

SENIORS TO PRESENT "LAUGH CLOWN" ON FEB. 5

Cream Of The Crop

SENIOR

If you like green ink, midnight movies, history, dogs, walking in the rain bareheaded, and lime ice, then you have much in common with Roxie Helen Carswell.

Roxie is the young lady who manages the bulletin boards. She also is an assistant in the library and she hopes to be a librarian some day. Through her excellent scholarship and innate abilities, she has become a member of the National Honor Society and Girl Reserves. She dislikes teasing, diaries and conceited people, and architecture is one of her many hobbies. She likes music and at the present time is taking organ lessons and tap dancing. Another hobby is drawing funny faces. All these odd likes, dislikes, hobbies and abilities go together to make Roxie a most unusual individual.

JUNIOR

A retiring sort of person, Buddy Welborn strikes one as being sincere and straightforward even in this affected age. He hopes, in the not-so-distant future, to be a doctor, though now he is busy liking school and collecting stamps. He cares more for swimming than reading, but an adventure story has been known to prove just as enticing as the former. Perhaps that explains why Dizzy Dean is his present ideal. Buddy enjoys going to the movies, and he keeps in step with the sports world, especially football, via the radio in the Lexington Drug Store where he spends his spare time making ice cream. The one thing he cannot tolerate, and I know we all agree with him, is seeing a big boy bully a smaller one who has to take it. Wherever he goes and whatever he does after leaving L. H. S., this attitude is sure to bring him the kind of popularity he deserves.

SOPHOMORE

Jimmy Myers, the secretary of the Student Council, is definitely a ladies man, but that doesn't keep his hero from being Max Schmeling. Desiring to go to West Point, he is interested in aviation and football with a little boxing thrown in. He spends his spare time drawing and building airplane models, and wondering how the art of hypnotism is perfected (though few people know that). Freckles and big ears are his pet horrors, and he enjoys motion pictures concerning war—just the opposite of most people! If you don't know Jimmy, just take a chance at being out in the lower hall during utility period and he'll be the one to nab you, though very courteously. He does his duty with a smile and is, on the whole, popular with everyone.

FRESHMAN

Charles Hackney, the treasurer of

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BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
1937BOYS AND GIRLS—ALL
DOUBLEHEADERS

Jan. 15—Mooresville at Mooresville.
Jan. 19—Spencer at home.
Jan. 22—Barium Springs at Barium Springs.
Jan. 26—Concord at Concord.
Jan. 29—Lincolnton at home.
Feb. 2—Children's Home at home.
Feb. 4—Lincolnton at Lincolnton.
Feb. 9—Spencer at Spencer.
Feb. 12—Mooresville at home.
Feb. 16—Open.
Feb. 19—Concord at home.
Feb. 23—Children's Home at Winston-Salem.
Feb. 26—Barium Springs at home.

JUNIORS TO
PRESENT PLAY

"It's a Small World," but this play is a big laugh. At an early date the Junior class is presenting a play in order to make money for the Junior-Senior Banquet. "It's a Small World" will be given the sixth period, and the admission is very small. This performance gives a good list of Juniors with acting ability. All of the action takes place in an airplane passenger station. Wait until you see Ralph Morris as the answer-to-a-maiden's-prayer hero, and laughable Louise Kirby as the wise cracking heroine. J. D. (Stepin Fetchit) Gray carries on as Ginge, the "nigger" with an ingrown skull. Dick Johnson (it's rumored that he will steal the show) does the part of a crazy Jew on his way to Pennsylvania. Evelyn Allen with her hoity-toity idea that she will soon be dead will give you a laugh as Lena Leap. The two 'pixed old maids, who are years behind in gossip, are Marguerite Thomason and Vivian Gambrell. What about the villain? Don't look now, but it's Ed Gaines! Yes siree! After you have seen "It's a Small World" you'll get accustomed to the idea. The biggest laugh at all is Clara (giggles) Miller on a honeymoon with Robert (corn-fed) Thomason. You'll have to agree they are tops as Betty and Hezzy. Fred Harris stars again as Jim, the would-be sheriff. Oh! how you will love to hate him! The Junior class couldn't give a play without Harold Fritts, so you won't be disappointed; he's there as Henderson, the banker. What a play! what a cast! what a world! "It's a Small World."

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

The Student Council, on the week before Christmas, had a Christmas party in Mrs. Cuthrell's room which was a very enjoyable affair. The room was attractively decorated in the Christmas fashion. After enjoying several games and contests presents were exchanged.

Mr. Conrad is to be the new Student Council faculty adviser, since Mr. Bennett resigned from the faculty. The council members are all very glad to have Mr. Conrad to work with.

The Student Council store is running smoothly now, and students are buying a good many supplies. One can buy supplies any time from eight o'clock until school closes in the afternoon.

Recently the Student Council sponsored a clean-up campaign in the school. All students were requested to clean out their lockers and assist in keeping the school cleaner. This campaign was very successful, and most of the students cooperated in cleaning up. It is the wish of the council that everyone continue keeping our school clean.

A campaign against cheating is now being conducted by the council. Shameful though it is, there is cheating going on in nearly every classroom as well as outside the classroom. Even students who are generally admired for their good qualities of character stoop often to cheating. This condition must be corrected or anyone caught cheating will receive a heavy penalty. If the leaders in the school would only realize that cheating brings only a guilty conscience, and drags one to even worse crimes, they could probably influence others to think as they do. So please, everyone, for your own good, stop the degrading practice of cheating, and if you see others cheating, explain to them that it brings them only harm. Let's all declare relentless, lasting war on cheating!

Lexington High Gets
Two New Teachers

Mr. C. A. Bennett, instructor in mathematics, handed in his resignation shortly before the Christmas holidays upon accepting a position as auto dealer in Georgia. Mr. Bennett and family have lived in Lexington about a year and a half and have made many friends who regret to see them go. He has performed his duties in Lexington High School very efficiently, and a great loss has been felt. However, an excellent teacher has been secured to succeed Mr. Bennett. Mr. Elmer Bowers comes to L. H. S. from Zanesville, Ohio. Mr. Bowers has his A. B. and M. A. degrees from the Ohio State University. He is also a member of the Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Mu Epsilon.

Another one of our popular teachers who had been with L. H. S. only half a year also resigned to accept a better position. Mr. Vincent Kelly, graduate of Eastern Illinois State Teacher's College, has been chosen to succeed Mr. Otho Quick in the Industrial Arts Department. Mr. Kelly was a class mate of Mr. Quick. Mr. Kelly is a member of the national honorary fraternity for Industrial Arts and Vocational Education.

DEBATING CLUB
ORGANIZED

Several weeks before Christmas the students interested in debating met in Mr. Conrad's room after school and organized a debating club. After nominations were made from the floor the following officers were elected:

President: Theodore Leonard.

Vice-President: David Sink.

Secretary: Virginia Beck.

The subject for debate this year is: "Resolved: That the government should take over control and ownership of public utilities." There will be two teams entered. One will enter the triangular debate and the other the conference debate. The preliminary was held in the high school auditorium, Monday, January. Those selected for the debating team were: Joan Sink, Virginia Beck, Theodore Leonard and David Williams; alternates: David Sink and Harold Cecil.

GIRL RESERVES

The Girl Reserve club held its Christmas meeting on Tuesday, December 15. The president, Margaret Spruill, led the business discussion. The members agreed to contribute toward giving a basket to some unfortunate family; this plan was in keeping with one purpose of the club, that of service. Each member gave some fruit or canned goods to this cause and the basket was delivered on Friday before Christmas. Sarah Redwine led the singing of the Christmas carols and Frances Peacock introduced the speaker, Miss Virginia Johnson, who gave a most interesting discussion of Christmas customs and traditions. The meeting was closed with the singing of a carol.

HI-Y NEWS

The Hi-Y program which was to be held Wednesday, January 13th, has been postponed until Wednesday, January 20th, at which time a variety card will be presented. There will be contests in boxing, wrestling and racing, with prizes to the winners. There will also be a big prize given to some lucky person in the audience. The prize is a large five pound box of candy. Other prizes will also be given to the audience. Those attending this event have a good time in store for them.

Cast of 14 Supports 3
Act Mystery Comedy;Grammar Schools Cooperate
In Giving Dances For Added
Attractions; Miss Miller
and Dancing Pupils to
Be a Main Feature

The annual senior play will be presented the evening of February 5 at eight o'clock. The main cast of seven senior boys and seven senior girls is holding rehearsals daily under the direction of Mrs. Ottis M. Hedrick for the three-act mystery comedy, "Laugh Clown," by C. L. Caddy. Supporting the cast will be a "negro mammy and overall" song and dance by small children of Robbins School, a clown dance by Cecil School boys, and a ghost dance by high school senior girls. A main feature of the evening's performance will be a solo dance by Miss Ruthie Miller, of Albemarle, a former student of Mrs. Hedrick, and at present a dancing teacher in Albemarle and in this city. Pupils of Miss Miller's school of the dance will be another added attraction in a unique "skeleton song and dance" in costume.

The setting of "Laugh Clown" is in the living room of an old rambling estate belonging to the Hurleys. Mrs. Hurley, played by Edith Ebelein, is a widow bewildered by the money her husband has left her, and she flatters around to the amusement of all in her presence. The romance is brought out by Patricia Hurley and Danny Polling, portrayed by Helen Rhodes and Cecil Davis. Comedy is exhibited frequently by Aunt Sue, Uncle Jake, Fritz Benton and Danny Polling portrayed by Eunice Sink, Baxter Smith, Foil Swing and Cecil Davis. Mystery is continuously made evident by Dale Terrence, Dr. Pratt, the gardener, and the detective portrayed by Frances Peacock, Ocko Pickett, Robert Clayton and John Leonard. Arthur Hurley, Bob White, plays the part of the hero who helped unravel the mystery. Nell Hartzog as Galligar came to visit Patricia. She adds to the love story by her deep affection for Arthur, Pat's brother. Evelyn Hurley, portrayed by Margaret Spruill, plays the snob, and the maid's role played by Sarah Redwine, is comical, but it turns into a romance with an ex-convict. The fact that Baxter Smith and Eunice Sink in the guise of the two negro servants, Uncle Jake and Aunt Sue, sing "Dark Town Strutter's Ball," accompanied by a clog dance, must not be omitted.

A capacity house for both performances, matinee for all grammar school children at one o'clock and night show at eight o'clock, is expected. The proceeds go for the senior scholarship awarded each year.

NEW COURSES

Reported by Mihepa Harb

Of course every one is interested to know about the new courses that will be added this term. Three new courses will be added to our school studies in the near future.

Our school is offering a new course in sociology, which will be given the same period that economics was offered the fall semester. Also a new course of North Carolina history including a study of counties, county seats, industries, agriculture, animals and flowers. This subject should interest every North Carolinian.

A salesmanship course will be given the same period and by the same teacher as Business Correspondence the past semester. Many students are taking advantage of these new courses.