

TODAY'S SCENE AT HILLSIDE

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Hillside Chronicle went on sale Thursday morning. The Chronicle was filled with Hornet Happenings.

There were feature articles on Miss Hillside, Angellella Malloy; Miss Homecoming, Patricia A. Barnes; Student Council President, Sharon King; Senior Class President, Alexander Kirk and Junior Class President, Larry Mangum.

Chronicle officers this year are: Editor, Mary Joyner; Associate Editor, Ellis Allen; Make-up Editors, Gloria Hester, Angela Umstead; Managing Editors, Janice Mack, Janie Joyner; Gram Editors, Karen Oldham, Linda Jeffers.

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The Hornets of Hillside and the Bulldogs of Durham High School clashed on Tuesday night at the Duke Indoor Stadium. The final score was 53-41, as the Hornets suffered their first defeat of the season. Of course, you know the Bulldogs won by sheer unadulterated luck, as will be proved when the two teams clash once again on January 27.

Johnny Russell and John Lucas both scored in double figures, 12 and 10 respectively. Ellis Allen and Willie Watson scored 6 while Ronald McMillan and Wayne McKinnie scored 3 apiece.

The following night, the Hornets returned to the halls of victory as they outscored E. E. Smith of Fayetteville, 79-74. Hillside led 27-21 at the end of the first quarter, and was out front 44-28 at halftime. Ellis Allen was high scorer with 26 points. Johnny Russell added 15, John L. Lucas 17, and Willie Watson contributed 12 points for the night.

As all Hornets are currently enjoying Christmas vacation it is only appropriate to include a Christmas poem. This poem was written by Cynthia J. Lunford, Hillside senior.

THE WEEK AFTER CHRISTMAS

'Twas the week after Christmas, and all through the halls,

Not a student was heard laughing or seen writing on walls. The rooms were all deserted, the halls are bare.

In hopes that some students soon would be there.

Mr. Lucas, in his suit and the teachers in their styles, Were sad faced and lonely; gone were their smiles,

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,

The faculty ran to the window to see what was the matter. When what did their startled eyes allow them to see,

But 1,900 Hillside as noisy as noisy could be

They were decked out in mini's, bellbottom pants and knits

And you knew right away Santa done his bit

As they surged through to their classes and autographed the walls,

Mr. Lucas smiled and said "Merry Christmas to All."

Over the intercom Mr. Alston was reading his list,

A day would not be complete without his doing this,

His list wasn't compiled of gifts and toys,

He was faced with socking it to the naughty boys.

As the usual things happen and things really move,

You could tell by a glance, Hillside was in its main groove.

Then the lunch bell rang, the students went in bunches,

Hoping the New Year provided improved lunches.

The bread was a little better, the barbecue the same.

The students were yelling, calling each item by name.

A plate lunch, a cheese sandwich, some soup piping hot, For the lunch to be so bad, they sure ate a lot.

After lunch and the classes are resumed,

It's hard to believe these were once silent rooms.

Each class is a world all of its own

But as you know a house isn't necessarily a home.

A school's what you make it, It's as strong as you stand

A school is a learning bush, a trainer of man.

When Santa leaves your bag and spreads his cheer, ask for a sack of kindness, cooperation and consideration for Hillside next year.

And that's the way it is at Hillside, December 27, 1969. Stay tuned for Phillip and Happy New Year to all.

NEWSMAN SAYS THERE'S A GREAT NEED FOR MORE BLACKS IN JOURNALISM

By STEPHANIE BELL

Editor's Note: This is first in a continuing series of interviews to be written by Miss Bell, a senior at Hillside High School and a promising writer.

It was shocking to discover that out of 1,749 daily newspapers in the United States, employing some 25,000 news-editorial personnel only 175 Negroes are employed. Equally as surprising was the fact that only one Black—Sam Brower, news editor of the Toledo, Ohio, Blade — holds a daily newspaper rank higher than a reporter, feature writer or columnist. This rather depressing information came from Milton Jordan, managing editor of the Carolina Times, who expresses great interest in attracting more young Blacks into the field of writing.

An initial reaction to the dearth of Negro writers was to wonder why. Why is there such a deficiency of Black people in journalism and other related fields? Jordan offered several suggestions to answer this question.

One reason, he noted is the fear that many Negroes have of taking risks.

"It seems," he said "there is an almost instinctive hesitation by some Blacks to venture into those areas that do not provide definite guarantees of immediate success."

He pointed out that for many average Negroes anything that requires an investment of time and money with no assurance of tremendous profit is too much to ask.

The emphasis of school curriculum was said to also play an important role in a choice of professions. Traditionally, teaching, the ministry and scientific fields have been held up as the only worthwhile goals in life, according to the young newsmen.

Of course, the next question in line was what can be done to alleviate this tremendous need. In addition to proper training, and actually coming before it, Jordan pointed out the need for Negroes to analyze themselves carefully.

"Many of us need to look at ourselves more critically, and get rid of some of the problems coming from within," he observed. "Our values need to be restructured, and more emphasis must be placed on the practical, worthwhile goals in life rather than the pure idealism we see so much of today," Jordan continued.

He admitted that Blacks are reading, talking and thinking more and that this is certainly a step forward. However, he cautioned that we must not be content because there is a lot more to be done.

Writing, the editor reiterated, is a booming career. There is an ever increasing demand for writers, especially those in minority groups. Anyone who wishes to investigate the possibility of embarking on a career in writing should get in touch with the local paper or magazine and find out just specifically what must be done.

Remember: No one can call you unqualified and prove it, if you are not unqualified and show it.

A new law which went into effect December 1 provides automatic increased payments for most widows of servicemen and veterans eligible for dependency and indemnity compensation.

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