

NEW PRINCIPAL WELCOMES ICELANDIC GIRL

Hawkins Assumes Role Of Chief

"I am quite impressed," are words of Mr. Warren Hawkins, new principal at ASHS.

Mr. Warren G. Hawkins comes from Asheboro after being employed in the Asheboro City School system as teacher and coach in the high school and as principal of an elementary school.

He indicated that he is aware of the challenges of his new job, and states that they are most interesting. He remarked, "I am very pleased with the general behavior of the students, although there are areas in which improvements can be made." He also stated that, "this student body seems to be an exceptional group. I have been aware for a number of years of the fine reputation this high school has enjoyed in the field of academic and athletic accomplishments. I hope through the efforts of all concerned, these accomplishments can be continued."

Continuing, he states, "My entire family has found the churches, civic clubs, and people of Albemarle very friendly and most co-operative."

Mr. Hawkins, who rapidly became known to most students, stated that he is impressed with the seriousness of the students toward education and of their dedication to learning. With such a fine attitude on the part of the students, the wonderful cooperation of the faculty and the generous understanding of the school administration, the new principal feels that he has been most fortunate to become associated with the Albemarle City School System.

Students Attend Summer Schools

Bill Hartsell, Oron Palmer, Jim DeTorre, and Linda Long spent portions of the summer studying various phases of science.

Bill and Oron attended a National Science Foundation Secondary Science Program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for the six weeks period from June 12-July 22. They both studied genetics and mathematical theories. Classes began for the two boys at 9 each morning when they attended a mathematics class until 10:30. Biology studies began at 11 and ended at 12 noon. On alternating weekday afternoons the boys attended math discussion sessions and biology lab.

Linda attended a similar program sponsored by the National Science Foundation at Clemson University at Clemson, South Carolina. This program, which was developed mainly to interest students in scientific research, provided in the morning, lectures dealing with various biological topics, and in the afternoon from 1-5, work on various research projects in the Clemson University Biochemistry Department. Linda also went on several field trips of scientific interest.

Jim DeTorre studied freshman chemistry at Western Carolina College at Cullowhee, North Carolina from July 18 - August 19. Classes for Jim began at 8 each weekday morning and ended at 12 noon. Jim was one of 180 boys and girls who studied the freshman college course. After successful completion of this program, Jim received college credit for his study of chemistry.



Asta Hrolfsdottir, AFS student from Reykjavik, Island, points out her home country to Mr. Warren Hawkins, new principal.

Asta Finds Countries Similar

Asta Hrolfsdottir, 17-year old foreign exchange student from Reykjavik, Iceland, is spending her year in America at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Moose and their daughter, Beth.

Asta has found that America and Iceland are similar in several ways. The Icelandic people eat many of the same foods as do Americans, but the food is prepared differently. Two of their dishes rare to the United States are sour whale blubber and burned sheep head.

The clothing of the two countries are very much alike, but in Iceland bermudas are not worn in public.

"The dances in Iceland are almost the same," states Asta, "but we don't move quite as much." The music of the Beatles is enjoyed by the Icelandic youth, even though they don't understand the words. Dances are given every Saturday night and many of the young people meet there.

One big difference Asta finds in the United States is the contrast in weather. The temperature in Iceland is considerably colder than in the United States. Also, the seasonal variation in time from sunset to sunrise is quite different. In winter the sun sets at 12 p.m. as compared to the summertime sunset of 3 or 4 p.m.; however, it never becomes very dark.

The dating customs of her country are somewhat different from those in America. They begin to date at the same ages but the majority of teenagers in Iceland go steady. Twenty to twenty-two years is the average marriage age in Iceland. When asked what she thought of American boys, Asta remarked "I think they are more polite than the boys in my country."

School in Iceland is conducted six days a week in the eight months from October to May. The students finish school after their eleventh year. Each student must take 10-12 subjects per year, but all the subjects are not taught every day. Instead, the subjects alternate throughout the week. The same group of students remain together for all of their classes.

Asta, who has completed her last year in high school has studied three foreign languages - English, Danish, and German. After graduating from high school, most of the young people go to some type of technical school. Asta has chosen to attend Teachers' Training School upon her return to Iceland next year.

Asta is enjoying school this year and although she likes all her subjects, English is her favorite.

Her favorite sports are swimming. (Continued on Page 6, Col. 2)

Students Study State Government

Steve Brown, Randy Burton, Mark Mabry, and Edwin Sides attended the Twenty-Sixth Annual American Legion Boys' State conducted June 19-25 at Wake Forest College.

The boys began the schedule of events on Sunday with registration and preliminary instructions. The approximately four hundred boys were divided into 14 cities for the election of city officers. The Boy Staters attended daily lectures in Wait Chapel on such topics as North Carolina's Political Parties and Government Branches; agricultural, industrial, and educational development in N. C.; and various other topics. During the week, the boys held nominating conventions and elected county and state officers. They participated in other activities such as athletics, publishing of a newspaper, and presentation of a talent show.

For the last two days, they divided into a Senate and House

of Representatives and passed bits of legislation according to proper parliamentary procedure. One bill legalized water fights in the dorms; however, Jack Fleer, director, vetoed it.

The highlights of the week came Saturday morning with the final banquet and the awarding of certificates. The boys departed for home about two o'clock after an enjoyable week.

Girls Meet At UNC-G

Catherine Kelley and Betsy Miller served as delegates to Girls' State, June 26 - July 2. They met on the campus of U. N. C. at Greensboro along with 310 other girls for a series of meetings and lectures about local and state government.

The girls were divided into six cities, each with its own officials. Also, they elected a girl to represent each of the state offices.

Catherine and Betsy enjoyed the morning, afternoon, and night sessions along with a trip to Raleigh, all of which helped them to learn and understand more about government.

MOONBEAMS

Lions And Rotarians

Congratulations are in order to Edwin Sides, president of the Student Organization, and Mark Mabry, president of the Senior Class, who have been serving as Student Lion and Rotarian, respectively, for the month of September.

Class Rings

Juniors were measured for their class rings Wednesday, September 14, during fourth period in the library.

Mr. Beal from L. G. Balfour Company offered three ring sizes in the traditional style.

Assisting Mr. Beal in measuring the students were Mrs. Deese, the class sponsor, and the Junior Class officers.

Class Officers

Sophomore Class officers for 1966-67 are as follows: Eric Mabry, president; Starr Still, vice president; Neesie Huneycutt, secretary; and Linda Carpenter, treasurer.

Morehead Scholarship Nominees Announced

Edwin Sides, Keith Wolf, and Bill Hartsell are nominees for the John Motley Morehead Scholarship for study at the University of North Carolina.

Edwin is S. O. president, a marshall, Business Manager of the Full Moon staff, and a member of the National Honor Society. He attended Boys' State this summer.

Keith, who is active in wrestling, is a member of the Debate Club, Full Moon staff, and National Honor Society. This summer he attend-

ed the North Carolina Governor's school.

Bill, a member of the football team, is a marshall, member of the Full Moon staff, and National Honor Society. He attended the National Science Foundation program this summer at Chapel Hill.

These three top ranking boys in the Senior Class were selected by a faculty committee. They were chosen according to scholastic ability, qualities of manhood, devotion to duty, fellowship, moral character, and physical vigor in sports.