

## WHISPERING GRASS

By Bill Currie

Here we go again, but what the outcome will be remains to be seen.

The other day we were sitting in the stall of the Pointer awaiting inspiration to write this little corner, when in walked two young gentlemen and

without any ceremony they raised the windows to the fullest height. Of course, we were amazed at the performance, but one of them hastened to explain that they had a political banner streaming from the window. We were shocked beyond recovery because it is a well-known fact that the POINTER is non-partisan.

Then we got to talking, and both of them expounded at length on their views of high school life. The first stated he thought the homework assignments were about 30 times too long, and he didn't have such a high regard for the faculty members. We believe he wished he was back in junior high.

His colleague immediately hit our sorest spot by declaring in no uncertain tones that he thought the POINTER was "very bad." We tried to keep our temper and defend our brain child the best we could, but we were well aware of the fact that he was not the only one who thought that way. We wonder if these two young innocents are shining examples of our sophomore class.

One of our staff members, and a very efficient one, at that, Dot Chamberlain, is often very much peeved with us because we aren't in love with her boy friend like she is. We have never been able to understand a person who is not able to love alone. When one loves, it's okay, but don't try to make everybody else love your lover. That's pretty involved, but you might be able to figure it out if you try hard and long enough.

This corner wishes to extend a bunch of orchids to the high school band. Enough cannot be said about the praiseworthy improvement that has been made this year since Mr. Jimmy Davis took over the shoes of director. We wish them, if possible, even greater success in the future.

LOVE—LOVE

A couple of guys were sitting behind me at the auto races Sunday, and needless to say, they were not quite what they should be. One said to the other, "Say, Jim" (Jim wasn't really his name), "did you see that bunch of guys from somewhere beat - - - outa High Point high the other night?"

The one addressed, looking all around, "Shhh!! Yeah, I saw it but it was unfair. Yeah, it was, 'cause I heard they were gonna get Billy Myers, that Lexington back, for draft dodging."

Scoop McCrary, Lexington scribe, seemed to feel that the Bison had won a moral victory last

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# Sophomore President and Secretary Still Unelected New Amendments Reality As Lower House Assembles

## Culler Will Act In Role Of Speaker

### Delegates Given Heart-Warming Lecture on "School Morale"

Over a year of hard work was climaxed Tuesday afternoon when the first meeting of the new Lower House of the Student Council convened for business.

Vice President Ruth Culler will preside over the lower house in the absence of the president. That rule is merely a formality since the president will always be absent, and Ruth Culler will naturally be the speaker of the house.

The delegates were given a thorough talking to by Humphreys and Miss Hunter on, "School Morale". School morale is defined as, "having a larger and finer school spirit, and the desire to aid your school to reach the summit through cooperation with the faculty and fellow class members."

### PREXY EXPOUNDS

The president declared that every student should feel it his duty to uphold the principals for which the principals for which High Point high school stands, and he also stated that every student should try to make the school better by personal contribution to the upholding of the rules. He took special care to call upon each of the newly elected members to do their bit to pass the responsibility onto the student body at large.

The Lower House of the Student Council is composed of a representative from each home room, and give wider student participation. The house will pass on all legis-

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### ILDERTON IN THE FOG

In a press conference the other afternoon, Senior President Gloria Ilderton stated that her plans for the future were indefinite, in spite of the fact her platform speech stated that her plans were definite.

Glancing over the platform speech, we find that the president offered to the students a wide program for the future which was headed by a social between the junior and sophomore classes with the seniors heading the group. Also the social standing between the three classes would work on a larger scale.

After her conference with Senior Adviser Miss Lindsey, the president said that the seniors would hold a class meeting in the next few days.



Pictured above are the students upon whom the Sophomore and Junior classes have bestowed offices in recent elections, and those who are still subject to run-offs. Top row reading from left to right: John Crowder, sophomore vice-president, Ray Williard, still running for sophomore president, Leigh Rodenbough, who is in the same boat with Williard, and Barbara Lynn, sophomore treasurer. Bottom row: Bill Sizemore, junior president, Tommy Stanton, junior vice-president, and Dina Taylor, Junior secretary and treasurer.

## CROWDER PILES UP BIG MAJORITY, KNOX AND HUNSUCKER ON COUNCIL

### Run Off to Take Place Sometime Next Week, Candidates Renew Campaigning for New Vote.

After a heated campaign and a closely fought election, the sophomore class is still without a president, or a secretary. Ray Williard and Leigh Rodenbough are locked in a struggle hold for the president's office, while William Craven and Margaret McKinney are both without a majority for

## UNDERCLASSMEN ELECT SIZEMORE, STANTON, TAYLOR AT POLLS

### Prexy Shows Real Political Genius After Withdrawing Vice-Presidential

Firmly installed in their offices, the Junior Class leaders begin a serious campaign to make the underclasses outstanding in school life this year.

In the election which was held October 15, the Juniors selected Bill Sizemore as president, and backed him with Tommy Stanton in the vice president's chair, while Dina Taylor will be the secretary and treasurer.

Sizemore showed real political genius which will always be needed in High Point high school, when, rather than risk his chances against charming Tommy Stanton for the vice presidency, he withdrew from that race and entered the presidential campaign by petition.

This shrewd move on his part netted him the office, as he gained popularity with amazing speed once announced to be in the running for the main office while he had been only an average candidate for vice president.

The Juniors showed their taste for beauty and brains as well when they elected Tommy Stanton to fill the vice presidential seat. She is a class leader and one of High Point's five crack band majorettes.

The election of Dina Taylor to the office of secretary and treasurer was no surprise. A leader for several years in class work, Miss Taylor has either held office, or been dominant behind the scenes ever since she entered High School.

All three of the winning candidates ran on about the same platform as did those who were defeated. A wider social activity, and greater co-operation between the classes constituted the planks upon which the candidates based their campaigns.

It seems that those elected convinced the class that the plans would be firmly nailed into the fiber of student activity in High Point high school.

John Crowder carried off the vice president's office with an landslide over John McHugh. This is Crowder's first victory in school politics by such a convincing majority.

The student council, at its next meeting will find representing the largest sophomore class in history, Eddie Knox, and Sara Coe Hunsucker. Both of these students come to high school as recognized leaders from Junior High and will be valuable to the council in that they are both firm believers in Student Participation in a wide scale.

The fact that the president's race is yet to be decided make it imperative that a run-off between the two surviving candidates take place some time next week. Class Adviser Mr. Ken Smith announced that definite plans for the run-off would be announced in the future.

The winning council candidates stood for all the things that class officers have been standing for since time began, but they put it across in such a way that the students were convinced that a better future would be in store for the class if the votes went for Knox and Hunsucker.

Naturally being new to the organization of high school politics, the sophomores had a little trouble getting their machinery to run smoothly, but now with the experience on one election already behind them, it is expected they will have hard battles for office, and votes will be roped in by the usual methods with which every student is familiar.

While it is comprable that any further official campaigning will be open, there is already a campaign of back slapping going to attempt the election of both the candidates.

### HONOR SOCIETY

At the initial meeting of the year, the National Honor Society elected the following officers: President, Ruby Parker; vice president, Charles Medlin; secretary, Katherine Cross; and treasurer, Ruth Culler. This is the first time in several years that a girl has been elected to the office of president.

As the first project of the year the society will sponsor the sale of Christmas cards, which is a usual custom. These cards will be on sale in a few weeks and may be secured from any member of the society.

## Council Looks to Future

### P. T. A. OPENS CAMPAIGN FOR MEMBERSHIP

#### First Meeting Will Be Highlighted By Department Display

Preceding the actual campaign for membership, the Parent Teacher council met October 17, to work out plans for the coming "Parent Go to School Night", and also elect officers for the council.

Mrs. T. A. Tilden was elected chairman of the council while the rest of the members were urged to aid in the campaign for membership in the Parent Teacher Association proper. The drive will take place between the dates of October 18, to October 25, and the council wishes to urge every student, through the POINTER to try to convince his parents that it is a duty and a privileged to become members of the association.

In the "Parent Go To School" activity the members of the council will serve as joint hostesses in the home rooms before the meeting in the auditorium, and will assist the teacher in greeting all the visiting parents.

After the greeting in the home home rooms on the night of parent visitation the entire aggregation of parents, anxious to learn of the progress of their particular child, will convene in the auditorium where they will be addressed by Charles C. Carrill, superintendent of High Point public schools.

At the conclusion of the assembly the parents will follow the schedule regularly observed by their children on every school day.

Of particular interest will be the science displays, and most of all the Physics outlay which will be set up entirely by the students to show the principals of modern science, and new devices. Mr. Thomas Baldwin, High Point's Einstein, will be on hand to offer technical knowledge when it becomes too tough for the students, and if it becomes too tough for him, its too tough to be asked.

Every parent is urged to join the Parent Teachers Association since it is known to bring about a better understanding between the parents, the teachers, and the pupils themselves.

### Plans For Coming Activity Already Being Formulated

#### Motion Picture and Social Standards Conference Being Considered

With a keen foresight for the future, the student council is already making plans for their campaign to make High Point high school one of the nations leading points in student government.

The lower house has already begun to function and that is a milestone in the history of student government in High Point high.

The council plans to sponsor a feature length motion picture in January, immediately after the current serial is completed, and plans for that movie are already taking shape. The company from which the council planned to secure the film sent an interesting list from which student officials will most likely select a story starring that star of stars, Jack Benny.

The question of dances has been settled one and for all by the council after a conference with Principal D. P. Whitley. It is an established fact that certain factions of citizens do not approve of dances sponsored by the school, and therefore the council feels indeed fortunate in being able to offer two dances to the students during the coming year.

One will be held after the Social Standards conference which will come next spring, and the other will be the feature social event of the year, the Junior Senior prom, at which time the real splendor of High School life is shown off.

### Artist's Bureau Selected by Frank

Under the able direction of Miss Virginia Frank the Artist's Bureau has a membership of about thirteen. Those who tried out and were accepted are as follows: Pianists, Peyton Vorhees, Juanita Coppedge, Alice Rae Turned, Bob Gayle; flutes solos, Phyllis Strickland, Sarah Scruggs; violin, Jack Dillard and Jacquelin Price; String bass, Kelly Lawoon; Cellist, Charles Medlin; viola, Jacquelin Price; trumpet, Homer Haworth; accordion, Peyton Vorhees; and vocalists, Gilbert Gray (bass) and Margaret Kernode (soprano), Rebecca Conrad has been tentively accepted as a pianist.

### HOME COMING SUCCESSFUL LAST WEEK

#### Parade Headed the Colorful Celebration

With a flashing array of blue and white and music by the band, High Point high school began the 1940 homecoming celebration with one of the most colorful parades the school has ever undertaken.

Each roomer participated in the project by selecting members of the homeroom to carry out their ideas. The parade began at the school about 3 o'clock, and the students marched through the business district of the city. It was led by the cheerleaders, who were followed by the drum major, Tom Henderson, and the majorettes. Since cars were excluded, baby carriages, horses and wagons, and bicycles took their places. An outstanding feature was the large dummy displayed by room 210. Placards assuring the Bison's success were in evidence.

After the parade, a pep rally was held at the vacant lot beside the postoffice, with the cheerleaders and the band leading the activities. Over 6,000 High Point alumnae, ers attended the game at Albion Mills Stadium.

### New Reports Are Lauded

"The true purpose of education is to effect changes in conduct on the part of the person educated. Only that person has been truly educated during a term, a year, or any other period of time, whose conduct has been materially changed at the end of that period as measured by his conduct at the beginning."

Realizing the truth of this quotation, which appears on the students' report card, the administration has adapted a new report card on which students are to be graded on their attitudes and habits as well as their scholastic ability. There are ten of these new items which are as follows: attitude, courtesy, dependability, effort, initiative, self-reliance, purposefulness, orderliness, self-control, punctuality, and honest.

Although the new report cards are not yet well understood by the students, both the students and faculty realize the great possibilities, and the great adventures in this new system of recording grades.

## Bud Waite To Tell Of Adventures With Byrd On Collins Festival

### Rotary Sponsored Entertainment Will Bring Two Additional Shows to High Point

Tonight, Bud Waite will relive his adventures with Admiral Byrd in little America as he presents the second in the Collins Entertainment Festival series to an enthusiastic audience in the Senior high school auditorium.

The first in this series was a musical drama built around the life and love of Frank Schubert, famous composer, presented on October 17, by the Hugo Brandt company.

November 1, the Doris Peterson company will present the third in the series, a marimba and xylophone musical program. Doris Peterson has been proclaimed National Champion of Marimba and Xylophone.

The fourth and last performance, on November 7, will be a play



Bud Waite, pictured above, will appear on the high school stage tonight in a lecture on his harrowing experience with the second expedition of Admiral Byrd to the South Pole. He appears as a special attraction of the Collin's Festival.

"The Big Pond" which was a very popular comedy hit in both New York and Chicago.

## Davis Improves Maneuvers for Band As Spectators Are Amazed at Sight

High Point high school's crack band takes the stairs to greater heights every appearance as the public at large as well as the students heap praise upon the work accomplished so far by the director, Mr. Jimmy Davis.

Homecoming night saw the seventy piece musical organization from the words, "Hello Grads" before the High Point stands, in honor of the graduates who had returned for the homecoming tilt between the Bison and Lexington.

The addition of new members from the musical talent of Junior high makes it probable that the local band will receive a much

higher rating at the state contest this year, both on the parade field and on the concert stage.

As a parade band, the Bison marchers can compete with the best. They have five of the classiest majorettes in the state, either in high school or colleges and can boast of excellent drum majoring in the person of genial Thomas Henderson.

Henderson come to High Point with experience. He had led a band in junior high, both in Asheville, and Roanoke, Virginia, and is receiving expert instruction under Mr. Davis, band director, who has been one of the greatest drum majors (Continued on back page)