of the informal parties.

For relaxation, women will wear slacks and crew neck or bulky knit sweaters. These sweaters come in a large variety of colors and styles.

The most popular jewelry of the season are the circle pins and the scarab bracelets. College women will wear these with almost all of their casual dress.

Camel's hair coats and rain-coats with raccoon collars are very popular this season for informal wear and will be frequently worn during the holidays. Leather coats, with or without fur collars, are also popular Moulton and the man-made fur coats are popular for formal occasions.

For semi-formal or formal parties, cocktail dresses with full skirts are the most popular. Red and black are the popular colors this year and dresses with shoestring straps and dresses with brocade are the fashion of the season.

SERENADE IS PLANNED

Pershing Riflemen will serenade the cadre tonight with Christmas carols. Company N-1 of the Pershing Rifles attended the First Presbyterian Church last Sunday as a unit with their sponsor, Carol Ann Wilks, Huntington freshman.

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Marshall Crushes Miami Quint 93-77

Displaying red hot shooting in its last two games, Marshall's Big Green last night extended its win skein with a 93-77 victory over Miami University.

John Milhoan, 6-4 jump shot artist, headed the Big Green cause with 30 points. This for Milhoan was his top scoring performance before a hometown audience. He pumped in 19 markers in the first half as Marshall led 49-35. Milhoan also extended his consecutive foul shooting record to 23 straight fouls without a miss. The Marshall team captain also upped his average per game from 19 to 21 points.

Following Milhoan in the scoring parade were Bob Burgess and Tex Williams with 16 points each. Lou Mott and Herm Conner tallied 15 and 10 points respectively. Each of the starting five for the Big Green hit in double figures. Last night's game also saw each of the starters up their averages per game into double

figures.

Burgess added 12 rebounds in the game, this gives him a total of 82 recoveries in six games. Conner snatched nine rebounds against the Redskins and gives him second place in the rebounding department.

The Miami game was the varsity debut of Jack Trainor. Trainor, previously an intramural participant, netted two points and gave a good account of himself with an adequate floor game.

Lou Mott again was the playmaker for the Big Green. Mott took up where he left off against VPI and had the crowd roaring with his passing and dribbling.

Noting the VPI game, in which Marshall was a heavy underdog, the Big Green surprised the Gobblers 85-80. In one of the best defensive performances of the year, the Big Green completely bottled up the tall VPI team under the bucket.



BOB BURGESS
... 6-8 Sophomore

Snyder Favors LSU

Crystal Ball Used For Bowl Games?

Coach Charlie Snyder, head mentor of the Marshall varsity football team, peered deep into his crystal ball early this week and came out with the winners of the important grid games which will be played on or before Jan. 2.

Snyder, in his soothsaying adventure, selected the victors in seven bowl games and also the winner of the National Football League championship tilt.

In two games to be played Saturday, the genial mentor chose Clemson over Texas Christian University in the Bluebonnet Bowl, and Alabama over Penn State in the newly established Liberty Bowl.

While rolling to a winning season, Clemson racked up eight wins, while losing only two. TCU enjoyed an 8-2 season also.

Although Snyder favors Alabama in the Liberty Bowl, Penn State boasts a better record. The Nittany Lions finished the 1959 campaign with an 8-2 record

while Alabama won seven, lost one and tied two.

In the NFL title go, Snyder selected Baltimore over the powerful New York Giants. The Colts are the defending champions.

New Year's Day will feature four Bowl games. In the two most controversial, Snyder picked LSU over Mississippi in the Sugar Bowl and Syracuse over Texas in the Cotton Bowl.

The Sugar Bowl game is rated a toss-up by most sports enthusiasts as both competing teams boast 9-1 records. In the Cotton Bowl, Syracuse, the only major unbeaten team this year, has 10 wins under its belt, while Texas has dropped one of ten tussles.

Wisconsin, 7-2, is picked over Washington, 9-1, in the Rose Bowl, and Missouri, 6-4, is rated over Georgia in the Orange Bowl.

In the Gator Bowl, which will be played Jan. 2, Snyder selected outside the city during the night, Georgia Tech, 6-4, over Arkansas, 8-2.

Trouncers Win In Intramurals

Action in intramurals this week was in high gear as five basketball games and wrestling matches were held.

On Thursday night PKA No. 4 dropped a 43-21 decision to the Engineers. Don Wilson of the Engineers was high man for his squad with 9 points, as Jim McDonald of PKA had 16 points.

The next game saw PKA No. 1 lose to Sig Ep No. 1, 52-42. Dick Maddox of Sig Ep led the scoring with 18 points.

The Trouncers edged KA No. 1 49-41. Dick Wildt of the Trouncers dumped 26 points through the nets and Kenny Echols of KA had 21.

In wrestling, the Chiefs won team honors with 16 points, Sig Ep was second with 10, VM had 6, TKE 3, PKA, SAE and Independents none.

Jim Mattern of the Chiefs won the 123 pound class as Ron Easley of the Chiefs took the 130 class. Bob Williams of Sig Ep won the 137 pound class, Bill Cyrus of Sig Ep took the honors in the 147 pound class, Phil Harris of the Chiefs won the 157 pound class and in the 167 and 177 pound class, Ron Reynolds and Lonnie Bowden of VM took their class weights respectively. Unlimited weight was won by Don Peters of TKE.

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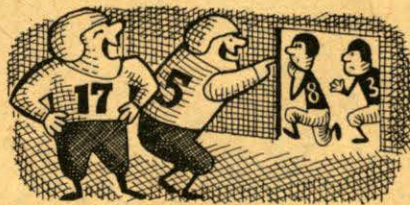


Dear Sinned Against: The most successful defense is the traditional African one. Mold a small wax image of your roommate. Then, at full moon, insert half a dozen common household pins into the hands of the image.

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Dear Dr. Frood: Our football team has lost 8 games a year for the last 6 years. How can we improve our record without letting the old coach go?
Alumni Pres.

Dear Alumni Pres.:
Schedule fewer games.

Dear Dr. Frood: I am a 5'1" co-ed with a figure exactly like the Venus de Milo's. Would you say I should be in the movies?
Lovely

Dear Lovely:
I'll say anything you want me to.

Dear Dr. Frood: I told my fiancée we can't afford to get married until I finish college. She insists that two can live as cheaply as one. Is this true?
Dubious

Dear Dubious:
Yes. If they take turns eating.

DR. FROOD ON HARASSING HABITS OF ROOMMATES



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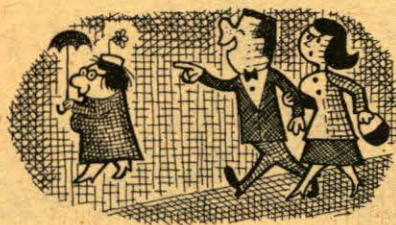
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Birth Of Christ Child Reported

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 cree of Caesar Augustus.
 When they arrived, there were no rooms left at the inn, but the innkeeper offered them the use of the stable. Knowing that the birth of the child was near at hand, Mary and Joseph accepted the innkeeper's offer.
 During the night, the child was born. His mother wrapped him in swaddling clothes, us-

ing a manger for his crib.
 According to Joseph, God spoke to Mary some time ago, telling her that she was to give birth to a child who would be known as the Son of God.
 No one can say yet whether the child is really of divine origin, but the events surrounding the birth certainly lend credence to the claim that he is truly Jesus, the Son of God, Saviour of all men.

Overdue Book Fee Now Five Cents Per Day

Overdue book charges for the late return of books at the college library will be increased from two cents to five cents per day, effective January 1, 1960. This pertains to those borrowed from the general collection of books.
 The following statement summarizes the new policy regarding overdue charges: Books from the general collection are loaned for a two-week period. A charge of five cents per calendar day will be assessed for each overdue book beginning with the day after the book is due and continuing until the book is returned. A four-day grace period will be allowed for return. For this reason no overdue charge of less than 25 cents per book

will be collected.
 According to H. W. Apel, librarian, charges are made on overdue books to help the library control circulation, not as a revenue-producing device since these charges are deposited into the general funds of the state and not accrued for college use. He said this policy is in use by several other colleges and universities and believes it will encourage "late book returnees" to return books at their due date.
 In observance of the Christmas vacation, the library will close

at 1 p.m. Dec. 19, and reopen for full service at 8 a.m. Jan. 4.
 Library offices will be open during this period on the same schedule as other administrative offices of the college.
KOP INITIATES FIVE
 Five Kappa Omicron Phi pledges were initiated as actives last night.
 They are: Judith Diehl, Fayetteville junior; Allene Ruddell, Gap Mills senior; Fern Shrewsbury, Beckley junior; Mildred Rardin and Luanna Johnson Young, Huntington seniors.

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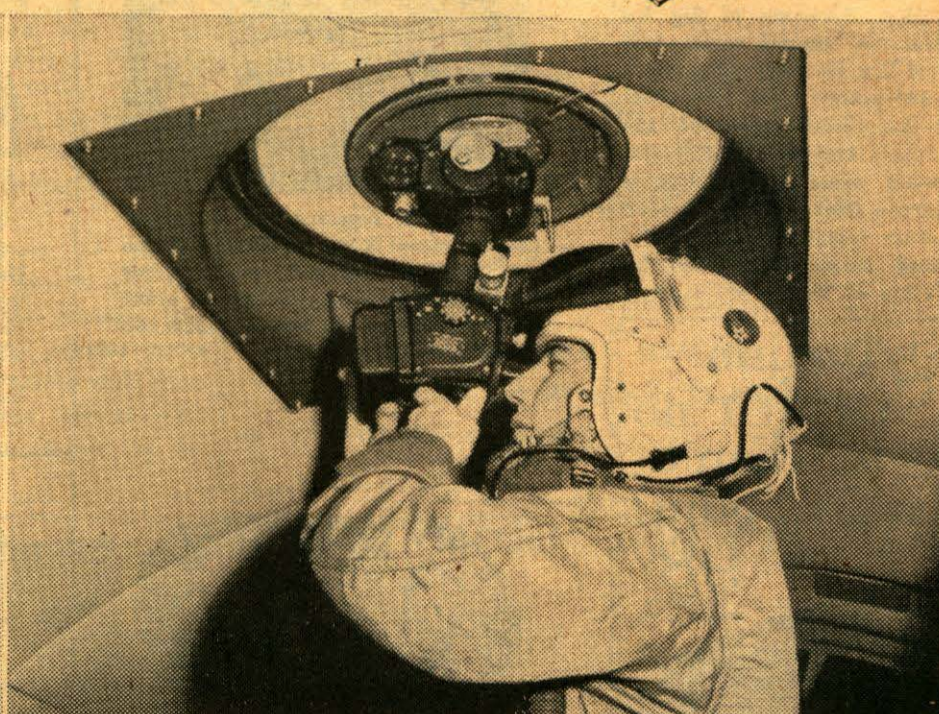
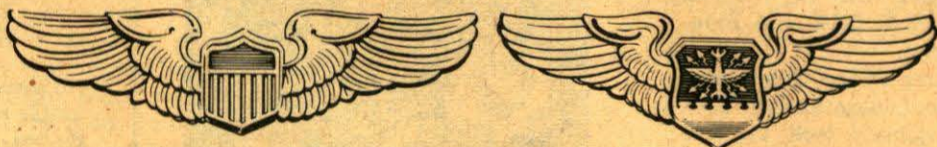
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