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HISTORY OF GREENSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

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Chapter IX.

The board of education elected Mr. Frederick Archer to the superintendency in 1917. He has proved one of the most capable men yet to hold the place. Upon entering upon his duties, he began to correlate the work of the system of schools here. He increased the faculty to meet the needs of a growing student body. Since the war many new subjects have been added to the curriculum and others discontinued during the war because of a scarcity of teachers, have been reinstated. Five courses of study are offered so that a student may select those best suited to his needs.

The courses have been stiffened and improved so as to make G. H. S. an accredited high school.

In 1918, G. H. S. won both sides of the triangular debate and sent her representatives to Chapel Hill for the first time. It is interesting to note that that was the first year girls were on the debating teams. One of the G. H. S. teams nearly came out in the finals at Chapel Hill.

The class of 1918 is one of which the entire school should be proud. They made a large number of patriotic speeches urging the community to save and thereby help win the war. They gave up their annual "Reflector" and school magazine, "The Sage" out of pure patriotism. The girls unanimously agreed to have but one dress for commencement and pledged not to spend more than five dollars for it.

In the fall of 1918 a large number of high school students contributed three dollars each to the United War Work Fund. The students also held a large sum in W. S. S. and Liberty bonds. The patriotism of the students stood out in everything. It reached its highest point when John Callum, one of the students paid the supreme sacrifice for the cause of right. Quite a number of high school boys entered the army.

November 11, 1919, G. H. S. set the community an example for observing Armistice Day by holding a beautiful memorial service for the soldiers from the school.

In 1919 the record of the various athletic teams reached the highest marks of fame. Football players won the western championship, the track team won the state champion-

ship as did also the girls basketball team. It is worth remarking that the girls did not lose a game the whole year thru. It was during that year that athletics for the girls took another turn. Miss Helen Bennett, teacher of Latin and Miss Gladys Wilson, teacher of expression, started a class in Swedish gymnastics and folk dancing.

Scholarship also made an upward climb and as several honors were brought to G. H. S.

To take care of the increasing population two structures at the rear of the high school were erected. As they were rude, plain, hastily built structures the students soon dubbed them barns, which honored title they bear to this day. In one a cafeteria occupied the ground floor and the junior high the four rooms upstairs. The other was given wholly to the freshman classes.

During the 1920-21 session the school has improved and grown as if by magic. The student body has increased to seven hundred and fifty. Athletics have taken a great shoot into prominence and popularity. The girls have had more kinds than ever before and the boys and girls have honored themselves almost without exception in the games they have played. The boys track team won the south Atlantic relay race and track meet cups with nineteen medals for good measure. In May the girls held their first field day at Cone Park. The spectators declared that it was a great success and are going to make an annual affair of it.

For the second time in the history of the school the G. H. S. debaters won both sides of the debate and sent her representatives to Chapel Hill.

Her affirmative team won the distinction of debating in the finals. Both teams were exceptionally fine and it was only a turn of fate that gave the decision to Durham.

The Juniors and Sophomores decided to start student government in G. H. S. There was a great deal of opposition to be overcome but after a heated argument the issue won. A council of two from each class and one at large was elected to form the student council. Everyone believes that it was the beginning of a new era in the life of the school.

There are two lively literary societies in G. H. S. The girls have named theirs the Claxtonian. The programs they hold are original and full of pep. The plan is that anyone taking part on the programs gets credit in English for it.

"High" Life, a newspaper published twice a month, was founded by the class of 1921 to take the place of "The Sage".

The growth of activities in G. H. S. is one series of advances of which any school anywhere might be proud. True others excel the school in some things, but no one can show a school in the south that excels in more things, has a finer faculty and student body, and a finer and more patriotic school spirit. That is why in a few short years G. H. S. has made a place—an enviable place—for herself in the sun. That is why much is in store for the school in the future. That is why G. H. S. is the mill that is to turn out the leaders of to-morrow.

—Myrtle Ellen LaBarr

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GREENSBORO TYPEWRITING TEAM STANDS HIGH IN STATE CONTEST

G. H. S. made a fine record in typewriting contest, Friday at 12:45. The typewriting team composed of Mary Causey, Lucile Pettit and Naomi Whitfield left for Charlotte to compete in the annual typewriting contest held in North Carolina every year. A large crowd of Charlotte high school boys and girls met the team at the train. They left nothing undone to give our folks a good time. The school gave a reception in honor of the visiting teams Friday night.

Saturday morning, May the seventh, the contest was held in the City Auditorium. There were five teams representing Charlotte, Durham, Greensboro, Raleigh and Winston-Salem in the contest. There were three contests of fifteen minutes each. Every contestant clicked away rapidly unmoved by the many spectators. After each contest there was a rest period of twenty minutes. When the papers were corrected it was found that Mary Causey of G. H. S. made the highest average of all the contestants. She averaged fifty-nine words a minute. It was found that Greensboro and Winston-Salem tied for the honors. The papers were sent to Mr. Kimball in New York to be officially corrected. He will decide which team merits the silver loving cup offered to the one scoring the highest.

G. H. S. is proud of her typewriting team and appreciates the splendid work and fight they exhibited at Charlotte.