

Fun in the Making!



Frances McGee demonstrates tactics that she used to make the dress she is wearing and to place second in a sewing contest held recently at Montgomery Ward.

Photo by Johnnie Harper

Frances McGee Wins Second In Competitive Sewing Contest

Frances McGee, taking second place honors, walked off with a portable sewing machine as the result of a contest at Montgomery Ward, March 21.

With the close of the contest,

the participants were invited to dinner at Buck Overton's and Mr. W. M. Christie announced Margaret Melton winner on the basis of a public vote. Margaret, as the top winner, was awarded a cabinet model sewing machine and Frances won a portable.

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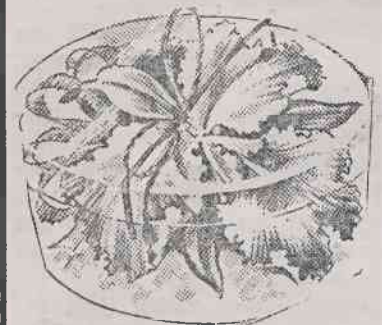
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English 10-C Poets Try Clever Styles In Verse, Prose

Come spring, and Miss Alma Murchison's English 10-C class begins to show signs of spring, in poems of love, animals, birds, the weather, and countless other things. Below are some examples of the talents of these creative sophomores.

A BAR OF SOAP

I cannot help but think sometimes,
How lucky I have been
That I wasn't born a bar of soap
Without a single friend.

Ah, soap, it is a gentle thing,
But gentleness has no place
Among the dirt, and grit, and grime
Of all the human race.

A bar of soap, it knows no castes,
Nor levels of society,
Yet everywhere it tends to be . . .
The essence of propriety.

Its job is not a simple one,
I'm sure you must agree.
It caters to the gripes and groans
Of cranks like you and me.

The problems of the world are
thrown
Upon its little back,
But has it ever griped about
Its sacroiliac?

And though, despite its sacrifice,
It still remains undaunted,
And while it's not a hostile thing,
It's often taken for granted.*
*intentional misspelling — Ogden Nash style.

By Tommy Baysden

My Friend The Alley-Cat

A long, low frame like a fifty-eight Ford . . . they call him the lord of the garbage-can . . . he struts and he strolls with his tail cocked high . . . he always smiles when a kitten walks by . . . on Saturday night, he discovers life's joys . . . he sings soprano with the fence post boys . . . he plays a little poker, and drinks a little booze . . . he even owns a pair of blue suede shoes . . . he's black all over, not a speck of white . . . you can find him in the alley most any ol' night . . . he's havin' a little trouble with a few of his pals . . . he's "goin' steady" with six different gals . . . he's takin' life easy in this day and age . . . on a back street corner he's all the rage . . . last time I saw him, he was ridin' high . . . he winked at me with his bloodshot eye . . . he had joined in a poker game, and had gotten in the hole . . . he was riding in a truck marked "RABIES CONTROL."

By Tommy Baysden

MONEY

To make it is hard,
To keep it is worst;
There's nothing better
Than a big, fat purse.
It makes you feel frivolous
To have some to spend;
But remember it can bring
Destruction and sin.

By Al Sanders

PTSA Brings Year To Close With Barbeque Supper-Meet

Completing a successful year, the PTSA sponsored a barbeque supper last Thursday evening at 6:30 in the Senior High cafeteria and made plans for the coming year.

Plates sold for \$1.50 In the proposed budget \$150.00 was allocated for a scholarship to a senior planning to go into the teaching profession. The supper provided the additional funds necessary to carry out these plans.

After the supper, the new PTSA officers were installed. Due to other responsibilities, Dr. S. F. Horne was unable to serve as president of the PTSA and Mr. Russell Sorrell was elected. Other officers were Dr. H. B. Grant, first vice-president; Mr. Alfred Stancil, second vice-president; Mrs. F. W. Hobbs, secretary; and Mrs. T. S. Watson, treasurer.

Retiring officers are Mr. Alfred Stancil, president; Mr. George Gorham, Jr., first vice-president; Mrs. Annie Mae Denton, secretary and Mr. Randolph Griffin, treasurer.

Principal Discusses Curriculum

After the installation of officers, Principal C. M. Edson discussed the curriculum for the next school term and explained how it will affect the students. During the discussion Mr. Edson announced that Mr. Julius Abernathy will rejoin the Senior High faculty next year. The proposed plan for a six-period day was also a topic of discussion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p. m.

Past Programs of PTSA

Programs during the year covered topics such as Building For Maturity in a Democracy and Information About Our City Schools. Another program designed so that the pa-

rents could meet the teachers was Getting Acquainted-Open House. Selections from the Senior High Choir and Foreign Exchange Students Speak were two other programs.

Ann Sugg, Rocky Mount, U. S. A., Penny Connell, Norberry, England, and Bjorn Lagerkirst, Stockholm, Sweden, discussed the foreign exchange program. A Round Table Discussion on Subjects Suggested by the Parents and Planning Ahead — Installation of Officers were the final programs.

Other activities of the PTSA included the serving of pancake and barbeque suppers, the furnishing of refreshments for school functions, the providing a teaching scholarship and a senior supper.

Typing Time Tests Become Problems

"Wonder if I'll pass? I'll just die if I can't pass this last time test!" Such remarks have been heard in conversations among typing students lately.

Mrs. Nellie Rhea Winstead and Mrs. Martha Hipps require first-year students to pass 3 10-minute tests at 35 net words per minute. Second-year typists must pass 3 10-minute time writing at 45 words per minute.

At this time first-year students are typing outlines, bibliography sheets, and form letters.

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