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For Christmas, New Year, Always—Best Wishes ★ ★ ★

And the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people; for there has been born to you today in the town of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth among men of good will.”

(Luke 2, 10-14)

All Student Christmas Assembly Features Dramatic-Choral Groups

The Nativity was the theme of a dramatic-choral program, Dec. 12. Organized under the title "Silent Night," the program was the effort of the students in cap and gown, lining the balcony and staircase leading to Marian Hall reception room, beginning and participated in the presentation.

Ellen Coyle, in the role of the Virgin Mother, interpreted in pantomime "Hasten to Bethlehem" by Schubert.

Resident Seniors Plan Pre-Christmas Banquet

The holiday spirit penetrated Marian cafeteria Dec. 15 when the resident seniors were hostesses at a pre-Christmas banquet given for the students on campus.

Paying tribute to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin, the theme, surrounded by snow-covered Christmas boughs, served as a centerpiece for the banquet table. A brief entertainment followed the dinner.

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Theme: "May the Virgin Mary bless us with her Holy Child." (Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mathis.)

Christmas Morning, Eileen Gaughan, and Bel Canto-Glee Club choristers, in final tableau of Nativity presentation.

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Christmas Cheer Make It Stretch

Christmas is a cold, snow-covered day in December...it is yards and yards of silver tinsel on a tall tree that looks something out-of-this-world and..."This is the season of French family and best friends...it is...well, it's Christmas, that's all."

Even the experts would be hard put to find a single all-inclusive phrase for the magic that is Christmas. When you come right down to it, though, the glow you feel at this very special season of the year is the result of more than one specific influence. It is a combination of rather human qualities rolled up into one glittering package called "Christmas Spirit."

This elusive spirit, in concrete terms, is nothing more than a spirit of good will, of friendliness and consideration, the ability to forgive and forget, the desire to please others all concentrated into just a few days of the year. That is the only draw back to the situation. Too many people forecast their Christmas spirit along with their Christmas tree at the end of the holiday.

Just as your Christmas tree dries up your living room, so "the spirit" dries up your personality, your life. Why make it more than an annual affair, then? Plan to add a little every day Christmas spirit at the end of your list of New Year resolutions. On second thought, why not include a lot of it...and right at the top of the list.

—J.E.G.

Does Roomie Sing “You’re My Ideal”

Are you "buddy-buddy" with your roommate or does she just make the best of it? "There'll be some changes made"? Your best friends may not tell you—no best friend this Christmas circle and determine your status.

Answer "No" or "Yes" to these questions. If you answer "No" to at least 11, you're a tolerable roomie; 12 to 17 means you're wonderful; more than 17 indicates you're too upper for words. If, on the other hand, your "Yes's" are below 6, you had better see what your chances are for a private room next semester.

1. Do you lose your temper easily?
2. Do you smile?
3. Do you talk too much?
4. Do you read out loud?
5. Do you think a double date can be a lot of fun?
6. Do you fail to consider her likes and dislikes?
7. Do you expect to be included in her invitations?
8. Do you brag about your work, friends, or social status?
9. Do you rely on your roommate for amusement?
10. Do you do any of your own laundry?
11. Do you ask questions about personal matters?
12. Do you do anything to help your roommate?
13. Do you share your hobbies?
14. Do you respect her privacy?
15. Do you play the radio continuously?
16. Do you play the guitar and sing your own songs?
17. Do you tell her everything?
18. Do you do your homework and reading assignments on your own?
19. Do you fail to clean up after a party?
20. Do you heat the electric oven and take your meals?
21. Do you do any of your own cooking?
22. Do you share the apartment with her?
23. Do you carry your own baggage?
24. Do you consider her a friend?
25. Do you consider her a real friend?
26. Do you consider her a very good friend?
27. Do you consider her a super friend?

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Watch From Within

"France Faces Grave Crises." Is such a title a bad omen? Does it merely signify an occasional—but only occasionally."

Wanda Toffolo, "I like a good conversation, lots of records, and an upper-class education.

Barbara Zerr, "A number of escorts is one way.

Josephine Powell, "You can go to extremes to get dates.

Lillian Lieland, "The man's the important thing—what you do or where you go.

Our own country is free from any considerable strife. The United States is a recognized leader among nations. But a country's decadence most often comes from within. It is the small things, unnoticed and therefore uncorrected, which ultimately cause the downfall of a nation. It can't happen to us? Who thought it could happen to France? With an illustrious past as a producer of saints, musicians, scientists, and artists; as the world-center of glamour and romance; and as one of the leading shapers of world destiny, France seemed immune to collapse. Yet today such a predicament is imminent.

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**Campus Club Notes**

Aquinas Literary Guild

Vispary in Vienna was Bruce Marshall’s selection at the Aquinas Literary Guild meeting Dec. 11. Written for sophisticated readers, this latest Marshall novel cleverly injects Catholic principles between spells of bluster, profane writing. Central figure is an apparently hard-boiled Russian colonel, sponsored in a Vannossian convent during the current Austrian occupation.

Eta Delta

Mr. Warren Anderson of the Carbide and Carbon Chemical Corporation was the guest speaker at the Dec. 2 meeting of Beta Delta. Mr. Anderson spoke on glycols and alcohol. He stressed the fact that when a company is choosing a certain compound for use, the price and the physical properties of the compound, such as color and stability, determine whether or not that compound is suitable.

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NCMEA Honors Music Dept. Head

Sister M. Vitalis, head of Marian College music department, recently was appointed coordinator for the Indianapolis archdiocesan unit of the National Catholic Music Educators Association.

Sister succeeds Elmer K. Steffen, E. S. G., archdiocesan director of music. As recording secretary, Sister has been intimately associated with the Indiana unit for the past four years.

There are four Illinois units in the state, each having its own committee. Sister Vitalis has appointed Sister Mary Teresa, O.S.B., of Christ the King School, secretary, and Sister Mary Augusta, C.S.J., of Holy Angels School, treasurer for the Indiana unit.

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Inter-American Club

Don Quixote and the Windmills is no longer a vague, childhood memory for the Inter-American Club.

Consecrating the fourth centenary of the birth of the author, Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra, the club devoted its meeting hour, Dec. 8, to the author's life and work. The biography was given by Ethel James. Episode from Don Quixote were sketched by Lucia Raygada, while the philosophical implications of the classic satire were presented by Mary Patricia Sullivan.

By coincidence, while preparations for the observance were in progress, Stella Pitino, '45, first president of the club, wrote from Madrid, Spain, telling of her attendance at the Cervantes quatercentenary congress there.

At the previous meeting, Nov. 24, Jane Aquinas led discussion of the break between Brazil and Russia.

Science Club

"Antibiotics vs. Bacteria" was the title of Beatrice Louis' paper given at the Dec. 2 meeting of the Science Club. Beatrice gave a detailed and interesting discussion of the soil-borne microbes which have been "harnessed to the medicine-making production line."

World Affairs Club

The clearing-house session for interested students was held in the college cafeteria. The A Cappella Choir opened the meeting hour, Dec. 8, with "O, Holy Night," and sang the Benediction hymn. The ceremony came to a close with Sister Vitalis' reception service with Ravanello's Fini Cretaro and sang the Benediction hymn. The ceremony came to a close with the A Cappella Choir's "On This Day, O Beautiful Mother."

College Celebrates

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