

On Wheels

To acquaint the student with far-away cities and historic places, Bailey High's traveler's will use this column to give sketches of interesting sights visited this past summer.

July 12, 1947

Dear Diary,

At last the day which I have long anticipated has arrived, and I am on my way to Clarksdale, Mississippi, where I will visit my cousin for a while. We are in Heflin, Alabama, for the night, and so far the scenery has been beautiful.

The two most important cities we went through today were Columbia, South Carolina, and Atlanta, Georgia. We stopped to get a good look at Stone Mountain, which has General Lee and part of his Army carved on it. The mountain is located about 18 miles from Atlanta. It really was an interesting sight to see. General Lee's nose is five feet tall. A luncheon was given several years ago in his shoulder, and twenty-seven people were seated around the table with several people left standing. The carvings haven't been finished, because the man who started them died before he finished his job; but they hope to start working on the project again sometime soon.

July 13, 1947

We have arrived at our destination, hot and tired. Clarksdale, a small town about the size of Wilson, North Carolina, is in the middle of the Mississippi delta, where the climate is hot and sticky. The Mississippi River is only thirty miles away.

July 18, 1947

Today we started on our long journey homeward. Tonight we are in Athens, Georgia, and I have crossed mountains until my ear drums roar and feel very much enlarged.

July 19, 1947

Home at last! After all the good times I've had during the past week, it seems good to be home, knowing I won't have to get up at four o'clock in the morning and travel several hundred miles before stopping. Patsy Lamm

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