

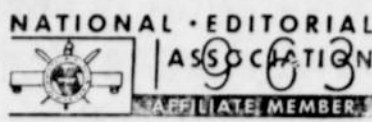
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A Christmas Sermonette . . .

By THE REV. J. L. MUSSELL, Pastor
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Celebrating Christmas in the traditional American way, our minds turn back once again to the familiar story of the Nativity (Luke 2). The announcement by the heavenly host, "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men," was not so much of a pronouncement of peace among men, as it was of peace and good will toward men.

The history of the world since the birth of Christ has not been a history of peace among men; but, rather, a history of wars. Wars, instead of growing smaller, have rather, increased in size and destruction. Nevertheless, the message of God to men has been one of "peace and good will." The message is not to any particular race or nation, but to all races, all nations and "to all people." (Luke 2:10.)

God tells us that, by means of the Child born that day, He is willing to pardon our sins, and to lead us, through faith and repentance, to a great and lasting peace with Himself. He wants to free us from fear and enmity; to give our troubled consciences rest; to fill our hearts with love to God and to our fellowmen, everywhere.

From Jan's Kitchen . . .

Christmas Cookies

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THIS IS ANDY CALLAHAN, a third grade student in Mrs. Vale Hagey's classroom. Here he is preparing to strike a homemade xylophone, constructed by Gary Clawson, vocal music director. The instrument is used to demonstrate the various pitch patterns as Nyssa elementary pupils learn to sing through the use of music syllables.

DID YOU KNOW?

(By Nyssa Elementary School Faculty)
... That all elementary students are learning to sing through the use of music syllables?

To do this teachers are using a homemade xylophone, constructed by Gary Clawson, vocal music director, to show different "pitch patterns."

The "pitch patterns" are drawn on the chalk board and pointed out as that particular pattern is played on the xylophone. The children will be able to recognize these "pitch patterns" by hearing and/or singing them.

Learning rhythms, pitch patterns and mechanics of music take at least half of each lesson. The remainder of the time is spent singing familiar songs and learning new ones. At this time of year children are singing Christmas carols.

LUTHERAN LADIES HOLD YULE PARTY AND BAZAAR

Lutheran ladies held their annual Christmas party and bazaar Dec. 3 in the church. Hostesses for the event were officers of 1963 including Mmes. Walt Looney, Alice Neiger, Ben Storm, Max Long and Ken Danford. "A Guiding Star" was title of a film shown during the evening as entertainment.

Nazarene Youth Cut Trees in Unity Area

Caravan groups of the Nazarene church went to the hills near Unity last Saturday to cut Christmas trees. While there the young people and their chaperones went sledding and ate their lunch in the snow.

Adults accompanying the 14 youths were John Price, Joe Hobson, Laverne Berg, Mrs. Don Wilson and the Rev. John Bullock.

In addition to getting the Yuletide trees, Caravan groups are also responsible for decorating the church.

NAZARENE LADIES HOLD PARTY IN WILSON HOME

Annual Christmas party for the Nazarene Golden Hour Missionary society was held Dec. 4 at the Don L. Wilson home. Husbands of members were guests.

Games were played under direction of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Martin. Gifts were exchanged and secret pals for the past year were revealed.

Refreshments were served to the 45 guests in attendance by Mrs. Roger Tucker and her committee.

PARTY IN M. MONCUR HOME FETES LDS PRIMARY GROUP

A party was held recently in the Mark Moncur home honoring LDS First ward Primary officers and teachers. Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Marvin Jefferies, Mrs. Kenneth Reece, Mrs. Garry Fife and Mrs. Moncur.

Special guests were Mrs. Lee Stoker and Mrs. J. Elwood Flinders.

Refreshments were served to the 18 ladies in attendance and a gift exchange was held.

Nazarene Pastor Asked to Remain by Congregation

The Nazarene church congregation voted last Sunday to retain the present pastor, the Rev. John Bullock, for the coming year.

Pastor Bullock says he feels he truly received a vote of confidence as 97 ballots were cast, 96 were in his favor and there was only one "no" vote. Following a report of the balloting, the pastor accepted the call of leadership from the congregation.

"It is a privilege to serve the fine group of people in the local church," the Rev. Bullock said. He further states that this not only involves his own people but also those of the community.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH YOUTH MEET AT E. BALLOU HOME

Chi Rho, junior high group of the Christian church, held its first meeting Sunday evening in the Elvin Ballou home. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sisson are sponsors.

In addition to the Ballous and Sissons, those present were Lona Shelton, Mary Webb, Vicki Hamilton, Kathy Perdue, Jerry Anderson and the Rev. Wallace Prowell.

ADRIAN WOMEN STUDY CHRISTMAS IN OTHER LANDS

Women's association of Adrian Community church met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. K. I. Peterson in Adrian. Mrs. Elmer Rosenkilde gave the devotionals and Mrs. Marie Moore presented the program on "Christmas in Other Lands."

There were 17 ladies present. Plans were made for the dinner to be served Saturday preceding the God's Acre sale.

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DECEMBER 25 DANCE SET AT NYSSA LDS STAKE HOUSE

A Christmas dance will be staged, beginning at 9 p.m., Dec. 25 at the Nyssa LDS stake house.

Good dance music by an orchestra, a floor show and refreshments will be highlights of the evening, according to Mrs. Mel Beck, a member of the committee in charge.

There will be no admission charge and all area residents are cordially invited. Mrs. Beck added.

GUESTS FROM KANSAS

Mrs. Mae Goodell and Mrs. Brice Murphy of St. Francis, Kan., visited last week with Mrs. Orma Cleaver. The two ladies were here to attend funeral services for Miss Elizabeth Goodell.

Methodist Circles Set Meets This Afternoon

Meetings of Methodist WSCS circles are scheduled at 2 o'clock today in various homes.

Mrs. Kinsey Keveren will host the Lenora group. Members of the Helen Barns circle will meet with Mrs. Alva Hill at her home in Apple Valley. Fulton circle members will meet in the Paul Ludlow home.

Christmas program topic for all groups will be "If We Had Been in Bethlehem."

VISITORS FROM UTAH

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Anderson of Ogden, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Weston of Roy, Utah, visited last week in the J. E. Brower home. The two couples came to attend funeral services for Ralph Banner.



Holiday Greetings

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