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INITIAL LECTURE OF OPEN FORUM GIVEN BY ENGLISH AUTHOR

Norman Angell Discusses Modern Democracy's Faults and Possibility of Betterment.

SPEAKER IS QUESTIONED

Many Points of General Interest Are Brought Out and Discussed Fully By Audience and Lecturer.

Norman Angell, British author and lecturer of note, spoke at the first meeting of the Greensboro Open Forum for the 1926-27 season. His lecture dealt with modern democracy, its faults and the possibilities of its improvement.

"The war was fought for democracy but there has never been so great an epidemic of anti-democratic feeling in Western Europe within many years.

"If we look at our defects and ask ourselves how we may right these, then there is a hope for democracy."

These were some of the most outstanding statements made by Mr. Angell. The speaker feels that as long as there is strife between her various countries Europe will remain much poorer than America.

After the lecture an hour was given for the audience to ask the speaker questions. Many points of general interest were brought out and developed.

FEATHERWEIGHT TERROR VISITS GREENSBORO HIGH

Wade Wiley Phillips Displeased With Food Doled Out at G. H. S. Dispensary—Vociferates For Spell.

Wade Wiley, recently crowned champion of the Phillips family, according to G. Todd, noted exaggerator, paid G. H. S. a visit on Thursday, September 31. The feather-weight terror was accompanied by his devoted parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Phillips, the former being the main squeeze at the Greensboro High School, and erstwhile trainer of the new ruler of fistiana and matdom.

Shortly after his arrival the young champion proclaimed himself in no uncertain tones. Evidently he was displeased with the refreshments served by the G. H. S. food dispensary, at any rate he vociferated for a lengthy period much to the discomfort of certain Freshmen who happened to pass at the time, and who greatly feared that the young head of the Phillips' family might pour out his wrath upon them. Wade Wiley's anger was finally appeased, however, without unnecessary casualties.

Prof. Phillips stated that he brought his offspring to school in order that the afore mentioned G. Todd might observe the young champion at close range.

SCHOOL SPIRIT AT THE LAW?

The anti-teahound law seems to have driven some of the high school members of the sidewalk warmers to the football field. Whether it was for lack of some other place to go or whether they are really getting the high school spirit at last, nobody knows; but nevertheless there are 55 of them at the old ball park every afternoon, whereas in the past few years only about 30 boys have reported for football practice.

If this law has had that effect on the teahounds, the student body of G. H. S. believes it would be of great benefit to the school if a similar law to that of the anti-teahound one would be passed to prohibit flappers from making their appearance on the main streets of this city. There are places for several more girls on the hockey teams and such a law might solve the problem.

Learning without thought is labor lost; thought without learning is perilous.—Confucius.

And what we have been makes us what we are.—George Eliot.

HUMOR

By G. Todd

THE LIFE AND LETTERS OF HENRY E. BIGGS, JR.

By Henry E. Biggs, Jr.

The following, and intimate story of the life of Henry E. Biggs, Jr., to date, was written by Henry E. Biggs, Jr.

To begin with, I was born quite ordinary! Yes, I was born, decidedly born; in a house. I was neither a rich boy who might boast of success despite riches, nor a poor one who might boast of success despite poverty. I tell you this that you may see the amazing barriers which I found it necessary to tear down.

My first year was just one bottle after another, with a "squawk" and a "nap" occasionally thrown in, and in my second, I crawled on all fours and ate more milk. The third, fourth and fifth years were a succession of "stumped" toes and neighborhood fights.

For me, the sixth year of my life was one of the most eventful, a turning-point from "prize-fighter" and "street-car-conductor" ambitions to those of public speaking. It came about in a queer way.

My father and I were at a picnic, and all the soap-box orators had given their anaesthetic-like speeches; and my papa was next. Somehow, however, the announcer got his tongue twisted, and called for Henry E. Biggs, Jr., which of course, was the author, Henry E. Biggs, Jr., himself. At the important age of six, I thought this not out of ordinary, so, rising to the occasion, I rendered them my best interpretation of "Little Boy Blue, Come Blow Your Horn," etc. I received a tremendous ovation, and from then on, my life-work was plain to me.

And now, even at my tender age, already I have had nineteen offers orate on the possibilities of "Hokum's Soap," "Bunkum's Pajamas," "Leekfast Fountain Pens," and all manner of such products, but I have kept ever before me the one ambition of my life; to be chief *ballphoo man* for a circus side-show.

At present I am president of the "Bull-slingers Union," which, in the more cultured language of the elite, is the Debating Club. Here we discuss such problems as "Resolved, that G. H. S. will get a new high school by 2972." We gave this topic a thorough workout in chapel for the student body, but those low-brows couldn't appreciate our optimism.

I'm also rlfht smart of a lawyer. I take any case that has a shade of the crooked, and of the criminal, as I mean to be a criminal lawyer in my declining years. I boast to be the only great man who neither worked in a farm for my first dollar, nor ever sold papers.

This concludes the first chapter of the Life and Letters of Henry E. Biggs, Jr. This quite necessarily terminates the first chapter as the subject has not lived long enough to necessitate another chapter.

Purple Whirlwind Loses To Asheville High School

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team was not to be stopped and after a series of passes and plunges the ball was brought to the Greensboro eight yard line. Two line plunges by Asheville followed and then Captain Estes carried the ball across the line.

After this score was made the Greensboro boys tried hard to score with Watson driving the team from his own twenty yard line down to within ten yards of the Asheville goal when the final whistle sounded. This ground was gained by resorting to the air, the referee's whistle being all that was able to stop the steady drive toward the goal.

Greensboro was successful in making 16 first downs to the Maroons six. Captain Estes, Cobb, Chakales, and Fitzgerald played well for Asheville, while Watson, Captain Lipscomb, Teague, and Davant starred for Greensboro.

HEATED DISCUSSION SPONSORED BY BOYS OF DEBATING CLUB

New Members Admitted, Boyst, Abbott, Weiland, Stern and Herman of High Point.

M'SWAIN NEW SERGEANT

Contending Bill Death With Compulsory Subscription to High Life and Homespun.

The second meeting of the Greensboro High School Debating Club for the 1926-27 term, was held Friday, October 1st. The program consisted of a bill for discussion, namely, "Resolved: That subscription to the school publications should be made compulsory." Owing to the nature of the bill it had attracted considerable attention, and several of the teachers were present.

Louis Brooks opened the discussion. "I believe that something is needed to bring about a better cooperation between the student body and the publications, but I feel that the plan now under discussion is nothing short of tyrannical," the speaker stated.

Henry Biggs followed with a strong argument in favor of the measure, closing his talk with the statement that there was nothing more to be said on the subject, whereupon Carlton Wilder gained the floor and spent several minutes in attempting to tear down Biggs' argument.

J. D. McNairy was the next to speak. He continued along somewhat the same lines pursued by Carlton Wilder.

The meeting closed with the first speaker of the day attempting to tear to pieces the argument presented by Henry Biggs.

At the meeting held the previous Friday several new members were admitted to the club, namely, Minnie Herman formerly of the High Point debating team, Elizabeth Boyst, Ruth Abbott, Henry Weiland, and David Stern.

A measure was passed providing for a certain standard of scholarship to be maintained by both old and new members. At a picnic held the week before the opening of school it was decided to limit the membership of the club to thirty.

It was with general regret that the Club accepted the resignation of Connelly Guerrant, the sergeant-at-arms. Unavoidable circumstances made it necessary for him to give up his position. George McSwain was chosen by acclamation and unanimous vote to fill the vacancy.

SPECIAL COURSES HELD AT G. H. S. ON SATURDAYS

The Grammar school teachers will have classes each Saturday morning at nine o'clock. Miss Nelson will be in charge of the class in music, Miss Lena Boley the class in art. Miss Florence Pannel will direct the group studying primary work, and Mrs. Maie Hartsell those studying Grammar grade work. An average attendance of twenty-five per class is expected. The teachers will receive credit for their work.

"DEAR TEACHERS"

Dick Burroughs and Clarence Phoenix are rival pedagogues. Dick occasionally distributes knowledge among the members of Mrs. Ashford's Journalism class, where he is greatly respected; so much so, that it is rumored his pupils are planning to give him a fruit shower in the near future.

Clarence chauffeurs school-children to school each morning in a perfectly lovely bus. He teaches them their "A B C" on the way, and in return, they bring him apples, stick candy, and flowers. It is said that the ambitious young men are trying to teach their pupils to address them as "dear teacher."

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