

It seems that some new books are a source of comment among the students, and it further seems that a young man going by the handle of Edgar Snyder is responsible for this innovation. These sell for only \$2.00! No, they aren't to be studied, but to be chewed and digested. Now, guess. They're full of meal tickets.

Last week THE POINTER ran an article that said that Robert Davis's acting as John Barleycorn was very realistic. If only he had acted natural, it would have been superb.

Greensboro's High Life carried an article which said that H. P. H. S. beat Greensboro 13 to 10, or words to that effect. We surely hope that this typographical error, for surely it was that—made the defeat a littler easier for them to bear.

If the Black Bisons continue to "run" down the gridiron, as in the past, the entire team will have to be re-shod.

It is a good thing for "Herb" and "Al" that Edgar Allen is still in high school. He has the reputation of never accepting any offices except that of a president—even that of Sunday school classes. Imagine that!

CONCERNING CLUBS

It is perfectly natural for some of you people to think that I'm becoming corrupt in my writing after my article on politics last week. Yes, politics is not what she might be. At the same time I made at least a decent effort to deal only with the straw election, elephants or donkeys and their vertabrae to the contrary notwithstanding. I'd like to say one word more about the straw election: Al will have to find some way of converting straws into brown derbies now!

But back to local things. Just at the present time there seems to be an epidemic of clubs around the school. Mr. Johnston called me in his office for a lengthy discussion the other day, and the burden of his remarks was he wanted to find out what I thought about clubs and their use. This was the first official recognition I have received since my debut into matters pertaining to school life. I was glad to get his attention, and I immediately set out to find if the clubs are worth anything, and if so why and how much.

I straightway resolved to question members of different organizations. Getting lists from the office, I started out on my cruise of data and anon ran into a traveler who said that he, like Ozymandias, was from a certain land. Now, it seems that the purpose of the Traveler's Club is to foster an interest in going to and from the earth and moving up and down it. Of course, certain scenes would be talked about, also read about. I was becoming intensely interested when all of a sudden he mistook my enthusiasm for a different kind of sympathy and asked me to suggest something for them to do. It occurred to me that one of the greatest assets would be to train the members how best to develop their hobo propensities. Too often have I seen bareheaded boys standing on the street corners hunting a way to some distant strand when they were not equipped to travel—in the best of company. And the trouble with going that way is that you can never be sure that you'll ride with your equals. So boys—and girls—ought to be taught new forms of salutations, kinds of winning smiles, and various ways of slowing up the traffic and getting somewhere. He took kindly to my advice and said that he believed that it would help—get them somewhere.

I guessed correctly when I met a young man stalking around the building, his head in the air, and his tongue loose at all ends. He was one of these here Oratio members. That's a club that is going

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Our many friends will be glad to know that THE POINTER is recuperating nicely in the Clinic where it has been confined since the opening of the fall term.

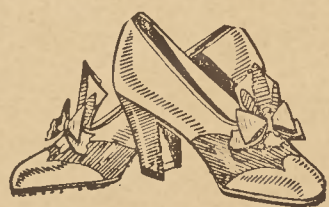
some. Why, that fellow would make Claude G. Bowers ashamed of himself—and of our school too! But the Oratio Club he told me, is one of the oldest groups in school. I have great respect for old age, and I refuse to say what I would like to about his performances while he is on the campus. I would be charitable, however, and suggest that he practice his speech in lonesome privacy.

The Scribbler's Club was next. I know from the first that a scribbler is a writer with a small reputation, and so I did not fear to ask him what he hoped to do in the school. His aims were done up in high-fa-lutin language to the effect that there embryonic Ben Franklins are taught that not all wisdom is to be had in going to bed early, much less getting up at the same time.

A representative from the Chemistry Club advised that they are trying to carry on experiments with chemicals. I thought that strange; but when he told me that they are learning about the reactions that take place when irresistible bodies come in contact with immovable forces, I was interested.

There is also a Radio Club. I think I should have really found something worth while in that club had it not been for so much static from the person I saw. I suggested to him that he and the Chemistry

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Club might combine and thereby do away with the static. Newton's laws combined with Edison's ideas ought to be able to do something for them. Anyway I couldn't get tuned in, and when he asked me to sign off, I stood by, and let him pass.

The Dramatic clubs are busily trying to learn how to put on theatrical performances. I was told that members actually had to read certain plays before they were admitted. I thought that remarkable in view of the fact that many students don't even read books to pass their work. If more English students would join that club, there would perhaps be less trouble with collateral reading. But I don't wish to start anything dramatic; and so I'll say no more.

There was to be a Tumbler's Club. But it seems that music making people were occupying the gym when that club was to meet. The results was that the plans all tumbled.

The Glee Clubs, of course, sing for themselves.

There are Art Clubs, French Clubs, and so on. I tried to see Miss Harris and get a copy of what she told the teachers in Charlotte last week. But she had lost her remarks, and did not want to restate them. The Art Club is trying to improve the general appearance of nature, and I suppose that accounts for the

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large number of girls in it. Last week Mr. Henry Grady Owens was responsible for an article saying that much interest and benefit is being had in and from the clubs in school. Now, I hope the school and Mr. Johnston will take my report and do whatever needs to be done about the situation. If, in view of my report, the public and the school wishes further to delude themselves with the idea that the clubs do actually have a place in the life of the high school, I wish here and now to shake the dust of responsibility from my shoulders.

Monthly reports have proven the proverb "there's always room the top."—EXCHANGE.

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