

The Full Moon

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Hats Off

"Come on, boy, let's go to the show."

"If I go this afternoon, my class'll mob me. See ya tonight."

Yes, sir, that's the voice of the converted students of A. H. S. Most people admit that people who really care don't do things the wrong way if there is a right way.

Since the council is sponsoring a contest to increase attendance and cut down names on the tardy list, people are planning that afternoon movie for the day they reap the reward of one-half day holiday if their average reaches 97%.

For the first time in years students are noticing the facts. They have begun realizing the harm illegal absences do themselves, from the standpoint of grades, and the possibility of being short a teacher if the percentage isn't what it ought to be.

When students like those of A. H. S. see these mistakes, they make short order of clearing them up.

Here's hats off to a swell job well begun!

Another Shortage

One towel for about twenty-five boys has to absorb a lot of water for a piece of cloth 36" by 18". That's what is happening in the dressing room of A. H. S. One boy brings a towel and some times it has been used by another person before he gets it. When this towel is taken home, it is wet and dirty—very dirty—and sometimes it doesn't get home. Mothers aren't going to let their boys carry a towel to school very often.

Something should be done and could be done. We think it would be a justifiable expense for the school to spend a little money supplying towels. The City Laundry has offered to furnish the towels if the high school would pay for having them laundered, but an understanding could not be reached.

We believe that a group of boys that practice hard four days a week and play on Friday night deserve a towel to dry off with.

Give a Cheer

Let's give three big cheers to the newly-elected eighth grade cheerleaders, and every member of the student body and every football fan who gave these girls their support in their first appearance at the Bullpup-Mount Gilead game Halloween night.

Although these girls haven't had the experience and training of the older cheerleaders, they can get just as much noise out of the fans as the "old timers". Having been at A. H. S. only eight weeks, the eighth grade cheerleaders have, by close observation, learned the yells and the motions, and even have made some new ones which are strictly on the beam. The fans who supported them should also be commended, since it takes enthusiasm and support to get the best out of any cheering section.

It seems as though the future cheerleaders of Albemarle high school have already gotten off to a fine beginning.

Why Don't We Have One?

A. H. S. has played seven football games this year and so far there has been no band playing at each game, but none of them were from Albemarle. There has been a lot of talk around school and around town about this, but there is still no band.

One of the hard problems about getting up a band would be to find a leader. But if enough students who have the talent to make music would get together, a leader could probably be found. Well, students, why don't we have one?

Race, Race

Race is a word used by many boys who are under the steering wheel of an automobile. Some of these boys are in our high school, some will not be very long if they continue to drive as has been common for the last few months.

The word race that we are speaking of is used in connection with a contest of speed, sometimes a contest of death.

Two boys have cars, maybe theirs or their fathers', it doesn't seem to make much difference. In making conversation they both take pride in the cars they are driving. Then comes the question, which is the better, and by this they mean which is the faster, not the better make.

Coming to no understanding they head for the highway to prove their points and there is no one to stop them from the tragedy that is to follow. Nearing a curve side by side they give no thought to what may be coming. An innocent man and his family are met by this flying mass of machinery.

You can guess the rest of this story. A couple of funerals, a happy family broken up by two thoughtless boys or young men who insist on drinking and driving. We have none of these in our high school, it is to be hoped.

This brings about another discussion. Even though we drive slowly and carefully, we are liable to be hit by one of the above mentioned drivers. Our only guard against this is for the state to get a more efficient state police force, already in the making.

If you have noticed the papers lately, you have seen the numbers kill in wrecks. In the two Carolinas for the last several week ends it has been well in the teens. This must stop, and we as students, as drivers, can help.

Little-Known People



THE LIBRARY STAFF: Seated (left to right)—Helen Boone, reporter; Betty Anderson, president; Dorothy Huneycutt, vice-president; Peggy Moorehead, secretary and treasurer. Standing—Rachel Gilbert, Mary Leen Efrid, Carolyn Hughes, Sara Frances Drye. Back row—Miss Holbrook, Betty Coble, Madge Harris, Lorna Del Swaringen.

Most people come out of the library with a refreshed feeling these days. Besides getting a good book and exchanging bits of gossip with friends, they've seen gay bulletin boards displaying news of the latest books; sometimes poetry in regard to holidays is on the boards; and just recently there was a big display of souvenirs from the two World wars set up on library tables.

You admit such things help the looks of the library and add to your morale, but do you stop to think someone had to plan it all and then carry out the plans? The work is done by the student assistants with Miss Holbrook's help and supervision.

In addition to making displays, other duties of the staff are: working at the circulation desk; processing the mail, which includes checking in the magazines, stamping the ownership, reinforcing the covers, placing them on the rack and filing the old ones; dusting the shelves and furniture and straightening the books; keeping a record of each student's reading and the daily circulation records; typing cards for the books, and clipping articles for filing from magazines which are not filed. All magazines indexed in the *Abridged Reader's Guide* are filed. This is the reason for asking the librarian's permission before taking an article. For this

work in Library Science the girls are given a unit. Once a week they change work so that each one may learn how to do all the jobs.

Helen Boone and Frances Hudson work in the library first period. Betty Anderson, Carolyn Hughes, Peggy Moorehead, and Lorna Swaringen are there second period. Betty Coble helps at activity period, and Madge Harris works third period. After lunch Mary Leen Efrid and Rachel Gilbert are in the library, and Dorothy Huneycutt and Sara Frances Drye help fifth period.

Aside from this library staff each home room of the eighth and ninth grades has a junior library representative. These students keep the librarian in contact with their grades, report overdue books, help with grade displays, and take material to their classes.

Eighth grade representatives are Barbara Setzler, Ellene Holbrook, Larry Lowder, Peggy Almond, and Martha Moore.

Ninth representatives are Jimmy Allen, Elizabeth Sides, Lula Morris, Violet Melton, Nancy Priestler, and David Gaddy.

The student library assistants and the library representatives have formed a library club, which has a social once a month and honors birthdays of the members. At the Book Week social, books were featured in the games and contests.

Birthdays

- December 1 — Betty Criscoe
- December 2 — J. V. Eudy
Bobby Russell
- December 3 — Audrey Holt
- December 4 — Edwin Snuggs
- December 6 — Gaynelle Chandler
- December 7 — James Hunsucker
- December 8 — Richard Vanhoy
- December 9 — Helen Lisk
- December 11 — Johnny Knight
Connie McLain
Lorna Del Swaringen
Jeanette Williford
- December 13 — Jeannine Boysworth
Marie Roscoe
- December 14 — Susie Morgan
Betty Shepherd
Henry Efrid
- December 15 — Bobby Beal
Rachel Russell
- December 16 — Annie Bell
- December 17 — Vera Burris
Dorothy Ragsdale
Avalyne Thomas
Bobby Thompson
- December 19 — Betty Taylor
- December 20 — Louise Burgess
Raymond Lowder
- December 21 — Shirley Lineberry
Lester Starnes
Doris Thomas
Rachel Gilbert
- December 22 — Norma Bogle
- December 25 — Merle Hunsucker
Sam McManus
Ramelle Pyley
Bobby Presnell
Attrice Rich
Bessie Lee Bradley
- December 26 — C. B. Cranford, Jr.
Bobby Smith
- December 28 — Tommy Lilly
Gilbert Pickler
- December 31 — Harry Shoe
Elsie Ray Tucker

WHAT IS A BOOK?

A series of little printed signs—essentially only that. It is for the reader to supply himself the forms and colors and sentiments to which these signs correspond. It will depend on him whether the book be dull or brilliant, hot with passion or cold as ice. Or, if you

Featuring Faculty

Smiling all the while!! That's the librarian, Miss Holbrook, all right.

This is Miss Holbrook's first year at A. H. S., but already she has made a number of improvements in the library and its organization. She's little, but there's power behind her.

Woman's College is where she graduated, but she has studied during the summers at Appalachian State Teachers College and the University of North Carolina.

Outside of reading, Miss Holbrook has many hobbies, one of which is collecting material for the school information file. She likes to travel, although during the war she co-operated by staying at home. She especially likes to go to the mountains because climbing mountains is quite a hobby of hers, especially during the late summer or autumn.

People who carelessly handle books by putting pencils in them or turning down the corners are her pet peeves.

During her spare time Miss Holbrook plays the piano or violin, using her favorite semi-classical music. She loves to do oil painting and sketching. Last Christmas she sketched her own Christmas cards.

Miss Holbrook asks that the Full Moon express her sincere appreciation to the student body and the teachers for being so co-operative and helping her as they have thus far.

prefer to put it otherwise, each word in a book is a magic finger that sets a fibre of our brain vibrating like a harpstring, and so evolves a note from the sounding-board of our soul.

—Anatole France.

Campus Chatter

Under the spreading high school roof,
Sit a bunch of high school goofs,
These goofs, a lazy lot are they,
No time for work, it's all for play

Yet they find time to have a look
At some of the mysteries in their books
Somehow, somewhere, in between
shows.
Pass? Of course! How? Nobody knows!

He walked beneath the moon,
He slept beneath the sun;
He lived the life of a "going-to-the-sun"
And died with nothing done.

JUST IMAGINE:

Diz Owens with a permanent
C. B. Cranford in "Tootiepie"
Philip's pants.
Bessie Lee Bradley with a victory bob.
Mrs. Fry or Miss Peebles getting mad.

Johnny Andrew not saying something funny.

A Knotts who couldn't play football.

A. H. S. when it gets new bleachers.

Billfolds with no pictures (No money is a common thing).

Hanky Skidmore with straight hair.

Mr. Fry with no piano.

SEEN AROUND:

Dot Ragsdale and Fay Johnson sporting diamonds . . . Don and "Red"; Gene and Jeanette—the inseparables . . . Seems that Perry W. swapped a sailor for George . . . Could you believe it?! Eighth graders this year are having more love affairs than seniors!

It happened at the Albemarle Drug—

Johnny G.: "Lend me a quarter, Sonny."

"Okay."
Johnny buys a sandwich and ice cream and gives Sonny fifteen cents change.

Later he asks for a dime. Unable to find what he wants, he gives Sonny back the dime and says, "We're even."

CAUGHT UNAWARES:

Betty Lee telling friends that she studied her algebra rules "Cause Miss Caughman threatened us, and she was looking straight at me" . . . Betty Vaughn and Charles going steady . . . Marjorie L., do you have time to answer all that fan mail? . . . Gerald and Carolyn going everywhere together . . . Thirteen cars in Forest Hills Sunday night. Miriam should put a drink stand in her back yard . . . Sam Andrew on a visit making wonderful music.

Guess what happened to Charlie Morris on the bus coming back from the Duke-State game! . . . Carol R. calling Betty Vaughn long distance to give her the results of the game with Monroe. What was all the rush, Carol?—as if we didn't know! . . . Sue Culp giving friends a quick peek at her latest put-up picture . . . What is that new slogan of yours, Betty Anderson?

Douglas Cranford's definition of cricket—a goofy kind of baseball.

A. H. S. will have a wonderful basketball team if the number of girls going out for it means anything. Some say they are just warming up for next year . . . The school is beginning to look like old times with all the graduates in service coming for a visit. "No" Call was one of the latest.

There are many ways of doing things.

A casual glance discloses. Some folks turn up their sleeves at work.

And some turn up their noses.

Boys getting social again. More dating going on than usual. What's this we hear about Sonny B. dating Mary Anna Peck? Look like a grand match.

Lots of girls around A.H.S. wearing new identification tags. Mirian? How about that, Susie!

The new gym is still (and will probably always be) surrounded by students in small groups. The where most gossip gets started. Its journey around school. The where most of this came from.