

give my regards to Mrs. Claus

Dear Santa,

I realize I'm a bit old to be writing you but there are a few things I'd like to take up with you. Now that I'm almost 20, people seem to take it for granted that you are no longer real.

I don't understand why; when I was three, you were said to be alive; but now they feel you're gone. It's as if it is my age, not yours, that makes the difference. I know you are there or why else would I write?

First of all, I wonder if perhaps your helpers aren't beginning to push Christmas over Thanksgiving. Personally, I feel this is rather greedy as the Christmas season is already the biggest holiday we have. It does seem you might let Thanksgiving hold its own.

Another thing I've been wondering about is the Christ child. I felt you would be unbiased on this subject. Did He really come to establish

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peace? Do you feel Christmas has become more commercialized than was the original idea?

There are so many of your helpers dressed like you that I'm not even sure I've seen you around. How do I know which is really you? By the way, are those people on the corners ringing bells and holding buckets your helpers, too?

I've been wondering about these things, Santa, and thought you might have some ideas on the subjects mentioned.

Now, while I have your attention, I would like to point out that last year was a little thin in the way of presents. However, this year I would like: 1 pair of skates (ice—size $6\frac{1}{2}$)

1 pair of skis and poles, 1 ski outfit

Sincerely, A Believer

P.S. Have a Merry Christmas and my regards to Mrs. Claus. j. y.

free will versus social pressure

Any person or group of persons who rely on social pressure to persuade their fellow man to conform to their way of thinking is violating

conform to their way of thinking, is violating man's God-given freedom—something which God Himself does not violate, because God instituted free will.

Have you ever stopped to wonder how Satan, through the inventions of man, has distorted natural human relations and made them into superficial patterns of socially acceptable behavior?

People who are not sure of their own individual identity will invariably attempt to destroy any individual trying to be his real self.

The mere presence of a real person in any group will cause unreal people to feel envy and hatred. This is why the people of the world rejected and crucified Christ, because His real successes denied their existence.

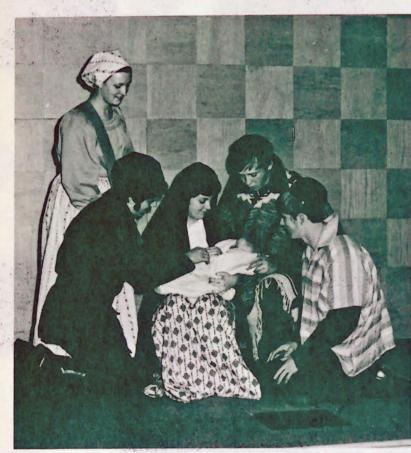
People who are not yet mature in their understanding of God's plan of cestoring man's whole identity, will often comuse the efforts of social pressure in the church with the efforts of the Holy Spirit to transform man. The individuality of a person is the soul of the person, created unique and free. If a person surrenders or subjects his free will, to be himself, in order to secure social acceptance he will lose his soul.

If the group allows the individual to be himself it can provide security without sacrificing the individual's spiritual integrity. The people of this college who resort to social pressure to convict and mold students into institutionalized patterns of social behavior do not believe in the power of the Holy Spirit to transform character into the image of God. Religious intolerance, in all of its subtle forms, is a wicked tool of Satan which is very artfully deployed among would-be Christians to destroy the individual's conviction by the Holy Spirit to be himself in Christ. Today young people throughout our denomination are seeking to displace hypocrisy with a dynamic, real and relevant religion. But often young people do not realize that they are deceived by Satan to relegate their own forms of hypocrisy.

Young Christians who detest the manipulation of man's free will to be himself, through adult pressure and college policy, fail to realize the destruction of innocent, hopeful souls that they are responsible for whenever they ostracize individuals in their peer group. They do this by subtle aggravation and overbearing assertion of their own ego. For this very reason, as much as any other cause if not more, we have experienced a progressive decrease in student enrollment for the last few years. In addition the vitality of our united spirit here at Union has suffered greatly. When all is said and done, social pressure will not unite us; only through the power of the Holy Spirit can we unite.

God Himself so loved the truth, freedom, and justice of His creation that He did not destroy Satan but allowed him to prove himself. Can we as young people who desire to be God-like deny an individual the right to be himself?

I do not deny it takes courage to stand as an individual even though the heavens may fall. Yet standing up with courage to secure the freedom for everyone to be himself will guarantee your freedom to be yourself. And who knows, the soul you save may be your own.



The shepherds crowd around Mary and the new-born Savior as the farmlooks on. "The Business of Good Government," this year's Christmas play, will be presented tonight at 8 o'clock in the College View church.

Christmas Play "The Business of Good Government"

The flight of Joseph and Mary into Government" looks both backward Egypt is the focal point of the Christmas play, "The Business of Good Government," which will be presented tonight at 8 o'clock in the College View Church. The play will be the finale of the Union for Christ programs this semester.

Written by the contemporary English playwrite John Arden, the play was originally performed in the church of St. Michael in Somerset, England during the Christmas season of 1960. Audiences on several continents have witnessed the production of this play.

The play approaches the traditional Christmas story with its wise men and shepherds more from the standpoint of Herod the Great, on whose shoulders rest the responsibilities of maintaining good government. The expedient political decisions of Herod give the play an almost modern flavor.

In a Clock Tower interview with play director Duane J. Fike the general theme of the play was discussed. Mr. Fike in speaking of the play said, "The audience will find that "The Business of Good and forward, in that the familiar story of the birth of Jesus is coupled with the ideas found in much present-day political thinking, such as taking that action which 'appears' to be for the common good."

In order to accentuate the contemporary theme of the play, Mr. Fike reports that he is using such costuming that would enable the recognition of the identity of the characters and yet remain "timeless." He also remarked that the costumes will not include the traditional long and flowing Biblical robes.

Another salient feature of the play, remarked Mr. Fike, is the fact that the characters are in full audience view throughout the entire play, even while not performing. He added that musical solos which are an integral part of the action should lend interest to the play.

"We were fortunate to find a play

that has all the color of the traditional pageantry associated with the birth of Jesus and yet one which has a message and speaks to each of us in these uncertain times,' commented Mr. Fike.

The role of Herod will be played by Mike Conditt, with James Ehrlich as Herod's secretary. Richard Barron will portray the Angel and Tim Garrison is Joseph and Cathy Valentine is Mary. The parts of the wise men will be played by Earnest Yount, Mike Dirkson, and Leon Higgs.

Acting as the shepherds will be Gale Page, Mike Tachenko, and Fred Crowell. The character of the midwife will be portrayed by Bev Ruggles, the hostess at the inn will be acted by Mary Christenson, and the role of the farm girl will be created by Kathy Nelson.

Others assisting with the production are Denise Mosley and Becky Jones.

o not be afraid

by Betty Jochmans

The teen-age boy roused himself slowly from sleep. No light showed at the small window in the corner of the room but still half asleep; he raised one arm involuntarily, in a gesture to shield his eyes from some strong light. Then he awoke suddenly, his eyes open wide and wondering. What a weird dream! What had it been about. . . As full consciousness claimed his mind, the last remnants of the elusive dream vanished and all he could remember was the urge to protect his eyesfrom what? He couldn't remember. But something else had entered his mind now-something excitingyes, today was the day he started his new job! All remembrance of the dream was wiped from his mind now. The new job. He was starting today on a new job.

His family had just moved out here to the country. His father said it wasn't safe to live in the city anymore, ever since the riots in the streets had been put down by armed guards. He still reinembered those guards, in their helmets, wielding their weapons against the guilty and innocent alike. It was better here in the country, even if all of his old friends were far away and it was lonely at times. His family was safe now, and that's what mattered most.

The boy jumped from his bed, brushed himself off and began scrambling around looking for his clothes. They were of cheap, coarse material, but they were warm. He threw back his long dark hair as he splashed cold water onto his face. He felt his chin tentatively, as he did every morning, to check if any growth had occurred during the night. Nothing much. He shrugged

his shoulders; a beard would come in time.

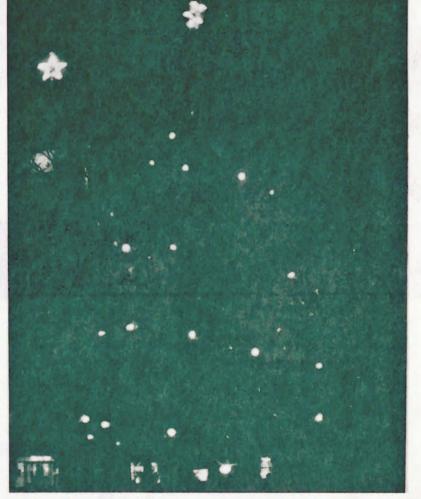
He wondered what it would be like on the new job. He knew he would be all alone most of the time, and that was alright with him. Jobs were hard to get, and this one suited him. He wondered how his little charges would react to having a newcomer with them today. He sighed; soon he would know all about it and soon he would be facing any problems that came up. He hoped that he would do well and that his skills would grow through the years.

He glanced through the window and up toward the still dark sky. The strange feeling that his dream had created returned and he suddenly felt afraid. What had that dream been about? There was a bright light-that was all he could remember now. He put aside the idea and started for the door. No one else in his home was up. On a table he found the food that he was to take with him on his job. The other equipment he needed was ready for him by the door. Bracing his shoulders, he went out through the doorway and looked at the vast expanse of land and sky before him. It was a good job, and here, it was a good life. Without formulating any precise thought he unconsciously bowed his head in humility before he started off to take up his new duties.

About two hours later he was far from his home, seated on a hilltop. There was a bite in the air and while there were no more stars in the sky than usual, there was more light than he ever remembered. The boy looked around and one particular star caught his eye. Why had he never noticed that star before? How

bright it was and how low it hung in the heavens-as though it were pointing down to one spot on earth. Now the sheep had stopped stirring and were strangely silent; no more bleating could be heard from any of them. Then, as though the heavens had opened, a great light shone down on the boy and his flock. He rose to his feet and for the second time that day he raised his arm to protect his eyes from the ravishing light that was flooding the earth all around him. Fear and some unseen force threw him back to the ground and at that instant he saw an angel before him, dressed in flowing white robes. Brilliant light surrounded the angel and the shepherd boy cringed closer to the earth. The angel, in a powerful yet calming voice, spoke "Do not be afraid; I have good news for you.'

The boy lay on the ground in stunned silence as the words of the angel told him of the wonderful news about the birth of the Messiah. The final words of the message were, 'And this is your sign: you will find a baby lying wrapped in his swaddling clothes, in a manger." Then the angel was no longer alone and other angels, singing the praises of God, appeared before the shepherd. By now the light was so great that the boy could not look directly at the angels before him and afterwards he was to wonder over and over again exactly what they all looked like. Then just as suddenly as they had come, ther were gone, and the shepherd was once again alone. Now he understood the dream and he believed the message and the vision he had seen. Without hesitation he started off down the hillside to Bethlehem and the manger.



The Christmas-tree lighting ceremony took place on front campus last Sunday evening. After a short worship talk, Christmas carols were sung by those participating in the ceremony. After Dean Achord presented a talk for the occasion, President Brown turned on the lights. Donuts and hot chocolate were served afterwards in the Rees Hall club room.



Travel film to feature "Bali"

"Bali" will be the subject of the travel-adventure film presented by Mr. Chris Borden on December 12.

Bali, a tropical island, contains many smoking volcanoes and some 10,000 temples. The film will include some of the more spectacular of these sites, including one temple built on a 300-foot cliff over-hanging the ocean.

Other highlights of the film will include temple rites, colorful processions and ceremonies, and an in-depth study of the life of a Balinese family. This film is the first travel film on Bali to be produced in 12 years.

Chris Borden has had a wide background in the area of radio and television communications. In 1965 he began to devote himself full time the production of travelto adventure films, Mr. Borden has also produced some 15 films for television, as well as assisting with two major film documentaries.

His film "Bali" is feature length, and will be in color. It will be accompanied by stereophonic music and sound effects recorded on location

The film will begin at 8 p.m. in the College Gym. The admission fee for the community will be \$1.00 for adults, and \$.50 for children and students. College students should bring their ID cards.

amatic moment in the Kupukupu Tjarum dance, as performed in CHRIS BORDEN'S BALI. The travel-adventure film will be shown in the College Gym tomorrow night.

Inquest ____ "C" vs. NU "B" Union

Questions Answers

Question: Is it true that a 'C' in chemistry at Union would be a 'B' at the University of Nebraska? If so, who benefits and how? If so, are our less brilliant students penalized for the reputation of the school in a way that they would not be penalized were they not Adventists seeking a Christian education.? M. B.

INQUEST: Dr. Evard, chairman of the Physical Science Department, answers that this is not true. In the first place, how can grades be compared? Several years ago one girl who dropped Dr. Evard's biochemistry class failing decided to take the 'easier' course at the University during the summer. She was shocked to find out her instructor was Dr. Evard; she passed the very same course with C's. Also the less brilliant students at Union have access to two help sessions a week and receive more personalized instruction than available at the University. And in answer to the last question, Dr. Evard asks whether you would rather have it the other way around when Mrs. White stated that our educational system and instruction should be the best.

Question: In the light of the recent ruling by a Lincoln court concerning residency requirements for college students I am wondering if I am considered a resident of Nebraska or of my home state. K. L.

INQUEST: INQUEST contacted the state Attorney General's office and this is what they said: The law concerning residency requirements for tuition pertains only to tuition at state colleges and has no bearing on other residency requirements. However there are other requirements to meet. As an example, a Union College student from Iowa recently applied to the election commissioner for vote registration, but the court turned down his application because he did not intend to make Nebraska his permanent residence. There are many factors involved and each case must be judged individually.

Question: What percentage of students actively participated in Missions Promotions Day and what was the total amount raised? D.F.

INQUEST: The total amount brought in by students and staff on Missions Promotions Day was \$1,598. Student contributions and donated labor brought in another \$223 and the auction \$93 for a total of \$1,913. Since then the staff has solicited and contributed \$1,468. No record has been kept of the amount raised by students by solicitation for their or other churches. About 20 percent of the student body participated in the actual solicitation.

Question: Why are there such limitations to the operation, music, and outreach of KUCV-FM? J. H.

INQUEST: Mr. Hauck states that KUCV is an educational station and as such does not attempt to compete with commercial stations. What is presented on the station is representative of Union; the music played on the station therefore is what is being taught at Union. As for the operation and outreach, they are limited by the finances available. Because of a lack of funds, the programming time will be cut back next year. Mr. Hauck stated that it is his dream to have a station of 10,000 or more watts that would reach Omaha and Council Bluffs, but that it has been an uphill fight to keep the present station, and at present that fight is going downhill.

INQUEST: The Lincoln Postmaster reports that he contacted the regional attorney for the Post Office and that he informed him the Post Office relinquishes authority over mail when it has fulfilled its initial delivery at a central point of an institution.

Student Senate

New Business Manager elected

At the Student Senate meeting and pastoral responsibilities and held on December 2 Wes Quale was elected to replace Guy Barker, who is graduating at the end of this semester, as ASB Business Manager.

Vicki Christensen was selected to serve on the advisory staff of Insight magazine until August, 1971. Her duties will include assessing the feeling toward Insight of students in this geographical area, and to offer suggestions on how to improve the magazine. Most of her work will be through correspondence, but a trip to Washington, D.C. is a possibility.

The Senate voted unanimously to discuss with the Nebraska and Central Union Conferences the possibilities of obtaining a college chaplain. The Senate felt that, since the pastors of the College View Church have the responsibility of the village members and the religion teachers are busy with their academic work, a college chaplain would help fill the religious and spiritual needs of this school. The chaplain would be free of academic

could devote his time entirely to the stiritual needs of the school and the individual student.

The Senate also decided to review the school's insurance policy. It was the feeling of the Senate that the present coverage is not sufficient to meet the needs of a student if he should require hospital care.

After studying the student center project, which was started last school year, it was voted to release the idea of using the old book bindery. Plans are tentative at the moment, but the school will investigate the possibilities of moving the bookstore to the old city library on the corner of 48th and Prescott and using the present bookstore building as a student center. It is the understanding that Union College will acquire the old city library building when the city has finished building a new library at 56th and Normal. The school administration plans to study this idea in order to meet the immediate needs of the student body. More discussion will follow at the next Senate meeting.

Is it angels that I hear?

by Darrell Holtz

Eliezer rolled over in his bed, trying to relax after a hectic day. The Romans had their bad points, he mused, but at least this taxation edict was a boon to the innkeepers. That's why he was in bed so earlyhe couldn't possibly find room for another guest. Why, he'd even gotten a couple of pennies from a young traveller with a pregnant wife for some space in the stable! If only it were like this all the time, he reflected ruefully

The streets outside rang with hoarse shouts, boisterous laughter, and the occasional snarl of a

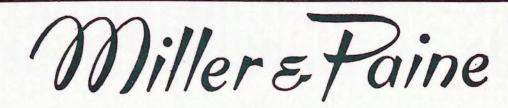
drunken brawl. How's a man supposed to sleep in this, he thought. But he rolled over again, closed his ears to the noise, and was soon asleep.

He awakened, almost gently, in the star-pierced darkness, hours before morning; and at first he wondered why. For though Bethlehem would normally have bustled throughout the night with so many visitors in town, there was almost no sound outside. The town lay still, and Eliezer wondered what had awakened him.

And then he heard it again-



The bright star on the top of the administration building creates a con-trast similar to the one the actual star pointing the way to the Savior in Bethlehem may have made.



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music, distant and soft, but magnificent. He couldn't make out the words, but the song—the wafting melody, more penetrating in its beauty than all of the city's noises drew him, tugged at his emotions. He lay in solemn stillness to hear the angels-angels?-sing.

Well, they did sound like angels, he told himself as the music slowly faded. Their song was so joyous, so tenderly loving. It had touched a dormant chord in him; had stirred up commerce-faded memories of Messianic dreams. He felt inexplicably happy as he lay there, wondering about the source and meaning of the music in this strangely silent night.

There were footsteps on the street outside, and moments later there were gentle voices from-from the stable, it sounded like. He wondered if the young couple out there had heard the music, too. And the voices—maybe he should go out and see what was happening.

But drowsiness overcame him. And besides, he reasoned, what of any importance could happen in that stable? Tomorrow would be another busy day; no holidays this time of year, not for innkeepers. Better get some sleep, Eliezer told himself. He yawned, and just as he began to doze off, he wondered sleepily why the sky outside his window looked so bright. Almost as if somebody had put a big, bright star up there. . . .

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What's happening -

Over-protection; Is it desireable?

Dear Editor:

In regard to the letter in the December 4 edition of the Clock Tower related to exposing Union College students to computer dating:

Why do we expect our schools to protect and shield Christian young people from such "detrimental" activities as computer dating? My experience in the college environment (non-parent) has indicated to me that extremely protective environments and lack of home discipline are some of the major causes of college disciplinary problems today.

Through the years, our young people have been protected to the extent that their decision making process has not developed at a normal rate. Then at a certain point, they realize that they can and are expected to make their own decisions.

With this new attitude, they do make decisions without proper training and development and on occasion make the wrong decision; and parents and others wonder why. To prolong realization of the student's inadequacies, parents expect and demand the college to continue providing a similar protective environment; and then wonder why young people rebel or fall by the wayside after exposure to Christian several years of education.

Parents, do your part and support our Christian schools as they continue the decision development process based on Christian principles. Please don't expect them to do your part, and don't criticize young people for your failures.

Sincerely, Roy Orr **ASB** President

Convocation features debate on campus

Population control will be the subject of a formal debate to be held in assembly today. Ray Kelch will moderate the panel, with Darrell Holtz and Bruce Aalborg taking the positive side and Rodney Brodin and Wayne Nielsen taking the negative position.

They plan to follow regular debate format. Two affirmative and two negative speeches will be given alternately; then there will be opportunity for two affirmative and two negative rebuttals in the same alternative order.

An audience ballot will be taken following the debate. The formal resolution reads as follows: Resolved that international measures for population control should be initiated.

Santa in Home Ec.

. . Seems Santa is honoring the Home Economics Department, for I hear him yelling in the shower-'On ripper, on thimble, on tension and basting, on needles, on pins, on bobbin and tracing." These were the opening remarks of "What's New in Home Economics," given by Lanette Lane at the Home Economics Club's Christmas party December 1.

Refreshments consisted of fruit salad, punch, and a variety of breads. Christmas carols, directed by Veronica Roach, introduced the program. Special guest Ruthita Jensen then recited a story entitled "I Was Jimmy's Girl."

The girls then played games and drew door prizes. The winners received a braided, golden loaf of bread. Those receiving prizes were: Sarah Stratton, Helen Dick, Jan Gennetten, Charlene Gibson, Denise Mosley, and Dessa Weikum.



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Clyde Thomas

"Christmas Bash" held

A "Christmas Bash" is coming to the Student Center December 12 from 6-8 p.m.

A funny film will be shown, carols sung, and lots of good refreshments served. The bash will be very informal, as no chairs will be furnished.

Says Sandy Frick, Chairman of the Student Center, "Come to our 'Christmas Bash,' bring a friend, and relax before test week hits us all!'

The Student Center has been gaily decked for the Christmas season with a green Christmas tree, snow on the windows, and mistletoe hanging from the ceiling.

Dr. Wiltse speaks

Dr. G. L. Wiltse, an Adventist doctor from the Northern Union, will highlight the next Pre-Med Club Meeting.

"Dr. Wiltse will speak on the importance of doctors returning to the Midwest to practice after receiving their training," reports Rick Murray, Pre-Med Club Co-Chairman.

The meeting will be held in Jorgenson Hall, December 19, at 6:30 p.m.

Christmas concert

The combined voices of the Unionaires and the Golden Chords Chorale, along with the String Orchestra, will present their annual Christmas program tomorrow at 4 p.m. in the College View Church.

The 67-member group, under the direction of O. L. Shupe, instructor in music, will feature "Gloria," an oratorio by Antonio Vivaldi. Soloists Will be Mary Christenson, Shirley Wargo, and Louise Penhallurick. Lanny Collins will play the organ. Following "Gloria," the Unionaires and the Golden Chords Chorale will each sing two numbers. The Unionaires will sing "Today Christ Is Born," by Healy Willan and "Glory to God in the Highest," by G. B. Pergolesi. The Golden Chords Chorale will present "Coventry Carol," an English melody, and "O Holy Night," by Adolphe Adam.

The program will conclude with a processional while the congregation sings, "O Come All Ye Faithful."

The entire presentation will last about one hour, according to Shupe.

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"A"&"B" leaders undefeated

football team ended this year's league club this year. The joy of season with a perfect record of nine wins and no losses. Their sole possession of first place was basically unchallenged during the last few games of the season.

Lockert's team displayed a whole team effort, both offensively and defensively, throughout the entire season. The team's ability to keep control of the ball was a large factor in many of their season wins. Lockert's games may have been exciting to those watching because of their explosive offensive attacks, but no one will deny the fact that his team's strong defensive efforts were equally as important.

What had been apparent all season long became official last week-



Steve Lockert's "A" league Ordelheide's team is the top "B" receiving the crown was even heightened by the fact that the league champions played a perfect season, ten wins and no losses.

> Dominating the entire season, Ordelheide's team finished far out in front of their nearest contender in White who posted a season record of 7 - 4. The biggest race for position in "B" League was between the second, third and fourth place teams.

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Roberts	5-2-1	.833		
Larson	4-4-1	.500		
Hannah	4-4-0	.500		
Morgan	1-8-0	.125		
"B"	League			
Ordelheide	10-0-0	1.000		
White	7-4-0	.636		
Robinette	4-4-0	.500		
Baker	3-4-0	.428		
Chinchuretta	2-5-0	.285		
Clarke	2-6-0	.250		
Hill	2-8-0	.000		



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