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Merry Christmas
from Staff
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Betty B.
Lydia

B. M. ...

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Mary

Joyce
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Tracy W.
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Carolyn

Happy New Year

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Merry Christmas

F. T. A. SPONSORS PROGRAM

On the program for the F. T. A. meeting, which was held Monday night in the Gym was the Sunshine Society Initiation. A Christmas Pageant and a movie entitled, "Child of Bethlehem".

To open the Initiation Joyce Venable sang "Sunshine Girl". Minor Knass, president of the Sunshine Society, presided during the service. The sixteen initiates lit small candles from the large one--The Source of Light and placed them at the foot of the greater one as a symbol of their willingness to let their light shine and add brightness to the world. They were given badges as a sign of their membership into the Society. The trio, Joyce Venable, June Flanagan, and Ann Hawkins, sang "The Task". Mary Robinson concluded the program with a prayer.

The Christmas Pageant "On Holy Night", conducted by Miss Spencer, consisted of the singing of carols by the mixed chorus and the enacting of the shepherds, Wise Men, etc. by members of F. T. A. S.

The Ceremony was very impressive and was climaxed by the arrival of Old Santa himself! He presented the children with candy and peanuts.

The program was concluded by a film depicting the birth and life of Christ.

TO THE LIBRARY PATRONS

We're wishing you a very Merry Christmas and the Happiest of New Years.

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THANKS !!!

Miss Spencer would like to thank all the boys and girls who helped with the Christmas Pageant. Also Miss Pratt, stage director, and Mrs. Kirk, pianist, and Mr. Morrison were so nice about everything too.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRESENTED

The Christmas program was given by the grades, each grade having plays, songs and poems. The girls sang to sing, the boys sang to sing, and others sang solos. Carols were sung by the student body and patrons which concluded the program.

GIRLS SING FOR SOPHOMORE TEA

Ann Hawkins, June Flanagan, and Joyce Venable sang "White Christmas" for the Sophomore Tea, Monday, December 23.

The Tea was given in behalf of Mrs. Collings.

PRINCIPAL'S PARAGRAPH

CHRISTMAS

During the Christmas Season, our thoughts turn to those spiritual values that cannot be measured by money or material gain. In the human heart there is a desire for peace and good will toward our fellow men.

Knowledge will profit us little unless we learn also the spirit of love and kindness. Every man should love his neighbor as himself, not only during the Christmas season but all through the year. There is no actual getting for oneself except through the giving of oneself and one's possessions for the good of others. Giving to others is the very Spirit of Christmas.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

-----Ewan McClain

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THE CHRISTMAS STAR

Let's join with the Three Wise Men on this 25th day of December, back some 1,950 years ago.

We have met in the lands of the East and come by boat thru the Arabian and Red seas to Egypt, and this morning our caravan laden with its gifts is on its way from Egypt along the camel road up to Galilee.

And in the East of the early morning before dawn, shines a great star guiding us to a little manger in Bethlehem.

Whether you join the Wise Men on their journey to deposit gifts at the birth of this King of Men, or even if you are here in Indiana on this 25th day of December in 1946, you may still see this great star of hope over in the East before sunrise.

This morning you may say the star is Venus, brightest and most magnificent of the planets but even up to Christmas morning you will see it shining in the East and if you are fortunate you will get from it the same message of "Peace on Earth and Good Will to Men" that our wise men heard from the angel chorus, as with the shepherds they bowed in adoration to the greatest Ruler man will ever know.

And so we send you our Christmas greetings from this "Star in the East" and hope it brings you in full measure its message of peace and good will.

Dear Santy Clauz,

Please send us two handsome men, one blond and one brunette. Wood prefer each to have two arms to legs, and an eye on each side of his nose. If possible have both eyes same color. We will put out fire in fireplace Xmas eve.

All our luv,
Pat and Ledy

P. S. If you can't find houses, leave gifts in Avon Commercial Bldg.

Dear Santa,

I am seventeen years old and I want something for Christmas I can't get any other way. Will you please send me a man-----by that I mean Bob Brown.

Love,
Joyce Flanagan

High Santie,

We would like to have two big dolls; one about six feet tall, weighing about 175 pounds, brown eyes and black hair. The other one we would like to have about five feet, weighing about 150 pounds, brown eyes and black wavy hair. Please try to fill our order.

Too Good Little Gals,
Annsie Lou and Ky.

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM SANTA!!!!

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a 1946 Buick Convertible Coupe, a diamond ring (with at least 12 diamonds) an ermine coat and an orchid to wear on it.

(Just in case these aren't available, I'll settle for a hanky.)

Elinor Knauss

Dear Santee Clauz:

How R U? Fine, I hope. I am O. K. 2.

Santee, I have been an very good girl specialise when I sleep.

Please bring me a drate big little dolly with big blue eyes an curly hair.

All my tisses is for U,
Wittle "Mary O"

Dear Santa,

Please bring me an air rifle. That is all I want and bring my mother a fur coat.

Please bring my daddy a shapely blond about 5 feet 2 inches tall.

Kilroy

Dear Santa,

Please bring me two tickets for Miami and three months in the sunshine. Or Santa, if that is too big an order, please just send many buyers for the Cricle buttons the juniors are selling. Merry Christmas to all.

Bennie Mac McCalment

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM SANTA!!!!!!

"CHRISTMAS IN AVON"

by Jim Conger

With the yuletide season now upon us, we see everyone rushing madly about doing their Christmas shopping, late as usual. Here in the downtown area of Avon as I am peering through the window to the street, several floors below, we see an enormous crowd at the corner of Columbia and State streets. In the May Company window there is a display of mechanical toys in motion. I am going down now to witness this attraction, and I understand that Bill Parrish is General Manager of this company. Entering Howard Robertson's Pet Shop, who do I bump into but Anna Weisbach who is landing an English bulldog, which has a large red ribbon around its neck from the store. In making this shopping survey for the Shakespearean Echo, I find the clerks here are Elizabeth Ashcroft and Carla Joyce. And rambling on to another store I hear people greeting one another with "Merry Xmas". Now entering Phil Huffman's Department store, we find in the basement none other than Paul Gerth as Santa Claus, and gathered about him are many small children. Stopping to wish me Seasons Greetings are two old friends; Dick Long and Jesse Price. They just told me that Bob Lawson is a salesman upstairs, and I later found out

that Gene Flanagan is a floor walker. As I step into the elevator is Dr. Mervin Clark, noted surgeon. Stepping out of the elevator to the seventh floor and looking around, I see Wanda Andrews and Ruth Long as models. Bill Adamson and Dick Harvey are doing their Xmas shopping together, and they both have big smiles concerning something. I'll bet they've just seen Santa! You boys will have to drink your milk and stop biting your nails if you expect Santa to come down your chimney this year! Ask Mr. Scudder and Mr. McClain: Santa didn't ever miss their house. As I sign off this week, I would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Xmas.

Mr. McClain (in grammar class) "Lawrence, please tell me what it is when I say: I love, you love, he loves?"
Lawrence: "That's one of them triangles where somebody gets shot."

Mr. Hughes: "Dick, are you fond of algebra?"
Dick: Yes, I'm stuck on every problem.

$$x + y = z$$

FOR SALE: 1 pair of boy's black ice skates, size 8. If interested, see Dick Harvey.

SPORTS

By Dick Long

The Avon Orioles added another game to their winning column last Friday, December 13, by defeating a "hard-to-beat" team from Danville. The final score was 41 to 32.

They started out in good fashion, never being behind in any part of the game.

The Orioles are enjoying a six-game winning streak. They have won seven out of the eight games they have played thus far; Brownsburg being the only team to defeat them.

The Orioles invaded Plainfield Thursday night in one of the closest games of the season. They were never behind in any part of the game and came out victorious, 33-28.

The Orioles have won eight games and lost one, thereby giving them a percentage of .889. The scores for the games are as follows:

Avon	27	North Salem	12
Avon	34	Brownsburg	46
Avon	51	Danville	34
Avon	37	Mooreville	30
Avon	57	Amo	21
Avon	45	New Winchester	35
Avon	28	Clayton	27
Avon	41	Danville	32
Avon	33	Plainfield	28

The Orioles are still in possession of the keg, so let's all give them the support that a winning ball team should have.

DID YOU KNOW THAT???????

Donnie Money got paper dolls for Christmas.

Pat Clark will go with anyone and everyone (so she says).

Norma Gray had dinner with Charles Christy and Family Saturday night.

Carolyn Gabal and Betty Niekoff fouds everyday over a certain senior boy.

Mary Robinson has been seeing quite a bit of a certain boy from Purdue.

Pat Pickens just can't make up her mind.

Jin Smith was square dancing with a certain senior girl in the typing room Friday when Mrs. McCalmant walked in.

It makes a certain junior boy very angry to call him Bulldog.

Ronald Ward received an invitation to spend Saturday evening at the home of an Avon graduate. Did you accept, Ronnie?

A certain senior girl is just crazy over Charles Smith?

Geneva and Lydia didn't get to sleep until 1:30 Thursday night.

Mervin Clark certainly changed his committee members a little.

Elinor Knauss received a Xmas present at the Plainfield ballgame. Was it D. R., Elinor?

Teedie Flanagan loves to ride in big maroon Buicks. Doesn't she, Earl?

Grade News

FIRST GRADE

The first grade enjoyed a joint birthday party celebrated for Judy Ann Kecher and Roddy Lane. Refreshments of ice-cream and cake were served.

SECOND GRADE

Terrance Birch celebrated his birthday Monday, Jan. Dianna Ross, Thursday 19th and Jean Ellen Wright will celebrate hers on Christmas.

Patrick Burnett sent the second grade some cotton from Georgia.

THIRD GRADE

The third grade have their Christmas decorations up, including Santa Claus and a very pretty tree.

The third grade have been reviewing in spelling of 25 words each day for their test.

FOURTH GRADE

The fourth grade had twenty six 100's out of thirty-one pupils.

SIXTH GRADE

The sixth graders were very pleased to have the first and second graders come and visit our room and look at the decorations. We hope they enjoyed their visit and we wish to invite them back.

In health we have been thinking of behavior, habits and attitudes. The question that brought about some very good discussion was: "Were we born with our personality as it is or is it a result of our habits? Another question was: How do our companions effect our attitudes, habits and behavior?"

We wish to thank those who made it possible for us to have lights on our Christmas Tree.

SEVENTH GRADE

The Seventh Grade had a class party Monday afternoon from 2:00 to 3:30. They had their gift exchange. The game committee which consisted of Charlotte Tharp, Louise Gibbs, Kaye Rideour and Wilma Munier planned the following games; Indoor Baseball, Dodge Ball, Relay Races and Follow the Leader. Their sponsor is Mrs. Sturgeon.

EIGHTH GRADE

The eighth grade held a party Friday night at the school house from 7:00 to 10:00. They played several games and then had their gift exchange. Refreshments were served by the food committee. Those serving on the committee were Chairman: Marilyn Cavandar, and Betty Smith Carol Cornwell, and Rose Simpson.