

# Deep and Shallows

## A Christmas Challenge

by Rebecca Anthony

O little town of Bethlehem,  
Where first was heard Christ's name,  
Once more thy music floods the air  
With midnight stars aflame.

O little town of Bethlehem  
Have nations failed, somehow?  
Midst music of the angel's song  
Where is the Christ-Child now?

## Words

by Loki

The sharp impression of a word  
Is chiseled on the mind;  
The syllables the ear has heard  
Are doubly sure to bind—

To pull the heartstrings of our thought,  
Inmost opinions shape,  
To think the way we have been taught,  
And mannerisms ape.

A word is really not a thing  
Except a kind of sound,  
And yet, from citizen to king,  
Its import is profound.

## That's What YOU Think

He's Lester S. Olson,  
And all through the house,  
He's quiet and peaceful,  
Just like a mouse.  
How come that he lives  
So tranquil a life?  
Why, just like the writer,  
He's scared of his wife!

—Ponderous

(Ed.'s note: Methinks this bears  
eth the earmarks of a dirty crack.)

## From "Life Begins At 80"

"Yesterday is a cancelled check;  
tomorrow is a promissory note;  
today is cash. . . spend it wisely."

## Girl Scout Troop Receives Thank You Letter From Bavaria

Judy Romed, official hostess for Troop 20 of the Ravinia intermediate school Girl Scouts, whose address was placed in each of the 30 Friendship kits sent overseas by that troop, has received the first letter of thanks for a kit from the Ulbrich family of Southofen, Bavaria. The letter follows:

"My dear family Romer!  
It was been a big day for me and my children to get your gift parcel. I can't say how surprised and glad we was been. I say with my 3 children very much thanks, but the words don't say what my

## Christmas candles



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## December Gale

The wind rose slowly, mounting steadily  
Until it reached the volume of a gale,  
And set the pattern for a revelry  
As freakish and abandoned as the winds  
Of perigatory. Demons, loosed  
from chains  
Plunging wildly, flung themselves  
through space,  
Triumphing in shrill, hobgoblin glee.

The trees became alarmed and wildly flung  
Their frantic arms in panic; or, perhaps  
It was emotion, stark, such as is shown  
In pagan rites; for presently some fell  
Prone on the ground, as though completely spent  
By their barbaric fire.

Outside the pane  
A tiny, quivering leaf  
Clung staunchly to its moor,  
Still anchored by the slenderest of stems.

How strange—how very wonderful  
That bonds so slight and so extremely frail  
Can be so tightly knit as to resist  
The fury of the storm!

## Coordination

Barby's cutting paper, now—  
A tricky thing to do;  
The scissors' jaws move up and down,  
And Barby's jaws move, too.

## Pumpkin Pranks

There're pumpkin heads and pumpkin eaters,  
And various kinds of pumpkin capers,  
But latest, and most up-to-date,  
Are pumpkin papers. —R.B.O.

heart will speak. My children can't believe that this is true, that peoples in America have sent this parcel and they ask us very much over you. They are speaking to everybody that they have gotten gifts from you.

I hope that your help God will pay and give for you a very good time.

I can only say; thank you from my heart, my girl with 10 years and my boys with 9 and 6 years, too, and they have happy eyes when we speak from you. First time I was living in the Tschecy, now we are refugees and I have a little room in the Russian zone of Germany. My sister is living in the U.S.A. zone and she have sent me your gift parcel because the Russian zone is closed for American parcels.

With best wishes and very much thanks will I close my letter to you and say you have made me and my children very happy in a difficult time.

From Maria Ulbrich."

## Dramatic Actress To Entertain Members Of Woman's Club, Tues.

An enjoyable Christmas program has been planned for the members of the Highland Park Woman's Club at 2:00 P.M. next Tuesday, December 21, when they will be delightfully entertained by Maxine Stetson, the widely known dramatic actress.

Rarely does one have the opportunity of enjoying the superb talent of a "one man show" such as offered by Maxine Stetson in her exquisite interpretations. The dramatic reading which she will present is entitled "A Family Portrait" and is especially suitable for the Christmas season.

Miss Stetson, a graduate of The American Academy of Dramatic Art in New York, is experienced in Radio and Stage work. Possessing unusual ability, she has the capacity to project herself into the various roles of a drama, virtually bringing them to life. She makes her stage folk live and breathe, holding her audience through every minute of her dramatic portrayals. The Chicago Tribune says: Miss Stetson has the ability of putting her audience at ease because of her own stage presence and the sincere yet lighthearted manner which holds the complete attention of her audience.

The Philanthropy Committee will again have a box in the foyer of the club house at this meeting to receive toys or new garments to be contributed to the Christmas boxes to be sent to the children at Ridge Farm and Park Ridge School for Girls. Members are asked to bring gift wrappings with the article but not to wrap it.

## C.A.R. To Hold Snowball Ball On Thursday, December 23

Senior group members of the Blackhawk Society, Children of the American Revolution, are assisting Mrs. Robert Patton in decorating the Ravinia Village House for their formal Snowball Ball, which will be held Thursday evening, December 23 from 9 to 12. Cliff Aspegren, professionally known as Cliff Conway, and his orchestra of seven pieces, will provide the music for dancing. All high school and college age are invited. The dance is formal, but tuxedos are optional.

Assisting Mrs. Frank G. Wagget, senior president, are Mrs. David Cox, Mrs. Jerry Leaming, Mrs. Robert Patton, Mrs. Roy Olson and Mrs. William Jacobs.

## Sing Club To Hold Formal Christmas Party Saturday

The Christmas Party of the Sing Club will take the form of a formal dance, sponsored by the Woman's club, on Saturday, December 18 from 9 to 12:00.

Music will be furnished for dancing by Cliff Conway and his orchestra, with vocalizing by Miss Ruth Stevens.



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