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MR. C. W. PHILLIPS TELLS OPPORTUNITY OFFERED BY SCHOOL

At Present, Plant Consists of
Administration, Science, and
Cafeteria Buildings.

ADEQUATE AUDITORIUM

Field House Is Being Constructed for
Accommodation of Boys and
Girls of School.

"We have a real school we may call our own, now, one which we should be proud of and protect," was a statement made by Mr. C. W. Phillips, concerning the new senior high school located on Westover Terrace.

The plant consists of three modern, fully equipped buildings, the administration, Science, and Cafeteria buildings.

Install Telephones

There is a switchboard and twenty telephones in the school. This will make it possible to have contact with outside from the Science building, the Cafeteria manager, the furnace room the music and publication departments, which, according to Mr. Phillips, will add to the efficiency of the school and save time.

The cafeteria is adequate to accommodate all of the pupils and teachers comfortably. There are all modern conveniences to give the type of service needed. As well as supplying actual needs for food it will serve as a place for banquets, parties, socials, teas, and similar demands.

The Science equipment has been increased not only for the physics and chemists laboratories, but for biology, general sciences and home economics all of this equipment is new and complete.

Offer New Art Courses

The Art department is entirely new with the exception of a small class which was held formerly at Central high school. Miss Lee, the art director, is to be at the school all the time to give advice and instructions in costuming and decoration, as well as to have classes in photography, crafts, pen and ink drawing, painting and clay modeling.

This work offers the pupils an opportunity to choose decorating or any other phase of this work in which they major.

Field House Erected

A field house is now being built for the accommodation of both boys and girls of the school. This building will have a dressing room for classes and for the athletic squads. Mr. L. C. Belding and Miss Camille Brinkley will spend most of their time at the Senior High School, with the exception of two periods each day, during which they will work with Mr. Parks, doing physical education work in local grammar schools.

"They will, however form a nucleus for what we hope will be a physical education program to care for all students," Mr. Phillips states, "and the coaches will be able to train for health about two hundred boys and girls in addition to those working in athletic teams."

Library Looks to Future

The library of the school has been built with an idea for beauty as well as for service. There is sufficient space for the books formerly used and additional space for growth in the future. There is space for a work room and classes in library work.

The auditorium is large enough to accommodate the entire student body, making it possible for all to attend at once. Chapel programs have been so arranged to make use of the auditorium and enjoy its beauty.

HIGH LIFE BECOMES WEEKLY PUBLICATION

"High Life" takes two forward steps this year. First there will be four pages and second, "High Life" will be published weekly. Formerly, the paper was issued bi-weekly and contained six pages.

There is also a slight increase in the subscription charge. In the past the price was sixty cents. This year it will be seventy-five.

With these changes "High Life" Staff hopes to publish the best paper in its history.

MR. MILLER HEARS BLOCH'S "AMERICA"

Symphony Is About History of
American People Since
Time of Indians.

HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS PLAY

"One of the most interesting things that happened while I was studying at Columbia University, New York City, this summer," related Mr. Grady Miller to the High Life reporter, "was the visit of Mr. Earnest Bloch, who was the composer of "America."

This is the symphony which portrays the history of our country beginning with the first development of the Indians through the Colonial period, the civil war on to the present Jazz Age and then to the future.

"America" won first place in the contest for symphony compositions by American composers.

During Mr. Bloch's visit he rehearsed the All City High School Orchestra in this symphony. All music students at the Music College were allowed to hear the rehearsal.

"The enthusiasm that these High School students showed in being under such a well known man, and the enthusiasm he showed in training them to perform this masterpiece," Mr. Miller said, "was the most outstanding thing that impressed me while at the University."

At the concert the orchestra played Mr. Bloch's piece under the direction of Van Hooystraten who is the director of the Philharmonica orchestra of New York City.

The composition ends with the hymn "America", his own setting. It is thought that this will be adopted some day in the place of the "America" to the tune of "God Save the King."

CITY SCHOOL LIBRARIES RUN ON DIFFERENT PLAN

Department Heads Are Given Chance to
Order Books Needed for Their
Respective Classes.

Libraries in the Greensboro city school system, according to announcement of Mr. Guy Phillips, will be run under a different plan this year from that of the past. It is called the per capita-per monthly plan. Instead of buying two hundred dollars worth, or whatever the amount may be, of books and distributing them among the libraries a certain amount of money will be given to each library for the teachers and principals to choose and buy the books they want and need. It is probable that in the past some books were issued to the libraries that were not needed, Mr. Phillips said. By following the proposed plan for the year the superintendent said he hoped the libraries would grow not only a great deal larger but better.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL WITH NEW INTERIOR WELCOMES PUPILS

Dressing Rooms Are Built on
Stage and New Curtains
Have Been Ordered.

GROUNDS GET ATTENTION

Shops Are Constructed On Ground Floor
of Barn B for Use On Manual
Training Classes.

Pupils of Greensboro Senior High School, moving into new buildings, are taking notice of the fact that the old High School on Spring Street, now used as Central Junior High School, has been improved and renovated at considerable expense to the city during the summer. One thousand dollars was expended for repainting the interiors of all the rooms, a color scheme of brown and light buff was used throughout. Enough lockers have been installed so that every two pupils can have a locker. The auditorium has been thoroughly renovated and rooms were built on the stage. A curtain has been ordered also. "The grounds are in the process of extensive improvements and the attempt is being made to restore the grass," according to the principal, Mr. E. T. McSwain.

Manual training will be offered the boys, the second floor of barn B, with the partitions removed, being utilized for the manual training shop. The basement of the main building, where the physics and chemistry labs were housed, will be used for classes in industrial art. Only the first floor of the Bain house will be used for Home Economics.

Junior High has enrolled two hundred and twenty-five intermediate pupils and five hundred and twenty-five from the sixth grade to the eighth. The faculty comprises twenty-eight teachers, with E. T. McSwain as principal. Mr. McSwain was formerly principal of Caldwell School.

SEMESTER VI STUDENT WINS FAME AS ARTIST

Douglas Cartland is Lucky Boy in
Painting Attractive Set of
Alphabets.

RECEIVES ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS

Douglas Cartland, semester VI student of Greensboro High School, received a hundred dollar check for painting the most attractive set of alphabets in a contest conducted by the Shredded Wheat Company of Niagara Falls. Seven hundred dollars are given each month, one hundred dollars of which is the first prize.

To compete in the contest children have to collect twenty-six slips, one for each letter in the alphabet. These come in Shredded Wheat boxes.

The following letter was written to Douglas by Mr. George Olive, advertising manager—

Dear Friend:

It gives us much pleasure to inform you that the judges have awarded you the first prize for the best colored complete set of paper inserts which you saved from four Shredded Wheat packages. We are therefore enclosing our check for one hundred dollars in accordance with the contest.

We congratulate you on your success and wish to compliment you on the excellence of your work.

With all good wishes,
Very truly yours,
GEORGE OLIVE.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

In addition to other changes made in the senior high school for the second 1929 semester many teachers have been substituted for ones who taught last year but for various reasons did not return this year. The former teachers who did not continue teaching this year are: Mr. Norman Block (studying at Harvard), Miss Dorothy Brown (now head of Mathematics in a girls school in New England), Miss Virginia Farinholt (studying), Miss Elise Gathings (studying), Mr. Carlyle Shepard (Educational department at Guilford College), Miss Mary A. Strother (married), Mr. R. W. Wilkins (studying), Miss Margaret Young (Dixie Fire Insurance company), Mr. Edgar Allred, Miss Mary Johnston, Miss Rachel Sibley. Teachers elected to replace these are: Misses Pauline Sawyer, Camille Brinkley, Rachel Lee, Cathleen Pike, Virginia McClamrock, Carree Crawford, Nora Chaffin, Mrs. H. A. Helms and Mr. Lester C. Belding.

TARKINGTON'S PLAY CHRISTENS G. H. S.

Usual Procedure of Opening
Season With Purple and
Gold Revue Changed.

GREAT YEAR PREDICTED

"Seventeen", the first dramatic presentation of the season, which is to be given about the last of October, will christen the new G. H. S. auditorium. This play was written by Booth Tarkington, a noted American novelist, is an amusing study of a very young man with his first love affair.

The usual procedure of opening the season with the Purple and Gold Revue was changed since Mr. J. H. Johnson, head of the dramatic department, considered that a more dignified presentation would seem better suited in the initial performance. Plans are being made to give the revue in the spring.

Mr. Johnson, who is highly pleased and enthusiastic over the new stage predicts a great year for dramatics. When interviewed, he stated: "I am fully confident that there is not another high school auditorium and stage in the South that can compare with ours, and I am sure we are going to have a great year."

AUDITORIUM PROGRAMS BRING PUPILS TOGETHER

Students Will Have Opportunity of Seeing
Moving Pictures That Have
Educational Value.

ALL ACTIVITIES MEET THURSDAY

For the purpose of making use of the auditorium of the new school, and to bring together all of the pupils of the plant for programs of educational and entertaining value, chapel will be held daily at the new Greensboro senior high school.

Mr. Phillips said, in discussing the plans for each week, that a moving picture will be given each Monday.

A session room period will be held each Tuesday at the regular Chapel program time.

Wednesday speaker or program from outside the school will be brought to the pupils.

For Thursday, activity day, various clubs and organizations of the school will sponsor the program.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT DEBATES OPERETTAS FOR USE IN SPRING

Mr. Miller Says That Scenery
Will Probably Be Made for
Operetta in School.

LARGER CAST TO BE USED

Mr. Miller Spends Day In Search of
Operetta Suitable for High School
Students to Produce.

"The Gondolier" and "The Yeoman of the Guard," operettas by Gilbert and Sullivan are being discussed by the music department of G. H. S. One of these two musical dramas will probably be used for the spring operetta given by the high school.

Three other dramas in music given by the high school in the past have been by Gilbert and Sullivan.

Mr. Grady Miller in speaking of "The Gondolier," declared, "The stage is very difficult. In the second act a spectacular scene will take place which calls for a gondola that is to glide across the stage. We think, however, with the equipment we have at the senior high school, we will be able to build this scenery in school."

Heretofore all of the stage setting has been made by outsiders. The high school has the same kind of equipment for building stage sets and sceneries in the dramatic as the North Carolina College.

Mr. J. H. Johnson offers a special instruction in stage sceneries in the dramatic course.

Demands Large Cast

"The Gondolier" calls for a much larger cast than previous operettas. This will give students a better chance for principal parts. The orchestra is composed almost entirely of the music faculty and the high school orchestra. According to Mr. Miller there will not be an elimination of students for lack of space in the orchestra.

"The Yeoman of the Guard" also calls for a large cast and chorus. There will be, however, but one stage setting in this operetta. These two operettas have been selected as the best and it is thought one of these will be used in the spring.

Miller Visits Tans

Mr. Grady Miller spent a day in Tans, a Music and Theatrical Library in New York City. All of the operettas given in the Greensboro City Schools have been ordered from this library including "Pirates of Penzance," "Mikado" and "Pinafore."

He said, "Just going to Tans is an opportunity that one can hardly afford to miss. I had the pleasure of spending practically a whole day in this library looking over material for operettas."

NEW COURSES AT G.H.S. OFFERED TO STUDENTS

Courses in Science, Arts, English, and
Creative Work Are Included in
Present Plans.

In accordance with the progressive program of the Greensboro school system, the senior high school has added to its curriculum this year a number of interesting courses.

In the English Department, a course in Shakespeare is offered, this is a departure from the usual and should prove popular with the students particularly interested in English.

The Science Department is giving experimental physics.