

## HERE AND THERE

A MEMBER OF the Creative Writing Club asked Georgia Palmer to type a story that she had written.

Georgia innocently asked, "May I read it?"

THE DAY BEFORE *Crossroads* came, the students asked Mrs. Westerlund when they could sign annuals.

She replied to the question, "You know I always give you time to sign annuals."

Peggy Furr not wanting to study, interrupted, "Then why don't you give us today to figure out what we're going to put in them?"

ONE SATURDAY NIGHT while they were eating supper at Johnsie Russell's Johnsie said to Gerald Johnson, "Let's toast."

Gerald laughingly replied, "No, let's tea."

DISCUSSING A WRECK one day Dotty Walker asked, "What caused it?"

Ross Mason replied, "Oh, he just ran into nature."

ONE NIGHT AS Jean and Jerry were riding around Jean got her words all mixed up. After trying several times to say the sentence she just gave up.

"Every time I open my foot I put my mouth in," she said.

IN FOURTH PERIOD economics class one day Mrs. Westerlund told the students that she didn't think she would ever learn to drive.

Ross quickly gave her this suggestion, "Why don't you learn how to drive in Florida? They have rubber trees down there."

WHILE STUDYING MACBETH Susie Culp said, "Dotty, what do you think of Shakespeare?"

Dotty answered quickly, "If he were alive, I'd sure kill him."

ONE DAY WHILE Miss Tucker was drawing a geometry figure on the board Lane Lowder said, "Hey, your figure is drawn all wrong, Miss Tucker."

Miss Tucker replied, "I didn't draw my figure."

LOIS AND HER dad were talking about their car when Mr. Harwood said, "Lois, every time you come home the gas seems to leak out of the tank."

## Nifong Presents Sunday's Sermon

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached Sunday, May 27, at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium by Rev. D. Moody Nifong, pastor of the Central Methodist Church.

The seniors are fortunate this year in having Rev. Nifong, who is greatly interested in the young people of this community. During the time he has been at Central Church, he has proved to be a very able and understanding minister.

This service is traditional for graduating students and will leave a lasting impression on the minds and hearts of each 1956 senior.

Music for this service will be furnished by the senior class under the direction of Mr. Fry. The songs will be: "Thanks Be To God" and "The Sevenfold Amen."

## Senior Officers Chosen By Class

Groundwork for next year's senior class began with the selecting of an all-boy slate of officers at the last meeting of the junior class.

The officers are: president, Burnie Miller; vice president, Garreth Pendergraft; secretary, Glenn Talbert; and treasurer, Wayne Eudy. Miss Caughman was selected as their sponsor.

## Sheepskins To Be Given To Graduates In Final Rites

## Grigg Unanimous Choice Of Students For President

### Peggy And Roger Smith, Langley Are Also Elected

David Grigg, recently elected president of the AHS Student Council, by a unanimous vote, was the first person in the history of this school to have been nominated from both conventions to fill this office.

The following people were also elected: Peggy Smith, vice-president; Roger Smith, secretary; and Gene Langley, treasurer.

The First Convention, which elected Grigg as its candidate, also nominated two other winners.

David Grigg, the Junior Class' popular president, was elected to the office of president without having an opponent. Grigg was nominated by the First Convention; however, the Second Convention refused to nominate an opponent for him.

In the heated race for the office of vice-president, the First Convention took another victory, with Peggy Smith winning over Diane Watkins, the Second Convention's nominee.

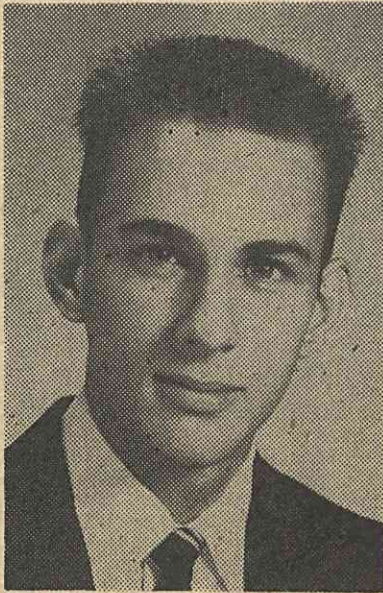
Another Smith was elected, this one Roger, to the office of secretary. Roger, a popular freshman, won over Judy Redfern.

The money position was also filled, Gene Langley, First Convention nominee, winning over Cary McSwain.

Campaign speeches, posters, and "Hot literature off Ford's press" helped make the election a little more interesting.

Campaign managers for the candidates gave to the student body the candidates' views and platforms. Ross Mason and Luther Kimrey forgot their political ethics and carried on their campaign speeches in an unusual manner; however, the students seemed to enjoy them. Campaign managers were: for David Grigg, Edshay Brunson; for Peggy Smith, Jo Ellen Brooks; for Diane Watkins, Jimmy Almond; for Roger Smith, Stanly Lawhon; for Judy Redfern, Carolyn Helms; for Gene Langley, Luther Kimrey; for Cary McSwain, Ross Mason.

WHILE DISCUSSING aluminum in economics one day Peggy Edwards remarked, "The tin roofs on barns—aren't they made out of aluminum?"



CO-VALEDICTORIANS AT ALBEMARLE HIGH SCHOOL



REV. D. M. NIFONG . . . AHS baccalaureate speaker.



DR. VOIGHT R. CROMER . . . speaker for the graduation exercises at AHS.

## Smith Chosen Boy Of Year By Club

Wade Smith was chosen "Stanly County Boy of the Year" by the Optimist Club.

He received from the club an Elgin wrist watch in recognition of his many achievements.

Thirteen boys were candidates for the honor, one from each high school in the county. The other boys each received a bronze medal.

## Look Out! Here Comes Class of '56

Seniors are looking into the future and seeking themselves next year in various colleges, business schools or nursing schools, holding jobs, in the armed services, or settling down to become homemakers.

The University of North Carolina seems to be the choice college. Those attending will be Jimmy Almond, Edshay Brunson, Billy Fitzgerald, Edward Fitzgerald, Joe Klutz, Aaron Lowder, Marvin Morton, and Franchot Palmer. Also attending Carolina are Sue Rogers, Pat Atkins, and Carolyn Helms, who plan to take the twelve-month course to be X-ray technicians.

Five senior girls will attend W.C.U.N.C.: Peggy Furr, Barbara Holt, Susie Culp, Zalotta Harris, and Joyce Turner.

Appalachian has quite a few on roll. They are: George Lowder, Pat Thompson, Vicky Culp, Kay Cauthen, and Pamela Hinson. East Carolina has enrolled Dotty Walker and Mickey Harwood.

Many seniors have chosen the field of religious education or music in some form. Gene Burris and Johnsie Russell will train at Mars Hill, while Jo Stallings and Hazel Lawhon will be at Wingate. Music majors are Maxine Harwood, Greensboro College, and Folger Koontz, Lenoir Rhyne.

Bill Fisher and Johnny Richardson will enter "R. C. Hatley's school," Duke.

Some senior boys are making plans to attend Pfeiffer College. They are Benny Russell, Bobby Baucom, and Paul Haire.

In other colleges you will find Gary Miller, Bruce Curlee, and Allen Bennett, State; Ross Mason and Tommy Johnson, Lees McRae; Linda Barnes, Catawba; Barbara Copley, Lenoir Rhyne; Sybil Eford, Bob Jones; Paul Frick, Ringlings School of Art; Max Lowder, Western Carolina; and Drag Kimery, Eddie Fenters and Mickey Greene, Wake Forest.

Those that will take jobs around Albemarle are: James Dennis, Dwain Waisner, Joan Huneycutt, Carol Price, Patsy Griggs, Wayne Page, Larry Lisk, Marie Lambert, Jerry Barrier, Kenneth Barbee, Nancy McDuffy, Toby Furr, Billy Stiller, Carolyn Smith, Beaupine Crisco, Maurice Clark, and John Ritchie.

Business schools, nursing schools, beauty schools, and mechanic schools attract the second largest number. Enrolled in business schools are: Sandra Poplin, Betty Boone, Phyllis Treece, Georgia Palmer, Shirley Owensby, and Yvonne Hathcock. Entering nursing schools are Elizabeth Medlin, Lois Harwood, La Trelle Burleson,

Carolyn Whitley, Patsy Aldridge, and Norma Jean Arey. Taking a beauty course will be Sibley Manus and Jahala Hudson. Interested in mechanic schools are James Speight and Hubert Rogers.

Some of the seniors are leaving North Carolina to find their life work. They are Jean Bogges, Pittsburgh; Bobby Coggins and Jimmy Coggins, Florida and Charlie Smith, Chicago.

Many marriages are to come out of our class. Plans are being made by Ruth Morris, Shirley Eudy, Carol Lowder, Sylvia Davis, Kaye Haire, Margie Lee, and Jean Morgan. Our married couple, Cread and Iris McManus, plan to work and keep house.

The Army, of course, gets some of the boys. Several of these boys plan to get an education out of their hard work. They are: Jerry Cooper, aircraft engine mechanics; Thomas Reeves, radio work; and Bobby Kimery, military police. Jerry Springer, Junior Dennis, Ralph Rummage, Jack Faulkner, Bobby Almond, and Ted Burleson are a little undecided about their Army careers.

Yes, the future looks bright for the class of '56. If they become doctors, dentists, nurses, secretaries, mechanics, teachers, merchants, service men, or homemakers, we know their future will be successful.

## Cromer To Speak; Brown To Award Seniors Diplomas

Sixty boys, sixty-two girls, and two mascots will, at the Commencement ceremony to be held in the A.H.S. auditorium on May 29, receive their Albemarle High School diplomas.

Dr. V. R. Cromer, the evening's speaker, will be introduced by R. L. Brown, Jr., who will also present the diplomas. Dr. Cromer is the president of Lenoir Rhyne College, which will claim several of the A.H.S. seniors next fall.

The one hundred twenty-two seniors, fifteen more than last year, will sing, under the direction of Mr. Paul B. Fry, several selections.

Ties appear to be the vogue this year, Bill Fisher and Barbara Holt being co-valedictorians and Pamela Hinson and Elizabeth Medlin, co-salutatorians.

Luther Kimrey is class president; the other officers are Edshay Brunson, vice-president; Iris McManus, secretary; and Jo Stallings, treasurer. As in past years, Miss Chicora Caughman is serving as the class faculty sponsor.

Linda Moose, who will lead the procession, was chosen chief marshal on May 16, while the seniors elected as their mascots Tommy Andrew and Janice Culp.

## Commencement Marshals Chosen

Marshals have been chosen to serve at commencement exercises.

The ones from the eleventh grade who will serve are: Linda Moose, chief; David Grigg, Buddy Stoker, Burnie Miller, and Jackie Richardson.

Chosen from the tenth grade were Peggy Smith, Sue Winn, Pat Starnes, and Betty Holt.

Roger Smith, Linda Doby, Jo Parks, and Johnny Almond will serve as marshals from the freshman class.

Marshals are chosen by each grade from those making semester honor roll.

## BY THEIR WORDS

"I have to buy a new tube of lipstick every week." — Shirley Owensby.

"Remember, if you park, be sure to have a car." — Mickey Harwood.

"Pat, move your arm so I can talk." — Jo Stallings.

"I got one of those race-horse colds, always running." — Billy Fitzgerald.

"Another cold front is a plunging neckline." — Bill Fisher.

"Look at that red-headed pony's tail." — Shirley Morton.

"Do you mind eating after my hand?" — Jean Morgan.

"I wish I had been here when I was born." — Johnsie Russell.

"Memorizing English is about as bad as an elephant sleeping in a bird cage." — Charlie "Red" Smith.

"I hear something crawling all over me." — Carolyn Helms.

"Oh, you closed that foot on my door." — Lois Harwood.

"I don't know what it means, but it's right." — Sibley Manus.

"Maxine, is a zebra black with white stripes or white with black stripes?" — Benny Russell.

"This surely is a friendly road. It waves all the time." — Marvin Morton.

"The sun wasn't blowing too hard." — Barbara Copley.

"Celia, please remove your head so I can see." — Elaine Holt.