

MERRY CHRISTMAS

WEATHER

(Week of Dec. 15-22)
 Low: 30 (Dec. 18) High: 67 (Dec. 19)
 Soil Temp Range: 52-53 degrees
 Rainfall: 1.19 ins.
 (Dec. 17, 20, 21, 22)

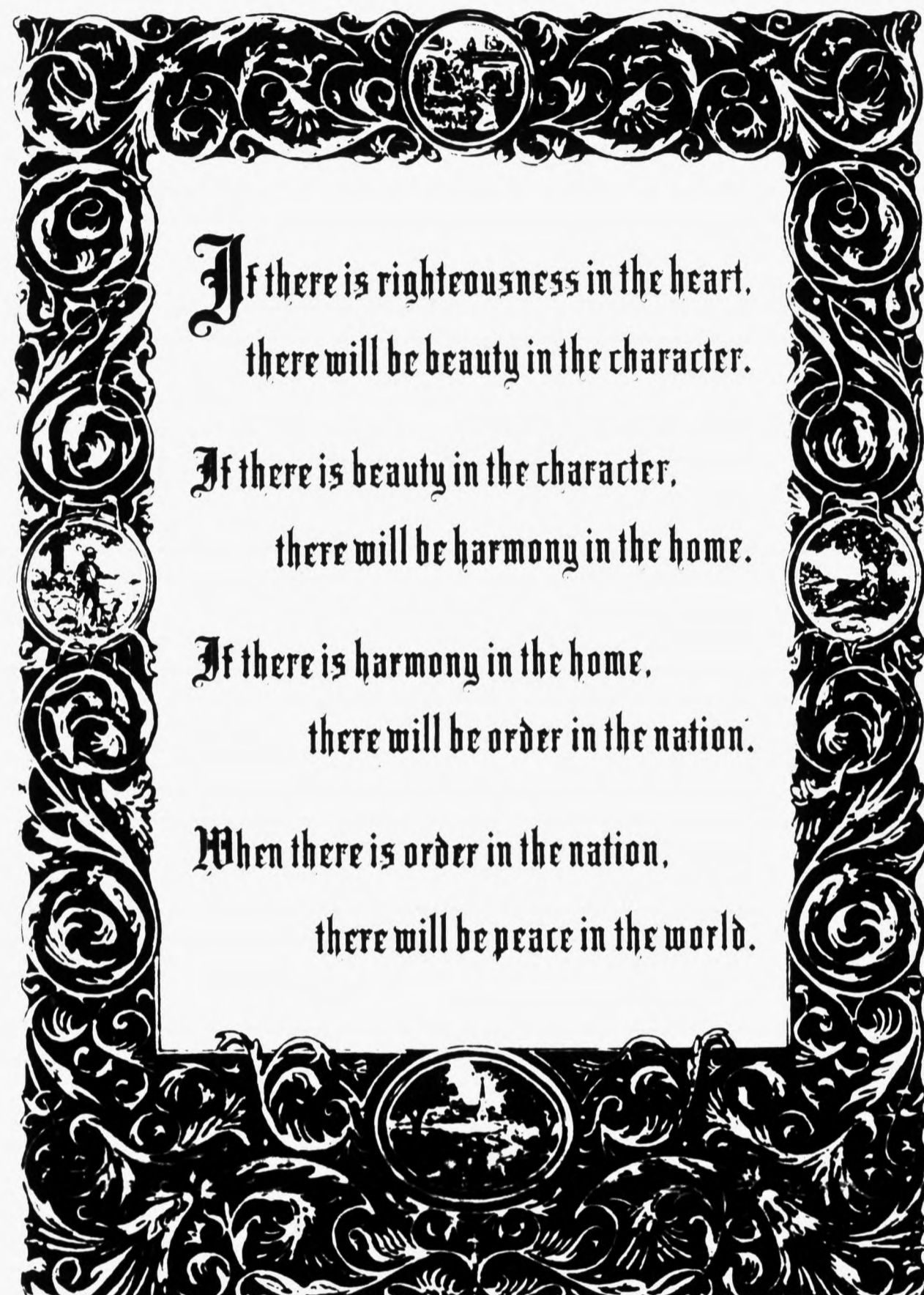
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If there is righteousness in the heart,
 there will be beauty in the character.

If there is beauty in the character,
 there will be harmony in the home.

If there is harmony in the home,
 there will be order in the nation.

When there is order in the nation,
 there will be peace in the world.

To Assume Duties In June Dr. Jacobs Named Fourth President Of Thornwell



DR. JACOBS

Dr. Allen Cleveland Jacobs will become the fourth President of Thornwell Orphanage in Clinton. Dr. Jacobs was elected by the Board of Trustees on December 1st, and the announcement of his acceptance was made Tuesday to the Thornwell family by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Richard de Montmolin. The announcement said that Dr. Jacobs would assume the duties of the Presidency by June 1, 1971.

Dr. Jacobs is not related to the descendants of Dr. William Plumer Jacobs, who founded Thornwell in 1875. A 52-year-old native of Cheraw, South Carolina, he is a graduate of Thornwell, where he was an outstanding athlete. Currently, he is president of Presbyterian Home for Children in Talladega, Alabama, a position he has held for the past 20 years.

In an address to the Thornwell students at noon Tuesday, Mr. Richard de Montmolin, chairman of Thornwell's Board of Trustees, told them:

"Many of you know Dr. Jacobs personally, and certainly all of you have heard of him. He has been a frequent visitor on the campus for many years, most recently as the speaker at commencement last May...."

"... In the 95-year history of Thornwell, only three men have been privileged to serve as her President. It is ample evidence of the guiding hand of God that those men have all been uniquely qualified to serve in their own times. Several years ago, when a committee from the Board of Trustees was instructed to look for the man who would serve as Thornwell's fourth President, it

seemed that the hand of God led us directly to the man who was most qualified for this high calling. Dr. Jacobs' life here at Thornwell as a student, where he was an outstanding athlete... his training as a minister at Presbyterian College and Columbia Seminary... and his long experience as the head of one of our church's homes for children, give him a background possessed by no other. It would seem that God has been preparing Allen Jacobs for this calling for many years. We are grateful for it... and for the fact that God put into the heart of Allen Jacobs a willingness to accept this great challenge...."

Dr. Jacobs is a 1942 graduate of Presbyterian College, where he was a halfback on the football team, and an outstanding member of the track team. He was captain of the track team during his senior year.

He served as an infantry officer during World War II, rising to the rank of captain prior to his discharge in 1945.

In 1946, he entered Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia, and upon graduation, accepted the pastorate of the James Island Presbyterian Church, in South Carolina's Charleston Presbytery. Two years later, he accepted the Presidency of the Alabama Presbyterian Home for Children. In 1958, Presbyterian College awarded him an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree on the basis of his work at the children's home.

Dr. Jacobs is married to the former Agnes Hope Gwaltney of Charlotte, North Carolina. They have four sons and two daughters.

In Talladega, Dr. Jacobs has been active in civic affairs, having served as President of the Talladega Chamber of Com-

merce and as Chairman of the Boy Scout District. He served as Moderator of the Synod of Alabama in 1961.



Decorate Nursing Home Tree

The Thornwell High Beta Club chose as an activity for the Christmas season, the decorating of a tree at the Bailey Nursing Home on Thursday, Dec. 10.

The tree was provided by Dell's Beauty Shop and the decorations were made by the Beta Club members. The decorations were made from everyday items often discarded around the home; such as egg cartons, popcorn, scraps of

cloth, pine cones, tin cans and cranberries.

After decorating the tree, the group gave a program of carols, a reading by Mrs. Nelle Wingard, and a prayer by Mr. D. S. Templeton. Candy and refreshments were enjoyed by the residents and the Betas.

Mrs. Christine LeFevre serves as advisor to the Beta Club, and George Lynch is the president.

Members shown in the picture are from left to right: Frank Bruyer, Don Lundkovsky, Laurie Bee, Karen Robertson, Ann Yelton, Amy McKee, Raymond Conklin, Lynn Nicholson, and Mrs. Nelle Wingard.

Another activity engaged in was the decoration of a large bulletin board in the school study hall. This depicted the nativity scene.

Christmas Eve Services First Presbyterian Church

The annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service of the First Presbyterian Church will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evening.

Special music will be provided by the Sanctuary Choir, the Chapel Choir and the Carol Choir. Many old and some new special Christmas numbers will be sung by them under the able direction of Dr. Charles Gaines and Mrs. Gloria Wisor. Among the special numbers done by them will be "O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings" by Handel, Kevin's Carol by Faircloth, "Slumber, O Holy Jesus" by Wood, "Lovely Child, Holy Child" and "While By My Sheep" by Jungst.

The congregation will join the choirs in the singing of some of the best known Christmas carols, and will hear a special message from the director of development at Presbyterian College, Dr. Robert McCaslin, who will assist the pastor, Alfred L. Bixler, in this service. Because the service is planned for the entire family, the ministers and officers of the congregation join in extending an invitation to the entire community for this one hour service on Christmas Eve.

St. John's Lutheran Church

St. John's Lutheran Church will celebrate Christmas this year with a Candlelight Service on Thursday evening, December 24, beginning at 8:30.

The Candlelight Service will center around the singing of the Christmas carols, special Christmas music and the Christmas Scriptures. A Christmas meditation, "A Pondering of Peace", will be presented through a multi-dimensional medium prepared by Pastor John Setzler and some of the young people of the congregation. The community is invited to this service.

Chrismon Tree

St. John's Lutheran Church is again delighted to feature its annual Chrismon Tree as one of the focal points of the celebration of the Christmas season. The Chrismon, or "Christ-monograms", portray in symbolic form the message of the birth, the ministry and the Resurrection experience of the early Church on through the more modern symbols of the present day. The tradition of the Chrismon tree which began among Lutherans in Danville, Virginia, has now spread through most of the nation.

Under the direction of Mrs. Lewis C. Pitts, Chrismon chairman, and her committee, Chrismons were prepared and a fifteen-foot tree erected in the sanctuary of St. John's Lutheran Church as well as a smaller tree in Bailey Memorial Nursing Home.

The public is invited to view the tree for the next two Sunday afternoons during the Christmas season.

Emergency Aid Asked For County

Laurens County is one of 16 South Carolina counties recommended to be eligible for emergency livestock feed, according to U.S. Sen Strom Thurmond (R-SC).

Sen Thurmond said South Carolina was recommended by the S.C. Disaster Committee.

Senator Thurmond said, "I have been working on this for some time and will follow through with the Secretary of Agriculture Clifford Hardin to see that these designated areas are approved."

Extreme drought and corn blight affecting these areas have necessitated eligibility for this emergency program.

The sixteen counties are: Anderson, Bamberg, Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Greenville, Laurens, Marion, Newberry, Oconee, Orangeburg, Pickens, Sumter, Spartanburg, Union and York.

Greenwood Mills Plan Holiday

Greenwood Mills plants will observe Christmas holidays from Thursday, Dec. 24 through midnight Sunday, Dec. 27.

Plants will close at the end of the second shift, 12 midnight on Wednesday, Dec. 23, it was announced. Operations will be resumed beginning with the third shift, 12 midnight on Sunday, Dec. 27, the announcement said.

Christmas Day is a paid holiday for Greenwood Mills employees. All eligible employees will receive holiday pay for a full day's work.



CHRISTMAS SCENE—There's been a lot of traffic recently in front of Charlie McDaniel's home on Sunset Boulevard. The attraction is a 'Little Church in the Pines' constructed by Mr. McDaniel. He built the small church five years ago as part of a Christmas parade float. Now he has

is situated in front of his house as part of his Christmas season decorations. He has it wired for sound and it features Christmas music. He also has erected a sign which says, "Stop, roll down your windows and listen."

Mrs. R.I. Boland Dies In Lanford House Fire

LANDORD—Mrs. Mary Higgins Boland, 65, was burned to death Sunday night in a fire that heavily damaged her brick home at Lanford Station about 10 miles north of Laurens.

She was a widow of Robert I. Boland, a native of Clinton. Mrs. Boland's body was found in the smoldering ruins of her home shortly before midnight Sunday. Three persons entered the building in an effort to determine if anyone was inside but they were forced back by smoke. The fire originated in the den of the house. Mrs. Boland lived alone.

A native of Laurens County, she was a daughter of the late John Scott and Sallie Ferguson Higgins. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Clinton. Mrs. Boland was the last surviving member of her

immediate family. Graveside services were held Tuesday morning in Rosemont Cemetery in Clinton.

Post Office Holiday Hours

The Clinton Post Office will be closed all day Friday, Dec. 25, for Christmas. There will be no home mail delivery, city or rural, and no mail will be put in post office boxes.

On Saturday, Dec. 26, mail will be put in the post office boxes but there will be no city or rural delivery and no window service.

The main window at the Post Office will close at noon Thursday, Dec. 24.

Other Memoirs

BY JOE H. SIMPSON

One of the happiest days of childhood is that day when Santa Claus makes his annual visit. One of the items that he often brings boys and girls, too, is fireworks—firecrackers, sparklers, rockets, and many other items. These devices are used primarily on July Fourth in many sections of our country but around here, they generally are associated with Christmas. The merchant who doesn't sell his stock by the Christmas-New Year's holidays usually has to carry them over for some time.

I recall that the Clinton law was that no fireworks could be used in the business section of Clinton. However, in 1906 or 1907, the mayor allowed the merchants who sold fireworks to that department on Christmas day and to let the children to use them anywhere within two hours.

This was a roaring and noisy time and certainly helped the merchants to unload their stock to the pleasure of its children.