



1951 MIXED CHORUS—With the assistance of the Boys' Chorus and Girls' Chorus, served as hosts to one hundred singers from Hickory high school last Thursday. After a day of fun and practice, the approximately 200 students combined to present a concert of Christmas

carols to an audience that filled the high school auditorium to overflowing. Directing the day's activities and the concert were Paul B. Fry, Albemarle choral director, and Landen Walker, director from Hickory.

Albemarle - Hickory Choruses Present Yule Concert

Here and There

SALLY NEAL KLUTTZ talking to Helen Harwood and Ann Taylor: "Do you all want to ride up town with me?"
Helen: "No thanks, we're in a hurry."

DURING FULL MOON class while teacher of the month was being selected, this conversation was overheard:
George Causby: "Who's an old teacher we haven't used?" (meaning one who has been in AHS over a year).
Sidney Helms: "We haven't used Miss Lentz."
Joe Whitley: "Heck, she ain't old."

THIS LITTLE INCIDENT took place at Harmanco's the other night.
Bobby Austin: "I want some pie."
Joe Whitley: "What kind?"
Bobby: "Why tater pie, o'course. What other kind air they?"

DON WAGNER TALKING to Ed Patterson after a ball game: "I listened to that ballgame yesterday afternoon."
Ed: "Did they broadcast it?"

"MR. FRY HAS the most parents here," remarked Dorothy Gaskin at Open House.
"How many parents does he have?" asked Myra Davis.

NINTH GRADERS WERE reviewing for a science test.
"What's a good definition for an atom?" Claude Grigg wanted to know.
"That's Eve's husband," Sherrill Aldridge answered.

THIS HAPPENED WHILE annual pictures were being made.
Morris Hathcock: "How about giving this to Jo Ann."
Lillian Copley: "What it is?"
Morris: "Her slip." (meaning receipt).

JANE LITTLE TO Lib Elder, "The way you hang your skirts up is a crying shame."
Lib: "The way my skirts hang on me is the worst shame."

DURING SOCIOLOGY THIS conversation was heard:
Don Wooley: "Mr. Price, do left handed people stir coffee with their right hand?"
Mr. Price: "I suppose they do."
Don (laughing): "No, they don't, they stir coffee with a spoon."

Choristers Spend Successful Day Preparing Songs.

Highlighting the Yuletide season was the public concert of Christmas music December 7 in the AHS auditorium, presented by the combined choirs of Hickory high school and Albemarle high school under the direction of Paul Fry, Albemarle, and Landen Walker, Hickory.

The harmony of the approximately two hundred-voice choir was heard in Christmas carols, folk, and church music known the world over.

The following songs were used: "Fanfare for Christmas Day", "Silent Night", "Joyous Carol", "Lullaby on Christmas Eve", "Christmas Hymn", "We Wish You a Merry Christmas", "Carol of the Bells", "Deck the Hall", "I Wonder As I Wander", "Go Tell It On the Mountain", "White Christmas", "O Come, All Ye Faithful", "God Rest You, Merry Gentlemen", "Luther's Cradle Hymn", "We Three Kings", "The First Nowell", "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing", "Joy to the World", "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear", "Angels We Have Heard On High", "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel", "Little Town of Bethlehem".

In final preparation for the concert, the Hickory choir spent the entire day December 7 practicing with the A.H.S. chorus group, which was made up of the

Today Is Deadline For Subscribing To '51 Crossroads

Subscriptions are now being taken for the 1951 annual, Crossroads, a down payment of \$1.50 being required of all those desiring copies.

The campaign for subscriptions began December 5 and continued through today. If an order has not been placed, it should be done before school gets out today, because there will be no annuals sold when they arrive if the down payment has not been made.

The art staff has done an excellent job of publicizing the annual, and its contents are well known throughout the school. Along with their job of promoting the sale of the annual, the whole staff has worked hard to have better drawings, cuter snapshots, more interesting reading material, and nicer photographic pictures.

mixed chorus, boys' chorus, and girls' chorus.

Several days preceding the concert, A.H.S. chorus committees planned stage decorations, supper engagements for Hickory visitors, and the party which was held in the cafeteria after the concert.

Albemarle chorus will visit the Hickory High for a return joint concert next spring.

News Briefs

Christmas holidays will begin December 16 and last through December 31.

A number of Junior Red Cross boxes were distributed to the different homerooms and filled to be sent to the children of Europe.

The Albemarle Civitan club is again offering a good citizen award to the best citizen at AHS. Students will be selected and voted on by the senior class some time in the spring.

Kenny Brown has been chosen Student Lion for December. Charles Whitley and Sidney Helms were Student Lions for the month of October and November respectively.

Malcolm Lowder was this year's first Student Rotarian, being selected for the honor during the month of November.

Win Show Pass

Since there have been many requests for another Full Moon contest, one is being carried on page eight today.

This is based on well-known sayings, gestures, and characteristics of people in school.

A show pass will be given to the person submitting to Mrs. Fry in room 74 the most correct answers before school is out this afternoon.

Dr. J. D. Messick Of ECTC To Speak Graduation Night

Dr. J. D. Messick, president of Eastern Carolina Teachers college has been chosen speaker for the commencement exercises of the senior class on June 1. Dr. Messick was one of several outstanding speakers suggested to the class by Mr. Cashwell, Miss Lentz, and a committee who took suggestions from members of the senior class.

Although no one has been secured to deliver the baccalaureate sermon, a Presbyterian will be invited, since a rotation system is used at A.H.S. and this is the year for a Presbyterian minister to serve.

Collis Hill and Ronnie Lucas will be mascots at the graduation ceremonies. They were chosen from a group of six boys and seven girls brought to school by members of the class.

Collis is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Woodrow W. Hill, and Ronnie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Lucas.

If you can go by the number of calling cards members of the senior class have ordered, they plan to do a lot of visiting around graduation time. The 141 members of the senior class have ordered almost 21,000 cards.

Students X-Rayed In County Survey

All students 15 years of age or older and all faculty members of A.H.S. were given chest X-rays last Thursday free of charge as a part of the X-ray survey now being made by the Stanly Health Department and the Tuberculosis Association.

The X-rays were taken in a trailer unit which was hooked to the school power line and parked on the school grounds for the day.

This trailer is a unit from the State Board of Health which is stationed in Stanly county from December 7 through 22 and January 3 through 13. During this period all citizens of the county will be given a chance to have free chest X-rays.

By Their Words

"When are we going to have a New Year's dance?"—Bud Griffin.

"Every time we march in a parade we get behind the horses and have to dodge in and out."—Jo Ann Burrell.

"The band will be on the stage, so we will have to sing down 'below'."—Mr. Fry.

"One time they tackled me so hard that when I got up I saw two men standing there, and they both had the same number."—Gene Snuggs.

"We don't mind going to school; it's just the principal of the thing."—Lewis Hinson.

"Joe, I will be thinking of you and your French grades as I walk down the aisle."—Miss Lentz to Joe Whitley.

"If we as individuals fail, our nation, state, school and everything concerned will fail."—Mr. James.

"I had a dadbwam good time."—Malcolm Lowder, commenting on Honor Society picnic.

"You look stupid enough without making faces."—Mr. Ivey while taking Booster's club pictures.

"All the girls are getting married!"—Bob Palmer.

"The Pee Dee river is a nice river to cross, if you are playing bridge."—Janice Thomas.

"I thought it said 'biggest all round', and that's why I voted for Myra Davis."—Lillian Copley.

"Marco Polo was the son of the Polo brothers—one of them at least."—Mr. Price.

Needed Badly: Pass Key to Fort Knox

While theirs may not be equal to Badin's weekly \$50,000 pay roll, the students of the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades spend an average of \$2,584.40 each week, or \$10,345.60 a month, according to a survey made recently by Mrs. Fry's Full Moon class.

Though eleventh grade boys, with an average of \$9.19 spending money a week, spend most, senior boys and girls combined outspend junior boys and girls.

On the average, students spend more for meals per week than for any other item. Apparently girls eat more than boys, for the eleventh grade girls spend \$1.88, which is more than any other grade, while twelfth boys come next with \$1.74.

Keeping the roads hot to the show seems to be the pastime of most students, as on an average they attend a moving picture two and three times a week.

Football games and other amusements are the students' second preference in entertainment.

About 55% of the A.H.S. teenagers questioned give approximately \$50 each week to the church and different types of charity. Others either don't give or ignored the question.

If you could push your way into any of the local drug stores after school is out, you would understand why the following amounts are spent at the soda fountain per week. Twelfth boys top the list with \$.61, and tenth grade girls are tops with \$.47 for drinks. Candy comes next, with tenth boys and eleventh girls spending the most. Chewing gum is also very popular, especially in the school room.

A.H.S. boys average two packs of cigarettes per week, while only the senior girls listed spending any money on them, but as

the roving eye has seen, plenty more do smoke, including the ninth and tenth graders.

From seeing all the good-looking girls roaming around A.H.S., it is understandable why so much is spent on cosmetics.

After seeing the amount spent on clothes, one would often wonder why some of these best dressed boys and girls can't be seen in Vogue. Since last August 15, \$10,114.34 has been spent for clothes in the eight home rooms in which the poll was taken. Out of that sum the twelfth grade girls had the highest average, with \$99.52 per girl. The eleventh grade girls came next, which looks like girls dress more than boys. But don't think boys don't dress. You should see some of them going to have their picture made for the annual.

Even though they do spend a lot, most students are thrifty, saving from \$1 to \$5 per week.