

ALUMNI NEWS

Phyllis Penn was found wandering about the hall one day last week, looking for Miss Grogan. Phyllis is now attending N. C. C. W., but she confided to a friend that she wished she were back in high school.

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My dear Miss Martin:

I enjoyed my little visit with you the other day so much. It seemed like old times to be perched up on your desk telling you everything. I surely do love to go back over to the school. Folks who are in high school are eager to get out and those who have finished would give a million to be back. Isn't life strange?

We had the craziest time out at the college last week. The upper classmen were initiating the freshmen into the various societies and of all the peculiar looking objects we were the most ridiculous. All new students had to wear bibs, either red, blue, green or yellow according to the society. The texts were handed around in white pillow cases that had to be carefully folded before entering a classroom or chapel. No freshman was allowed to use cosmetics and had to wear horrid black cotton hose, and carry a "hoisted umbrella" tied with a huge bow of ribbon. If an upper classman passed, the poor girl got the ditch, and replied "Yes, ma'am" and "No, ma'am" when necessary. All orders of old students had to be obeyed, and the worst of all we had to learn to sing the laundry list to the tune of "Home, Sweet Home." I can't wait for Mr. Phillips to let us come over and sing it for them in chapel. The resident students had to wear gloves to breakfast and rouge their noses and plait their hair for dinner. Those with long hair looked exactly like they belonged to an Indian Reserve—and the bobbed-haired ones resembled little pickaninnies.

Mary Lynn told me she saw you down town Saturday. She was so distressed because there was no one at the school. You see, we don't have two grand days each week to loaf like you all do. She left Sunday at noon, and I did hate to see her go.

Mr. Phillips was at the station Friday night when Mary came and he actually asked me why I came to the station. Wasn't that impudent?

Miss Martin, the Physical Ed. at N. C. is the funniest thing. You and Miss Grogan would surely laugh if you could see me lying flat on my back, riding a bicycle to the moon. It's a great life, I tell you.

Oh! I 'most forgot to tell you about Latin and to send Miss Grogan a message about old Math. Miss Boddie is just grand, but constructions—oh my! We have to know the who, what, when, where, and why of every little preposition. I really do enjoy it, though, more than any other subject. The composition isn't so pleasant, but it's getting better. Please, Miss Martin, don't stop teaching and *stressing* grammar. You've no idea how thankful we are to you and to Miss Tillet for teaching us Latin and English grammar. It surely comes in handy. You needn't tell Miss Grogan, but Math is getting along so well. I had the wrong idea about it when I expected it to be as easy as high school algebra, I guess.

Well, Miss Martin, I've many more things to say, so I'll just have to come to see you again. However, I'll be sure to dodge Mr. Phillips because ever since he told me a joke about the high school principal who, if he were going to be anything else, had rather be in charge of a jail so the alumni wouldn't come back, I've felt a little hesitancy in returning. But I won't let a little thing like Mr. Phillips keep me away.

Give my love to Miss Grogan and all my other friends I've left behind but haven't forgotten.

Love
BETTY BROWN.

SELECT FANTASY AS THEME FOR SECOND ISSUE OF MAGAZINE

The World of Make-Believe and Imagination to Be Carried Out

PART OF "ROMANCE" IDEA

List of Topics Will Count as Themes For One Week in English Department

"Fantasy: the Romance of Make-Believe" is the theme for the second issue of *Homespun*, which will come from the press shortly before the Christmas holidays. Every phase of the world of imagination, of vagaries and reveries, in its relation to romance, will be treated.

The realm of thought, particularly thought which passes from the everyday trend into the region of make-believe, is so infinite and at times so interesting that the editors of *Homespun* consider the subject of "Fantasy" one to which an issue may well be devoted. When developed in the manner this magazine usually develops its themes, this second link in the chain of "Romance" should be a production decidedly worth reading.

Among the topics suggested for articles are: Ghosts, Dreams, Spiritualism, Air Castles, Famous Hoaxes, and other topics.

The world of make-believe, of imagination, and of the out-of-the-ordinary thoughts are to make up this issue. All English teachers will be given a list of the topics suggested and will be requested to count these as themes for one week.

NEW BULLETIN BOARD IN THE NEW BUILDING

Only News of Library to Be Posted Here—French Newspapers and Labels Are Features

A bulletin board has been placed in the hall for the new building in front of the double doors. Only library news can be placed on this board. News concerning new books, overdue books and interesting facts about the library will be put there.

New shelves are being put all around the walls in the student council room. These shelves are to be used for library books.

French newspapers have been placed in the library. They are for the use of all the French students.

Labels have been placed on the shelves to classify the books and make it easier for the pupils to find the books they want.

The student council room is going to be turned into a periodic room. It is to be used for the librarian in her work also.

DEBATING CLUB ARGUES FLOOD CONTROL QUERY

Club Votes in Favor of the Bill—J. D. McNairy and Eric Whitworth Uphold Affirmative Side

A continuation of the discussion of the query, "Resolved, That the federal government should take over flood control of the Mississippi Valley," which was deferred at a recent meeting, constituted the program of the meeting of the Senior Debating Club November 11.

The negative side left the floor, saying that they saw the need for some action, but until they were shown a logical plan of prevention they opposed blindly rushing into the situation.

J. D. McNairy quoted Secretary Hoover's statement in regard to engineering the project for the affirmative side. Eric Whitworth gave the theory of a great Chinese philosopher in controlling floods in China.

Henry Biggs and Lawrence Hoyle also spoke. The club voted in favor of the bill.

LOIS McFARLAND WINS MEYER'S ESSAY PRIZE

In connection with Carl Thomtany's Man of Sorrows valued at \$80,000, Meyer's Department Store several weeks ago announced an essay contest, open to all students above the eighth grades.

The prize of \$5 goes to Lois McFarland for the best essay on the "Man of Sorrows." The second prize of \$3 goes to Florence Towers Younger, and the third prize of \$1 goes to Thelga Scarlette.

Honorable mention also goes to Robert Trilton and Ruth Ferree.

These essays were adjudged the best among many handed in, by the judge, Leonard B. Hurley, of the English Department of North Carolina College for Women.

SENIOR DEBATING CLUB HAS MEETING

Debaters Discuss: "Resolved That Sunday Golf Should Not Be Played"

AFFIRMATIVE SIDE WINS

The Senior Debating Club held their weekly meeting Friday, November 4, 1927.

Miss Laura Tillet, head of the English Department, speaking on "Oral English," made apologies for her colleague, Will Shakespeare, who had failed to appear. She then told of her varying experiences in getting up this speech. According to Miss Tillet, the three essentials of good speaking are pronunciation, enunciation and correct posture.

The second part of the program was a debate by four members of the Freshman Debating Club.

In appreciation of the interesting program given to the freshmen by the seniors a few weeks ago, these four debaters, Clary Holt, Guy Hope, Margaret McLean, and Douglas Cartland discussed Sunday golf. The query was: "Resolved, That Sunday golf shall not be played." The judges' decisions were two to one in favor of the affirmative.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL NEWS

Aycock

Student government with a council elected from the grades upstairs and one from the primary grades will go in to effect this week at Aycock. Miss Patton and Mr. Strickland met with the council November 10 to adopt a constitution. The students are co-operating to make this a success.

A safety patrol has been organized with Harry Donnell as captain and V. B. Morgan lieutenant of one division, and Hardy Root captain and Pierce Rucker lieutenant of the other.

L. A. Hartset has been elected captain of the soccer team which so far this year has won two games, lost 4 and tied 1.

The Book Week Exhibit in the library put on by the older grades was a great success. The King Arthur Table the fairy tales table and the Natural Study Table had the tables attracting the most attention.

THE CHAPEL DOORS

No longer can we loiter in the downstairs hall of the main building and peep into chapel to see who the speaker is; because the small panes of glass in the doors leading to chapel have been painted a dull hue. In order to gain any information of what takes place inside the four walls beyond the glass one must sit attentively during the entire period. Yes, many inquisitive beings will attend chapel merely to satisfy their curiosity. Yet will it not be better all around? Now, the speaker will never be interrupted by numerous eyes and many whispering sounds hovering just outside the chapel doors.

DR. FREEMAN SPEAKS TO FATHER AND SON AT ANNUAL BANQUET

Uses "The Greatest Partnership in the World" as Text

CLARY HOLT GIVES TOAST

Robert Douglas Wins Drinking Contest. Joe Transou and Hoyt Boone Give Dance Skit

Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, of Richmond, Va., spoke at the Father and Son banquet Friday night, November 11, at the King Cotton Hotel. His text was "The Greatest Partnership in the World." "Throughout the pages of history," Dr. Freeman said, "the bond of unity between sire and son has existed and the ages have developed a kindred spirit of interest, even as necessity for a common ground of understanding has brought the twain closer together as the generations have come and gone."

Dr. Freeman issued a plea to every father and son to head the warning of Time's immutable mandate and respond to the quickened pulse of Nature's prime demand, a demand which makes essential a great understanding to place parent and son on a basis ground of friendship.

Rev. Dwight Chalmers, pastor of the Church by the Side of the Road, opened the invocation. Songs and yells were led by Grady Miller and Fank Warner. Toast to the fathers was made by Clary Holt. Robert Douglas made the response. He also won in the milk-drinking contest.

Other entertaining features of the program included song and dance skits by Joe Transou and Hoyt Boone, appearing as black-face comedians.

Nearly five hundred fathers and sons were present.

SCOUTS' HONOR DOCKET EXCEEDS THOSE IN PAST

Chief Advances Were Made By Joe Madon and Henry Barnes—Commissioners Were Appointed

ALL BOY SCOUTS OF CITY ATTEND

The Greensboro Boy Scouts assembled Saturday night, November 5, at the courthouse for hearing a court of honor docket which exceeded any docket ever presented in the number of scouts advanced. A new plan was followed in the appointment of various commissioners for the grades of scout work. R. D. Douglas presided over the meeting as eagle scout commissioner.

Major E. D. Kuykendall is merit badge commissioner; Charles W. Phillips is first class commissioner, but was acting life scout commissioner at the meeting; H. G. Hunter is second class commissioner and Charles Benbow is star scout commissioner. Scoutmaster J. W. Geeslin acted as scribe.

GIRLS' MONOGRAM CLUB MEETS THURS. NIGHT

Hostess is Leila George Cram—Club Has a Short Business Meeting and Social Hour

The Girls' Monogram Club held a meeting at the home of Leila George Cram, Thursday, November 10, at 8 o'clock. A short meeting, presided over by Carl Lane Browne, was held at the beginning, during which all of the club business was discussed. After this was completed, a social hour was held. The hostess served an ice course, after which the party broke up.

Those present at the meeting were: Carl Lane Brown, Margaret Boles, Rose Goodwin, Douglas Long, Lillian Hauck, Duella Walker, Virginia Brown, and Miss Nellie Dry, faculty adviser.

EXCHANGES

The Rattles, San Marcos, Texas: HIGH LIFE thinks your school constitution idea very good, San Marcos. Your code of good sportsmanship in fine. We hope it will be very beneficial to your athletics.

The Pow-Wow, Albany Georgia: You Albanians certainly show good sportsmanship at your football games. Also, we wish to congratulate you on the fact that the senior girls went 100 per cent in subscriptions for the *Pow-Wow*; you seniors co-operate well with the school organizations. We think your paper fine.

High Spots, Elizabeth, New Jersey: Your article by Argentine Daniels, an Armenian girl, was very, very interesting. We Americans find it hard to believe that such things really happen. Best regards to Miss Daniels, and we hope she likes our country.

The Orange and White, Orlando, Fla.: We see that Orlando is planning to enter the state debate and declamation contests for the national prize. The reward, a European trip to the winner of the national contest, is certainly worth working for.

The Lincoln Log, Cleveland, Ohio: HIGH LIFE hopes your Tag Day plan of raising money for the band uniforms proves successful. Lincoln High School has fine spirit in the school.

Wilmington High School News, Wilmington, Del.:

Best luck to the Cherry and White football team in the game with Chester—you certainly have the spirit.

The Columbia, South Orange, N. J.: You have a fine paper. Watch it grow. We are glad to see that student government has been successful at Columbia.

The Tatler, Woodlawn, Alabama:

One of the student from Woodlawn interviewed Colonel Lindbergh while he was in Birmingham. It was a very interesting write-up. The interviewer must be very proud of his opportunity. Not many people are so honored.

WHAT IS LATIN?

Latin is a language (?) seldom spoken, never read correctly, and is the central theme of many a student's nightmare. This language contradicts every rule of grammar and rhetoric ever taught by English instructors in school. It makes students lose their appetite, grow pale and thin, and develop nerves.

But Latin has its good points as well as its bad ones. The practice one gets in looking for verbs is very helpful in searching for lost books, pencils, etc. Its constructions are a great source of aid to those who study mathematics.

It is believed by some philosophic students that Caesar used quotations in constructing his sentences. No English student would want to use a common sentence after having been exposed to those of Caesar's. These "cases" of love which were once so popular are dying out because both sexes after leaving Latin class are sick of all cases.

Now, ask me another!

A POEM

(Dedicated to Mr. C. W. Phillips)

He went, He stayed.
Meanwhile—we played.
He returned, He stays.
No more—we play.

TORCH LIGHT SOCIETY GOES TO DOUGLAS CABIN

Old and new members of the Torchlight Society went on a picnic Saturday, November 5, at the Douglas cabin, leaving from the high school at 6 P. M.

An ample supply of food had been provided, which everyone attacked with great zest. Harry Gump and Edgar Kuykendall had arranged a program for the occasion. This included songs, an original initiation of all the new members, a short, humorous talk by Henry Biggs, and a ghost story by Dick Douglas, who was a special guest of the society at the picnic.