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State Inspector of Schools Makes Talk Here Friday, Apr. 19

Explains Value of Scholarship,
Conditions Upon Which It
Can Be Arrived At.

"Scholarship is the divine reward of unremitting toil," was the keynote of an address by Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, inspector of North Carolina schools, to the assembly Friday, April 19, on "Scholarship." Nothing, he qualified, is more useless or wearisome than the pursuit of scholarship merely for its own sake. If knowledge does not benefit the student, he might as well not possess it.

A favorite definition of a scholar, the speaker remarked is "a literary man who supports himself by writing. Look on any news-stand," requested the school inspector, "and you will find ample proof that the fact that a man writes for his living does not necessarily indicate his being a scholar." The popular notion of a scholar used to be a pale, wan, stoop-shouldered student of books, according to the visitor, but that idea is also fallacious.

"Scholarship comes from application on the part of the individual over a considerable period of time," said Mr. Highsmith, emphasizing the fact that careless, haphazard studying does not get the desired

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ATTENDANCE PER CENT 97 FOR PAST MONTH

564 Absences and 87 Tardies
Made by School; Seniors
Make Less Absences; Sophomores
Less Tardies.

The seventh month of school has rolled by, leaving behind it a record of 97 per cent attendance. During those 20 days, there were 564 absences and 87 tardies. The number of absences according to classes was as follows: Senior, 83; Junior, 124; Freshman, 76; and Sophomore, 191. Several home rooms deserve honorable mention for making a low number of absences. Mr. Alston's freshman class made only four. Miss Barker's senior home room had five. A number of eight absences each was made by the rooms of Misses Tucker, Rogers and Hunter.

Of the 87 tardies, the freshmen were responsible for 19; sophomores 18; Juniors, 20; and seniors, 30. Some credit should be given to a few home rooms of the high school that made a splendid tardy record. The home rooms of Miss Alcorn, Miss Essie D. Hunter, Miss Tucker, Miss Meador, and Mrs. Sowers report no tardies at all. Those which made only one tardy were the classes of Mr. Andrews, Mr. Alston, Miss Louise Hunner, Miss Shipman, Miss Rogers, Miss Bulwinkle, Miss Morton, and Mrs. Guthrie.

Mr. Johnston At Tuesday Meeting

Mr. L. R. Johnston, principal, went to Salisbury yesterday where he attended a meeting of high school superintendents and principals of the larger cities in this section. The officials met to discuss the athletic questions of the schools especially in relation to the boys' sports. Some of the problems to be considered were: the state championships, district championships, inter-school games and other phases of the school athletics. The session lasted all day.

NEW SPEAKERS ADDED TO DUAL DEBATE TEAM

Debaters Are Working Every
Day on New Material for
Contest; Two Teachers Will
Coach.

Instead of having two speakers on each side of the dual debate, which is to be held between Greensboro and High Point May 3, there will be three speakers according to an announcement made by Mr. Earl Andrews, debate coach, last week. This change was provided for in the latest agreement made between the coaches of the two schools. Frances Douglas and Margaret Andrews will be the two extra speakers for High Point. Frances will debate on the negative side of the query, together with Mayna Allen and Ralto Farlowe. The query is: Resolved, that the United States should cancel her inter-allied war debts. The other new speaker will help the affirmative side when it meets Greensboro here. The negative team goes to the Gate City.

Both of the added debaters are experienced public speakers. Margaret debated on the negative side and Frances Douglas on the affirmative in the recent triangular debate. They have both been on debating teams which represented High Point before, besides taking part in numerous other forensic contests.

The speakers together with their coaches, Mr. Earl Andrews and Mr. M. L. Patrick, are working every day on their speeches and are planning to administer Greensboro a good defeat next month.

H.P. PHYSICAL DIRECTOR ACTIVE IN COLLEGE IN ATHLETICS AND CLUBS

There are not many members of the high school faculty who have a "college and coaching" record that can equal the one Mr. Charles E. Spencer, head of the boys' physical education department, holds. Mr. Spencer has heretofore been very modest about all his accomplishments in high school, college, and since leaving college, but a reporter for THE POINTER finally persuaded him that the readers would be glad to know about some of the offices he held and some of the activities he participated in while in school. He says that he was graduated from the Roanoke Rapids high school in 1920, although his home was in Lawrenceville, Va. From school he entered the University of North Carolina, from which he received his diploma.

While in college Mr. Spencer took part in a number of school activities. As for clubs, he was president of both the Cosmopolitan club, and the Halifax county club, and a member of the monogram club. He also belonged to the Chi Phi fraternity.

Debating seems also to have been a hobby of Mr. Spencer. He was a commencement speaker his third year, and was winner of the Bingham medal for debating. Besides this, he was on the debate council, and was both speaker pro tem and speaker in successive years.

Needless to say, the High Point

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Thomas Douglas and John Clinard Attain N. C. Univer. Honor

Two former students of High Point high school have made the University of North Carolina winter quarter honor roll. These two boys were Thomas Douglas and John Clinard. To be eligible for making the honor roll there, a student must attain the average grade of B, which is 90 to 95 per cent. The total attaining this honor was 270, 58 seniors, 68 juniors, 81 sophomores, and 63 freshmen. 35 out of this group made A on every course.

Thomas is a sophomore, and John is a freshman at the University.

MIXED CHORUS FROM NEGRO HIGH SCHOOL ENTERTAINS JUNIORS

Impersonations of Famous Actor
Hit of Morning—Miss
Beard In Charge of Program.

The negro mixed chorus of the William Penn high school entertained the junior class with a number of negro spirituals Wednesday morning, April 17.

Before the program Thomas Carpenter told the meaning of the negro spiritual. He said that it was originated in the heart of the southern slave. The sad spirituals were sung by negroes who were driven by cruel masters.

Professor Kirkwright, the principal, outlined the history of the negro high school from the time it was a private school until the present time.

There are nine voices in the chorus—three soprano, two alto, two tenor, and two bass. The first number, "Lest We Forget" was sung by the mixed chorus. "I'm So Glad Troubles Don't Last Always" was sung by the Girls' Chorus. "Go Down Moses," and "Swing, Low, Sweet Chariot" were next rendered by the entire chorus. "Absent" and "Study War" were sung by the male quartet. The hit of the morning was an impersonation of Bert Williams by Harold Williams. His number was "Nobody."

Math Contest Draws Twenty-Two Pupils

Number of High Point Students
to Enter in State-Wide Competition Here Friday.

Friday morning will find twenty-two High Point high school pupils hard at work on the state math contest which will be conducted all over the state at that time. This contest is the last of the series of tests conducted during the winter by the University of North Carolina extension department. The French competition was held last month and the Spanish.

Mr. Earl Andrews is in charge of the coming contest here, as he is the head of the school math department. He announced last week that the contest will consist of three types of mathematics: plain arithmetic, algebra and geometry.

Those who will take the test and are hoping to "bring home the bacon" in true fashion are as follows: Robert Hubbard, Alfred Moffitt, Mildred Payne, Thelma Scott, Mary Holley, Nell McMullan, Burgess Leonard, Anna Gertrude Douglas, Mildred Le Grande, William Taylor, David Parsons, Charles Welch, Irene Seward, Eloise Best, Margaret Andrews, Katie Sue Stanfield, Raymond Ritchie, Logan Porter, Eustace Smoak, Wilbur Hutchins, William Coble and Carl Smith.

Possible Candidates for President Appear Before Student Body

"OH, KAY!" CAST IS AT WORK ON SENIOR PLAY

Three-Act Comedy Said To Be
Filled With Mystery and
Laughs; Players Named.

Eleven members of the senior class with Mr. Stookey, who is coaching them, are hard at work on the play which will be presented May 10 here. The play, as announced last week, is "Oh, Kay," and it is said to be "chock-full" of mystery, thrills and laughter.

In the cast there are five girls and six boys. Several of these parts are leading ones, and the students who are taking them have been having intensive training since the first of last week. The main role in the play, that of Kay Millis, is to be played by Dot Rankin, and the part of Art who "considers his thoughts and decisions as the last word in wisdom" by Robert Davis.

Art is several years older than his sister, Edith, an attractive girl who likes to write stories. Virginia Diffe will be Edith. The comedy parts of the play are carried by Marion Shipman and Woodrow Brooks, who are both well known in school for their ability to keep the audience in an uproar. Marion will appear as Gram, who is "fussy old lady with a sharp tongue," and who is convinced that she is all and feeble as one ever gets. Gramp, her husband who says that he is just as young as he ever was, will be portrayed by Woodrow Brooks. The remaining members of this interesting family are Captain

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EXTRA PROJECTS WORK OF HISTORY STUDENTS HERE IN THIS SCHOOL

Junior and Senior Classes Make
Posters, Booklets and Car-
toons for Their Study.

Although junior history has not made rebels of those who are studying it at present, it has evidently incited in them a desire to go into the subject of revolution more closely. This conclusion is drawn from the large number of extra work projects, dealing with the revolutions of European history, which are seen around the junior rooms. In Miss Clinard's classes some of the students have drawn cartoons dealing with the French revolution. They have also made booklets, drawings and cartoons showing the steps in the unification of Germany and of Italy.

The industrial revolution furnished the subject for booklets in Miss Alcorn's classes. These show the development in the revolution, and draw a contrast between the modern methods of working and the old ways of working by hand.

Posters showing the inventions of the period of the French revolution have been made by Miss Singer's pupils. One of the students drew what was considered an unusually good pen sketch of President Hoover.

In the senior history classes the pupils are taking up the period from about 1880 through 1916. In these chapters are considered the rise and fall of the value of money

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Speak on Subjects Pertaining
to Everyday High School Life;
Abilities Charted.

Thirty seconds after the student body was fairly settled in the auditorium Tuesday, April 16, it made an unconditional surrender to the sharpshooters on the platform, who maintained a heavy fire of statistics for three-quarters of an hour. This was, more seriously, the program by means of which the student council and its advisers hope to start some thinking among the students in regard to their next president.

The most promising of the students eligible for office had been allowed to choose subjects from those of interest to their schoolmates and present them in brief talks. Each of the assembly possessed a "grading sheet" upon which he marked the good and bad points displayed by the speaker. By this plan the advisers hope to make the coming election as fair, as accurate, and as discerning as a campaign can be made.

Rip Tabb spoke on "A Few Facts About North Carolina High Schools," Herman Stevens on "The Taxpayer's Dollar in High Point," Thomas Ellis on "Locks from the Administrative Point of View," Franklin Surrat on "Locks from

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CHEMISTRY STUDENTS STUDY NEW PROJECTS

Classes Visit American Bakery
and H. P. Creamery; Are Given
Demonstration and Treat.

Probably more of the student body will be interested in the activities of "chemistry-ites" when they hear about all the soirees enjoyed by these scholars.

For the past two weeks the juniors and seniors who are taking chemistry under Miss Tucker have been studying several new projects. They have taken up the chemistry of making bread, the Babcock milk tests, the principle of freezing, and the manufacture of ice. The students have handed in papers on these subjects, and have gone into detailed research work.

After discussions and experiments in class, the pupils visited the American Bakery and the High Point Creamery. At each of these places an entire demonstration was given. At the creamery, the students were shown an actual demonstration of the Babcock milk test.

And here hangeth the tale! At the creamery every one was served Dixie Cups and at the bakery, the entire body was fed cake to its heart's content. And it didn't take much persuasion either. Miss Tucker said that everybody had a mighty good time.

SENIOR CLUB PLANS GIRLS WEEK PROGRAM

Plans are being formulated for the annual Girls' Week which will be May 6-13. For the first time, the entire program will be under the supervision of the girl reserves. They will sponsor all the various features, and have a different program for each day of the week. Both advisers and members of the Senior Girl Reserves Club are working with Miss Carrier and Y. W. C. A. officials to make this year's Girl Week a better and more entertaining one than the previous ones have been.