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<p>NOV. 17 - HIGH POINT vs. R. J. R.</p>	<p>TYPICAL H.P.H.S. STUDENT SINCE MR. DEAN'S LEFT.</p>
<p>NOV. 17 - FIRST SCHOOL SPONSORED DANCE OF THE YEAR.</p>	<p>DON'T WORRY - WE'VE GOT BRAKES</p>

## SPIRIT

If students were asked to define school spirit there would be several different answers, but I think that school spirit is best exemplified by the kind of attitude that was shown by the High Point High School students who attended the Gastonia-High Point football game.

At a game that means as much to students as the Gastonia game meant to us, it is often difficult to be considerate of our opponents, but the High Point students displayed a splendid school spirit. Though the spectators' loyalty to the Bison never wavered, a spirit of friendliness prevailed toward the opposing team, which helped to make the event more worthwhile and enjoyable.

Tonight the Bison meet R. J. Reynolds High. Will the same spirit prevail? If every student does his part it will. Come on students! Let's really show Reynolds High what good sportsmen we are.

—L. W.

## SEEK YE THE TRUTH

There is a verse in the Bible that says "Seek ye the truth and ye shall be free." It is the thing that brought the children of Israel out of Egypt, the thing that drove the Pilgrim Fathers over a seemingly endless and yawning ocean. It is the thing that has set America on a pinnacle of freedom—the white shining truth.

We of the high school have sought and are seeking this truth, and from our search have unfolded the greatest manifestation of school spirit that we have ever known. It is not a school spirit accentuated by sudden spurts of school interest, but a real underlying spirit promising all the service and steady devotion within its power.

We are glad that we have been able to fling aside the veil hiding the truth from us and thus to lift our school spirit to the highest level it has reached in years. We are glad that we are free from the deadly spinelessness of ourselves and are thus able to give of the best of our leadership and service to our school.

But because we have tasted of the glory of a reward is no sign that we must immediately relinquish our search for truth, because there are always worlds ahead to conquer. Sometimes in our zeal for truth we run across stumbling blocks and doubt comes. But stiffen your spines and hold up your heads and remember that no reward, not even the freedom that comes from the truth, is worth anything unless it is gained by hard knocks and blows and heartaches. No less has been and always will be the search for the Holy Grail of Truth that has brought forth the school spirit with flying banners from High Point High School!

—S. I. M.

## Inquiring Reporter

The Inquiring Reporter of this issue of The Pointer presents this query: "Would you rather have competition between classes or home rooms in girls' sports?"

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Rebekkah Conrad, sophomore, says:

"I think that everyone who is interested in intramural sports will agree with me that home room playing against home room is the best plan to be adopted. When home rooms play it gives the students more chances to show that they have the capability to play, and everyone has a chance."

Bessie Silman, senior, states.

"It is my opinion that the girls who participate in afternoon sports would prefer playing with their respective sophomore, junior, or senior classes, rather than with combined home rooms. When specific days are set forth for certain rooms to clash with other home rooms, there is often an insufficient number of girls for a team. Thus the games are forfeited. But when the junior class, for example, goes out for practice there are at least enough girls for two teams. If there are too many girls, another team can be made and this team can practice other days. In that manner we girls who like afternoon sports can play instead of always having to forfeit games."

Phyllis Freeman, sophomore says:

I think we should have home room intramural sports. I think the rooms should play for a certain period and then have the captains of each room get together and choose a class team. Then I think these teams should play. This would give more people a chance to show the captain whether or not they deserve to be on the class teams."

Sara Greene, junior, gives her opinion:

"I think that for a change the girls would enjoy games between class teams and would participate more in them than they do in homeroom games now."

Edith Seckler, junior, states:

"I would rather have class games than games between home rooms because enough girls do not participate in the present program."

Marie Snider, senior, says:

"Our present homeroom system is ideal in theory. The only trouble lies in that enough girls do not participate to make it workable. All girls would have an opportunity to play on class teams who wish to. Competition is always keener among classes and enthusiasm runs higher so as to make the games real events."

Frances Thigpen, senior, states:

"I believe intramural sports should be carried on between classes. There is more spirit among classes and keener competition than is ever found in home rooms. In playing both, between classes and homerooms, I have found that the old school spirit is present only in class games."

Juanita Thayer, senior, says:

"I think that a program which provided for intramural sports between the various classes would greatly simplify and help girls' sports. Those girls who are wholly interested in athletics would then have a chance to play more frequently and with better competition."

Miss Nell Stallings, girls' physical education director, says:

"Home room competition gives more students more chances to play. In interclass competition the number playing soon dwindles to the eleven, six, or nine play-

## EXPRESSIONS

Here are some expressions used by pupils and teachers. Guess who said or says them.

1. Honestly, Honestly, Honestly
2. Whoa, Dobbin!
3. I'll teach you some French in spite of yourself.
4. Thomas, you've been dead for about a week.
5. Really, I do not know.
6. You know what?
7. You people hate to think.
8. And-er-ah-
9. Well all right now, well all right
10. It's time for the bell to ring. Here comes Christine Lentz
11. That's a good'un.
12. Boys and girruls!
13. You aint just saying that, kid.
14. Just as it begins to dawn on me it starts blackening again
15. I presume I covered all of you.
16. Don't kid yourself!
17. Don't touch those machines!
18. Now, children.
19. Well, I'll be
20. Give'em back to the Indians.
21. I nearly had conniptions.
22. You ain't wrong
23. It happened in my home town

(Answers on page 4)

## TO ONE ON LEAVING

I saw the sun set in a quiet sky  
 And sink amid a blazing crimson flood.  
 The sky once blue and soft with lazy clouds  
 Has now become the battleground of blood.

I saw the moon rise from a distant hill,  
 Half-shy, half-bold in silver radiant beam,  
 And yet the moon in all her faint gold light  
 Is but a dim reflection, but a dream.

You cannot go away because the sun,  
 Though hid by night doth yet its glory shed,  
 And still reflects and makes the lesser light,  
 A shadow, but a shadow live not dead.

You cannot really ever go away  
 But to us left there falls a harsher lot,  
 Because where joins the ends of broken reins  
 One cannot smooth the ragged bulging knot.

—Irene Meekins

## EXCHANGES

Essentials for a good date garnered from a general survey of men around the campus:

1. She doesn't eat much.
  2. She's good looking.
  3. She doesn't eat much.
  4. She's a good dancer.
  5. She doesn't eat much.
- Copied from the Glen Bard

Little Eva, who firmly believes it was a Scotchman, who, as a wedding gift to his wife, gave her a dozen paper plates and an eraser.

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## Daffynitions

Golf: a form of exercise in which very small boys carry thirty pounds of clubs as they follow large men and learn bad language.

Murderer: Someone who kicks somebody else's bucket.

Monopolist: One who gets both elbows on the arms of his theater seat.

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ers needed to make up a team. Already in soccer we have had 232 girls playing as compared with the 75 or 80 who formerly played on class teams."

## Fads and Fades

The distracted mothers of High Point are still wondering why all their spoons are so suddenly getting lost. The mystery will be solved if mother will only look closely at the bright flash on daughter's arm. Spoon bracelets are definitely in. I have sneaking suspicions that the hotels and restaurants will be glad to see this fad fade.

We haven't had much wind of late so that couldn't be the reason for the disappearance of those misty lids. I mean those porkpie hats.

What happened to those tuhe socks that had every evidence of being a hit. I thought more people would go out for wearing a pair of socks with one foot white with a blue top and the other foot blue with a white top. I am merely sticking to our school colors. They come in any shade.

Moccasins and saddle shoes are still the chief "carpet cutters" as far as high school students are concerned. It's good to be in style and comfort at the same time for once. There's one point to our credit.

## HERE 'TIS

Things you should know as we see it in our wild dash around school. A very devoted fan of our star guard is none other than Ann Tyree. Jewel Haney fem of the Junior class is determined to have a football hero like all the rest of the gals. Watch out, Jim, she's mighty pretty, according to Soc Chakales' successor, Currie. We wonder why a member of the Student Council spills perfumed red ink on his collar, especially after taking another member of our council out. Congratulations to the following for holding their own against stiff opposition: Bus Overcash, Thurman Horney. Herb Hodgins, Frankie Williams, Herb Spears, Dot Chamberlain, Ginny Busser, and Richard Bennett. Wonder why Teeny Lentz can't get off the Grady track. Could Goldston be responsible? Nan Clapp has all of us guessing, who's next. Nan? Brantley Hucks seems pretty well satisfied with last year's choice. An inspiring scene to see the following with a faraway look in their eyes: Harry Wagner, Ansel Snow, Arthur Utley, Jack Hussey, Clarence Causey, Joe Given, and Bud Kivett. We wonder if Catherine Baxter is still making those certain plans for '45. Still dreaming about that old flame, Marie? Snider, we mean. What's the matter with Rachel? Could she be in love? Hasn't the novelty worn off yet, Ruthetta and Doug? Two years is a long time, you know. Congratulations to the faculty and especially Mr. Whitley, for their fine support of our Bison team this year. While we're sprinkling orchids, that Student Government plan is tops. Who's that "beautiful, darling, terrific" heart-throb of Grady Morgan's? We'd tell you but the guy's editor.

## SCHOOL FACTS

Three hundred and twenty-four new books have been added to the library, the cost of which was about \$600, Miss Gertrude Capel, librarian, stated. She stated further that this was only half the books expected with-in the year.

Lawrence and Arnold Metcalf have a brother who is a fireman at Fire Station, number two. Metcalf, the brother, inspected our school building this week. At that time, he commented on how he hung the first flag on the pole just in front of the building. He did this from atop a fire ladder just 11 years ago.