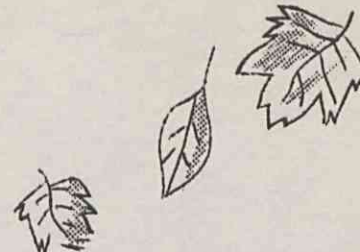


# FEATURES



## THIS IS OUR PRINCIPAL

Mr. R. Guy Sutton is well into his second year as principal of Highlands School. Besides his many duties as principal, he teaches biology, general science, and physical education in high school, and is coach of both teams this season.

Mr. Sutton, who is from Jackson County, graduated from Western Carolina College with a B. S. Degree in history and science in 1933. In 1952 he received his Master of Arts Degree in history and education administration. During his college term, he played football, baseball, basket-ball, and tennis.

He served two and a half years in the Army, 20 months of this being overseas. He was a technical sergeant and worked with the X-Ray Department in the 42nd General Hospital.

Mr. Sutton has spent twenty-six years in the teaching profession. During his career he was superintendent of Graham County for four years; principal of Franklin High School for five years; taught science, and was coach at Andrews for four years; principal of Dillsboro for one year; taught science and coached at Sylva for six years; taught history and science at Webster about five months.

Jessie L. Harbison

## HALLOWE'EN

Customs and superstitions gathered through the ages go into our celebration of Hallowe'en, of "Holly Eve," on October 31. The day is so named because it is the eve of the festival of All Saints, but many of the beliefs connected with it arose long before the Christian era, in the autumn festival of pagan peoples.

The ancient Druids had a three day celebration at the beginning of November.

On the eve before, they believed, spirits of the dead roamed abroad, and they lighted bonfires to drive them away. In ancient Rome the festival of Pomona, goddess of fruits and gardens, occurred about this time of year.

Even after November first became a Christian feast day, the peasants clung to the old pagan beliefs and customs that had grown up about Hallowe'en. It became a night of fun-making, with many picturesque superstitions. Folk came to believe that they could foretell the future on that night by performing such rites as jumping over lighted candles. In the British Isles, great bonfires blazed and laughing bands of young people disguised in masks and carrying lanterns carved from turnips, gathered in each village.

Hallowe'en is a favorite day for school celebrations today, when young people hold costume parties, play old-fashioned games, and give clever plays and pageants based on the ancient customs. Frequently whole communities gather for Hallowe'en festival, as did the villagers of earlier days. Our celebrations today keep many of the early customs unchanged.

Adapted by Virginia Edwards

## HIGHLANDS SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>WITH WHOM</u>	<u>WHERE</u>
Nov. 4 (Fri.)	Rabun Gap	Home
Nov. 11 (Fri.)	Nantahala	Home
Nov. 22 (Tue.)	Mt. View	Home
Nov. 23 (Wed.)	Nantahala	There
Dec. 2 (Fri.)	Rabun Gap	There
Dec. 13 (Tue.)	Glenville	There
Dec. 16 (Fri.)	Cullowhee	Home
Dec. 20 (Tue.)		

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