

Patrick Henry's Ghost Inspires Bailey Orators

Miss Farmer's room at lunch hour last week was a veritable House of Burgesses as young Patrick Henrys, Thomas Jeffersons, Harry Lees, and others orated on problems of American democracy.

The period following lunch the eleventh grade students were to deliver "orations" on some subject dealing with present day problems of democracy.

Unconscious of each other's delivery everyone was expounding to his heart's content.

Perched on the tops of desks, radiators, chairs, standing behind doors, and propped against bookcases and various objects, Margie Glover, Jacqueline Colie, Peggy Brannon, Arleen Langston, Vivian Griffin, and Sue Lassiter were rehearsing their speeches.

The bell rang. Our orators left the room trembling from head to toe as they marched silently to their classroom, determined to convince their listeners

Democracy Theme Of English Class Unit

"Building Our Democracy" was the unit studied in literature by the eleventh grade English class during the second six weeks of school.

First, the class analyzed speeches of various American orators dealing with questions confronting the people of their time. At the end of this study each member gave a summary speech of points stressed by the orators.

Following this, the pupils read articles in current magazines portraying

present day problems facing American democracy and made oral reports on these.

Making a bibliography was the next step. In addition, every student read one American historical novel before the study of democracy was completed.

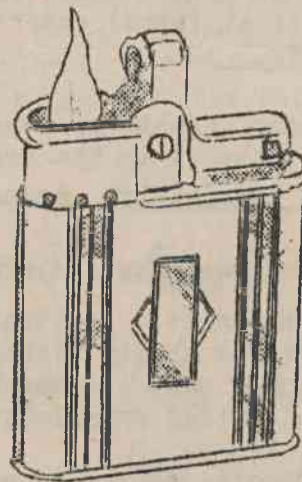
Throughout this unit vocabulary building was emphasized and a test was given on specific words studied.

As a climax, all students wrote a theme on the sub-

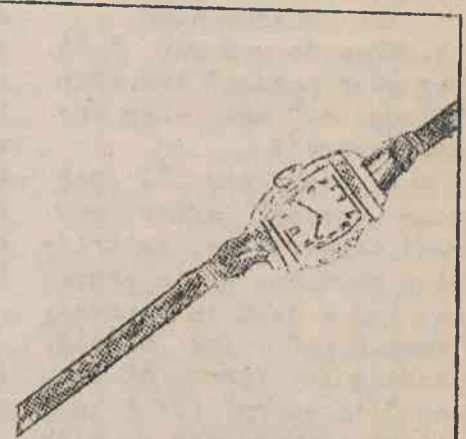
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as forcefully as did Patrick Henry when he gave his "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" Speech.

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