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Here and There

AFTER THE FULL Moon English exam, Margaret Brunson was looking around outside the English class door.

Sylvia: "What in the world are you looking for?"

Margaret: "My brains; I think I dropped them before I went in."

DURING HOMEROOM THE other day Mr. Fry urged his students to study, especially chemistry and physics.

"Why do you want us to study chemistry and physics so much?" asked a senior.

Mr. Fry: "So I can eat lunch without hearing Mr. Hatley fuss about his students not studying."

LARRY TUCKER CLOSED his eyes and typed five letters, CWDKZ. Then he showed it to Ralph Setzler and asked, "Can you read that?"

Ralph answered: "I can't pronounce it, but he plays for Notre Dame, doesn't he?"

CLAUD GRIGG TURNED around in his seat and asked Johnny Hall what he was laughing at.

The reply was: "I'm funny."

AT THE BEGINNING of the French class Mr. Pendergraft began: "Now, the homework will be on the board."

John Ellington: "We didn't have any homework, did we?"

Mr. Pendergraft: "We certainly did. Didn't you get it?"

John: "Oh, yes, sir."

LAUGHING AND TALKING at the same time, Otty Lynn muttered: "Crook's the only one laughing at what he said."

Richard: "What are you laughing at then?"

Otty: "At what I said."

MR. HATLEY, WHO always practices good English, was relating to his chemistry class, "Here's some of the conversation that went on between he and I—that's him and me. You know why?"

Bobby Josey: "Yeah, 'cause it ain't nobody else."

WHILE EATING IN the cafeteria one day Mickey Harwood declared: "I like to eat in the cafeteria when they have beans in a bowl."

"Why?" asked Doris Hinson.

"Because there's a surprise in every bowl," Mickey answered.

AT THE END of a discussion on the Sociology trip Ann Ivey asked, "Who's gonna' drive, Coach?"

Coach Webb: "Me. Why?"

Ann: "I just wondered."

Coach Webb: "Well, there's one thing for sure; you aren't."

BOBBIE AND JO, double dating, drove up at Harmanco's with their dates; the former's make-up was passable, but something had played havoc with Jo's.

"Where have you been?" someone exclaimed.

"To the drive-in," Jo replied.

"Well, I don't think Bobbie went to the same show you did," was the reply.

Baby Sitting Done Free Of Charge

Attention, mothers! Do you want to come to the senior play, "Headin' For a Weddin'," March 26, but can't get a sitter for junior? If so, your troubles are over.

Senior girls are volunteering to baby sit for parents who want to come to the play.

The catch is that you must buy a ticket before they are sold out, so buy yours at once from a member of the senior class.

"MEN OF YEAR"



The three Albemarle men above, have been recognized for their outstanding community work. H. T. "Toby" Webb and Paul B. Fry, both AHS teachers, have been named "Young Man of the Year" and "Man of the Year", respectively. Al Starling, AHS graduate, has been named J. C. of the year.

Two A.H.S. Faculty Members Honored As 'Men Of Year'

Two Albemarle High School faculty members have been signal-honored recently.

Mr. Paul Fry has been named "Man of the Year" and Mr. H. T. "Toby" Webb, "Young Man of the Year". Both have received plaques from the local Jaycees.

In selecting Mr. Fry, director of music at the Albemarle High School, the Jaycees recognized his untiring efforts for many years in developing musicians, soloists, and singing groups in the church and school. A number of Mr. Fry's pupils have won numerous honors in college and communities. It is recognized that Mr. Fry's help has made Albemarle one of the most musical towns for its size to be found. His character building and influencing of young people also contributed to his selection.

Coach "Toby" Webb has many things to his credit. Besides his teaching and coaching, he is a fine Christian gentleman and a civic leader. A teacher at Albemarle High School for seven years, he has helped to build the character of the boys and girls as well as coach a football team. He takes part in many activities of the First Presbyterian Church. Also, the Lions Club and the Albemarle Jaycees claim him as an active member.

Albemarle High School prides itself on having these two men on its faculty.

'Y' Clubs Sponsor Emphasis Week

Christian Emphasis Week, a series of inspiring morning and evening services featuring Rev. Jack A. Neilson, sponsored by the Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y clubs, was held last week. Music was arranged by the Music Masters and Mr. Fry.

Mr. Neilson, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist church in Greenville, N. C., and an outstanding youth counselor, began the series Monday morning in the auditorium, choosing as his topic, "Take A Look at Yourself". Claud Grigg presided and Jo Ellen Brooks read the scripture. Elaine Lowder sang "Prayer Perfect."

Monday night at First Presbyterian church, with Ann Ivey leading the program and Charles Smith reading the scripture, Mr. Neilson's message was "Your Life Is What You Make It". The girls' trio presented special music.

"What's the Harm?", a discussion of right and wrong, was the subject of Tuesday's morning service, at which time Donnie Smith was the leader, Elizabeth Tucker read the scripture, and Eleanor Jones presented a flute solo.

That evening Mr. Neilson challenged, "I dare you to be a Christian." Sue Whitley led the service, George Lowder read the scripture, and special music was rendered by Arce Rose Rich and Amorelle Tucker.

Exchange Programs Started Among Ninth Grade Choirs

Two Students Die During Holidays

During the Christmas holidays, the high school student body lost two of its students.

Lyndell Curlee, a member of the senior class, was accidentally shot to death on December 25, 1953, while hunting in the company of several friends. Lyndell was born on February 6, 1936, and was a Diversified Occupations student for two consecutive years. Prior to his death, he was employed at the A and P Super Market.

Earl Harker, a prominent member of the junior class, died of a pulmonary edema on December 23, 1953, while working at the Nehi Bottling Company. Earl was born on February 19, 1937. Excelling in all sports, he particularly enjoyed football, and during the last season he was tackle on the varsity team.

A frank discussion of boy-girl relationship and the temptations facing today's youth was presented Wednesday morning by Mr. Neilson. Sally Crook presided and (Continued on Page 5, Col. 1)

Lynn Nominated For West Point

Arthur Lynn, senior and star football player, has been nominated by Congressman Hugh Alexander as a candidate for appointment to the United States Military Academy.

Otty is an honor student in this year's graduating class. Co-captain of the football team, he has been selected for various all-star teams including just about all of the All-State teams. Not only has he been a star football player, he has been a real threat to opposing basketball teams.

This outstanding boy is also the president of the National Honor Society and a member of the Mixed Chorus of the school.

By Their Words

"Are your dreams in technicolor or black and white?"—Pigmy Swaringen.

"Some day I'm going to write an autobiography on the smartest man I know."—Claud Grigg.

"I'm the kind of boy my mother doesn't want me to play with."—Bernie Miller.

"If you weren't stupid I wouldn't have a job."—Miss Caughman.

"I want you to sing this song with wim, wigor, and witality."—Mr. Fry.

"I can't compromise with ignorance."—Mr. Hatley.

"You know, I can't understand why my daddy thinks I drive reckless."—Pat Allen.

"Oh, there's a thermometer; I'll see what time it is."—Ruth Morris.

"Brace yourself with your left hind foot."—Mr. Fry.

"He lives on a country road home."—Emily Morton.

"I was slicing an orange the other day and cut my finger and dropped half of it in the trash can."—Susie Culp.

"I spent several years in Paris last summer."—Don Weage.

"I'm forgiving your beggness."—Lou Thomas.

"I don't mind exams; it's just the grade that follows."—Jimmy Brown.

"I don't know who was more polite, Ronnie Raydeck or Don Weage."—T.Boe McLendon.

"The AHS Mixed Chorus is the best high school chorus I've heard in America."—Henry L. Scott, Executive Club entertainer.

Lehto Describes Finland To Students

"I am not so much surprised at the difference between the United States and Finland as at the similarities," stated Mr. Lehto, Lauri Vilhelm, headmaster of a girls' secondary school in Finland, as he spoke to The Full Moon English class on the subject of his homeland.

"The 4,000,000 Finns inhabit an area of 130,000 square miles, which is more than twice that of North Carolina," said Mr. Lehto. "Compared to the seventy inhabitants per square mile in North Carolina, there are thirty-four Finns per square mile."

The foreign educator explained that Helsinki, the capital and chief seaport of Finland, is three times as big as Charlotte. Throughout these cities the Finns live in apartment houses, which accommodate approximately one hundred families each. Because of the cheap rent the landlord often has difficulty paying the upkeep of the building.

When asked if he likes the

American system of teaching, the distinguished educator replied, "I like your system because the student can choose the subjects according to his ability. Since Finnish students have no choice in the subjects they take, the courses are more difficult."

The children are in school from the age of seven to fifteen. Four years of elementary school are followed by five years of junior high. An entrance examination, which 30-50 per cent of the students fail, is required to enter senior high, where the pupil takes another examination before graduation. There are also private schools and nine universities.

Mr. Lehto explained that during the nine month school term, which begins in September, there are Christmas holidays, eight holidays for skiing, and six days for Easter, which are accounted for with six-day school weeks. Because of the cold the forty-five minute class periods have a ten-minute break to open the win-

dows for ventilation.

"Finnish and Swedish are both official languages taught in the fifth grade, and in the sixth grade the students are taught English or German," Mr. Lehto stated.

Asked if there are many communists in Finland, Mr. Lehto replied that a progressive parliamentary form of government has been created with about twenty per cent of representatives communists.

"As for religion," said Mr. Lehto, "ninety-six per cent of the people are Lutheran."

He added that the most common sports in the school are skiing and skating for all and basketball for the girls and soccer for the boys. Competitive participation is mostly limited to the schools within the city system.

The distinguished educator concluded with these words: "Your standard of living is higher, but Europeans think you are richer than you are in reality."