

Magazine Results

Magazine totals for this year were a far cry from the approximately \$4,000.00 taken in last year. During the extended time \$408.00 was collected bringing the grand total to \$1,315.46. Following are the names of the high salesmen and the class totals.

First place ----- Luke Landin with \$220.25

Second place ---- Vickie Taylor with \$191.50

Third place ---- Kathryn Batten with \$102.25

Sophomores turned in \$472.59

Juniors turned in \$445.31

Seniors turned in \$397.57

Each class received thirty cents out of every dollar except in subscriptions for the "Ladies Home Journal" and "Woman's Home Companion". From the sale of these two magazines the school received fifty cents.

250 Delegates

R. M. Host To Student Congress

Over 250 delegates and advisers from 80 different schools attended the North Carolina Student Council Congress here Monday and Tuesday, October 24-25.

At the opening session greetings were extended by school officials by Mayor Jack Murchison, and by Fred Ruben, president of the local student body.

Social highlight of the NCSCC convention was a banquet for the out-of-town delegates, followed by

a dance Monday night for the student body and honoring the guests.

Worship services in the form of a school day, led by Miss Alma Murchison, Norma Bulluck, and Jean Edwards, were offered to those delegates who had arrived on Sunday evening. Spelling, arithmetic, geography were "taught" to the group, concluding with a devotion by Jean Edwards.

Sunday and Monday nights the

delegates were entertained in the homes of local students and local citizens interested in the convention.

Officers for next year were elected but were not announced in time to meet this paper's deadline. Those serving last year were president, Morris Weisner of Durham High; vice president, Harold O'Teul of Goldsboro High School; secretary, Sara Gaston of Statesville High School; and treasurer, Fred Ruben of Rocky Mount Senior High School.

Last year the Student Council Congress met in Shelby, N. C. At that time Rocky Mount delegates issued an invitation to the Congress to come to Rocky Mount this year.

Club Sponsors 'Jaycee Jollies'

Rocky Mount Junior Chamber of Commerce promises to end your search for fun with their Jaycee Jollies — two hours of fun, music, and color, to be presented 8:15 P. M., November 3-4, in the Senior High School auditorium.

Over one hundred people of various talents are in the cast. Featured in the fun-raising event is the Rocky Mount Senior High School chorus under the direction of Mr. H. T. Perry.

Tickets for these outstanding performances may be obtained from any member of the Jaycees for one dollar for adults and students, and fifty cents for children under twelve. With no football game on these nights, either home or away, the response by both students and others should be good, it was announced.

Co-chairmen for the project are Jaycees Reg Hunnicutt and Robert Bailey. Music will be under the direction of Pete Taylor. Students working back stage for this production are Foy Bradshaw and Graham Adams.

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SO Sends Three To Student Meet In South Carolina

Judy Brown, Jean Edwards and Bettie Ann Whitehurst are the Rocky Mount delegates for the Southern Association of Student Councils in Columbia, South Carolina, in November.

The delegates were elected by the student organization at their regular meeting. Judy represents the sophomores and Bettie Ann and Jean, the juniors.

Purpose of this organization is to instill the flame of democracy and stimulate the thinking and organizational power of teenagers. At the convention the students mingle and get to know each other. They exchange ideas and study the exhibits of interest.

Each elected delegate pays a membership fee of six dollars plus a ten dollar registration fee. This enables him to campaign for his school, or rather gives him the power of vote.

NHS Taps 9 Srs.

In a traditional ceremony, nine seniors excelling in leadership, character, service and scholarship were tapped into the Romanoco Chapter of the National Honor Society last Thursday, October 20.

According to their records and a rating given by faculty and society members, those students most

Plans Underway For Homecoming

"We're going to have a '55 Buick Century Convertible to represent us," said Betsy Edwards of home room 103 as she spoke of their entry in the homecoming parade, November 11.

Enthusiasm ran high and Betsy was just one of the many who talked about the floats and ideas that the clubs or homerooms were going to put into action. So many suggestions were flying in the air it was hard to grasp all that was being or was going to be done.

The parade is just one of the highlights that takes place every year at homecoming. This year's festivities will include a dance in addition to the game and the parade.

nearly meeting the four cardinal characteristics and getting tapped this time were Norma Savage, Bertice Joyner, Dan Johnson, Shirley Burnette, Minnie Williamson, Judy Barnes, Dan Boone, Joyce Farris and George Daughtridge.

Immediately preceding the quiet, suspense-filled tapping service, the four basic principles of the organization were explained by Fred Harris, representing Character; Kathryn Batten, Scholarship; Fred Ruben, Leadership; and Cacky Adkins, Service.

After repeating the oath of the organization, the members were honored by an inspiring address delivered by Reverend Fred Still, pastor of the Englewood Methodist Church. The entire student body was privileged to hear this message.

Fay Batts opened the services with scripture readings and Norma Bulluck sang a prayer.

Harold Gilbert, president, introduced the speakers and Miss Wita Bond directed the program. Seniors will have another opportunity to be tapped next spring when the first group of juniors will be inducted.

Newsees

To Promote Participation

Twenty-seven new members of the Good Sports Club have been displaying posters in the halls and homerooms in an effort to help promote good sportsmanship and induce participation in various activities. School Observes 'Fire Prevention'

Climaxing a week of fire drills and other precautionary measures, Rev. Joe Brooks (local minister), and Mr. Bill Insoe (fireman), conducted an assembly in the auditorium at the end of Fire Prevention Week. A film — "Before They Happen" was also shown.

Seniors Elect Sponsors

Cacky Atkins and Norma Bulluck were elected by the senior class to act as sponsors for the Fayetteville football game, October 7. Cacky was escorted by Bradley Dozier and Norma by Dan Johnson when the girls went across the field to greet the sponsors from the rival town at half time.

Alumni Merits Dean's List Miss Mary J. Pearl, dean at Sweet Briar College in Virginia, released the news that Alice Diell Barnes, a former Rocky

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Yearbook Rates A In Design

Last year's Hi-Noc-Ar, the school yearbook, received a grade A on design from the National School Yearbook Association, and a one rating from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

Photolith, the national magazine for school yearbook staffs, carried a spread and feature on the local yearbook. The editors of the magazine praised the Hi-Noc-Ar on its contents and theme.

At Columbia the publications are judged with others in their classification — The Hi-Noc-Ar was placed in the category of off-set books in senior high schools with 601 to 900 pupils.

Usually the staffs of both the yearbook and the newspaper attend the spring convention of this association, at which time the newspapers get their ratings and score cards.

Miss Alma Murchison, yearbook adviser, said that the score card for the annual has not come in yet, but they expect it any time now. She and this year's staff have already started to work to get ready to put out as good a book,

if not a better one.

The yearbook staff went to Charlotte to discuss plans and layout with the Delmar Publishing representative, October 15.

'Hard Work Did It!'



Fred Harris, Miss Alma Murchison and Charles Sanders look over the annual that won a one rating. Photo by Barringer.

Singers Picked

Fifteen In 'Voice Clinic'

Fifteen choir members attended the "Voice Clinic," under the direction of Dr. Elwood Keister, at ECC in Greenville last Thursday and Friday.

Those selected on their singing ability and co-operative spirit by Mr. Harold T. Parry were (first sopranos) — Peggy Jones, Marilyn Richardson, and Nannie Lindsey; (second sopranos) — Glenda Felton and Sandra Shearin; (altos) — Jo Jo Cuthrell; (tenors) — Larry Gupton, Wayne Knowles, and Stanley Vaughan; (bass) — Bill Nelms, Neal Eggleston, Bradley Dozier and Henry Warren.

Highlight of their activities was the concert they gave Friday afternoon for the NCEA in session at the college at that time.

Numbers on the program were "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" — by Chapman; "Adoremas Te" — by Palestrina; "Alleluia" — by Will James; "Cranberry Corners, U. S. A." — by John Klein; and "Night of My Nights."

Classes were conducted all day Thursday, and Thursday night the delegates were entertained in private homes of local residents. Friday morning they attended their last class for the clinic.