

**THE MILLS HI MERRY-GO-ROUND**

**Tempus Fugit**

Tempus fugit, as the Romans used to say when they wanted to say "time marches on," but didn't know how. And it really does fly, for here we are beginning the school year '38-'39 when we thought the summer had only just begun.

And the beginning of school means the beginning of the Mills Hi Merry-Go-Round, through the courtesy of Mr. Johnson and the FRANKLIN TIMES.

Mills High School rang its first bell on Thursday morning (September 8); about five hundred fifty-one students marched in. This was not quite up to last year's number, but more were expected next day. Arrangements for books were made the first day and lessons began the second.

There are only twenty-eight seniors this year in comparison to last year's forty-odd; but the freshmen class has patched this up by being so big as to require the big double room in which the partition has been removed. All in all, there are more students in high school than last year.

Principal W. C. Strowd has congratulated the students on this score: that the entire faculty of the school liked them so well last year that they wished to return. We, the students, wish to return this compliment: that the faculty has been such an excellent one, individually and as a whole, that they were asked to return without an exception.

**Initiation**

Well, the freshmen girls have been initiated. The students really didn't think it was such a trial to them for they seemed to enjoy it very much. Bright and early Monday morning they could be seen strolling around the campus with the newest coiffure that can be had—the hair done up as many rolls, puffs, and curls as possible—and a huge sign on back and front proclaiming FRESHMAN to anyone who would happen to be interested.

**Grammar Grade News**

With a short vacation behind them and a long school year ahead the young people in the grammar grades are trying to make the best of it.

The very small pupils of Mrs. A. B. Perry, not only have one long school year ahead but eleven. No one would think so, though by their happy faces. Their chief objective at the present is to learn their nursery rhymes and to be able to dramatize them. They invite everyone who would like to see something nice to come and visit them.

Mrs. Inscow's thirty-eight pupils have started their new year doing very good work. Their unit of work is centered around animals—reading about them, learning to spell their names, drawing them, and learning songs about them.

Miss Smithwick's pupils have chosen a very interesting subject for study. They are making science booklets and they couldn't have chosen a better time now that the leaves and number of insects are changing their color with the changing season. On their science table is an interesting collection of shells, flowers, butterflies, spiders, and a hornet's nest.

To you young people who have the most of your school years ahead of you your reporter wishes you the best of luck!

**Chapel Assemblies**

Friday morning marked the first chapel assembly of High School students for the term of 1938-39 at Mills High and the two speeches delivered by Reverends J. G. Phillips and L. F. Kent were exceedingly enjoyable and educational.

On Tuesday morning the student body once again was fortunate in having an able speaker, Dr. J. D. Simons, who spoke on the subject of "Building a Strong Foundation." His speech was indeed beneficial and will lend much food for thought to those making up his audience.

Our next assembly period will be on Friday, September 16 when Miss Rogers will have charge of the program.

Visitors to High School Mills Hi has been visited during the first few days of school by a number of its graduates. Among the visitors are the following: Maxine Bailey, Hugh Perry, Tootsie Tonkel, David Spivey, Carol Faust, Martha Holden, Estelle Hunt and Karl Allen of the class of '38 and Grace Johnson and Mildred Matthews of the class of '37.

These students are now representing Louisburg College, the University of North Carolina, Duke University, the Woman's College in Greensboro, and Fishburne Military Academy.

Mills High School is always glad to see its graduates return.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY FARM ITEMS**  
By County Farm Agents

A few farmers in the County are due refund of taxes paid under the Bankhead Cotton Act of 1934 and the Kerr Tobacco Act of 1935. This office is in receipt of a letter from the Washington office which gives the following Administrative Rulings in regard to the refund of this tax. 1. The making of refunds and the administrative work in connection with such refunds is to be handled by the Bureau of Internal Revenue which is located at Greensboro, N. C. 2. Tax refunds are to be made of any money collected by the Department of Internal Revenue in the form of taxes paid at the time of sale of tobacco or at the time of ginning cotton. No refund is to be made of money paid by a farmer through the County office for tobacco poundage transferred from some other producer or for Bankhead Tax Exemption certificates purchased through the local County Pool. This simply means that where a farmer purchased a card for additional poundage from the County Agent's office or from a Ginner, no refund is due from this purchase due to the fact this money was pooled and went to other farmers. If a farmer refused to purchase through the County office or at a gin or warehouse and the buyer deducted the tax straight out then this tax money was returned to the Treasury of the United States. This is the refund that a farmer may get back. One has until July 1, 1939 in which to apply for this refund and anyone desiring to do so may get in touch with Mr. C. H. Robertson, Collector of Internal Revenue, Greensboro, N. C.

County Agent E. L. Norton and Assistant Agent W. C. Boyce will be out of the County Sept. 18, 19, 20 and 21 attending a meeting at

Sedgefield, located near High Point. This is an Extension Meeting of all Agents in the North Western District for the purpose of outlining, with the help of all Extension Specialists, a program of work to be carried on during the coming year in Franklin County.

Practically all tobacco allotments have been received from the Washington and State Offices by the County Office. A small group of growers have not, as yet, called by to receive the quota for their farms. It is necessary that the Operator come in person to sign card for quota as card must be delivered to the one having contract and known as Operator of the farm. Anyone who has not, as yet, received card may come by the Office for same.

Letters will be mailed out within the next few days to all farmers in which an appeal to the Review Committee may be made if one is dissatisfied with the allotment received. This Review Committee will be composed of three men from some other County who in turn will study the appeal of all cases. From the study of a case if it is found an error was made and any farmer has been issued a quota of too much poundage, this card will immediately be suspended and a new marketing card will be issued. On the other hand if this Committee finds that an error has been made and the quota is too low according to the past production of the farm, land, labor and equipment factors then it will be up to this Committee to make an upward adjustment. The County as a whole seems to be very well pleased with the poundage received and the Washington and State Offices are going to have all farms audited for mistakes and errors and those found will be corrected.

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Full information may be obtained from J. A. Wheless, Secretary of the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners, at the post office in this city.

E. G. Gentry, a former tenant farmer who was selected by the Farm Security Administration to receive land under a rehabilitation program, produced an average of 28 bushels of wheat on his Madison County farm this year, more than three times the county's average yield.

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