

## Aaron Epstein Wins First Prize

National Contest Held By "Looseleaf  
Current Topics"

Aaron Epstein, a member of one of the senior history classes, has won a prize in the weekly contest held by the "Looseleaf Current Topics," a national news leaflet.

Each week there is a question of national interest to be answered in his leaflet, and the person submitting the best answer receives a prize of two dollars. Aaron answered the question, "What is the most important sentence in the Constitution of the United States?" by saying, "The first amendment." This sentence gives the people the freedom of religion, press, speech, and the right to assemble peaceably.

The entire school is proud of Aaron. The "Current Topics" is a national news bulletin for high schools, and is widely read in every state. This is the first year that the senior classes have subscribed to this particular pamphlet, and Miss Beasley says that it is entirely satisfactory.

Not only did Aaron win the prize, but he had his essay published in the "Current Topics" for the week December 8-12. This is the first time this year that the answer has been printed. Usually the name of the winner is simply mentioned.

Aaron's answer to the question is quoted:

"From the beginning of time there has been a continual struggle between governors and governed over rights, freedom, and personal liberty. Just as the old kingdom of Egypt was battered down, so America was formed—for rights, freedom, and personal liberty. There is little doubt that the Constitution of the United States is one of the greatest documents in the history of the world, but without the First Amendment I believe the result of the 141 years of government would not have been such a series of triumphant victories over obstacles.

"The nature of man will not allow perfection, and there would have been many to take advantage of the absence of rights provided for in this amendment. Had a national religion been established, no end of trouble would have been caused, for the searching after the spiritual is one of the strongest emotions of the human heart. Had press and speech been muzzled, the opinions of the citizens would be a smoldering fire waiting to burst into flame. Instead, our opinions are now threshed out in the open and settled. Had the people been deprived of the freedom of petition, there would be a condition of unrest and uneasiness between elections instead of the comparative calm of our United States of America."

## ARTCRAFT CLUB ORGANIZED

An artcraft club has been organized this year, with Mrs. Hartshorn as the leader. The club meets every Thursday afternoon at the home of one of the members. Mrs. Hartshorn and the members have interesting and lively discussions of useful gifts and ways to make them. Many beautiful and useful presents have been made. The last meeting was held with Evelyn Daly and the girls are looking forward to their next meeting with Priscilla Hartshorn. Light refreshments are served at each meeting—this, of course, is an added attraction. After Christmas the meetings will be held twice a month. All who are interested in the artcraft club are invited to become members.

The present members are: Sallie Parker, Virginia Peacock, Edna Mae Woodard, Priscilla Hartshorn, Myrtle McCoy, Frances Massey and Evelyn Daly.

The officers are: president—Frances Massey; secretary and treasurer—Evelyn Daly.

## NOVEMBER REPORTS ARE DECIDEDLY BETTER

The November reports were better than the October reports. Although four were dropped from the honor roll, five were added. Those five had tried hard. Besides, there were thirty-five students who lacked only one grade making the honor roll. Even though there were 150 subject and 121 student failures, this was a decrease from 200 subject and 148 student failures of October and 232 subject and 157 student failures of September.

Did you know that we have two hundred honor roll students in G. H. S.? We don't.

## Graduates 1930 Stand Out On State-wide Senior Examinations

G. H. S. Ranks Favorably With  
Larger Schools

The graduates of the Goldsboro High School of the class of 1930 have left behind a record that sets them apart as having achieved much along scholastic lines. This is shown by the standing of this class on the state-wide senior examination, the results of which have recently been published.

This examination is given each year to all of the seniors of the state. It measures achievement in all subjects commonly taught in high school, and furnishes each teacher and school an excellent comparison of the achievement of students of various teachers and schools, as well as that of the average of the state. The examination covers: reading, English, mathematics, science, history, Latin, French, home economics and study habits.

The examination was taken by 14,100 seniors in North Carolina high schools in the spring of 1930. The average composite score for the state, was 70.1. That for the Goldsboro High School seniors was 85.0. Their score in each subject measured was above the state average in that subject. This fact was particularly gratifying to the teachers, for these results indicate the type of work that is being done in the classroom. And the fact that the score of 85.0 compares favorably with the larger schools of the state is one of which Goldsboro High School should be proud.

## THE NAMELESS CLUB

Will someone kindly inform us what was going on in the cafeteria Monday at activity period? Was it business or did these fourteen girls and Miss Atkins decide to eat a second lunch?

It was business, although some of the members might be presented as good argument for the eating theory. In that case how in the world would you account for Helen Edelman? It is a new club with its name, as yet, unchosen. It has two primary purposes—to help anybody do anything which needs to be done around school and to develop each of the fourteen girls into capable leaders of school activities.

A few of the problems which the club has set for itself are: to help increase gate receipts for the spring basketball games; to make a study of correct parliamentary procedure and practice carrying it out; to help the janitor keep the halls clean; to help take care of the school building; and to have plenty of fun doing it. Before Christmas they plan to collect old clothes to be contributed to the Welfare Committee. The officers are: president, Becky Edgerton; vice-president, Sonora Bland; secretary and treasurer, Marion Weil. The members are: Marion Weil, Becky Edgerton, Sonora Bland, Nancy Bridgers, Mary Margaret Lynch, Rachel Edgerton, Curry Golden, Helen Edelman, Virginia Crow, Florence Brooks, Ester Brown, Viola Ward, Susan Rawlings, Lillian Gordon. Teachers or organizations, call on them if you need them for they are ready with plenty of pep and a smile.

## PHYSICS CLASS GIVES EXCELLENT PROGRAM

Cold feats were demonstrated by the physics class in their annual chapel program on Thursday, December 11. Meat, eggs, mercury, rubber tubes, and what-nots were frozen stiff by the solid carbon-dioxide that sprayed around the tank to everybody's amusement. Then an iron rod carrying a temperature of negative 120 degrees F took ice out of fire—not so hot. The program was extremely interesting and not mystifying, as each student explained his experiment. Lack of space prevents more fully describing one of the most appreciated programs of the year.

## MRS. MIDDLETON WELCOMED BACK

The students of Mrs. Middleton's Latin classes were delighted when she was able to return to school after having been ill for several days at her home in the Carolina apartments. During her absence the Latin students sent her a basket of fruit as a slight token of their esteem. Miss Virginia Cone had charge of the Latin classes until Mrs. Middleton returned.

George Starr would "say it with flowers."

## TO MR. WILSON

In appreciation of his interest and help in getting out the last issue of Hi News, the staff dedicates this issue to Mr. Wilson.

## MR. GREENE DISCUSSES UNEMPLOYMENT

The Commercial Club had quite an interesting meeting on Wednesday, December, the third. Mr. Greene, one of the sponsors of the club, gave a very interesting talk on, "How Various Nations Are Handling the Unemployment Problem."

He stated that the Italians, led by Mussolini, have reduced the wages of all of their people making \$3,000 thirty-five percent; those making from \$2,000 to \$3,000 twenty-five percent; and those making below \$2,000 twelve percent.

Mr. Greene said that Russia is also attempting to progress during these hard times. Stalin says at the rate at which they are now going, in one and one-half years they will be producing more grain than any other country. Russia is having a harder time than most nations, however, because of their scarcity of butter, eggs, bread, and meat. Mr. Greene explained that ninety-nine of the business firms in Russia were owned and operated by the government, or on trust. The reason for this is that the people are not at all well educated. He also said that Russia had been on the decline for many years, but that if the country had leadership it would be one of the greatest nations of the world.

In America, Mr. Greene continued, there are at present three million people out of employment. One of the reasons for this is that our country does not have enough system in carrying on big businesses. Atlanta has been meeting the problem of feeding her unemployed in the following manner: Different large companies of the city donate to a central cafeteria and a person can get a meal for two cents.

## "LABORATORY NEWS" CONTAINS INTERESTING MATERIAL

The second issue of "Laboratory News," published December 3, is even more interesting than the first. Besides giving a plan for helping each member equip his laboratory, directions for performing three experiments dealing with electricity are given.

The leading editorial, "Science and the Science Club," by Ed. Denmark, the president of the Science Club, so well expresses the club's interest in science that we are quoting it on the editorial page of this issue.

## HEAR, YE! HEAR, YE!

The senior class of 1931 has the extreme pleasure of announcing the elaborate preparation of a heart-throbbing, side-splitting, tragedy-comedy to be presented for the entertainment of the honorable student body of the Goldsboro High School. Maybe you won't be entertained so much but the play will be given just the same (it's a senior privilege).

Under the direction of Miss Kornegay, those selected for parts will give the third and fifth acts of "Cyrano de Bergerac." The story takes place before vanishing cream had been invented, and Cyrano has an oversized nose. On the face of things Monsieur de Bergerac received a bad "break," because all that shines isn't gold—not even a nose.

The story is really interesting and unusual as is shown by the fact that it is one of Miss Kornegay's favorites. In the near future, the following will dramatize the two acts:

Elizabeth Smith	.....	Roxane
Aaron Epstein	..	Cyrano de Bergerac
Billy Brown	.....	Christian
Ed Denmark	.....	Le Bret
Edward McDowell	.....	Duke
Lucy Le Roy	.....	Mother Margaret
Louise Davis	.....	Sister Martha
Helen Taylor	.....	Sister Claire

## HONOR ROLL

The following made all one's on their November reports:

Aaron Epstein, Ezra Griffin, Ernest Eutsler, Helen Smith, Gladys Bryan, William Houston, Hilda Spence, Lillian Gordon, Nora Lancaster, Blackwell Robinson, Pete Heyward, Nan Jane Robertson, Roger Williams, Thelma Ginn, Lillian Edgerton, Emmett Spicer, and Dorothy Langston.

## Juniors Win 2nd Interclass Debate

This Team to Debate Sophomores  
For Giddens' Cup

The Juniors won the Junior-Senior debate, which was held in the library at activity period, Thursday, December 18. Those on the winning side were Florence Brooks, Arthur Allred, and Marion Weil, who upheld the negative side of the debate, Lucy LeRoy, Mary Alice Dewey, and Helen Ellenwood constituted the affirmative team. The query for debate was: "Resolved: That for the best interests of the American high school, intramural athletics should replace interscholastic athletics."

The winners of this debate will compete with the sophomores, who won the Freshman-Sophomore debate for the championship of the entire school. The Giddens' Cup goes each year to the school champions to be held until they are losers.

The winners of the Freshman-Sophomore debate, Pete Heyward and Blackwell Robinson acted as chairman and secretary, respectively. Nan Jane Robinson was time-keeper.

The judges, Miss Roark, Mrs. Spicer, and Mr. Bullock decided in favor of the negative by a two to one vote.

## G. H. S. IS TO HAVE AN ORCHESTRA

Mr. Harvel is organizing an orchestra which had its first meeting Monday, December 8. It is to meet every Monday at activity period and fifth period. If these plans materialize G. H. S. will have an orchestra of which it will be proud.

The members are: Cornets—Brogden Spence and Carl McBride; clarinets—Durward Pate and Thurman Merritt; saxophones—Ruby Jarrell, John Henry Pike, and Russel Spence; horn, E flat—Linwood Blackburn; banjo—Louise Davis; drum—Allen Vinson; Trombone—Joe Crawford; baritone—John Hawley; basses—Ed Bland and Harvey Smith; violins—Gerold Grant, Bernard Hallman, Beth Carraway, William Robert Smith, Barbara Cuthrell, Martha Ivey, and Ruth Jarrell; and piano—Katherine Mitcham.

## GLEE CLUBS WORKING HARD

The Glee Clubs under the leadership of Miss Brockwell have been organized. The goal which they are striving for is Greensboro; therefore much work is having to be done, and the members are responding with much eagerness. The boys have their meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays and the girls on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A few of the girls of the Glee Club went over to the grammar school and helped with the Christmas cantata given by the two higher sixth and seventh grades.

The officers of the girls' Glee Club are: president, Katherine Liles; vice-president, Peggy Pate; secretary, Agnes Cramen; treasurer, Dorothy Liles; and librarian, Lillian Mooring.

## Science Club Members

### Perform Experiments

The Science Club held its regular monthly meeting in the science laboratory, December 3, with its president, Edward Denmark, presiding. The program consisted of five electrical experiments performed by club members.

The first experiment was done by Kenneth Daniels. His apparatus consisted of a transformer, a Ford spark coil, electric light bulb, and a light socket. Attaching the apparatus, he turned on the current which caused brilliant violet flashes of light in the bulb. This showed what violet rays look like.

The second experiment, conducted by Charles Webster, was to show how a spark could be made to climb wire. Due to the inefficiency of the apparatus, the spark did not climb as high as it should. He explained that the heat generated by the electricity lifted the sparks along the wire.

An experiment demonstrating what happens in an automobile cylinder was given by Warren LeRoy. Taking a can with wires attached in it so that sparks would be made, he sprayed gasoline in it. When he turned on the electricity, a small explosion occurred and blew off the lid of the can.

The fourth experiment was another electrical one. Hubert Osteen showed that a flame will carry electricity. He took a beard with two nails in it several inches apart. Attaching wires from the spark coil, he placed the flame so that it would connect the two nails. He turned on the current and the flame helped make a complete circuit.