

## ATHLETIC DAY

On Wednesday, May 6, Smithfield High School held its annual Athletic Day program. As usual, our spirited cheerleaders started things off with "bang" by leading the students in several cheers.

Robert Myrick presided and extended a cordial welcome to all.

The program began with Terry Knott narrating as the girls' basketball team did a marvelous job of showing how girls at SHS gain poise when they join the basketball team.

Next, Ellen Daughtry related the experiences of her first date at a football game. It seems that her boyfriend, Harry, did a wonderful job of teaching her the "correct" rules of the game.

Laura Lynn Laughter, Evelyn Howell, and Andrea Lee paid tribute to some of the teachers with their version of "We Love You Beatles."

I guess "Beetle-Itis" must be contagious, even to a losing basketball team. At least, that is the way it sounded. Robert Myrick managed to cheer up the disheartened team, Wingate Lassiter, Van Denning, Joe Lansinger, and Millard Stallings, by getting them to join him in such songs as "I Wanna Dunk the Ball".

The highlight of the program was a revealing skit of what it's really like in Coach Brown's classes. George Faulk, of course, played the part of Coach Brown.

Last of the program, but certainly not least, was a sneak preview of next year's football team. Because of a lack of "man power" the girls' basketball team decided to come to the rescue. Judging by that pass thrown to Coach Payne, Smithfield should go all the way next year.

The Athletic Awards were presented next to Coaches Brown, Temple, and Payne. Cheryl Kistler and Lindsay Park were chosen as the most outstanding girl athletes. Robert Myrick and Eric Brown were selected as the most outstanding male athletes. The recipient of the Tommy Garnder Sportsmanship Award was Robert Myrick. This was presented to him

by Principal A. G. Glenn.

Finally the long awaited moment came when Coach Brown introduced the tearful, but happy, new cheerleaders. Helping to boast the school spirit next year will be Candy Baker, Pam Batten, Libby Mangum, and Becky Wright.

Beth Capps

## ATHLETIC CERTIFICATES

The following were presented athletic certificates in chapel on May 6: Cheerleaders: Emma Alice Avera, Toni Black, Gayle Johnston, Pam Jordan, Candace Sykes, Mary Lillie Talton, Ginger Wellons.

Football: Dan Allen, Connie Branch, Eric Brown, Eddie Capps, Edwin Daughtry, Robert Davis, George Faulk, John Gleason, Ralph Hall, Tommy Hildebrand, Bill Jordan, Gary Mayenschein, Charles Mercer, Alfred Moore, Ralph Morgan, Robert Myrick, Shady Pridgen, Barry Stallings, Rudy Strickland, Larry Sullivan, Donald Vernon, John Ward, Charles Whitley, Mike Whitley, Grover Wiggs, and Jan Williams.

Girls Basketball: Susan Barnes, Helen Coates, Carolyn Edwards, tri-captain; Cheryl Kistler, tri-captain; Terry Knott, Dianne Massengill, Beckie Norton, Lindsay Park, tri-captain; Anna Ratcliffe, Laura Ray, Rose Thompson, and Linda Watson

Boys Basketball: Sam Aycock, Eric Brown, tri-captain; Van Denning, Robert Jones, Skip Jones, Joe Jordan, Joe Lansinger, Wingate Lassiter, Robert Myrick, tri-captain; Jimmy Robinson, Grover Wiggs, tri-captain; and Jan Williams. Tommy Jones and Mike Minshew were managers.

Baseball: Sam Aycock, Eddie Capps, Charles Edwards, Jerry Edwards, Billy Flowers, Robert Jones, Bill Jordan, Alfred Moore, Carlton Overby, Donald Vernon, Earl Ward, Doug Warren, and Charles Whitley

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