

## Rayle To Be Valedictorian For Mid-Term Graduation

### Dr. Franklin McNutt To Deliver Address Tuesday, January 19

With Evelyn Rayle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rayle, 1600 Rainbow Drive, as valedictorian, members of the Greensboro high school January graduating class will receive their diplomas from Superintendent Ben L. Smith at the commencement program to be held in the school auditorium Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

In addition to the high scholastic record maintained by Evelyn throughout her school career, she is also a member of Torchlight, national scholastic honor society, and has held numerous council and home room positions.

#### Cups Presented by Principal

Although it is not at present known who is to receive the American Business Club scholarship cup and the P. T. A. Best-All-Round cup, winners will be announced when Principal A. P. Routh presents the two awards at the commencement exercises.

Featured speakers of the class graduation will be Reverend J. Ben Eller, pastor of the Asheboro Street Baptist church, who will deliver the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, January 18, and Dr. Franklin H. McNutt new head of the education department of W.C.U.N.C., who will make the commencement address, which will precede the presentation of diplomas Tuesday.

The class under the chairmanship of Ernest Beasley, has planned a luncheon at the Lotus restaurant to be held January 19 at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Alma S. Peebles, adviser of the group, Mr. Routh, and Superintendent Ben L. Smith will be special guests.

## Sikes, Bennett Attend Civic Club Meetings

Two outstanding members of the music department, Annie Laurie Bennett and Edgar Sikes, will represent Greensboro high school this month at the Business and Professional Woman's club and Rotary club, respectively.

This announcement was made public by Principal A. P. Routh today.

#### Selected Each Month

Each month a boy and girl from the senior class are appointed by Routh to be guests of the civic clubs. The selected boy attends the Rotary club luncheon each Monday and the girl acts as junior member at the dinner session of the Business and Professional Woman's club two nights during the month.

#### Other Junior Members

Paul Miller and Joan Holleyman headed the list as September representatives, while Buddy Mulligan and Ruth Winterling attended October meetings. Jack Dempsey and Betty Routh were November representatives, and Lelia Atkinson and Billy Donald were junior members for December.

## Robert Alexander Achieves Highest Scouting Award

Having attained the highest honor in scouting, Bob Alexander, a junior and a member of home room 10, was awarded the eagle scout award at the monthly session of the boy scout court of honor last week. Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander, 1503 DeSoto place, has been a scout in troop one for three years.

Moving pictures, taken at the scout jubilee in Chapel Hill last fall, in which local scouts appeared, were also shown at the court of honor.

## New Classes Make Debut for '42 Term

Answers to young G. H. S. writers' prayers have arrived in the form of a creative writing class to be taught by Mrs. Olive Betts next semester. Tentatively scheduled for 1st period, the course will offer instruction in the study of use of words, writing of sketches, poetry, the short short story and the radio drama.

Radio communication, international code, and microphone voice rank among the chief studies of the radio class, another new course offered at Senior for the '42 semester, which is under the leadership of Stanley Johnson, local physics teacher.

#### Open to Seniors

The class will be open to all seniors maintaining a good "C" average who desire radio training. Those applying for this course should have had math and science but these two subjects are not required for entrance.

Boys taking this training who enter the service may begin army, navy, or marine life with a higher rating than obtainable without this preparation and girl participants will be able to maintain jobs in fields left vacant by men who enter active service.

## Librarian Makes Surveys Of Most Popular Books

In a recent survey made of the books checked out of the library, Mrs. Beatrice Hall, school librarian, reports many different types of books are favorites among the students.

#### Girls Like Aldrich

Most of the girls prefer Bess Streeter Aldrich's "Song of Years" and "White Birds Flying," while Ellen Glasgow's, "The Sheltered Life," proves to be quite popular among many of them.

#### Boys Prefer Barbour

The boys choose as their favorite author, Ralph Henry Barbour. "The Half Back," "Rivals of the Mound" and "Watch That Pass" are some of Barbour's better known books. The boys also favored Will James' novels of the lone trail series.

#### Boys and Girls Choose Nordhoff

Boys and Girls agree on Charles Nordhoff's, "Men Against the Sea" and "Mutiny on the Bounty." Another thriller for all students is Osa Johnson's "I Married Adventure."

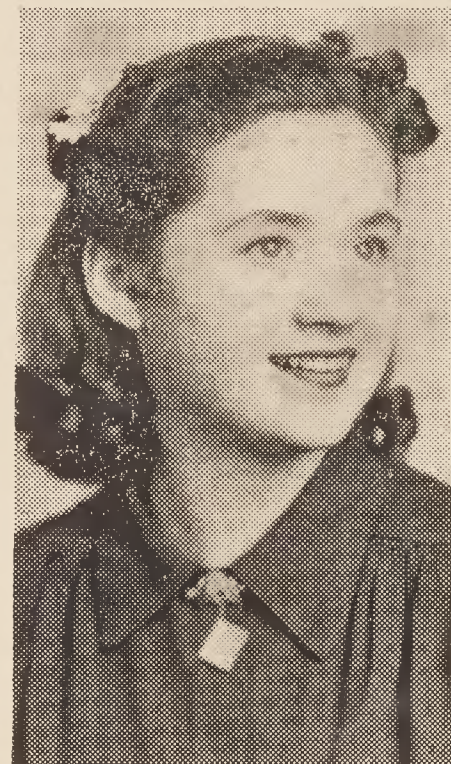
Probably one of the greatest demands for books of the year is W. L. Shirer's "Berlin Diary." The library is at present unable to supply the demand for this book but hopes to be able to do so soon.

## Debating Club Maps Plans For Approaching Semester

Having completed a semester of successful forensic activities, members of the local debating squad are preparing for the coming semester with hopes of repeating last year's Wake Forest state championship victory, according to Miss Mozelle Causey, head of the speech department.

Members of the local team have participated in the three state-wide tournaments held at Asheville, Greensboro, and Winston-Salem. In these three engagements, the Greensboro squad entered 55 debates.

#### Valedictorian



LEADER in the commencement plans for the mid-term graduating class is Evelyn Rayle, shown above.

## 12 Teachers To Take Training In First Aid

Approximately 12 faculty members registered at Central school January 9 for the initial class in a series of first aid lessons which will be given during the next several months.

Among the Senior high school teachers who attended the opening meeting of the group were Misses Mary Ellen Blackmon, Estelle Mitchell, Mozelle Causey, Elizabeth Harvell, Cleo Brendle, Mrs. Emma Avery, Mrs. Nellie Blackburn, Mrs. Estelle LeGwin and A. S. Proctor.

These teachers will meet on Wednesday and Friday evenings for a 20-hour course in the fundamentals of first aid and its application to war-time victims.

It is expected that others will enter this advanced training which will enable faculty members to qualify for a certificate of instruction. Many teachers and school secretaries in the city already have instructor's certificates in first aid.

## Senior High Faculty Club Meets at Informal Party

When the faculty of Greensboro Senior high school got together for a little fun-making Tuesday evening, January 13, it did not mourn over its departing members for that would have saddened the occasion.

This was no farewell party. Mr. Huicks, soldier to be, was honored guest but aside from that, there was no ulterior reason for the festivities unless the teachers just wanted to enjoy a few moments together without having 1200 chaperons tagging along.

They had dinner at 7 o'clock, then bridge for the Culbertsons, dancing for the tutors who fancied themselves terpsichoreans, bingo for the lazy, rummy for the folks who just kept putting off their lessons in bridge, and knitting for the ones who knew how.

Husbands of the ladies, wives of the gentlemen all gathered 'round. Wine, Women and song. Or well... maybe not the wine, but at least women and song.

The following teachers were present: Misses Sara Mims, Amy Caldwell, Mozelle Causey, Lillian Secrest, Louise Smith, Mary Ellen Blackmon, Margaret Moser, Lily Walker, Agnes McDonald, Dorothy McNairy, Ida Belle Moore, Cleo Brendle, Zena Kibler, Estelle Mitchell, Jessie Belle Strickland, Sarah Lesley, Gertrude Farlow, and Frances Humphrey; Mesdames Emma Sharpe Avery, Blanche Smith, Nellie Blackburn, and Estelle LeGwin; B. L. Lyons and George L. Sandvig.

## Miller, Glenn Reported Safe At Pearl Harbor

Although previously reported as killed in the Japanese attack on Hawaii, two Greensboro boys, Joseph Clayton Glenn, son of Mrs. Minnie Glenn, 112 Library place, and Mack Dewey Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey H. Miller, 510 East Bessemer avenue, have contacted their parents and stated that they are alive and well at their Hawaiian island base.

Parents of the boys received a notice from the United States war department several weeks ago that their sons had been lost in the surprise raid.

Both were Greensboro high school students, as Miller left school in 1940, and Glenn in 1939.

## High Life To Participate In Critique Contests

High Life, the Greensboro high school student publication, will be entered in the Columbia Scholastic Press association and the National Scholastic Press association contests held annually at Columbia and Minnesota universities, respectively. The newspaper will compete for the fifth year in the C. S. P. A. and for the fourth year, in the N. S. P. A.

In 1940, High Life received an All-American (superior) rating from the N. S. P. A., while in 1941, it won first class honors. However, as the scoring book was changed, the latter represented the higher rating.

#### Rated First Place by C. S. P. A.

Last year the C. S. P. A. also rated the school paper first place.

The C. S. P. A. and N. S. P. A. conventions present outstanding speakers who criticize the student editions and provide means of correcting faults and enlivening pictures, stories and features.

## 'Second Fiddle' Scheduled For Friday, January 30

Sheila Kaplan and Bobby Perry will have leading roles in the senior dramatics club production of "Second Fiddle" Friday afternoon and night, January 30, dramatics coach Paul Frazier announced this week.

#### Marries Wrong Girl

The play, written by Guernsey LePelley, is a comedy drama centered around the trials and tribulations of a man who accidentally marries the wrong woman. With its setting in Florida, the production involves a mystifying love plot in which Harry Harold Werple weds Joan Keeler while rehearsing ceremonies planned for his marriage to Dorothy Von Straaten.

The role of Wilbur, the butler, who presides at the rehearsal, is played by Mervine Merritt, while the role of Joan Keeler, who is married to Werple by mistake, is taken by Sheila Kaplan.

The cast also includes Virginia Hunter, Homer Barker, Alice Trosper, and Jean Dinwiddie.

No announcement has yet been made concerning the time of the performances nor the price of admission.

## Credit Checking Begins At Senior High School

"Credit checking began at Greensboro high school last week," reported Miss Lily Walker, head of the mathematics department and credit manager. Miss Walker's duty is to report the number of credits each student has earned up to the present time. Also, she checks each person's schedule to be sure that he attends every class signed for on his card.

## Smith Says Students Can Take Active Part In National Defense

"By further encouraging the present studies of patriotism, health, citizenship, vocational education and morale, every boy and girl in the city school system can do his part to aid the nation in the present war," superintendent Ben L. Smith declared in a statement to a High Life reporter today.

In explaining the situation, Superintendent Smith declared that it was his firm conviction that through doing one's daily tasks and doing them to the very best of one's ability, regardless of how insignificant they may appear, school students in Greensboro, and especially at Senior high school, could lend aid to the defense of the nation.

#### Encourage Pan-American Classes

Classes throughout the city will further emphasize such studies as American history, pan-American history, patriotism, and especially welding, industrial arts and handicrafts, it was understood.

The superintendent stated also that every possible measure to speed up defense activities within the school would be taken. Defense bonds and stamps will go on sale throughout the city school system, while junior high pupils will collect waste paper and other necessities of war.

## Radio Station Resumes Educational Programs

"Parent-Education Program," a distinguished feature over WBIG for the past five years, has been brought to radio audiences by Mrs. Bess N. Rosa, local radio chairman for the Parent-Teacher association. Mrs. Rosa, who is quite well-known in Greensboro for her ability to speak over a microphone, discussed some phase of the "efficiently conducted Parent-Teacher work" each Friday from 1:45 to 2 o'clock.

## Changes In Elections Studied By Council

In an effort to improve student council elections, a constitutional amendment will be planned, based on suggestions from home rooms, Edwin Gentry, chairman of the election planning committee of the council, declared January 12.

So far, he added, students have suggested the following changes: a convention in assembly to nominate officers from the floor, registration places and polls on each floor of the school, a two-day election, permission to vote during study halls, and more peppy campaign speeches.

## Proctor, Pike Direct School Radio Programs

Replacing Herbert Huicks, who has resigned from the Senior high school faculty to enter the army, A. S. Proctor and Miss Cathleen Pike will supervise all city school radio presentations during the next five months, Superintendent Ben L. Smith revealed this week.

Working with Mr. Proctor and Miss Pike will be Miss Aleph Cason, formerly of the high school faculty and now teaching at Gillespie junior high. Miss Cason will handle elementary and junior high school presentations.

The new city school radio schedule will be available within the next several weeks, it was learned today.