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Amidst the hustle of the season  
We seldom think of the real reason  
Why we have Christmas celebrations—  
Why that day is honored by all nations.  
It began two thousand years ago,  
When a brilliant star cast out its glow  
Over a crude and lowly stable,  
So three adoring wise men were able  
To find the place where the Christ Child lay  
On his humble bed of fragrant hay.  
Christmas presents, cards, and trees—  
We all delight in customs like these.  
Disappointed girls and boys  
Would abound without Santa to bring them toys.  
But why do we celebrate Christmas Day?  
Is it for carols and mistletoe?  
No, it's for our Savior's birth  
One night in Bethlehem, long years ago.

## SHS Busybodies

### Council Cares, Collects

On the agenda of post-holiday activities for Student Council is the organization of a special Care project and commencement of the 1959 tax stamp drive. At their last meeting Ed Yates was elected Parliamentarian.

The Care project will support the sending of books and food packages to needy families in other lands. One dollar will buy 22

pounds of food.

To put the campaign into action, Student Council will give an initial \$100. To give the students a high incentive to contribute, the SC will match the donations of the student body.

Members of the Care and tax stamp committees are as follows:

Care - Wanda Hayes, chairman; Dave Hunter, Polly Jones, Sue Mosher, Powell Schmauch and Dave Brown.

Tax Stamps - Dick Sandrock, chairman; Richard Citino, Mickey Cope and Karen Elliott.

### Story, Carols Echo Through SHS Gym

Carols echoed through the gym today as a climax to the annual Christmas assembly.

The pledge of allegiance was followed by a reading of the Christmas story as recorded in the Bible.

Ending the assembly, chorus director Ed Miller led the student body in singing carols.

### Junior Red Cross Collects Food, Plays Santa to Needy Families

To help needy families of Salem the Junior Red Cross held its annual collection of food this week.

Students turned in packaged and canned goods to their homeroom representatives, who handed the donations over to the local Senior Red Cross chapter for distribution to the less fortunate.

Representative articles of collected foods are on display in the library showcase, labeled with the number of the donating person's homeroom.

Evidence of the generosity of SHS students was shown by the quantity of foods collected.

### Sisters to Initiate New Hi Tri Gals

Candlelight will fill the student lounge when the junior members of Hi Tri receive their long-awaited pins from their "big sisters" at 7 p.m. on January 6.

Arranging entertainment for the candlelight initiation are Betsy Young and her committee of Margie Vaughan, Elaine Migliarini and Ginny Stirling. Ruth Coy heads the refreshment committee, comprised of Sonna Cox, Carol Deutsch and Janice Calkins.

As the strains of German and French Christmas carols ring through the air and sparkling tinsel Christmas trees brighten the halls, SHSers are reminded that the Christmas spirit is in the air.

Singing out during second, third, and fifth periods today, the German I and French II classes broadcast yuletide carols over the PA system.

Frenchmen presented Sainte Nuit, while the German vocalists gave Stille Nacht and O Tannenbaum.

Salem High's spacious library sported the traditional red and green during the last week.

Enhancing the glass windows and doors at the entrance are stencils of wreaths, holly, snowflakes and stars, while suspended directly inside the entrance is a mobile with tiny wreaths and a minute manger scene.

A painted Christmas tree, decorations and all, created by senior Carol Luce, adorns the bulletin board to the right of the entrance, while a pine cone from the woods of northern Michigan adds a holiday air to the check-out desk.

Student Council members and alternates trimmed the gaily striped poles in the main entrance hall and the two

## Taylor Will Emcee Hop; Dance to 'Break In' Y

Dancehalls will be decked out in yuletide decor as various groups plan parties and dances for the Christmas holidays. Ted Taylor to Emcee "Jingle Bell Hop".

WSOM disk-jockey Ted Taylor will man the record player tomorrow evening, when he emcees the Hi-Fi Club's Christmas dance, the Jingle Bell Hop.

To be held at 8:30 p.m. in the cafeteria, the dance will feature SHS's Lollipops, Pat Swenningson, Mickey Cope, Karen Elliott, and Mary Lou Anderson during intermission.

Tickets for the event, which is the first to be sponsored by the club, may be purchased from any Hi-Fi member or at the door for 50 cents.

Decoration, entertainment, publicity, refreshment and phone are the five permanent committees which will supervise activities in their areas for all Hi-Fi-sponsored activities.

### Y-Teens Semi-formal

Initiating the many dances to be held in the new YWCA will be the first semi-formal on December 29, sponsored by the sophomore Y-Teens.

Les Eckhart's orchestra will provide the background for dancing from 8:30 to 11:30. Heading the social committee which is planning the dance is Sandy Hawkins, who is assisted by the following sub-committee chairmen: Mary Pat Barrett—decorations; Rosemarie Shoe—refreshments; Beverly Tasker—music; Judy Spooner—tickets; Anne Marie Lavelle—chaperones, and Ruth Doyle and Barbara Mellinger—art.

## Vacation Sees Seniors Cram For OGS Test

Prepping during Christmas vacation, six seniors will return to school next year ready for the Ohio General Scholarship Test.

This year, since more than the required 20 students plan to take it, the exam will be given at SHS on January 10.

The test, which is varied in subject matter, is divided into sections covering math, science, English, literature and reading. The registration fee is about one dollar.

After the tests are completed, they will be sent to Columbus, where they will be graded and the scores compared with those from all over the state.

Results will be announced at the annual recognition assembly next spring. At that time high scorers will receive certificates of merit.

## Band to Jaunt to Canal Fulton, Tunes up for Coming Assembly

Tuning up for its first program in the new school, the SHS band is preparing for the assembly of January 15.

Transforming into a traveling band it will jaunt to Canal Fulton on January 17 to attend the band clinic, while on February

27 it will play host to the All-County Band, which is composed of the best players in the area.

Tryouts for the Canal Fulton meet are open to all bandsmen. A select group of musicians, recommended by their directors, will be chosen at the clinic to play under the baton of Mr. Nilo Hovey of Elkhart, Ind. and Mr. Don McGinnis of Ohio State University.

Performing for the conference will be the Ohio State Band directed by Mr. McGinnis.

Solo and ensemble music is being dug out of dusty shelves in preparation for solo contests in the spring.

### Hey, Cut It Out!

Odd aromas, pale pusses and tormented teachers - these are all part of a red-letter day for biology students. It's their first dissection!

So far all are present and accounted for, thanks partly to chewing gum, which has been legalized while in biology class because it cuts down on the odor.

Despite not-so-fragrant fingers and formaldehyde fumes in the eyes, biologists now have the inside story on the worm, fish and frog.

## Festive Xmas Sights, Sounds Bedeck Halls

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pine trees, found at the front entrance and in the cafeteria.

These decorations were results of the work of Hanna Samijlenko, Linda Griffiths, Linda Heston, Barbara Tasker, Bonnie Getz, Ed Yates, Mike Boyd, Jim McNeal and Henry Lieder.

Wax candles, wax glittered stars, paper mache animals, and choristers appearing on the windows add a festive air to the art room this yuletide season.

As a special project, Richard Burt and Barb Jeffries have been working on a giant sized water color painting of the Christmas story.

