

Benjamin Franklin, Foremost In Science, Invention, Service

If one should trace the history of the conveniences of this age, one would be surprised at how many may be traced to the talents of one man Benjamin Franklin, whose birth month is January.

He was not only distinguished in science and public service, but also in diplomacy and literature. It has been said that, "He was the Edison of his day." He discerned the identity of lightning and electricity.

The furnaces which heat our homes are based on the principle of the Franklin stove. He organized a fire

company, and, though he isn't given credit for it, he founded a hospital. We have him to thank for sidewalks, paved streets, better cleaning and lighting of the streets, and the protection of stores and homes by the night watch.

The U. S. postoffice is based on the postal system which Franklin organized for the colonies.

Lord Jeffrey, editor of the Edinburgh Review, said that, "in one point of view Franklin's name must be considered as standing higher than any of the others that illustrated the eighteenth century."

SENIOR SUPERLATIVE ELECTION IS CLOSE

In many cases the race for superlatives in the mid-term graduating class was extremely close. In some cases one vote was the deciding factor.

In the vote for the best sport, Jess Waynick ran but a few votes behind George Underwood who was elected.

Louise Greene was close to Dorothy Hodgins as the prettiest girl.

Hardy Root was one vote behind Edward Cone as the most gifted.

Helen Crutchfield ran Percy Bostick a close race as the most individualistic. Helen also was near the top as the most versatile and most representative. Sherman Hines lost as the most dignified by only a small margin to Edna Falkner.

Howell Overton had but a slight edge over Hardy Root as the cutest boy.

Hardy Root also ran a close race as the wittiest and most popular boy.

Dennis Snead lost as the most athletic by a narrow margin.

The race was exceedingly close between Irene McCurry and Helen Crutchfield as the biggest flirt.

In the vote for the biggest talker Hillard Clein was unanimously elected. This was the only landslide in the entire election.

Junior Clubs Prepare For French IV Activity

In order to prepare her French 3 students for future work, Miss Estelle Mitchell, head of the French department, organized junior French clubs in her first and second period classes. The purpose of the clubs is to acquaint students with the correct procedure used in the French 4 club.

In addition to writing papers on Christmas, the clubs, at the end of the study of "Cosette," by Victor Hugo, presented the story in dramatic form.

The clubs of which each student is a member, have elected the following officers: First period, president, Elizabeth Drummond; vice-president, Dorothy Sherwin; secretary, Beverly Burgess; second period, president Marilu Smith; vice-president, Paul Curtis; and secretary, Martha Fry.

January 9 Marks Start On Triangular Debate

Work on the Triangular Debate began January 9 at 3:30 when a meeting of the debaters was held. The club will meet on Mondays and Thursdays at which time discussions on the Sales Tax will be held. Regular assignments will be made at each meeting, and these will be reported upon at the next session.

Sales Tax, the subject of the discussion, should be of vital interest to everyone, as it may be the next source of revenue for the school.

IS HE REDUCING?

Ah-h-h-h, what a president! Just watch him! He does anything. Even leaves attract his attention but not leaves of books.

The cleaning of the campus near the street was progressing none too rapidly, Frank Pittman thought, so he spends nearly all his lunch period trying to help. He rakes the leaves and rakes some more and for all his work none follow his example. His hopes rise high as Oka Hester and later Gonville De Oviess stroll up. But, woe, no help do they give to this hard working boy.

Oh boy, what a student body, what a president!

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Skating Accidents

Joy Bell Wheeler, Jack Staples Collide; Christine Miles Run Down By Auto.

The toll of major accidents among G. H. S. students was raised a second and a third time during the first semester. Joy Bell Wheeler received a severe fractured skull and a broken arm in a collision with Jack Staples, who suffered a slight brain concussion which did not prevent his attending school after the Christmas holidays terminated.

Another skating accident occurred when Christine Miles was run down by an automobile as she proceeded to cross a street intersection. A broken collarbone was the extent of her injuries.



Capturing the knightly laurels held by "le Burroughs" last year comes another all-around star, "Runt" Wrenn (captain to you.) This 192 pounder, with brown hair, flashing blue eyes, and a broad ready smile, has won the complete admiration of athlete worshippers.

As a freshman, Elmer accomplished the near impossible, making the varsity eleven. Since that time he has played a steady game at guard, not only excelling on the football field, but on the basketball floor as well. Besides outstanding work in these two sports, Wrenn has received honors in the field of track. In his third year he was elected captain of the 1932 gridiron men and the '33 basketballers.

During the entire '32 season Elmer played through the nine scheduled games without being taken out. At the end of the season he was placed on the first team of the official all-state high school eleven. He was also chosen by Coach Belding as first string all-state guard. The only other man representing the Purple Whirlwinds on the lineup was Hester, at the pivot position.

Although Captain Wrenn was unable to participate in the six holiday practice games of the quintet this season, he has played outstandingly well in every game since. Much of the team's further success is dependent on this competent guard.

This spring Elmer will wind up his brilliant high school athletic career by joining the track men. G. H. S. will miss you next year, "Runt," old boy!

MASQUERS RECEIVE FOUR NEW MEMBERS

Tapping of the Golden Masquers, which is an annual event, took place January 11.

A Western Union boy entered the auditorium and presented five telegrams to C. W. Phillips.

Those receiving the telegrams signed Spirit of Comedy and Tragedy were: Hardy Root, Jim Applewhite, Cecelia Todd, and Ernest Ford.

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Just Like a Fairy Tale

The campus takes on new life while rises the lofty steel frame of the new gym which seems to grow out of the ground and rapidly ascend toward the sky. Soon it will ring with echoes of happy students as they enjoy the benefits of body building to be gained there.

One marvels at the din, the movement, the changes, and the sheer joy of it all.

On one side men are busily engaging axes to fell the mighty oaks and chop G. H. S. out of the sticks, while on the other side some are digging out havens for the repose of delicate young shrubs and laying deep foundations for the great weight of grass seed. The vast open spaces beneath the trees are being cleared of the deposit of debris and leaves from last spring's growth and then slow decay.

The work is all a-fire; the men as they thread their way among their fellow workers are happy with a hopeful serenity on their faces where once sat almost despair. The scent of spring breathes from the fragrant newly upturned earth. Oh, happy days these, when the students can behold a beautiful campus, and workers can thrill at the tingle of the silver.

GOD SAVE OUR TOES

I know everyone has noticed several gloomy faced lads around this school, and I also know that your hearts go out to them. Poor kids! Unable to find a joy in life. Boo-hoo!

We have some toes!
You ask why such an epidemic should break loose? I say it is that we are unable to go to our lockers during the last five minutes. We rush to our lockers at the tinkle of the bell, spend an hour trying to get our books into our bookbag—between the teeth, and—Alas!—end up by dropping the books on our toes! Ah! such agony I have endured while vainly trying to bookbag my "Lit. and Life," Book Four—Greenlaw and Miles.

A long time ago we could get our books, go into our rooms, bookbag our books by placing the bag on the desk, and then calmly await the bell.

But now, we can't think, we can't concentrate, we can't even study—our feet are too sore!

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Tea Given to Parents

Misses Lesley and Caldwell, Senior Faculty Advisers, Receive Guests In Library.

The library of Greensboro high was the scene of gay activity on Friday, January 6, when Misses Sarah Lesley and Amy Caldwell, faculty advisers of the mid-term graduating class, gave tea for the parents of the seniors.

In the receiving line were: Misses Lesley, Caldwell, C. W. Phillips, Miss Fannie Starr Mitchell, Dot Hodgins, Charles Elder, Johnson Hayes, George Underwood, and Dennis Snead.

Mrs. J. H. Johnson, Lile McGinnis, Helen Cooke, Margaret and Myra Roach, Helen Crutchfield, and Mary Margaret Bates, served the tea.

Julanne Klutz was chairman of the decorating committee.

Excelling Math III Students Are Called Flying Squad

For the extremely smart and fast students who are excelling their classmates in Math III special classes called "Flying Squads," have been planned for them in Math V.

The teachers of these classes will be James Farthing, second period, from 317; Miss Mary Morrow, fifth period, room 204; and Miss Ida Belle Moore, third period, room 315.

Miss Gertrude Farlow says that according to her present plans, there will be two issues of the Latin paper next semester instead of one this semester and one next semester as she had originally planned.

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TEN MORE MINUTES FOR SUPPING SOUP

Boy, whiz! what do you know about this? To the great pleasure of the students, next semester brings forty minutes in which to sup soup.

Just exactly, (to the second) ten more minutes than the present period allows. Atta, boy!

DR. BATES DELIVERS SERMON TO SENIORS

The Reverend C. W. Bates, D. D. Calvary Methodist Protestant church pastor, delivered the baccalaureate sermon to the midyear graduating class in the auditorium Sunday night, January 15.

Preceding the sermon the Glee Club sang the hymn, "My Soul, Be On Thy Guard." Following this there was a responsive Scripture reading, two songs by the Glee Club and a prayer by Rev. H. Grady Hardin, pastor of West Market Street Methodist church.

Reverend Bates held up the spirit of Joshua as an example for the seniors to follow and cited three characteristics to consider: Courage, conviction, and conservation. After the sermon Nell Carson soprano; Cecelia Todd, alto; Erlu Neese, tenor; and L. H. Dunivant, bass, sang "Forward Be Our Watchword."

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Ed Cone flunked Latin, Lane Barksdale lost a butterfly. Hillard Clein lost his voice, Dot Hodgins forgot how to smile, Hardy Root were serious, M. C. Stewart danced, Hal Overton lost his job, Lile McGinnis didn't like P. H. P., Miriam Robinson didn't look like Greta, Helen Crutchfield had a sweet disposition, Edna Faulkner stumped her toe.

Charles Elder knew his English, Charles Benbow were six feet two, Blackwell Jordan couldn't stutter, George Underwood started studying, Irene McCurry forgot her line, Charles Baxter weighed eighty-six, Jess Waynick graduated in four years, Julanne Klutz lost her gum, Evelyn Haddon missed high C, Percy Bostick lost his bicycle, Sherman Hines shot a line.

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