

See "Nothing But the Truth"

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## SENIORS TO GIVE SPRING FESTIVAL COMMENCEMENT

Will Give Maypole Dance With All Decorations and Streamers.

### 22 TO RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

Misses Ina Grogan, Evelyn Martin, and Mary Morrow to Act as Faculty Advisers.

The seniors will have a spring festival type of program for commencement exercise proper with all seniors participating in the festival. Dances representing the different periods of history from the time of the Romans up until the present day will form the nuclei of the programs. The dances will be given by students thoroughly trained and practiced to do so. The students will wear costumes of the periods they represent. There will be a Maypole dance with decorations and streamers.

The farewell ceremony will consist of a speech by the president of the senior class and also a speech by a former member of Senior high school who is now attending some state university. The members of the class will then hand down the colors of the class to the incoming sophomore class. The seniors will then sing their class song.

The final part of the farewell exercise will be the awarding of the diplomas and individual awards to the members of the class who win them.

Misses Ina Grogan, Evelyn Martin, and Mary Morrow are faculty advisers for the senior commencement program, while Kathryn Ginsberg is general student chairman of the project. The properties committee is headed by David Fincke with Leah Basch and Edward Martin assisting him. There will be several members of the class on the stage crew, but they will be chosen at a later date. Students on the songs committee are James Hinton, John Ademy, Kathryn Ginsberg, Herbert Montgomery, and Eda Walters.

## DRAMATIC GROUP TO PRESENT PLAY

Drama Is James Montgomery's "Nothing But the Truth."

### PLAY IS MODERN COMEDY

J. H. Johnson, head of the dramatic department, will present as his annual play, the smart comedy, "Nothing But the Truth," by James Montgomery. This play is fraught throughout with drama and humor, with moderate touches.

The action centers around Bob Bennett, who in order to help his sweet heart double \$10,000, makes a bet, agreeing to tell "nothing but the truth" for 24 hours. By heroic efforts Bob Bennett manages to live up to the bet, which is also secret, and wins both the girl and the money. The trials and tribulations he endures, the friends he loses, the feelings he hurts, the enemies he makes constitutes hilarious entertainment. Intervened into the play are the experiences of two chorus girls, Mable and Sable.

Mr. Johnson has been unable to reach a decision on all the parts as yet, so for the time being, two of three people are competing for one character. The cast is as follows: Bob Bennett—Frank Pittman; Jimmy Hinton; Gwendolyn Ralston—Kathleen Crowe, Dorislyn Hodgins; Mrs. Ralston—Leah Basch, Virginia Riehlmeier; Dick—Ed Landreth; Frank Pittman, Jimmy Hinton; Mr. Ralston—John Ademy; Van Dusen—Harley Root; Ethel—Clarke—Estelle Haynes, Mable Jackson—Martha Coons, Sable Jackson—Martha Jane Tugwell, Martha, the maid—Barbara Witherspoon, Bishop Doran—L. H. Dunivant.

## STUDENTS ORGANIZE CLASS FRENCH CLUB

Helen Crutchfield Elected President; Penny Fine for Each English Word Spoken in Meeting.

"Parlez-vous Français?" If you do not, you can not belong to a new senior high school organization. In fact, unless you belong to Miss Hollingsworth's third period French class, you can not join in the fun. This French club is known by students as "la soence."

Mademoiselle Mary Margaret Bates presided at the first meeting. The following officers were elected: Mademoiselle Helen Crutchfield, president; Mademoiselle Jeanne Wait, secretary; Mademoiselle Lane Barksdale, treasurer; and Monsieur Joe Ganis, sergeant-at-arms. Joe keeps record of all the English spoken.

The members of this club—and the whole class has to belong—must speak only French. A member is fined one cent for each English word he speaks during the meeting.

At the last meeting a program was given (in French, of course), and refreshments in the form of "Popsicles" and a home-made cake were served.

## High Life Given Second Place in Emory Contest

Participating for the second time in the Atlanta Journal and Emory University Publication Contest, High Life is awarded second place this year, giving Carl Jeffress, editor-in-chief, a \$200 scholarship to Emory.

For the second time a Virginia paper took first place. This year the Chatterbox, of George Washington high school, Danville, Va., is the winner, receiving a silver trophy and a \$300 scholarship for Miss Cornelia Dyer, editor.

The contest sponsored by the Journal and Emory university was established last year as an annual affair. It is to promote high standards for school publications in the southeastern states.

Carl Osborne Jeffress is the first junior ever to hold the position of editor-in-chief of High Life. Carl is the son of E. B. Jeffress, president of the Daily News and ex-mayor of Greensboro.

Miss Cornelia Dyer is a senior honor student, having an average of 91 for her high school career. As Emory is not co-educational until the junior year it is thought that Miss Dyer will relinquish her scholarship to James Wheel-

er, managing editor of the Chatterbox. Mrs. Alma G. Coltrane, High Life faculty adviser, received information concerning the contest from Raymond B. Nixon, assistant professor of journalism at Emory. He said, "In behalf of the judges in the contest, I wish to congratulate you and the staff upon your achievement and wish you continued success."

Third places are awarded to the best paper in each state not taking first or second places. The editor receives a \$103 tuition to Emory. From Georgia comes the Tatler of the boys' high school of Atlanta, with Lee Coleman heading the staff; Florida, the Red and Black of Hillsborough high school at Tampa.

Newton D. Rollinette, editor, Kentucky; U-Highlights, University high school, Lexington, Alice Dougherty; Mississippi, the Pica, Donald Wetherbe; from Greenville, South Carolina, High News; Greenville high school, Harris Chevrin; Tennessee, Central High News; Central high school, Nashville, Wilson West; Alabama entered no papers.

R. B. Nixon, head of the department of journalism at Emory; J. S. Pope, city editor of the Journal, and Henry Bowen, editor of the Emory Wheel, student weekly, were judges in the contest. They judged on these points: (1) new stories and editorials; (2) headlines and makeup; (3) quantity and quality of advertising in relation to circulation and size of the paper; (4) extent to which paper is conducted without faculty assistance.

## TORCHLIGHT SOCIETY TAPS NEW MEMBERS

Holds Annual Ceremony March 1; Fifteen Students Inducted into Organization.

A. C. BONKEMEYER PRESIDES

Tuesday, March 1, another national program was set aside for the tapping of Torchlight members. The ceremony was a very quiet performance by the old members under the president, A. C. Bonkemeyer.

New members were tapped by the old members of '31. The new members are: Charles Sharpe, Lane Barksdale, Edward Cone, Helen Crutchfield, and Dorothy Hodgins, all of semester seven. In semester eight are: James Hodgins, Edgar Meibohm, Jo Lucas, Flora Mae Johnson, Mary Leigh Scales, Margaret Wagner, Amelia Blank, Rebecca Jeffress, Elizabeth Whaley, and Dudley Foster.

## LATIN CLASSES ISSUE TYPICAL ROMAN PAPER

Staff Consists of Students Chosen From Three Semesters IV Groups; Miss Parlow Is Adviser.

Semester IV Latin classes under the supervision of Miss Gertrude Parlow have just issued a Latin paper, "The Pen and Scroll," in which they give an idea of what a real Roman Newspaper would have been like.

The paper was supported by a staff of A Latin students who were chosen by vote from the three Latin IV classes. The staff is as follows: editor-in-chief, Billy Sink; assistant editors, Alvin Ljung, Pete Scornitty, and Lena Mae Sharpe; business manager, Charlotte Porter; typist, Marjorie Foy; faculty adviser, Miss Parlow.

## Homespun and High Life Win At Columbia Press Convention

Homespun and High Life, publications of Greensboro senior high won first and second places, respectively, at the annual convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association in New York City.

Carl Jeffress was asked to assist with the Spectator, a student publication at Columbia University. The delegates to the convention form a staff for one issue of the paper.

Both representatives, Leah Basch and Carl Jeffress, agreed that the trip was not only interesting, but also educational and helpful, as many valuable suggestions are given each year at this convention.

## WINS SCHOLARSHIP

Carl Jeffress, managing editor of High Life.



## DR. HUME HONORED AS U. N. C. TEACHER

Helped Organize First College Y. M. C. A. in the World, Wrote Constitution.

## BEFRIENDED STUDENTS

Among the foremost of such leaders as Melver and Aycock to gain recognition as an inspirational force in the North Carolina universities is Dr. Thomas Hume who was for twelve years professor of English language and literature at the University of North Carolina.

Dr. Hume was born in Portsmouth, Virginia, October 21, 1836. He attended the Virginia College Institute, at Portsmouth where he prepared himself for college. At the age of nineteen he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, from Richmond college. At the University of Virginia he pursued graduate studies for several sessions. While Dr. Hume was a student at this university he helped organize the first college Young Men's Christian Association in the world. He also wrote its constitution.

After completing his studies at the University, Dr. Hume accepted the position as professor of French and English literature at the Chesapeake Female College. He didn't get to stay there long thought because this institution closed at the beginning of the Civil War.

After the war and after a period of study and travel, Dr. Hume became president of Roanoke College, Danville, Virginia. While he was professor of English and Latin in Norfolk College, he was called to the University of North Carolina. Here he was professor of the English language and literature. He remained here from 1885 until 1907. Dr. Hume will be long remembered in North Carolina of the student's friend. His work ended when he died July 15, 1912.

## MISS LEE TO ATTEND EXHIBIT OF ART SOCIETY

Instructor at Senior High Spends Week-End in New York City to Observe Trends of Modern Artists.

## ENTERS DESIGN FOR CRETONNE

Miss Henri Etta Lee, of the art department of Greensboro high school, is spending the week-end in New York City attending an exhibit of the Art Alliance of America. Her intention is to see what the modern art world is really doing. Herself a member of the Alliance, Miss Lee received her invitation to the exhibit last week. The requirement for membership in this group is to have your work passed on by four or five capable judges. Miss Lee received here credentials and joined what she describes as a "wonderful organization."

The stuffs on display are confined to wall paper, towel, sheeting, different upholsterys and designs for things of this type. Miss Lee has submitted one design for the purpose of decorating cretonne. This was bought by a manufacturer of materials.

## NOWLIN PRESENTS CHANGE IN PLAN OF GOVERNMENT

New System Patterned After That of City of Greensboro.

## MANY ENTER DISCUSSION

Student Body Has Not Yet Taken Vote to Adopt Proposed Form.

Jack Nowlin, president of the student body, and Miss Mary Ellen Blackmon, head of the history department, presented before the student body Thursday, April 14, plans suggested to the student council for a change of the student government. The proposed system is patterned after the government of the city of Greensboro, with a mayor, city council, and the various departments. Many points were brought out in the discussion both for and against the proposed plan. In further discussion it was pointed out that the present form of government was sound, but lacked the enthusiasm of the student body.

The present system was organized 10 years ago when there were 500 students attending Greensboro high. It has had a steady growth in popularity among the students during this period.

## Many Changes to Be Made

It was brought out in the discussion that many drastic changes would have to be made upon the adoption of this new plan; however, these changes will not remedy the existing evils of the present system of government.

The main criticism of the new system of government was the selection of candidates for the proposed council by a nominating committee. This was brought out in the discussion that since this system is a new plan the nominating committee is the best temporary plan of securing the proper candidates. It was stressed that this is very undemocratic.

## Sophomores to Have Representative

If this new plan is adopted, instead of election of one representative from each semester, (ten members of present council) the six members will be chosen by the entire school. A place will be reserved, if adopted, on the council for the councilman chosen by the incoming sophomores when they enter Senior high. The mayor will be elected from and by the councilmen, where before the president was elected by popular vote of the student body at large.

Probably one of the most difficult things of the proposed organization to take the place of the present form. The discussion was declared a success because the student body gave their honest opinions upon the subject.

## GREENSBORO DEBATERS TRIUMPH OVER WINSTON

G. H. S. Pair Eliminates Twin City in Triangular Contest After Losing to High Point.

## WINNERS TO GO TO CHAPEL HILL

Wednesday, April 6, in chapel Greensboro eliminated Winston-Salem from the oratorical contest by winning their first debate. The query was Resolved: "That the United States should adopt compulsory unemployment insurance." Winston, upholding the negative, was represented by Bobby Helms and Tyler Port. Greensboro's representatives were Howard King and Henry Nau. The judges, Dr. A. S. Keister, from N. C. W. Rev. Tamblin, and Lawyer Bradley cast their votes in favor of the affirmative.

Friday, April 1, Greensboro upholding the negative, lost to High Point. It is now between Winston and High Point to go to Chapel Hill. The city that wins both decisions goes to the University of North Carolina to enter the final contest for the Aycock Memorial Debate cup.

## Board Purchases Shrubs

As a result of much fretting and agitation on the part of the girls' service league, of which Phyllis Hagdoren is chairman, the school board has at last consented to purchase and plant a number of shrubs around the school. This is one girls' league that knows how to get what it wants.

## Edward Cone Wins Place in Contest

Edward T. Cone, senior high student, won fourth honorable mention in the state-wide Latin contest conducted February 26. The three students entering papers were Edward Cone, Charles Sharpe, and Elizabeth Whaley. P. E. Long, of the Roxboro high school, received first place. The three papers submitted by the Winston high school won first, second, and third honorable mention.

The judges selecting the winners were Dr. George Howe, Dr. G. A. Harker, S. C. Sanders, and Van Courtlandt Elliott, of the University of North Carolina.

## C. W. Phillips Makes Survey

An interesting survey has been made by C. W. Phillips concerning the number of pupils in each department and the number per teacher. It was found that music and art lead in the extras, while in the regular field history, English, and commercial rank respectively. Miss Lee has the largest number of pupils in the extra field, 255, with six classes, while Mr. Miller has 215, but teaches outside of Senior high. In the regular field Miss Sedberry comes first with 274 in six classes, Miss Blackmon with 215, and Mrs. Coltrane with 166.

The average number of pupils per teacher in high school is 29. The per cents in the state range from 21 pupils per teacher to 34, consequently Greensboro is very near the top, coming near to High Point, Winston-Salem, Charlotte, and Durham.

## MUSIC CONTEST BEGINS APRIL 28

Grady Miller and Earl Slocum Think Greensboro Will Show Better Than Ever.

## SINGERS COMPLIMENTED

Once again the musicians of Senior high school grow tense as the time for the State Music Contest draws near.

The preliminaries, which are to be held Saturday, April 16, will be the final step before the main events which will take place on the 28th and 29th.

Both Mr. Miller and Mr. Slocum are highly optimistic, and think Greensboro will show up better than ever. Especially as Mr. Miller enthusiastic over the gleu clubs. These groups of singers have already sung their highest numbers in public and have been highly complimented.

Much interest throughout the state is being shown, and an unusually large delegation of out-of-town people is expected here for the contest.

There will be three judges, each for a different class of music.

Ernest G. Huser, director of music in the Cincinnati public schools, the judge of the vocal work; Morrill L. Church, professor of music of Columbia University, will pronounce judgment in the instrumental work; while John Powell, of Richmond, Virginia, will pass judgment on the piano contestants.

## SENIORS GIVE PICNIC AT BLACKWOOD'S CABIN

Room 200 Entertains 207 and 204 With Outdoor Supper; Nature Study Groups Take Hike.

## HORSESHOE CONTEST IS STAGED

Seniors of session room 200 gave a party for those of 206 and 204 Thursday, April 7. The party left directly from school and went to the Blackwood's cabin, near Guilford College, for a picnic supper.

Before supper a horseshoe contest was staged and after a heated contest Woody Jones and Howard Thorlrow were declared the winners.

Various members of the nature study group took hikes and added to their collection of birds and wild flowers. The whole class finally united to toast wienies and marshmallows around the campfire. And there were onion eaters represented.

After supper the group adjourned to the cabin and dancing was enjoyed. In one room some of the girls taught the boys who did not dance something about it. In the other the seniors enjoyed a girl-break dance. The whole party was greatly enjoyed.

Miss Ina Grogan, Miss Mary Morrow, Miss Evelyn Martin, senior advisers, C. W. Phillips, and F. J. Blackwood were chaperones for the occasion.

## JUDGE HAYES SPEAKS AT LAST P.T.A. MEETING

New Officers Elected; G. B. Phillips Is Heard on "How Much Education Does Greensboro Need and Want?"

Judge Johnson J. Hayes, of the federal court, spoke to the senior high P. T. A. on the topic, "Does Public Education Pay?"

The final meeting of the year was held April 5 at 8 o'clock in the senior high auditorium. Mrs. W. W. Whaley presided. Grady Miller opened the meeting by leading group singing.

## Relationships Conference Sponsored Here by P. T. A.

### SELLS MOST SUBS



Gladys Draper, champion subscription seller.

### 528 SUBSCRIPTIONS SOLD IN CONTEST

Gladys Draper Is Star Seller With 28—Ernest Remmey Runner Up With 23.

### ARMY DEFEATS NAVY

During the week of February 25 to March 4 the Crowell Publishing Company of New York City held an army and navy subscription contest in the Greensboro high school. During that week the total number of subscriptions sold were 528. The army won by 26 points having 277, the navy having 251. Of the \$182.75 that was received from the drive, the school received a total of \$200.50. The Towlight received \$25 of this, and the remaining was divided between the two publications, *High Life* and *Homespun*.

Of all the session rooms, Miss Morrow's 204 sold the most with Miss Walker's 201 coming in a close second. Gladys Draper of Miss Morrow's room sold more than anyone else, and Ernest Remmey was next in line. Gladys sold 28 and received on Eastman's recent Kodak, while Ernest sold 23 and received a tip-top watch. Both of them gave an untiring fight up until the last day, and neither knew until the last minute who had won.

### "Standards" To Be Topic During April

Standards in School: (1) No tardies; no absences, unless absolutely necessary. (2) Good conduct at all times. (3) Co-operation; in the halls, in the cafeteria, in classes, on the grounds, and to and from school.

Standards at Home: Study some each night, read good books and magazines, and co-operate with parents, with brothers and sisters, and with neighbors.

Standards at Church: Regular attendance, take an active part in church work, perfect conduct—reverence, and contribute time and money.

Physical Standards: Regular exercise, practice good sportsmanship always, and be a member of some athletic squad.

Moral Standards: Make your moral conduct beyond question, go with the right group of people, and follow legal requirements of city, state, and nation.

### TEN TEACHERS FROM NEW FACULTY COUNCIL

Organized for Purpose of Discussing Student Problems; Unruly Pupils Go Before Group.

The Faculty Council, which is organized for the benefit of the students, is made up of a group of ten teachers voted to their position by the other teachers plus the principal. It was originated so the teachers might discuss with the students their particular problems. A student will not be called before the Council for his first or even his second difficulty, but if the student continues to be guilty of misconduct, he will be asked to explain his action. It is assumed that it would be more impressive for a student to explain his actions before a group of ten teachers rather than to the principal alone.

Buds Meet at Barksdale's. Buds, the exclusive literary organization of Greensboro high school, met March 22 at the home of Lane Barksdale. Each member of the club contributed something to the program. Several original stories and poems were read and discussed.

Quentin Dixon, acting president of the club, declared that all members must bring in some literary contribution to be read at the next meeting.

### MILNER SPEAKS

Rev. Jean Vache Talks on "What the Past Has Done for Us."

### PICTURE IN AFTERNOON

Discussions Held on Relations to Teachers, Classmates, School Spirit, Public Property, Community, Home.

The Social Relationships conference, sponsored by the P. T. A. of the state and of Greensboro, was held Friday, April 8. All students in school attended it instead of the regular classes.

Mr. Phillips interviewed "The purpose of this project," stated C. W. Phillips, "is to focus the thoughts of our students and parents on our individual and our group standards. I am not concerned because I think the standards of our groups are lower than in the past," he continued. "On the other hand, I think, in the main, that we are in advance of anything in the past."

"There are, however," Mr. Phillips concluded, "certain practices by some members of the group that are dangerous and will lead to more serious dangers. If we think on our problems, we can naturally be able to meet them."

Conference Opens. After a home room period to check attendance, the conference opened with group singing in the auditorium led by H. Grady Miller. Charles Ketchum spoke on "Greensboro: What it is and What it can be in the Future."

Rev. Jean Vache Speaks. Then the Rev. Jean Vache addressed the students on "What the past has contributed to us."

This was followed by a talk by Mrs. Clyde Milner from Guilford college to the girls on our relation to boys. During this time the boys were in group discussions on the six following topics from which they were allowed to make their choice: our relation to teachers by R. L. Coons; to classmates by C. W. Phillips; to school spirit by Montgomery S. Hill; to public property by George Geoghegan; to community by W. M. York, and to home and family by the Rev. G. T. Bond.

Dr. Meyer Talks to Boys. From 12 to 1 o'clock was a period for lunch and recreation. In the afternoon Dr. Harold Meyer from the University of North Carolina spoke to the boys on our relation to girls while the girls attended the discussion groups. Their leaders were as follows: our relation to teachers by Miss Minnie Mae Wilson; to classmates by Miss Diehl, from Elon college; to school spirit by Miss Lillian Killingsworth, dean of girls at N. C. C. W.; to the community by Mrs. Bernard Wright, and to home and family by Mrs. L. H. Martin.

Mr. Milner Ends Conference. At 2:30 all the students went to their home rooms for a summary of the day's discussions. Everyone was dismissed at 3 o'clock.

During the afternoon a baseball game was played with admission free. Two blocks in front of the school were marked off for skating. In the auditorium the students enjoyed a moving picture, and in the library games were played. A reception in the cafeteria drew a large crowd. At this time Bob England and his orchestra played.

At 7:30 p.m. the final meeting was held. This was also opened by group singing. Clyde Milner, dean of students at Guilford college, made the final speech on our relation to the future.

### N. C. E. A. TEACHERS ORGANIZE DEPARTMENT

No Definite Moves Made But Many Are Planned for Benefit of Organization.

The newly organized Department of Classroom Teachers of the North Carolina Education Association formed March 22, at Charlotte, North Carolina during the recent teacher's convention there, is proving to be a successful organization. Although no definite moves have been made by this organization, real progress is planned for the teachers' benefit.

Miss Mary Morrow, in making a motion in behalf of the organization of this department, said that "Teaching is a Creative Art, and that the interests of the children of North Carolina can best be served only by a unified group of professional-minded teachers." She also said "The most efficient service can only be offered under favorable conditions." In conclusion Miss Morrow said, "The best results could be only by unity of the teachers."

All the teachers of the North Carolina schools are eligible to membership in this department. It bears the same relation to the state association as the National Department bears to the National Education association. These mainly responsible for the beginning of this department were Dr. Cook, retiring president of N. C. C. W.; Jule B. Warren, secretary of the N. C. E. A.; and the Greensboro and Winston-Salem Associations of classroom teachers.