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## Thanks For the Managers

Many people think that all managers of the football team have to do is carry a waterbucket on the field during a game. This is an absurd belief. The managers start to work in late July and end in early December.

Our school is most fortunate to have these boys, who relinquish their time and effort to render their services to the team and coaching staff.

The managers begin in late July by checking the thousands of dollars worth of equipment which is required for the football team, to see whether it can be put to use. Then they must distribute equipment to outfit about eighty to ninety candidates for the football team. They clean out the lounge, office, gym, and shower rooms to get them ready for the players to us during the annual football camp. The managers assist in preparing the breakfasts of the players during the camp also.

A few of the things that are done on the practice field are transporting dummies to and from the field, administering first aid to injuries, repairing equipment, changing equipment, and any miscellaneous duty which might occur.

Some of the duties which the managers perform off the field are: arranging for laundry service, cleaning out the dressing room and coaches' office, building fires to provide hot water, blacking shoes, keeping all equipment in good condition, making trips all over town buying items which the team needs, putting injured players in the whirlpool and under the heat lamp to stimulate the healing of their injuries, distributing clean practice and game uniforms, arranging and giving out Coca-Colas after each practice and during halftime at games, seeing that proper care of all equipment is enforced, and administering to the individual needs of the players and coaches.

Then there is the task of preparing for a game, which consists of many things which must be done. These duties never occur once; they occur in constant repetition, which leads to the conclusion that the manager's work is never completed.

The coaches and players appreciate the services of these boys very much and realize that they are essential to the team.

So hats off to the managers of the Bulldogs!

## Half-Time Performers

"Oh, don't you know they're freezing!" This is what many of the spectators at the AHS football games say when the majorettes come out on the field. They probably are, but you'd never know it from the smiles an expert skill that they display.

The majorettes for this year are: Peggy Furr, chief, Linda Moose, Brenda Gantt, Jo Parks, and Barbara Furr. Working, while many of us were enjoying the summer vacation, they trained the whole summer for this year's season. Two of the majorettes, Peggy Furr and Linda Moose, attended a majorette camp this summer at Eastern Carolina College. They paid all their expenses.

In one hour a week they have to work up their performance for the football game. They do this at fifth period each Friday. The letter-girls work at this time also and join with the majorettes in giving a grand performance.

Twirling with fire is just a pastime for these girls. They started twirling with fire last year and have continued doing it whenever possible. They have never received any training in twirling with fire, but they twirl it with greatest of ease.

Besides the football games they march in all the parades that Albemarle has. They enjoy twirling and teaching others to twirl.

Hats off to the Albemarle majorettes and the fine work that they do for AHS.

## Senior With a Future

Congratulations to Wade Smith, "favorite son of AHS", for his appointment to participate in the annual Shrine Bowl. The game will be an event of December 3.

It came not as a surprise to Wade's fellow classmates. As in the past, he will continue to pull down all the honors that are given to boys of his character.

Many articles have been written about Wade, but none has mentioned his great interest in the church. This could very well be the reason for his greatness. Not like most students who look for an excuse to miss church, Wade puts it first and foremost above play practices, dances, and other extra-curricular activities. He has been student minister for his church many times and is always ready for any church work that may come his way.

When Wade plays in the Shrine Bowl, he'll be playing for AHS, and all his fellow classmates know that he will represent Albemarle in a way that only he could do. He plays for his school, not for himself.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

We cheerleaders wish to express our thanks to the student body for their support at the football games. Without their loyal support we are sure the team would have felt unimportant and alone on the field.

Obtaining and setting up the public address system would not have been possible without the aid of Mr. R. C. Hatley and Mr. John Morris. Also, thanks to Mr. Hauss and the entire band for their help in our crusade to raise school spirit and boost the Bulldogs to a well earned victory.

Without a doubt there was a better show of pep and spirit and we want to thank each and every one of you.

Sincerely yours, A. H. S. CHEERLEADERS

## Library News

### JEAN MORGAN Wallflowers

Have you ever been to a dance and had to act as a wallflower? There are some wallflowers in the library now. The new classic books and some of the biographies and books on travel are being left on the shelf. Everyone has chosen the novels and light reading. Some of the other books, such as "Jane Eyre" and "Indonesia," a book on travel, make for very interesting reading.

Miss Michael has listed a few of the A.H.S. library wallflowers that are too good to be passed up. They are: "Pride and Prejudice," by Austen; "Little Minister," by Barrie; "Master Skylark," by Bennett; "Lorna Doone," by Blackmore.

### Careers

The Juniors and Seniors are thinking seriously along now as to how they will further their education after graduation. There are some books in the library that may help with this important decision. The following books are recommended for those who are thinking about becoming teachers: "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," by James Hilton; "Good Morning, Miss Dove," by Frances Gray Patton; "Hi! Teacher," by Isabel McLelland; "Kathie, The New Teacher," by Lucille Ruseyheim; and "Nearby," by Elizabeth Yates.

Following are some career stories for both boys and girls: "Smoke Patrol," by Atwater; "Jeff White, Young Woodsman," by Dietz; "Paul Fiber, Forester," by Gleit; "Blueberry Mountain," by Meader; "River Rising," by Skidmore; and "Hill Doctor," by Skidmore.

"Carol Goes Backstage," by Boylston; The "Sue Barton" set of books by Boylston; "Curtain Call," by DeLeeuw; "Penny Marsh," by Deming; "Rider on the Mountains," by Lansing; "The Woman Doctor," by Baker; "Clara Barton, Girl Nurse," and "George Carver, Boy Scientist," by Stevenson; "Twenty Modern Americans," by Cooper and Palmer; and "Great Men of Medicine," by Fox.

### Memorial Shelf

There is a memorial shelf in the library. On it you will find these books that were given in memory of Mr. A. P. Harris: "Emily Dickenson's Poems," presented by Miss Michael; Edgar A. Guest's "Collected Verses" presented by Mr. Cashwell.

"A Treasury of Stephen Foster," presented by Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzgerald; Frances Gray Patton's "The Finer Things of Life," by Mr. and Mrs. John Morris, Jr.; Frank Slaughter's "The Song of Ruth," presented by Mrs. Pauline Helms; and Henry Thomas' "Fifty Great Americans" presented by Mr. Grigg.

## Our Sentiments, Too

I must go out to the hall, my friends, to the thundering crowd and the mass,

And all I ask is an even break to get to my next hour class, To the strong shove and the mad pace and the multitude's fighting,

And the sweet thought of that clear spot I'm almost sighting, I must go out to the hall, my friends, where the thought of that jam packed stair

Is a reckless one and a wild one that summons up a prayer.

And all I ask is the strength to push when my doorway I have found.

And there's thanks in my heart for all mankind that I haven't hit the ground.

I must go out to the hall, my friends, to the risky, daring lot, To the rough way, the dangerous way, where hope is all I've got.

And all I ask is a chance for the door when I finally part the swell

And a quiet class, a peaceful class, when at last I hear the bell!

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## Christmas Around the Corner

What is Christmas? It's a gift, the biggest and most wonderful gift of the whole year! In the December issue of the LADIES' HOME JOURNAL, Sub-Deb Editor Ruth Imler tells how you can give the perfect gift to:

Your Friends: Try something unusual and "just for you" — it needn't be expensive! — a ball n' chain pen for the phone or a felt handbag trimmed with tiny jingle bells. Try a surprise wrapping — what looks like a bouquet of flowers is a petticoat, and that little brown and beige dachshund is really a salami!

Your Boyfriend: Easy does it, Ruth warns. Use good taste and stick to something half-way between personal and impersonal. Knit him argyle socks, make him a box of cookies, or give him a certificate for a car wash — with you wielding the hose and brush.

The Home: Christmas is full of tradition, so if you don't have a family tradition, start one. Burn an old fashioned candle holder (complete with glass chimney) every Christmas Eve, or place a large towel covered with flour by the Christmas tree to catch Santa's footprint. Give Mom a fancy umbrella with gold handle and tassel, and knit argyles for that other special man in your life, Dad! He'll love them. And everyone, even the grownups, likes toys at Christmas time.

The Community? Take time out to give pleasure to someone else. Make tray favors for patients in the local hospital, make up a food box for a needy family, or dress dolls for a children's hospital. The greatest gift of all at Christmas is remembering the true meaning of love: sharing yourself.

## Teacher of the Month

We would like to recognize this month's teacher as one of the hardest workers on the faculty. This teacher also has one of the biggest and hardest jobs in the school. Mr. Tommy Hauss, a hearty thanks goes to you for a wonderful job with the band during football season.

Since Mr. Hauss is new at AHS, we need to know a little about him. After graduating from Shelby High School, he attended Appalachian State Teachers College. Here he majored in band music and was the drum major. Mr. Hauss was in service two years, where he played the French horn in the Army band. Albemarle is the first school in which he has taught, and we are very glad to have him.

This band director brought new ideas and plenty of enthusiasm to the band members. People of Albemarle and the students seemed to recognize the

good work our band did this year more than ever. Under the direction of Mr. Hauss, many fine programs were performed at half time at the games. In the coming years the band will grow in membership, because it has the leader it needs to train and instruct them. Mr. Hauss is a popular figure in school, and the students have taken to his friendly ways, good disposition, and willingness to help. Immediately he took an interest in school affairs. You will find him rooting for the football team, even if he isn't an old fan. He's one of the sponsors for the Modern Music Masters Society, and he and Mrs. Hauss were chaperones for the National Honor Society's dance after the football game.

The students are interested in progress made in the band and seeing it get bigger and bigger. We will be backing Mr. Hauss all the way!

## CAMPUS CHATTER

We hear all, see all,  
And above all, we tell all.

Here we are again! It's Thanksgiving and we, the Pilgrims of 1955, have arrived on the campus of A. H. S. in search of news and chatter around these dim, dreary cells.

The season is a happy one and as we wander about we see many starry-eyed couples. They are Jim Stiller and Jo Parks, Rat Lisk and Ann Morgan, Cread McManus and Iris Hunsucker, Mickey Drye and Martha Huckabee, Charlie Smith and Betsy King, Bobby Coggins and Judy Montgomery, Becky Coble and Gene Langley.

Of course all the old ones are still around, and we can still hear some of the girls fussing about that exciting Halloween night when burma-shave and rotten eggs were put to the most usual use. Girls were made snow-men and cars were made eggnog. Ain't it fun?

Last weekend seemed to be an exciting one for Carolyn Helms and Barbara Copley. From what we hear these Tri-Hi-Y conferences aren't all work and no play.

News is around that George Lowder had two dates for the Harvest Moon Dance, maybe Molly Holbrook and Kitty Almond can draw straws to see which will be the lucky one. (Mighty popular boy.)

Kay Cauthen seems to be making quite a few trips twenty-three miles up the road lately. What's so interesting in those parts, Kay? Could it be that he's tall, dark, and handsome?

Those Methodist hayrides with five couples are really the stuff, aren't they Jerry Lowder and Jo Ellen Brooks, Punk Gantt and Janice Westerlund, Susie Culp and Don Taylor, Roderick Jordan and Carolyn Nichols, and Gram Harwood and Betty Holt?

Several steady couples had the privilege of going to the Ice-capades. The girls enjoyed the beautiful costumes while Mickey Greene and Wade Smith looked at muscles in the girls' legs. Or was that just an excuse to make Dotty Walker and Peggy Furr jealous?

With Thanksgiving come congratulations to Irene Eudy and Phyllis Hartsell, who have taken the final step. In December wedding bells will also be ringing for Miss Lowder.

We were surprised to find that Lois Harwood isn't going steady any more. Doesn't it agree with you or do you have someone else in mind?

It was overheard that Mickey Harwood and Jimmy Almond are never scarce for dates any more. A different girl every night seems to be their policy.

James Norton must really have it bad for Judy Efrd since he rides a motorbike to her house on the Concord road. Here's hoping you don't give out of gas, James!

Betty Boone, Zalotta Harris, and Sandra Poplin were seen at the steak house with some mysterious boys. What are these new ones like?

A group of senior girls went up to China Grove the day of the football game and managed to get an A. H. S. pennant in their football bus. That's what we call real football spirit, girls!

Pee Wee Fitzgerald and Marvin Morton don't seem to mind using gas as long as it takes them to Charlotte or maybe Greenville, S. C. Play it cool, boys!

After a few ups and downs with his girl, Zeke Johnson can once more be added to the steady list.

Yes, this was the talk of the campus when we landed and when we left. The Bulldogs were once more the champs. Congratulations from those who are really proud.

Until next time we leave you some advice. Have a real happy Thanksgiving, don't eat too much turkey, and be on the lookout for us, because we're always there.

THE PILGRIMS OF 1955.