

Germans Like America; French Fries Top Food

By Jane Palmgren

German students, "bugology," new equipment, jalopies, and food lead the interesting topics in many exchange papers this month.

McClenaghan High School in Florence, S. C., has two German students — Ute and Karl Jacob. When asked how America differed from Germany, they said the schools are— easier, the food different, more people drive cars, girls wear lipstick and boys don't wear short pants.

Both young people like America and are most impressed by the tall buildings and the friendliness of people.

New Water Fountains

Money accumulated from sales in the Student Store of Greensboro Senior High School is being used to finance the installation of eight new water fountains, a new sound system in the auditorium and a new asbestos curtain for the stage. The principal stated that students who have saved the money should have the benefit of improvements made by it.

Behind the high school in Greensboro, N. C., is a hilly parking lot used only by jalopies of students. Just imagine the rush and noise as they leave for lunch and after school! These cars are capable of obtaining great speed and one may find many 88 engines under '38 hoods. Blue is the favorite color. At 3:30 these cars are off in a cloud of dust, and the parking lot is deserted until the next day.

Presbyterian Junior College in Maxon, N. C., now has a vocational

guidance program here.

'Bugology' Is Hard!

"It's just the hardest subject I've ever taken," say the sophomores in Hickory High School, Hickory, N. C., when they speak of "bugology." Local sophomores know what these students mean, and a few agree.

Students at Central High School, Charlotte, N. C., rank french fries as the top snack. Ten thousand and four hundred orders are sold in one school year. Think of all the catsup used! Hamburgers rank second in importance. Sixteen thousand hamburgers were sold during last school year. That's a lot of ground meat!

Teacher Works On State Group

Miss Kate Parks Kitchen has during the past few weeks been working on the White House Discussion group meetings in the State.

Miss Kitchen, who worked on the topic, "How to get enough good teachers and keep them," was the only high school teacher in this group. She went to Greenville, Fayetteville, Raleigh, Greensboro, Charlotte and Asheville for the discussions. On returning, Miss Kitchen helped prepare a report to present at the state conference. She went to Raleigh with seven others from Rocky Mount.

At the State conference governor Luther Hodges and Dr. Charles Carroll, superintendent of Public Instruction, announced the appointment of thirty-six people, including Mr. Ray Wilkinson of Rocky Mount, to go to the White House Conference November 28-December 6.

Governor Hodges and Dr. Carroll decided to let North Carolina have the regional conferences as a direct result of the invitation from President Eisenhower to participate in the White House Conference.

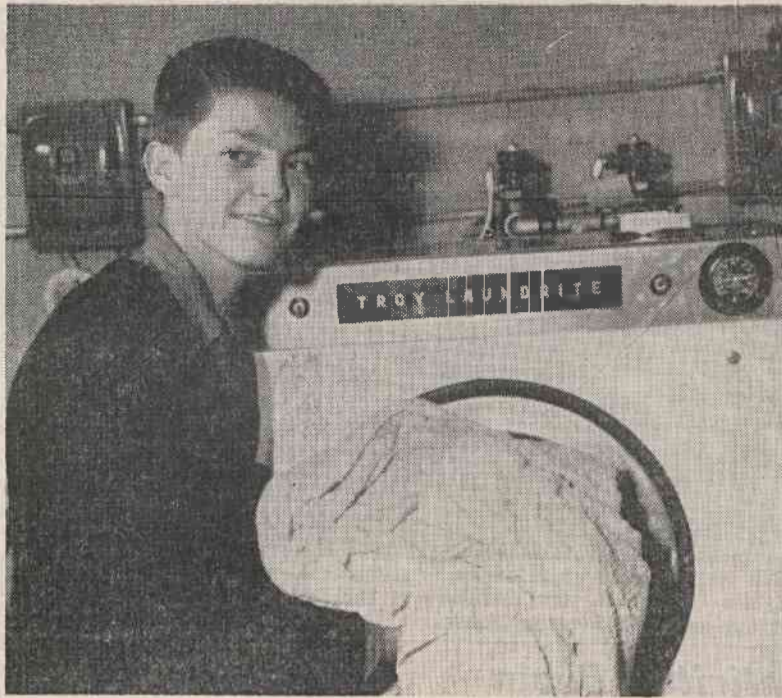
Broadcasters Begin Weekly Programs

In keeping with tradition, the Radio Broadcasters club has started its annual weekly news program over the radio.

James Ezzelle and Foy Bradshaw are the EmmCees of the program, "News and Blues," this year. Also every Saturday morning, Aaron Mathews has the "Question Box," a quiz open to all.

Hoping to get time on one or more of the available TV stations, the club members are making plans for several television programs. However, these plans are still on the drawing board and are not yet definite. If they do work out, the program will feature talent from RMSMS.

Woosh! Woosh!



WASHING COURSE? No, Mike Williford, manager of the football team, places towels in the new washer which was recently installed in the laundry room. Photo by Barringer.

Washing Now?

Gym Buys New Washer

"What are we going to do, start taking in laundry to raise money?" asked Henry Thompson when he saw the plumbers installing the new laundry-sized washer in the laundry room of the gym the first of this month.

Since the completion of the gymnasium last year, the school has been using regular home-sized machines to wash the towels, etc. As time passed, these proved to be inadequate to take care of the heavy load placed on them.

This new machine may be used by any department of the school.

The gym classes will get their towels washed by the machine. The football and baseball uniforms also will be cleaned in it. Mr. C. M. Edson said that the machine would pay for itself in approximately two years.

Operation of the washer and dryer will be handled by the managers of the various sports and done by the janitors and maids.

This machine was purchased by the school board. It is not the only washer in school, however. The home economics room as a home-sized machine for its use.

Here To Stay!

In each issue of *The Blackbird* this year the Center Theatre and Tower Drive-In are sponsoring a movie contest, which will appear on this page.

Prizes will be given to the first six persons who give their entries to Foy Bradshaw, ONLY, by the end of the week.

Students winning last month's contest were Henry Thompson, Graham Adams, J. E. Hawkins, Francis Collins and Sandra Melton.

CONTEST

Match Column A with the ones in Column B.

Column A

1. Tom and Jerry
2. Clark Gable
3. Trombone
4. Francis, The Mule
5. Peter Lorre
6. Esther Williams
7. James Dean
8. Willy The Gimp
9. Pete Kelly
10. Jane Wyman

Column B

- a. Cornet
- b. Donald O'Connor
- c. "The Tall Men"
- d. "Million Dollar Mermaid"
- e. "Rebel Without A Cause"
- f. James Cagney
- g. Jimmy Stewart
- h. Cat and Mouse
- i. Bruce Ethridge
- j. "Lucy Gallant"

'Off The Tracks'

Confused mob, moaning whistles, hysterical women are only a few things seen in "Off The Tracks." The Edsonians' first production, to be presented in the auditorium, December 9.

"Off The Tracks," written by Felicia Metcalfe, is a three-act play, full of comedy, mystery and romance. Its action centers around a small railroad station where passengers have taken refuge after their train derailed.

Tryouts for the cast were conducted October 19, 20, and 23, but results were not available when this article went to press. Everyone is invited to make plans to attend this play — It may be surprising to see how people one meets affect one's life.

TIP-TOP

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Scholarships For Seniors

Senior (farsighted juniors and sophomores, too) who want to earn scholarships will be interested in a series of articles starting with this one dealing with available Duke awards.

Angier B. Duke Regional Prizes competition is open to any senior in the upper quarter of his or her class. Nine regional prizes, three for women, six for men, each with a value of \$750 per academic year, are awarded yearly.

The winners have these awards by the year but may renew them in each of the four consecutive years. This, of course, is on the condition that the holder maintains scholarship in the upper 25 per cent of his class and that he shows development in those qualities of leadership for which he was originally chosen.

These prizes are meant to stimulate the student ability of young men and women who show likelihood of leadership in their future careers. They should have creative scholastic ability and should be able to use the information at hand. As potential leaders, they should be possessors of character, personality, vitality, and intellectual integrity.

Angier B. Duke Memorial scholarships to the amount of \$350 per year are also available. These are awarded by semesters. As these awards are based entirely on merit, financial need is not considered in their awarding.

There is a Financial Aid Program at Duke for the benefit of outstanding candidates who do not win Angier Duke prizes. The Angier B. Duke Memorial Student Loan enables students to borrow money at a low interest rate to be repaid before or after graduation.

Lenpatrick's Thrill Student Assembly

Little Penny Sue Lenpatrick, six-year old daughter of the Lenpatrick professional tumbling artists, stole the show and captivated the audience at the first paid assembly, October 12.

Penny Sue exhibited poise and talent in the tumbling tricks she performed with her parents, who demonstrated various feats of skill, both on and off the trampoline. The Lenpatricks also explained the different steps in such acts and gave a brief history of the equipment used.

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