

FORUM

**A SOAP-BOX ORATOR
OR
A FALL OF ROME**

The orator waxed eloquent. The absorbed audience hung on his every word and applauded vigorously whenever he became a little more heated than usual. His fiery expressions called forth reverence from his hearers, for he was the great Cicero.

"Oh, this terrible and detestable conspiracy! Does such a horrible thing deserve leniency? Rather than endure that we would better be dead. Cataline's followers would have destroyed our wonderful and beloved Rome! They would have killed our wives and children as freely as they would us. Silanus's plan of death is the righteous punishment for such a crime. Caesar proposes life imprisonment. That would be really the easiest for me; but I bravely stand for death for the conspirators, even though it should result in my own. There are no citizens of Rome who would do this dastardly deed. Therefore they need no consideration. Let us act vehemently, then!

"Ah, some of you senators are absent today. Why? I suppose they object to passing on the punishment of these. Our fellow citizens even have assembled to-day to give any necessary aid in putting down the conspirators. Thanks to Jupiter, some people will not accept the bribes of that scoundrel Cataline! They are the wise ones, who think of their own peace of mind and their comforts.

"You ought to be able to see your responsibility and you should act accordingly! I have nothing to regret in what I have said. My conduct toward these enemies of Rome is rather a glory than otherwise, and I feel proud that I am able to say things against them. I feel that my place is among our great—Marcius, Paulus, and Africanus, but I leave you to determine just where, among them.

"And now, O conscript fathers, if my hopes are dashed to earth, my son is here to take up the struggle. He is as well equipped as I, and I am satisfied." So saying, the orator, a small boy, stepped down from his soap-box amid the cheering plaudits of his crowd of playmates.

HELEN FELDER.

LATIN CLUB HOLDS BUSINESS MEETING

On Wednesday, October 29, Latinus Circulus held its second meeting. This was called for the purpose of disposing of some unfinished business. The meeting was presided over by the Princeps, after which the Scriba called the roll and read the minutes. The election of a new press reporter in place of Claude McIver, resigned, was the first consideration. Charles Amole was chosen for this position. The question of dues was brought up and 10 cents a month was decided on.

Then followed reports of the different committees. Frances Moore, chairman of the motto committee, read out three mottoes from which was chosen the motto, *Scientia crescat*—May knowledge increase. Elizabeth Smith, chairman of the program committee, gave a report of her committee's work so far. The club then decided to have only one meeting a month, which should be on the third Friday. There was no report from the committee for the purpose of organization, because of the resignation of the chairman, but the Princeps stated that a new chairman would be appointed immediately. Miss Wine spoke on the subject of the Latin bulletin board, urging the support of the club in making it worthwhile.

LATIN CLUB HOLDS MEETING

On November 7 the Latin club met in B5 with Betty Brown officiating. Phyllis Penn, Sarah Mendenhall and Mary Elizabeth King sang "America" in Latin. Joe Mann gave an interesting summary of the history of Rome. An attractive play, "A School Boy's Dream," was given, with Kenneth Adair as the schoolboy and Ernest Scarborough as Caesar. A quartet composed of Myra Wilkinson, Evelyn Rives, John Gillespie and Joe Cartland, sang in Latin the round, "Row, Row, Row Your Boat." The meeting closed with Latin puns.

EXTRA CURRICULA

SPANISH CHAIN MEETS

The Spanish club was a little slow in getting settled, but this is the last time. Fred Burroughs resigned the presidency because of other duties and this somewhat discouraged the club. A new election was held and Thelma Sherrill was elected president.

On Thursday, November 6, the first meeting under the new president was held in chapel. John Ford, secretary, called the roll, every one answering with a Spanish proverb. A committee composed of Charles Amole, Wayne Arnold, Dera Cagle and Louise Wayne was appointed to see about a motto for the club.

It was agreed to have meetings every other week on Thursday at chapel period. These meetings are to be held the second and fourth weeks of the month.

SENIORS HOLD RUMMAGE SALE

If anyone had been noticing the thousands of cars which passed them Wednesday afternoon, October 22, perhaps they would have seen several piled high with bundles—big ones, little ones, of all sizes and descriptions. And had they looked inside these packages they would have found everything that goes to make up a rummage sale. All this was done in order that the colored populace might be more warmly clothed for the winter, and that the debt on the Annual might be decreased for the senior class.

And that debt was decreased because the seniors worked hard. The sale was held on a vacant lot across the street from the Latham building on East Market street. Business was good and the sale proved worthwhile in spite of all the marvelous reductions. At 2 o'clock the sale came to a close, with the result that \$50.69 was added to the senior treasury. This money is the first step toward the diminishing of the \$300 which the seniors have decided to raise toward the publishing of the 1925 *Reflector*.

HI-Y NO. 2 MEETING

The members of the Hi-Y club were introduced to another member of the High Schol faculty last Thursday, when Mr. Edwards spoke. He made an interesting and helpful talk on the way to live in order to succeed in life.

After the talk new members were received for the year. They were Phil Wicker, Joe Faulkner and Raymond Bennett. These new members raised the number of club members to 20, which is the limit of membership allowed.

MISS CAUSEY'S FRENCH CIRCLE ENTERTAINS

The French circle met Wednesday, November 15, immediately after school, in the cafeteria. Decorations were of autumn leaves. After the usual opening the meeting was turned over to Miss Josephine Causey, who had charge of the program for the day.

The entire program was devoted to the study of the French author, Jean de la Fontaine. Elizabeth Umberger gave a short review of his life, after which Helen Felder and Esther Shreve related in French the fable, "The Lion and the Rat." The next two numbers were dramatization of the two fables, "The Fox and the Crow" and "The Tortoise and the Hare." Louise Craven gave a short summary of "The Fox and the Crow" and Lois Gillespie as the crow and DeWard Mendenhall as the fox enacted it. Cecile Lindau then gave a review of "The Tortoise and the Hare." The cast was as follows: The Hare—Margaret Glenn Stockton; The Tortoise—Michaux Crocker; The Butterfly—Luna Byrd; The Snail—James Tidwell.

MR. AYCOCK TALKS TO B5

On Monday at chapel period B5 enjoyed an exceptionally good program. Evelyn Rives took charge and Catherine Wharton read the scripture. Miriam Block, Virginia Douglas and Evelyn Rives sang the Marseilles in French. Betty Brown recited "In Flanders Field" by Lieut.-Col. John D. McCrae.

Then came the spice of the program. Mr. F. B. Aycock, of the history department, talked on the "Significance of Armistice Day," and told some of his personal experiences on that day. He enumerated the causes of the world war and

ended by saying that when we think of Armistice Day we should think of universal peace.

Mrs. Hazen Smith gave a short talk as a conclusion to the program.

CHAPEL NOVEMBER 12

At the Girls' Monthly Assembly, November 12, a very interesting program consisting of music and a sort of fashion show was rendered by Margaret Hood, a trio composed of Mary Gorrell, Katherine Barber and Cordie Durham, and Mrs. Zolleman, the sewing teacher.

For the devotional Virginia Bain, president of the girls' council, read the 121st Psalm, and led in the Lord's Prayer.

Margaret Hood received so much applause from the audience when she played "Witches' Dance" by Macdowell, that she gave as an encore, "To Spring," by Grieg. Mary Gorrell (banjo-uke), Cordie Durham (guitar) and Katherine Barber (banjo-uke) played and sang, "We're Rooting for You, Boys of G. H. S.," "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi," and some familiar jigs.

Next followed the fashion show, or discussion of fashions, in which the girls participated and Mrs. Zolleman led. The changes in styles from year to year were discussed, and it was agreed that the 1924 styles were the best yet.

TORCH LIGHT GATHERING

At the meeting of the Torch Light society November 13, at which Byron Sharpe, vice-president, presided in the absence of the president, important business was discussed and a short program on the purposes and principles of the society was rendered.

Elizabeth Stone read a brief history of the Torch Light society, which was founded in 1917. The next speaker was Byron Sharpe, who talked on Citizenship. Elizabeth Smith then read, "Give to the World the Best You Have." "Japanese Dancing Girl," a piano solo, was played by Lois Dorsett. Mary Thurman talked on what the society should mean to the school. Miss Tillet, faculty adviser, made a talk on what the society should mean to the individual member.

SENIOR SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

The seniors made their initial drive for money for the *Reflector* by securing subscriptions to *The Ladies' Home Journal*, *The Country Gentleman*, and *The Saturday Evening Post*. Twenty-five per cent exemption was to be allowed, and \$75 dollars as a bonus if there were as many as 300 subscriptions obtained.

Friday, November 1, each senior started out to get at least three subscriptions by Monday. A box of stationery was awarded to the one bringing in the most. This was won by Louise Craven, who secured 33. Marie Wilhelm came next with 24. There was also some competition among the senior rooms. 103 with Betty Harrison as captain led with 154; 106, with Bryon Sharpe as captain, had 101, and 107, with Virginia Jackson as captain, secured 61. This made a total of 316 subscriptions.

CURRENT EVENTS PROGRAM GIVEN

At the request of Mr. Edwards, Miss Blackman's senior history classes gave a current events program at Junior High on November 6.

Miss Blackman read the 91st Psalm and then everyone repeated the Lord's Prayer. Byron Sharpe then took charge and introduced Vernell Hackney as the first speaker. Vernell made a short talk on the Port Terminals bill, emphasizing the good it would do the farmers and shippers.

The next speaker, Millard Todd, spoke on the policies and views of the three presidential candidates. The third speaker, Moyer Sink, had as his subject the election in Mexico. Benjamin Kendrick in a talk on the recent English and German elections, declared that the tendency of both nations was against radicalism and bolshevism. Louise Wysong, the last speaker, told some of the main incidents in the life of France's great writer and philosopher, Anatole France.

It looks mighty good to see our N. C. C. W. girls visiting us at lunch. Shows they haven't entirely forgotten G. H. S.

WHIRLWIND LOSES LAST BATTLE OF THE SEASON TO HIGH POINTERS

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Summary: Touchdowns—Hackney, Watson, Gernander (2). Points after touchdown—Burroughs, Gernander (2).

Substitutions: High Point—Ingram for Perdue, Johnson for Combs, Braswell for Fuqua, Ridge for White, Hampton for Ellington, White for Wall. Greensboro—Clement for Shelton, Turner for Goodwin, Smith for Clement, Ogburn for Ford, Strader for Smith, Koenig for Mastr, Goodwin for Turner, Shelton for Strader. Referee, McAlister; Umpire, Hendrix; Head linesman, Phillips. Time of quarters, 15 minutes.

"PEACE" THE THEME OF A. L. BROOKS' TALK IN CHAPEL ARMISTICE DAY

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shall this mountain crumble into dust than Chili and Argentina breaks the peace they pledge here at the feet of Christ the Redeemer.

"I wish that beside the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor there could be placed another such as the one in South America, on the base of which might be inscribed these words: 'Never till the waves of the ocean cease to beat against this statue shall we engage in wholesale slaughter.'

Mr. White's talk was brief but to the point, also.

"I wonder," he said, "how those boys who went overseas—some never to return—felt about going. I myself hate war. When I think of how the mothers must suffer through war, of the debt and famine, the orphans, and a whole world plunged back for years, I feel that we ought to uphold the doctrines of the Prince of Peace, and cry to Him, 'Thy will, as in heaven, be it done on earth.'"

OLD FACULTY MEMBERS ENTERTAIN NEW ONES AT MIRTHFUL BANQUET

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telegrams and wireless messages added much merriment and jest when they were read aloud and commented upon. Games and relays filled the intervals between courses. In the "candy box" game Miss Fannie Starr Mitchell and Mr. Lee Edwards were the winners. Miss Mary Wheeler "took the prize" in "Going to Paris to get a fan." A discovery of big noses and little noses was made in the matchbox relay which brought forth "more laughter than was allowed," declared one man who always blushes when he laughs.

Other stunts were Mrs. Phillips' explanation of how Mr. Phillips lets her out nights, a book review of the naughtiest book she has ever read by Miss Mac Bush, and Mr. Edwards' recital of the funniest thing he ever heard of a black-haired bobbed-haired teacher.

Mr. W. R. Wunsch and Mr. Glenn Gildersleve amused every member present with the three following duets:

AYCOCK BLUES
(Popularly known as, He's Got it Bad)
*O Solo Mio, he's got it bad;
When Kelly's mentioned he blushes red.
Oh, me! - - - Oh me, Oh my!
His heart is Spanish,
And so his eye.*

THE STRICKLAND REDS
(Or, They All Fall for Him)
*With someone like you, sweet sixteen and fond and true,
With lips that never ever have been gently kissed,
We know a score and then some more
Who'd leave their rooms, blackboards and brooms,
To share with you your heart so fond and true,
To share your bulky salary check,
For they're falling left and right for your face so sweet and bright,
As the rest of the world rolls by.*

THE KELLY GREENS
(Or, She Sports His Pin)
*The girl of his dreams is a sweet little girl,
Is a fact we'll all admit.
But we'd love to know if he's light or fair,
If he smokes just a little bit;*

Exchanges

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Hi-Rocket, Durham High School. We place you at the head of our list. A better all-round paper would be hard to find. It would be impossible to comment on every good feature, so we just give you an "A" and pass on.

B. H. S. Life, Beloit, Kansas. Your subject matter is excellent, but wouldn't uniform headlines improve your paper?

The Oredigger, Colorado School of Mines. Rather technically perfect sheet. We like to see your interest in your library.

The Arrowhead, Dayton, Va. A small paper well developed. Your alumni column is the best yet.

Chatterbox, Danville High School. Your headlines give the impression of dullness. If you would enlarge them I believe your front page would look a hundred per cent better.

Clarion, West Durham. Your paper looks almost too stiff. Why not mix up and have a little fun? "Smile, it won't hurt much!"

The Hill Top, Leon High School, Tallahassee, Florida. We like your paper immensely. But do you realize that you had three sections of "Hot Air"? They were all good, but we were almost blown away.

Does he play polo? Can he row and swim? Would you say he's a handsome guy? At night does he roam far from Home, Sweet Home?

Oh, sweetheart of Sigma Chi.

The old teachers having so completely entertained the guests during the evening inspired the new teachers to give the most attractive and original stunt of the evening, in which Miss Bush played the role of a teacher of a school room of naughty faculty boys and girls. Much time and energy was spent in disciplining some of her pupils before settling down to the arithmetic problems, such as: 8:30 plus 5 minutes equals a blessing out and a docked salary; 5c plus 5c plus 5c equals soup, beans, spinach, and bread crusts; 27 plus 24 plus 26 plus 19 plus 29 equal test papers to correct; 3:45 plus 106 equals teachers' meeting. The spelling lesson increased the cleverness of the new teachers' idea when they spelled popular with Grogan; attractive with Moore; friendly with Scott; dignified with Martin; vivacious with Dry; kind with Hall; admirable with Beckwith; efficient with Coleman; optimistic with Mercer; versatile with Wunsch; courteous with Farthing; dependable with Pultz; jolly with Wine, and influential with "Killie."

The old teachers expressed their gratitude for the finale which was in the form of the following songs:

*There are teachers that teach us Latin,
There are teachers of English, too.
There are teachers that wield the rod of iron,
As our principal is said to do.
There are teachers that scold and frown and grumble,
There are those who live for theme and test,
But the best of friends as well as school-ma'ams,
Are the old teachers of G. H. S.*

*There's a welcome the parents gave us,
There's a welcome from pupils, too;
There's the welcome that dear old Freddie gave us,
But Lee Edwards told us what to do.
There are welcomes that speak of paint and powder,
And those that say we shall and must;
But the welcome that really welcomed
Was the one you teachers gave to us.*

For the delicious dinner the teachers joined in expressing their appreciation by singing:

*Mrs. Comer, we love you,
Your menu was dear;
If you don't think we love you,
What a foolish idea!*

(Repeated using Mrs. Reaves' name.)
The music furnished by Alex Mendenhall's orchestra made the banquet complete.