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USS Oxford High

As the USS Oxford High sets out once more for a nine month cruise around mathematics, literature, grammar, French, Latin, science, history, and commercial studies, it is once again guided by the able Admiral D. N. Hix, with the assistance of his faithful captains. Captains Boyd and Wilkins are leading the "first class" passengers, which are for the first time in the history of Oxford High a twelfth grade. Captains Noble and Reams are training the "second class," Captains Culton and Averette the "third class," and Captains Cooper and Haney are trying to calm those vigorous "fourth classmen." Captain Mewborn will lead the "golden-throated" mixed chorus and glee club, while Captain Wagner waves his baton as director of the band which has represented the school so well in many state affairs. Captain Wilkerson aids the fairer sex of Oxford High in their future home making, while Captain Wilderman commands the boathands who wish to follow the "trade winds." Captains Culton and Muelenaer will be guiding those rough and ready Wildcats through vigorous football practices and on to victory in the games to come. The Student Body is led by its able president, Dorothy Strother and their assembly programs will be planned by the vice-president, Alice Peele. With these faculty and student leaders chartering and guiding the USS Oxford High, it will certainly have a smooth cruise.

The Benefits of a Twelve Year School Program

Ann Bergen, Guest Editor

After much controversy and after surmounting many obstacles, Oxford Public Schools, for the first time, have succeeded in obtaining an extra year of schooling for its students, through the courtesy of the state. This places Oxford High School in the top bracket among North Carolina's public schools.

This extra year of school will prove to be invaluable to our future students. For a student with the intent of going out into life immediately upon graduation, this extra year of training will make him or her more mature physically and mentally, and will better qualify him for his obligations in later life. For the student whose aim is to attend college, this extra year of training should prove priceless. The many courses added in this extra year will put our students on an equal level with other students with whom they must compete. This extra year makes our school system more complete and qualifies each of our graduates to attain higher and better goals in life. I am sure we will all agree this is definitely to our advantage.

As this new grade becomes a part of our school system each student should take advantage of the training offered by this newly added educational opportunity.

Let's Help Too

Everyone has seen some thirty-eight Oxford High boys limping around since September 2 and we know they have been practicing football. All have cleat bruises, scratches, some have pulled ligaments, and broken bones. Why are these boys working so hard on football practice? They want Oxford High to have a strong team that we can be proud of! And what can we students who are not on the football team do to aid them in their playing? We can certainly ATTEND the games and help cheer them on to victory!! We should co-operate with the cheerleaders. Often we think they cheer at the wrong time and not when it is needed, but no person is perfect! If we expect to help with the cheering we must first all learn the school yells which are in the back of our handbooks. When we are at a game we may not hear what the yell is going to be, but after it is started we can join in, so let's let people know we have good lungs!

Do You Remember????

All the wonderful happenings in Oxford during those swooning eighty-eight days of summer vacation. They were packed with thrills, chills, drills, frills, and pills.

The studious O.H.S. students who left for Mars Hill June 10, three days after school ended: Dot Cutts, John D. Carrington, Bryan Finch, Becky Duncan, and Betty Hart.

Dave Mitchell leaving for New Jersey—hating to go because of his position on the O.H.S. softball team??

Walter and Jackie, Joanna and H. J.—habitual foursome!

Monkey choosing Howard out of the four of the G-string (remember Gee-Gee??). It didn't keep her from getting a beautiful locket, brush and comb set, and fountain pen from three out of four.

Anne Cannady's gob coming home for the first time, Hubba, Hubba!!

Our visitors—boys and girls—

Jean Jenkins, popular all way around,

Lesley Pickett giving all the girls a charge,

Walter Clarke—B. J. Harris getting him, first,

Jackie Bullock arriving at the same time James Montague arrived with his discharge!!

Ruth Wheeler from Durham—Ask Ed F. if you don't remember!

Frances Marie Bendall coming from Greenville, receiving a rush from those "Bryan Boys."

Macy spending the summer at Cherry Grove and Mariana C. and Bill D. going to Nags Head off and on.

The State Guard going to Virginia Beach for ten days! Frazier and James C. returning twelve hours later—much to the surprise of everyone; but luckily returning in time for that glorious evening of August 28!!

R. H. Ligon arriving on the scene after being expected by a certain brunette every day for three months. "Perk's" birthday party—lovely presents, delightful evening!!

Helen P. leaving for Washington. "T" going several weeks later and returning with a most unexpected report: P. U.

O.H.S. softball team defeating the Exchange Club two out of three for the first game of the season. Also Jim Boo's excellent first base playing.

Kennon Taylor going to Crescent Beach and meeting "Miss Rich" (alias Lou Porters). The afternoon when there seemed to be so much excitement and mystery in the air and it turned out to be nothing other than Bobby O'Brien taking Katie Powell to a matinee, —Hayrides of "The Currin Bros., Inc." —More fun, food and late hours. (Marie Badgett and Punky Boring partners in the Corp). Joyce H. going to buy shoes in Henderson so often. Only place she could find them was at "Webb's."?????

August 28—the event being that dream of a dance given by the F. H. A. girls. —A grand summer vacation climax.

Mary Nell being ill for the opening of school and after two weeks of Carolina Beach. Now that we are back in that good ole groovy-groove of going to school, let's buckle down, kids, and show the faculty what we can do in the way of "larning." Also please try to stir up some easy-greasy doings for this column.—"Memory."

Duke is to be congratulated for its ability to recognize a good athlete who has the ability to be a traditional Duke player, namely Ben Williams who made the second team there recently.

Orchids

Orchids to Mr. Hix and the faculty for their fine work in getting our classes and schedules as near like we want them as possible.

Orchids to our new coaches for their fine work in getting our boys in shape for the opening game.

Orchids to so many of our alumni who are entering college as freshmen this fall. We wish you much success.

Orchids to Dot Strother and Sylvia Currin for their fine work in the Home Ec. Club. They surely have gone places, even a radio broadcast.

Orchids to our advertisers who have so kindly consented to back our school paper.

Orchids to the members of the Journalism Club who always get their articles in on time and onions to those who never seem to realize that the paper has a deadline for publication and don't get their articles in until the eleventh hour.

Orchids to our new teachers, Miss Lorena Averett, Miss Cooper, Miss Mewborn, Mr. Muelenaer, to Coach Culton, and to Mrs. Haney who has come back as our science teacher after being out on account of illness last year. We wish you a successful year.

Orchids to Carrol Montague, one of our alumni who has made an outstanding record in the early football practice at E. C. T. C., we are keeping our fingers crossed, Carroll.

Orchids to our Co-captains Bobby Jones and Brent Currin, we are looking forward to a victorious year with you to call the games.

Music Clubs Plan Coming Year's Work

Great plans are underway at O.H.S. as the music lovers in the student body prepare to enroll in Miss Mewborn's music classes. Until Christmas all singing students will be enrolled under the name of Oxford High School Mixed Chorus. Following Christmas holidays the Mixed Chorus will be divided into a glee club and mixed chorus. If possible the school will have more trios, quartets and ensembles organized in the music department. This will create more interest and competition. Miss Mewborn stated that she hopes to have three trios or one trio and a sextett and at least one boys quartet. To go further in the advancement of our music department she has planned to have sectional voice lessons.

The four main projects planned for the coming year are: First, The presentation of the "Gay Nineties Review." Second, Presentation of a Christmas pageant. Third, participation in the State Music contest. Fourth, presentation of the Gilbert and Sullivan operatic, "Mikado."

These are a few of the wonderful things planned by our new music teacher, Miss Mewborn. Her home is in Kinston, N. C. After completing her musical training at the Woman's College of University of North Carolina, she began teaching at Williamston. There she remained six years. Upon leaving her job at Williamston she entered into Red Cross recreational work at Fort Bragg. She worked there until she accepted the position in Oxford. We are all glad to have Miss Mewborn, and hope that we will all be happy working together.

Steve Royster and Stan Fox, who started out from High School together, headed for Davidson and Carolina respectively. Stan will see the familiar face of Charlie Jones, a fellow school mate who is entering pharmacy school at Carolina.