

Albemarle Senior Contest Winner

Henry Forrest was one of the winners in the preliminary contest of the tenth annual Student Forum for Safety, which was held in the studios of WBT in Charlotte, N. C., January 15. However, he lost out in the semi-finals on January 29. Others from A. H. S. competing in the contest were Martha Moore, Jack Morton, Hattie Tucker, Barbara Setzler, Sarah Frances Poplin, and Bob Youngblood, who was the only alternate used during the entire series.

Students of A.H.S. Enter Competition

Many students of A. H. S. are trying for the annual Angier Duke scholarship prize. This competition involves intelligence tests and personal interviews by members of the Duke scholarship board. Those students competing are: Roy Holt, Martha Moore, Connie McLain, Jack Morton, Bill Grigg, Bob Gullledge, and Mary Lamar. In March these students will attend district competition conventions, where the interviews will be held.

DONALD WOOLY, WHO wore a long key chain in assembly one day, was asked what it was for. "My friend," answered Don, "that's to open an elephant's trunk."

Mixed Chorus News

GAYNELLE CHANDLER

Preliminary plans are being made for the presentation of the ninth grade operetta. "The Sunbonnet Girl", a two-act operetta written by Morgan and Johnson, has been chosen for the ninth graders and will be given April 14 under the direction of Paul Fry.

The Mixed Chorus is practicing songs to be sung at the district contest, which will be held at Catawba college March 22.

Try-outs were recently held for membership in the eighth grade chorus.

The Girl's Chorus is preparing a program to sing for the Albemarle Woman's club February 14th.

The Mixed Chorus has been invited to sing at the annual Easter service held at Stony Hill church each year. As yet, no definite decision has been made.

The Boys' Chorus is planning to sing several songs in a future assembly program.

The D. O. students are now selling pocket knife sharpeners to pay for the expenses of the D. O banquet which will be given April 14. There are 35 students selling them.

ON THE BEAT

CONRAD CROTTS

The band students will readily agree with the statement that they have been extremely busy for the past few weeks. It is the general opinion that the band gets the least done in school. Read on and your thoughts will be changed a great deal.

Two promotions have been given to band pupils. Frances Wingate has been awarded musician first-class. Frances plays the bassoon. David Bruton has risen to musician second-class in the clarinet section.

The band, as a whole, has busied itself in preparing 10 numbers to be presented for the contest. Out of these numbers, four will be submitted. The band will choose one and the judges will choose another to be played. In short, they will have to know all four of these numbers perfectly.

As many first-chair musicians as there can be found transportation for, will attend the U.N.C. Third Annual Band Clinic. This will be given February 11 at the Hill Hall in Chapel Hill.

Junior Josey, 1st trombone; William Litaker, 2nd trombone; Larry Hartsell, 3rd trombone; and Carolyn Jones, baritone horn, participated in Rev. Koestline's Shut-In Hour on Sunday, January 29. They played two numbers: variations on "All Through the Night" and "Oh! Dem Golden Slippers".

This year approximately 135 students are taking band. The largest portion of these students are in the grammar school. Taking band while in grammar school prepares them for more difficult music in high school, and during this time also they learn the fundamentals of music. The fundamentals of music are as necessary as the ABC's in English. In a few years when the prepared students come to high school their fundamentals will prove necessary in the making of a better high school band.

Class Plans Visit

Plans are being made for members of the D.O. class, accompanied by the members of the D.O. class of Statesville and possibly those of Kannapolis to make a field trip to Winston-Salem to visit the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco plant. The trip will be made in March.

Mr. Wilson plans to go to Statesville soon to make final plans for the trip.

Building Program

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cafeteria in addition to some new classrooms. Central school, with an enrollment of 658, is using as their lunchroom the old home economics room which was designed for use when the high school enrollment was less than 200.

"The Central cafeteria kitchen," exclaimed Mr. Grigg, "was at one time the toilet in this building."

Central needs, in addition to the new cafeteria, additional classrooms, an outside stairway in the primary building, and a library workroom.

The high school's needs are somewhat greater than those of the elementary schools. Band students at present have to go to the Wiscasset recreation hall in all kinds of weather to practice. Besides a new band room, AHS urgently needs enlarged workshop space to carry on vocational work, and additional classroom facilities. If the dressing rooms were moved into the proposed new wing, the gym could take care of a larger crowd by making the balcony available.

He continued, "This program that has been outlined will take care of our immediate needs. It is not long range in any sense of the word. I can not guarantee that additional classrooms will not be needed within three to five years if enrollment figures continue to increase proportionately."

Administration Building.

Mr. Grigg in looking toward future needs made this statement: "Even though the general public does not recognize this fact, an administration building is one of our greatest needs." The proposed building would include in addition to superintendent's offices, offices for the public school supervisor, library supervisor, and the music super-

Student Program Is Well Received

Stunt night, which was sponsored by the Monogram Club and directed by Mrs. Almond, Coach Webb, and Coach Peiffer, was considered a big success by the large crowd that attended.

A delightful program was presented by the boys' and girls' physical education classes, consisting of twelve acts. Highlights of the program were "The Shooting of Dan McGraw", "Home-run Bill", and a beauty contest. Music was furnished by the A. H. S. band, and solos were offered by Marilyn Green and Shirley Medlin. Dwight Cranford was the Master of Ceremonies.

The Monogram Club will use the proceeds to buy sweaters for deserving athletics.

visor, the school nurse, and the attendance officer when such a person is employed. It would further include a book room and storage rooms for instructional, janitorial, and cafeteria supplies.

"Accumulation of the individual records of high school students is requiring more storage space than we have. These records are so important to the school, as well as to those who have attended AHS, that we feel we must keep them in a fireproof storage vault. This storage space would be provided in the new administration buildings," Mr. Grigg remarked.

In closing, Mr. Grigg made this statement: "I believe that if the people understand the situation and how great the need is, the program will be provided. Certainly, nothing can be more important than providing now the classrooms and other necessary facilities for the training of the children of Albemarle. The children of this generation would receive no benefit from a building program which might be provided three, five, or 10 years from now."

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