



**Ink On My Hands**

by **Marilyn**

Printer's ink, that is — but it's a good healthy splotch—and I don't mind it a bit.

No doubt in my mind . . .

That the Beta Club really "has something" in those dances coming up. Realizing the lack of winter socials sponsored in connection with the school itself, the Betas have undertaken the task—and task it is! But with the spirited support that's expected, it ought to be well worth the effort. Then, too, it adds to our schedule of social events, the others being the movies, Y-canteen, and skating.

It makes you wonder, doesn't it? . . .

"Excuse me," said the girl to the boy who sits three seats away from her in history class, "but do you have John Brown's body?"

Immediately, please . . .

It has been called to our attention that the ratio in H.P.H.S. is probably about two girls to each boy. This being the case, "Seaweed" asks that his two please call 51706.

Be choosy where you chew your gum . . .

I'd be willing to bet my bottom dollar that countless thousands of words have appeared in high school newspapers on the subject of chewing gum, but the habit remains just the same. Chewing has been proved distracting to study and besides, a sea of jaws in motion wouldn't be a pleasing sight for anybody—teachers included. Give the idea a little more thought and then be choosy when you chew.

We wonder about . . .

The words dashed across the blackboard in 301 recently—"Rhode for Congress" . . .

The "mumbles" song—what did he say?

## 15 To Attend Music Clinic

Fifteen students were selected from the local high school orchestra to participate in the 90-piece All-State High School Orchestra Clinic for two days, February 4th and 5th in Winston-Salem. Orchestra personnel was picked from the entire state. Henry Sopkin, conductor of the Atlanta Symphony was clinic conductor.

Members of the local orchestra chosen were Donnie Silver, Amanda Gekas, Annie Sue Alverson, Ruth Hyde, Rachel Leonard, Shirley Kirkman, Jean Short, Jean Weekly, Geraldine Brawley, Virginia Saunders, Ralph Tilden, Charlene Thomas, Bud Montgomery, Bill White, and Jack King.

## Rehashing The Scoops That Might Have Been

Hardly anyone in H.P.H.S. likes to miss an exciting event—especially in connection with school. So we've just gone back and "rehashed" some of the big news scoops that might have appeared on the front pages of the *Pointers* which have not been printed since school started on a beautiful September morning.

Football was the biggest topic of conversation in almost every group of H.P. high schoolers during the fall months. Each game held excitement, especially that breathless heart-breaker with our eastern neighbors.

One of the most interesting little events of the season was the literal interpretation that some "Whirlies" applied to the custom of "painting the town red"—only they painted the wrong town. The season ended with a banquet for the team, cheerleaders, etc., with the most valuable player awards going to T. C. and "Bean."

Meanwhile, class elections were held, and the frosh-soph magazine drive went over to the satisfaction of all concerned. A little later, in November, the junior class staged a bang-up success with their play, "A Date With Judy." On the last day before the Christmas holidays a beautiful and impressive program was presented for the student body.

Basketball season—and what a season—came in early December and is still going strong.

Finally, to be brief, three honor clubs held inductions, and Betty Jo Ring was chosen to represent senior high as a candidate for the D.A.R. award. And it snowed!

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## BETAS TO SPONSOR MONTHLY DANCES

### Student Forum Heard Over WMFR

"How is High Point helping to make North Carolina the number one good health state?" This was the topic discussed when the recently organized American Junior Town Meeting of the Air held its first radio broadcast last Thursday evening over station WMFR.

Some of the speakers brought out facts concerning state and local needs, and asserted the necessity for a program of health education. Others told of what is being accomplished by the study of health in the city schools, of the recent X-ray tests, and of the plans for increasing hospital facilities.

Participants in the discussion were Jackie Meekins, Dewey Greer, Margaret Little, Paul Friedman, and Dolly Moser, senior high school students. Moderator for the meeting was Mr. Noble Praigg. Heywood Washburn acted as town crier.

### Moose To Provide Dances for H. P. H. S.

Under the sponsorship of the local chapter of the Moose Club, a dance is to be given one night each month for a different group of high school students, with chaperones and all expenses provided and paid for by the club. In extending the invitation, Mr. J. S. Forward and Mr. G. W. Poin-dexter, members of the local organization, requested that the various school organizations take turns in sponsoring these dances each month.

The senior executive board sponsored the first dance, which was held on the night of January 30 from 8:30 to 11:00. Although chaperones are provided by the club, parents were invited to attend.

These dances are to be held at the old Rankin home on Church street, now headquarters of the Moose Club. Owing to the lack of space, the number of couples attending each dance will be limited to twenty-five. In order, therefore, to give a large number of students an opportunity to enjoy one of these social events, different organizations will be represented each month.

"The object of the local Moose Club," states the note of invitation, "is to help provide a place for wholesome and clean recreation for the youth of High Point. It is a stepping-stone to create better facilities for local youth recreation and also the means of keeping our youth out of the court rooms and city jails."



KEY CLUB MEMBERS are pictured above engaged in work on the high school "Register." Left to right are — President Robert Boyles (telephoning), Grady Anderson, John Hall (at typewriter), Jerry Hester, and Maxwell Thurman. — (Photo by EMBLER).

## Key Club Plans Publication Of a High School Register

Senior High's Key Club has recently announced plans to publish a high school register—a booklet printed for the general information of students, faculty, and colleges. The register will contain the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and names of parents of each member of the high school student body. The club members are planning to sell advertisements to local merchants in order to finance the publication.

An official induction of the new members in a student assembly program has been planned for sometime within the next week. According to Robert Boyles, president, the club is seeking to secure as speaker for the occasion the Rev. Paul Tudor Jones, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. "The induction program is not to be confused with initiation," states Robert, "as the boys were initiated early in the fall." New inductees will include Bobbie Joe Mickey, Grady Anderson, Jerry Hester, Jim Hardison, Ray Hayworth, Jud Ruth, Nolan Brewer, Joe Aaron, Kenneth Ingram and Taki Thompson.

Sophomore and junior boys are under consideration for membership now, and those chosen will probably be initiated within the next few weeks, but the official induction will come in the spring. Mr. Cuthbert Ishee is adviser for the Key Club.

### FLASH

Jud Rufus, the faithful and beloved janitor of the *POINTER* building, located on Fifth at Broadway, became the victim today of a cutting scene in a local barbershop. Police seem to think that rivalry between the barber, Zeke Moses, and Rufus over the attentions of Miss Jezebel Jones provided the incentive for the barber's action. He is being held in custody at the Darktown Strutters Jail this morning. The only statement reporters could obtain from Miss Jones was "Ah'm so Mixed Up!"

What happened to poor Jud? We really don't know. We'll just leave that to you. . . .

(P. S. Of course, the above bulletin is just a part of the subscription rally for the *POINTER* held in the High School auditorium on February 10, 1948.)

### Four Seniors Get Diplomas

Four seniors completed the requirements for graduation at the end of the first semester. At this time Jack Hinkle, Donald Goins, and Norman Schwartz received their diplomas. Bill Campbell, however, only dropped out of school until June, when he will graduate with the class of 1948.

At present the plans of these four boys are as follows: Jack Hinkle will probably play professional baseball with the St. Louis Cardinals. Donald Goins plans to go to work. Norman Schwartz will enter the University of North Carolina at the quarter beginning in March, and Bill Campbell, after working during the summer, will enter college next fall.

### Seniors Form Hi-Y Chapter

Under the leadership of Mr. Edgar Hartley, secretary of the local Y. M. C. A., a new Senior Hi-Y chapter has been formed. The juniors and seniors who make up the membership of this organization were chosen by their respective home rooms late in the fall.

The following officers were elected at this meeting: Max Ward, president, and Bobby Lee, secretary. Additional members will be inducted at a later date. The present membership consists of the following: Speedy Reid, Nos Alman, Wheat Miller, Charlie Jones, Bobby Lee, Ray Hamlet, Max Ward, Bill Gray, Eddie White, Robert Boyles, Walter Church, Charlie Shuffelt, Blimp Haworth, and Tony Teachey.

### Five Pass First NROTC Test

Five out of the forty high school students who took the NROTC test on December 13 are now eligible to go to Washington in March for the physical examination and the interview with officials in charge, who will decide which of the contestants will receive four years of college training at government expense. Last year 2500 boys were selected from the 40,000 who applied for the scholarships.

The successful contestants in the local school are Bill Friddle, Paul Hardin, Perry Keziah, Charles Meredith, and Charles Simmons. The tests were given under the supervision of school officials and the direction of Mr. H. T. Rhode, a teacher of science and mathematics.

The boys will be in Washington on March 3 and 4. If they are successful in meeting all requirements, they can look forward to four years of college training in any institution which provides for a NROTC course.

### First Event To Take Place On Evening Of February 26

Highlighting social activities at H. P.H.S. will be a series of monthly dances, beginning February 26, to be held in the school cafeteria under the sponsorship of the Beta Club. The high school swing band has been secured by the Betas to provide music and entertainment for the occasion, while refreshments will probably consist of ice cream and soft drinks. All of this is being planned by the local club at a minimum charge to cover expenses.

These dances will be open to all high school pupils. However, because of the lack of space in the cafeteria, the number of tickets for each event will necessarily have to be limited.

The purpose of this social activity is to give students opportunity to become better acquainted with one another. Although the Beta Club was originally designated in the annals as "an inactive organization whose sole purpose was to recognize students of high scholastic standing," the present members have decided to undertake some project which will be of benefit to the school. After several weeks of research and discussion, it was concluded that the project most enjoyable and advantageous to the students would be a monthly evening dance.

After obtaining approval from the administration, the Betas speedily began making preparations. Paul Friedman, president, has appointed the following committee chairmen: Jane Roach, music; Donald Thurber, floor; Becky Cavarnos, tickets; and Paul Hardin, refreshments.

### Pemican Wins High Rating

"The 1947 Pemican is soundly built with an excellent unifying theme and a high degree of reader interest. Your accomplishments are especially remarkable because of the relative youth of the yearbook." With these closing comments the board of judges of the National Scholastic Press Association awarded "All-American Honors" to the 1947 Pemican, High Point high school's yearbook, according to the announcement received on January 21.

The judges also commended this third year production for the excellent close-to-home ideas of its theme, which they said was interestingly developed.

For the first two years of its existence the publication received a First Class honor rating. Although a hundred or more students at one time or another worked on the 1947 Pemican, the heaviest responsibilities rested on a small staff, which included Dorothy Hollar, faculty adviser; James Johnson, editor; Mary McMullan, business manager; Ted Hodge, student photographer; Bob Hester, associate editor; Joyce Linticum, printing editor; Claude McKinney, art editor; Pat Conrad, engraving editor; Bill Campbell, sports editor; Jeanne Kline, feature editor; and Bob Renfrow, copy editor.

Betty Jo Ring, editor of the 1947-48 edition, states that every effort has been made this year to produce another All-American yearbook. It has been announced also that the annual will be off the presses and delivered before the end of the present school year.

### Seniors To Present Popular Comedy

"The Whole Town's Talking," a comedy in three acts by John Emerson and Anita Loos, will be presented April 9 and 10 by the class of 1948 under the direction of Miss Ruth Goodman.

With a view to pleasing popular taste, this sophisticated comedy, crowded with hilarious situations, was chosen by the dramatic director and the class adviser. Tryouts will probably be held within a few weeks.

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