

Junior High Page

Jr. High Journalism

Plans have been made by the Junior High School faculty for the inclusion of a Junior High Page in *The Owl* each month of the present school year. At a recent meeting of the teachers of grades five, six, seven, and eight, sponsors were designated to collect the news for the page, as follows:

October—Miss Sue Fletcher
November—Miss Mildred Bullock
December—Miss Annie Gray Burroughs

January—Miss Carrie Fuller
February—Mrs. Oscar McFarland
March—Miss Bessie Atkinson
April—Miss Annie Belle Smith

For each issue of *The Owl*, the other Junior High School teachers will meet with the sponsor of the month to decide upon the articles to be used on the Junior High Page. These articles will then be assigned to different rooms for writing, after which they will be collected by the sponsor and submitted for publication.

The Junior High home rooms have elected *Owl* reporters as follows:

Mrs. McFarland—Jackie Shaw
Miss Smith—Anna Frances Bunn
Miss Fuller—Dora Dickerson
Miss Fletcher—Ann Crymes
Miss Burroughs—Helen Tatsey
Miss Atkinson—Maxine Harris
Miss Bullock—Jean Hester

The members of the Junior High School are looking forward to a helpful and interesting experience in writing and arranging a part of the school newspaper, and they sincerely hope the readers will enjoy their page.

School Begins!

By Nancy Byrd

Vacation is over and once again we come back to our books and papers for another year. We should be ready to begin our school work, for many of us have had such nice trips during "vacation time." Some have been to Washington, D. C., our nation's capital; others have been to Manteo to see "The Lost Colony." Numerous members of our group have spent some time at the beaches, and one of our members flew to Florida during the summer.

All of us have had a very pleasant summer, and we know that we shall enjoy this school year. Junior High is especially fortunate to have its full number of teachers. Many places throughout our state had to begin school with several vacancies in the faculty, but we are fortunate in having: Mrs. McFarland, fifth grade; Miss Fuller and Miss Smith, sixth grade; Miss Fletcher and Miss Burroughs, seventh grade; Miss Bullock and Miss Atkinson, eighth grade; Mrs. McSwain, Bible; Miss Mewborn, music. This year we are determined that we shall do better work than we have ever done before. We have had a splendid beginning because of the efforts of Mr. Credle and Mr. Hix, and we promise to show our appreciation to them by working hard throughout the coming year.

"Do you mean to tell me," the judge said, "that you murdered that poor old woman for a paltry three dollars?"

"Well, judge, you know how it is. Three bucks here, three bucks there—it soon mounts up."

—Masquerader.

JUNIOR COUNCIL OFFICERS



Back row: Shirley Harris, Secretary; Margaret Seabolt, President.

Front row: Gilbert Ragland, Treasurer, and Jean Hughes, Vice-President.

Junior Student Council

The President's Message

The Junior Council is the hub of the Junior High School. From it come many of the ideas for making our school a more livable place. It is made up of a very select group of students—a boy and a girl elected from each homeroom with a president and vice-president from the student body at large. When a group like this comes together many fine suggestions are made.

We are proud of the way our Junior Council, through its traffic committee, handled the conduct of the Junior High School last year in the halls, in assembly, in going to and from lunch, and in many other places.

Council, through its traffic committee, there were other committees formed as the need arose, such as the "clean up," "dancing," and many others. Each did good work. This year we will follow the same plan. At present we feel that we need traffic, basement, assembly, social, and building and grounds committees.

We remind you that a council member is a select person. To be elected to this job his classmates considered him an outstanding leader, a conscientious worker, a well behaved person, one who sticks to a job and is prompt to do it.

If you have been chosen to represent your homeroom, you should never forget that fact and at all times and in all places you should conduct yourself in such a way as to assure your classmates that they have made a wise choice in sending you to council.

We could not do the good work we do without the help of our teachers. Each teacher advises one committee and they all help us with our two school parties. Miss Burroughs advises the council which meets once each week at activity period.

The council is made up of the following students: president, Margaret Seabolt; vice-president, Jean Hughes; secretary, Shirley Harris; treasurer, Gilbert Ragland. The room representatives are: Marion Cash, E. V. Strother, Shirley Harris, Robert Wheeler, Peggy Paynter, Billy Paynter, Dotty Harris, Gilbert Ragland, Anna Frances Bunn, Bobby Bradsher,

Gossip Quiz

Who is as sad as little Bo Peep because he has lost his "one and only" and does not know how to get her back? Could this be because Anna Frances Bunn has a rival? What a mix up! She really has something on her hands when Judy begins to roll her eyes at Bobbie. Could it be that Floyd is as sad as little Bo Peep?

Why is Patsy Brummitt grief stricken? Did you say someone has moved to Durham? Who? Oh, Rives.

Who got extra lessons the first day of school? Donald L. Why?

Don't look so lonely, Frank. If Betsy H. is not in your room, you can see her at recess sometimes. Do you think he will be able to keep his mind on his lessons this year?

What about Tony and Howard? She won't give her blue horses to anyone else. What do you think? Don't ride away on one of them some day.

Does she like it? What? Being in the room with Billy P. Who? Juanita.

What about Gilbert and Dotty going to council together? Thought Dotty was interested in the new boy called "Jimmy."

Why do Shirley H's eyes widen when she sees a Buick? Look who drives one.

Did Dorothy D. have a date by mistake? Ask "Mac."

Why does Virginia H. stay at home on Saturdays? Did you ask if Doug is usually around?

Second Year Bible Instruction Begins

For the second consecutive year we have a Bible course in the eighth grade of our school. The three Bible classes meet from 8:55 until 11:55, and are taught by Mrs. E. G. McSwain, who also teaches two Bible classes at the John Nichols School.

For a number of years ministers, school officials, and church members have thought about the necessity for religious and ethical instruction in the schools. This becomes more and more vital when we consider that a study of all books read by children in their earlier years of schooling shows that in 1895, 95.6% contained stories based on the Bible; while in 1935, of all books studied in the same age groups, only 6.5% contained any reference to the Bible or Bible stories. The Bible course is intended to help remedy this situation.

The textbook used in the classes is the Bible itself. During the first semester we study the Old Testament: and during the second semester, the New Testament. We list important facts about the Bible in notebooks.

It is impossible to have a liberal education without a knowledge of the Bible, and we hope that the course in school will provide a background for more Bible study and continued application of its teachings in the years to come.

Peggy Reynolds, Henry Saye, Ellie Mitchell, and Dick Taylor.

Before we left last spring we bought and presented to the school a punch bowl and tray. We have now secured four dozen cups and have placed the entire set in the Home Ec. Cottage for the entire school to use.

If you are on a committee we hope you will do your best to make the plans of that committee a success.

New Jr. High Students

By Ann Burroughs

In visiting among the rooms in the Junior High School we find twelve new faces. We are glad to welcome these new pupils to our school and we hope very much that they will soon feel at home among us. The newcomers are as follows:

Miss Smith's room: Patricia Huff from Princeton, N. C.; Guretha Knott from Berea, N. C.; Elbert Matthews, Oxford Orphanage; Gloria Duncan, Oxford Orphanage.

Miss Fuller's room: Mayilyn Adcock from Creedmore, N. C.

Miss Burroughs' room: Marie Woodlief from South Rodman, Va.; William Yeargin, Oxford Orphanage.

Miss Fletcher's room: Dorothy Mathews, Oxford Orphanage; Jimmie W. Collins, Wilmington, N. C.; Wilma Joan Buchanan, Spruce Pine, N. C.

Miss Atkinson's room: Barbara Duncan, Oxford Orphanage; Geoffrey Knott, Berea, N. C.

The Junior Band

The Junior Band Class meets for a half hour each day during the activities period.

Pupils from the fifth through the eighth grade are eligible to join this class. Lessons consists as follows, rudiments of music and music theory and the playing of various instruments used in a concert band.

Thirty-five pupils have made application to enter this class this fall and Mr. Wagner is trying to locate enough instruments. Instruments have not been made during the war and are now being made in such small quantities so that they are hard to obtain. Several used instruments have been located and it is hoped that more will be available.

An industrious and ambitious pupil can usually become proficient enough in a nine month term to be promoted to the Senior Band and will then be given a uniform and a place in the big band.

Our Grade Mothers

By Marilyn Hughes

Without our grade mothers, how dull school would be! But just like our real mothers they always think of something especially nice for us. And oh, how we do appreciate them! We think they are tops, and we hope this year every one of us will be such good girls and boys that we will deserve their kindness.

Our grade mothers are:

Fifth grade: Mrs. McFarland; Mrs. Will Mitchell, Mrs. Fred Parham, and Mrs. S. B. Knott.

Sixth grade: Miss Smith; Mrs. J. C. Adcock, Mrs. L. D. O'Brien, and Mrs. Allen Baker.

Sixth grade: Miss Fuller; Mrs. Jack Shaw, Mrs. G. D. Gholson, and Mrs. Ed Crews.

Seventh grade: Miss Fletcher; Mrs. F. W. Speed, Mrs. C. W. Hobgood, and Mrs. R. E. Crymes.

Seventh grade: Miss Burroughs; Mrs. W. H. Yeargin, Mrs. John L. Suit, and Mrs. W. G. Talley.

Eighth grade: Miss Atkinson; Mrs. C. M. Byrd, Mrs. N. B. Cash, and Mrs. C. G. Averette.

Eighth grade: Miss Bullock; Mrs. A. B. Dean, Mrs. H. B. Hester, and Mrs. W. R. Kittrell.