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Hard Work and Originality Are Closed In the Covers

"Ship Ahoy, to the new horizons which we the Seniors of 1955 hope will bring to us smooth sailing. May the treasures we have captured during our high school voyage be brought back to us by our 1955 Crossroads. Grasp the wheel firmly! The time has come for us to steer ourselves directly and surely to yonder ports to seek the treasure we hope to secure with our high school knowledge."

Yes, the new 1955 annuals have arrived and everyone is running about getting their friends' autographs. "Here, sign my annual." "Have you written in my annual yet?" Everyone is writing in everyone else's annual so that memories of their high school days will never be forgotten.

The Crossroads staff, headed by Mrs. Carter as advisor, Bobby Peck as editor, and Skipper Gantt as business manager, has done a superior job. With the assistance of Martha Harwood, assistant editor; Joan Renger, assistant business manager; Charlotte Pope, literary editor; Edward Hatley, sports editor; Carlene Doby, typing editor; Myra Efrid, art editor; Ned Lowder, photographer; and many other seniors, they have brought you the 1955 Crossroads.

The senior class was proud to dedicate their annual to a most deserving teacher, whose efforts to help others will never be forgotten—Miss Inez Bankett. This dedication was a token of the seniors' appreciation for the work she has done for them.

To Mrs. Carter, the editor, business manager, and entire staff we give our thanks for one of the finest annuals ever published by a senior class of AHS. It has truly brought back the treasures we have captured during our high school days.

How Good Can You Get?

We of the Full Moon Staff would like to take this opportunity to commend the outstanding job done by this year's Student Council officers. It seems that every year the Student Council does more things better every year. This is made possible by the efforts of the officers you the students elect.

The new officers really have their work cut out for them if they expect to keep up the high standard set by this year's officers. We feel that you will do a good job.

If you enjoyed the refreshments you had at the football games you can give credit to the Student Council. Also this year the Student Council edited and revised the Constitution adding an amendment voted on by the students. Bobby Peck and Mrs. Lyke went to the National Convention of Student Councils at St. Paul, Minnesota where they learned many new ideas to make our own Student Council better. Members of the Council were sent to the State and District Conventions. Mrs. Lyke was the county chairman of the March of Dimes for the schools of Stanly.

We would like to add our compliment to the many that have been bestowed upon the Student Council and its officers. Many thanks for a job well done.

Over the Rainbow

Have you ever visited the Land of Oz, the land where all your dreams come true? The land where men are made of tin and straw and where lions are friendly? The place over the rainbow where your wishes are granted?

The junior class brought this land of Oz to AHS for a night when they presented the seniors with the annual Junior-Senior Prom on April 15. They took the seniors over the rainbow for a few hours to the land of enchantment.

The junior class under the direction of their sponsor, Miss Misenheimer, worked long hours preparing for this annual event. Most of the work was done by the prom committee, which was made up of the following members: Peggy Furr, Zalotta Harris, Dotty Walker, Joan Melton, Susie Culp, Kay Cauthen, Sandra Poplin, Barbara Holt, Bettie Hall, Maxine Harward, Betty Boone, Joyce Turner, Carolyn Helms, Wade Smith, Luther "Drag" Kimery, Edshay Brunson, George Lowder, Joe Kluttz, Jimmy Almond, Mickey Greene, Mickey Harwood, Franchot Palmer, Gene Burris, Allen Bennett, Billy Fitzgerald, and Charles Smith.

Edward Fitzgerald was the chairman of the orchestra committee. His committee members were Patricia Thompson, Vickie Culp, Bobby Baucom, and Aaron Lowder. They chose the Kampus Kats of Lenoir Rhyne College to play for the prom.

To you, juniors, we seniors extend our sincere thanks for a beautifully decorated and most enjoyable prom!

Teacher of the Month

Which teacher do you think has done the most for our school? We think that you will agree with us in saying that Mrs. Mabel Lyke with her bubbling personality and original ideas has contributed an amazing amount.

Biology students every year learn about nature from amoebae to the human body through Mrs. Lyke's interesting teaching methods. Many of the students have won award after award for the fine displays they have made in their study of biology. Mrs. Lyke and a few of her students even appeared on television last fall showing some of the things that

they had done.

Not only has she taught many students how to dissect frogs or learn the parts of an earthworm, but she has also advised and worked with the Student Council in such a way that we can be very proud of it. She has helped the Council set up rules and regulations for governing our entire extra-curricular program.

We feel that we are very fortunate in having Mrs. Lyke as a member of our faculty and we want to show her our appreciation of all she has meant to us by naming her the Teacher of the Month.

Shelf-Conscious

Dear Miss Michael,

You will be interested to know that I have located some of our missing books. These books were found in the lockers here at A.H.S. You will find books in the lockers of the following people:

"Rip Van Winkle and The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," Lewis James; "Complete Nonsense Book," Burnie Miller; "Laughing Boy," Dwight Morgan; "The Biology of The Frog," Gerald Morris; "Elizabeth and Phillip," Charles B. Smith; "Boy's Life of The Wright Brothers," Charles and Clifford Wright; "Bride of Fortune," Carlene Doby; "Making a Living in Radio," Bobby Josey; "Blondes Prefer Gentlemen," Edshay Brunson; "I Love Books," Jimmy Johnson; "Vitamins: What They Are and How They Can Benefit You," Roger Saunders; "Boston Cook Book," Linda Duke; "Boy Meets Girl," Marvin Morton; "Drums," Yoder Whitley; "Alone," Opal Eudy; "The Motion of the Heart," Myra Melton; "Call Me Lucky," Jeffie Lee; "Ready or Not," Susie Swearingen; "Hi, Teacher," Bill Beeker; "Separate Star," Donnie Smith; "The Long Wait," Elaine Swearingen; "My Music Life," Arce Rose Rich; "Human Comedy," Ronnie Tucker; "The Littlest Angel," Sue Whitley; "Monsieur Beaucaire," Lendell Smith; "Tomorrow's Memories," Sue Furr; "Adventures In Two Worlds," Bill Fisher; "A Little Treasury of Love Poems," Kay Haire.

I'm sure these people would be glad to return these books if you will remind them just a bit!

Suggested Movies

I've been asking a question around that might interest you. I asked several students the question, "If you could see some book you have read put into a movie, what would you choose?" Here are some of the answers:

"The Second Book of Rhubarb," Mickey Harwood; "The Rosary," Sue Rogers; "The Gown of Glory," Miss Misenheimer; "The Thread That Runs So True," Joan Melton; "Big Doc and Girls," Betty Boone; "Jane Eyre," Yvonne and Pam Hinson; "Cannery Row," Ross Mason; "The Green Light," Beupaine Crisco; "Rebecca," Betty Jean Burris; "Seventeenth Summer," Kathryn Blalock; "The Secret Garden," Johnnie Russell and Sue Burris; "The Three Fishermen," Miriam Davis; "Love Is a Fever," Joyce Smith; "Invitation to Live," Janice Parker; "Woman of Samaria," Sandra Lentz; "The Bishop's Mantle," Phyllis Greer; "Street Rod," Floyd Helms; "A Lady Called Fancy," Jean Furr; "Pilgrim's Progress," Gene Burris; "Road to Alaska," Pete Chance; "The Black Stallion and Satan," Edward Fitzgerald; "The Miracle of the Bells," Elaine Mills; "The Merchant of Venice," Roger Freeman; "Outward Bound," Wayne Eudy; "Love Me, Love Me Not," Brenda Frick; "The Bat," Patricia Thompson; "Carol Plays Summer Stock," Ruby Griffin; "Kon-Tiki," Ed Hatley; and "The Lion's Paw," Benny Russell.

Match'em Up

You know Miss Michael, it's funny how you can think of a title of a book and a certain person, place or group will pop into your mind! How about these:

"A Place to Stand" — The cafeteria line.
"You Can't Pet a Possum" — Biology classes.
"Growing Up" — Freshmen and sophomores.
"The Old Curiosity Shop" — Biology lab.
"The Three J's" — Jeff Lee, Jane Kirkpatrick, Jane Furr.
"Going Steady" — Nancy Burleson.
"Pattern for Personality" — Elaine Mills.
"So Big" — A.H.S. halls.
"Lost In France" — French classes.

Miss Michael, we certainly do enjoy using the library as we do. Another thing we know we can always count on is your help. We have had to ask for more help than usual this past month because of our research themes. We need a gold medal to give to you but not having one we all say a great big thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Sincerely, Amorelle Tucker

Inquiring Reporter

Question: If you were principal for one day, what would you do?

BOYS

"Have T-bone steak in the cafeteria, have special girl entertainment in assembly, put ashtrays in all classrooms, and order snow balls from the Artic to be thrown in the halls."—Marvin Clark.
"Make Mr. Hatley dye his Easter egg pink."—Skipper Gantt.
"I would give a holiday to all athletes before a game."—Larry Chance.
"Serve refreshments at 10 and 2."—John David Moose.
"I would stay down in the cafeteria for mere fascination."—George Lowder.
"I would fire all the phys. ed. teachers and teach all the girl classes myself."—Edward Fitzgerald.
"I'd excuse everybody from detention hall the rest of the year."—Paul Haire.
"Change the lunch period and do away with homeroom after fifth period."—Eugene Burris.
"What Mr. Grigg told me to do."—Roderick Jordan.
"Nothing!"—Clyde Hill.
"I'd make Mr. Cashwell stay in detention hall."—Rex Whitley.
"I'd enlarge the library."—Bill Beeker.
"I'd clean up Mr. Hatley's chemistry and physics lab and be sure to get all the spider webs down."—Ned Lowder.
"I'd straighten out some of the seniors."—Jeff Hartsell.
"I'd make a swimming pool out of the old gym."—Wayne Eudy.
"I'd clean up the old gym and install more lights."—Kenneth Sheppard.

GIRLS

"I would have shorter class hours."—Shirley Lowder.
"I wouldn't have home room period last."—Jean Starr Lowder.
"I'd install coke machines and TV in all classrooms."—Peanut Litaker.
"Longer home room periods."—Patricia Thompson.
"I would cut down on the home work."—Ann Stone.
"I'd stop these half hour dinner periods and have an hour."—Wanda Efrid.
"I'd burn the place down."—Martha Setzler.
"Everyone would wear Bermuda shorts."—Gerry Saunders.
"Do away with detention hall."—Betty Plyler.
"I'd try to get a scholarship club for helping people who can't afford to go to college."—Pat Starnes.
"I'd carry on as it is now."—Carol Price.
"I'd have a special committee for basketball support."—Libby McLeod.
"I'd try to have more talent chapel programs."—Myrna Mills.
"I'd have more events, such as Sadie Hawkins Day."—Miriam Davis.
"I'd have a special pre-marriage education class."—Irene Eudy.
"I would try to correct the traffic jams in the halls by insisting that all students walk on the right side of the hall. This shouldn't be difficult; every one who drives keeps to the right."—Opal Eudy.

CAMPUS CHATTER

Spring has sprung,
The grass has riz,
Mr. Cashwell knows
Where the hookies is.

The Prom was a huge success this year. Curious Seniors were chased from the gym for weeks ahead of time while the hard-working Juniors tried to complete the decorations by April 15. On the big night the Seniors walked into an entirely different world, a land of enchantment, where they met the wonderful Wizard of Oz and danced "Over the Rainbow". For the entire Senior class we'd like to say "Thanks for a wonderful time".

The girls added much color to the dance. There were so many beautiful colors, the dance floor itself looked like a swirling rainbow. We can't leave the boys out. They were quite distinguished looking in their white dinner jackets.

The Prom saw many new couples: Moose and Elaine Lowder, Franchot and Sandra Poplin, Bill Fisher and Kay Cauthen, Gareth Lowder and Carolyn Whitley.

We hear the Juniors had a wild time at Pee Wee's after the Prom. From all reports we can get, the place was really rocking. It seems AHS has a new Arthur Murray. Right, Wheaties?

Slumber parties seem to be getting to be quite the fad. Since April 10 the Junior and Senior girls haven't been on such friendly terms. Late that night Shirley Lowder's house was broken into and all the drinks were stolen—what about that Peggy, Barbara, and Susie? Speaking of slumber parties, who invaded Myrna Mills' party down at Norwood Lake about two o'clock the same night? The Senior girls wouldn't know anything about that, would they?

Congratulations, Senior play cast. Your play was a big hit. The love scenes on stage were not half as good as the ones during practice. What about that, Shirley, Louise, and Peck?

One week-end not long ago we saw a grey Chevrolet parked at Badin Lake. It seems Ned Lowder goes in for dark brown hair, especially if Friday it's a Junior named Carolyn, and Saturday it's a Freshie named Patricia.

Spring has come and with it the traditional new couples. On the steady list are Libby Harward and Cread McManus, Bill Fisher and Libby Hatley.

Trips to Salisbury are getting to be pretty frequent, aren't they, Pee Wee? Seems like the Senior girls are trying to bum a ride with him. What's Salisbury got that Albemarle hasn't? Ask Peanut Litaker and the gang of girls that were with her.

June is not only the graduating month but it seems like many June weddings are in the making: Carlene Doby and Tub Russell, Sue Furr and Bill Mesimer, Susie Swearingen and Brady Lowder, Wanda Efrid and Dave Casper, Shirley Tindall and Josh Lorch.

Let's go fishing—that's the favorite spring-time sport lately. Dot and Jolee have really been making the catches out at Jo's cabin lately—what about this, girls?

The new snow queen of AHS has really been making a haul lately. Peck, Moose, and Donnie are battling to see which one will escort the little blond senior around.

Flash! Two Seniors after being on the steady list for a year, are playing the field for awhile. We wonder which it will be—"Worms" or "Cadets"?

Hiking is supposed to be good for the legs. Shirley Lowder should have the best looking legs in high school after her little two-mile walk out on the Moss Spring road.

We hear the Efrid home is getting quite a few telephone calls and they aren't all for Myra either. What about this, Johnny?

Well, good bye, to another month of gossip.

—THE CHATTERERS.