

Debaters and Their Queries For First Meets Are Chosen

PLANS ARE MADE FOR THREE DEBATES IN NEAR FUTURE

Salisbury, Winston-Salem, High Point Are Initial Opponents For This Year.

POLITICAL TOPICS CHOSEN

Coe, Health, DeButts, Holt, and McLean Are to Lead in the First Encounter With High Point.

The Senior Debating club met during activities period and had discussion as to the future debates with Salisbury, High Point, and Winston. Also letters from nearby schools concerning the club were read and discussed.

Three debates have been planned for the club in the near future with the three schools. Although no definite dates have been made, the first debate with Salisbury will be about the middle of November. The query for discussion will be: "Resolved, that the United States should recognize the Soviet Government of Russia."

The second debate will be held with High Point, and that query is: "Resolved, that the United States should adopt the English parliamentary cabinet system. A. C. Holt, Henry Nau, and Goldie Goss will represent the affirmative here, while a negative team composed of Edgar Meibohm, Alma Taylor, and a third person yet to be chosen, will go to High Point.

In the other meet with Winston-Salem the sophomores will be the debaters. Although neither the time, query, nor speakers have been chosen as yet, the younger club will have the floor. Winston has suggested the query: "Resolved, that the eighteenth amendment should be abolished." There has been quite a bit of discussion over this resolution and a committee has been appointed to discuss the question and pass its opinion as to its suitability. Try-outs for a place on the two teams that will go against the Twin City debaters will be held in the near future.

At the last meeting of the sophomore club it was decided that this new organization would unite with the senior organization. This ceremony, along with the initiation of the sophomores, will be held at a social that is to be given either at the Jefferson or Cone Country club.

DR. HUBERT POTEAT GIVES ADDRESS TO STUDENTS

Wake Forest University Man Speaks on Virgil—Spiritual Father of All Poets.

REPRESENTS PHI BETA KAPPA

Dr. Hubert Poteat of Wake Forest University spoke to the student body of Greensboro high school in chapel Wednesday, November 12. Dr. Poteat was brought here through the efforts of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity to close the celebration of the 2,000th anniversary of Virgil's birth. In his talk, Dr. Poteat commended the critics, editors and writers who tear the souls from the greatest works of art and flatter triumphant pamphlets in the faces of those who would seek true art. He advised those who wanted to get the true Virgil to ignore what the little fellows say about him and to "go to Virgil yourself, and steep your souls in the works of one of the greatest poets that ever lived." The "Aeneid," published two years after Virgil's death, was in some respects "the greatest poem that was ever written." Dr. Poteat said not only for the immortality of the characters, but for the vast and enduring influence which this masterpiece exercised over the later poets and the schools in general. The speaker emphasized the fact that all poets are Virgil's spiritual sons, but Tennyson owes more to Virgil than any other poet.

Dr. Poteat brought out in his lecture that the study of Latin could do for one and in closing said: "The very multitude of critics, editors and scribblers who have written about Virgil" testifies to his greatness. Clary Holt, who was presiding over chapel, introduced Dr. Poteat, and Lois Lazenby sang a number as a prelude to the program.

Senior Is Typing Champion

Helen Smith, senior of G. H. S., has set a typing record, which is present G. H. S. student has excelled. She types 59 words per minute, which is only three words less than the number typed by the former record holder, Morrie Whitten.

Students to Get Annual Holidays

As has been the custom in the past, the students of Greensboro high school will receive two holidays November 27 and 28 for Thanksgiving in which they will take time off to enjoy themselves. Many will go out of town to spend the short vacation with relatives and friends. Others will stay in town where they will celebrate the day with feasting and attending the football game, which promises to be an exciting one.

At the close of this short time of merry-making, the students will come back to their once-forgotten books.

ATTENDANCE INCREASES DURING YEAR 1929-30

Present Enrollment Is Divided Into 607,344 White Students and 259,595 Colored Pupils.

FEWER EPIDEMICS ARE CAUSE

Raleigh, Nov. 12.—Both enrollment and attendance in the public elementary and high schools of the state for 1929-30 show an increase over that of the preceding school year," declared State Superintendent of Public Instruction A. T. Allen today in a statement to the press.

Last year there were 866,989 children enrolled, or 11,057 more than the number for 1928-29. This year's addition is less than half the increase of 1927-28, when there was a gain of 24,627, a three per cent increase, over the 1926-27 enrollment.

The present total enrollment is divided, according to the statement issued by Superintendent Allen, into 607,344 white pupils and 259,595 colored pupils.

School attendance, or the average number of enrolled pupils attending school daily, has also increased. During 1929-30 there was an average daily attendance of 672,995 pupils, both white and colored. This number represented an increase of 28,140 over the attendance for the preceding year, and lacked only 714 reaching the record year of 1927-28, when there was an increase of 28,854 pupils in average daily attendance. The annual percentage increases in attendance for the past several years are shown by Superintendent Allen to be as follows: for 1928-29 1.6 per cent, for 1926-27 1.0 per cent, 1927-28 4.5 per cent, 1928-29 6.4 per cent, and for 1929-30 4.36 per cent.

Out of every 100 pupils enrolled last year 77 were in average daily attendance. Among the schools for white children the percentage in attendance is 80, and for colored pupils it is 72. This increase in school enrollment and attendance for 1929-30 is, according to Superintendent Allen, due to several causes:

First, during 1929-30, there were fewer epidemics of contagious diseases than in previous years.

Second, many counties for the first time operated a split term, closing the school after running a month or six weeks to allow the children to help with cotton-picking and other work on the farm, and then reopening them again after this work had been finished.

Third, in many systems a greater emphasis than ever before was placed upon the matter of school attendance.

And, lastly, the economic depression began to be felt and many of the older boys and girls who were formerly employed found themselves without jobs, and so returned to school.

"CAROLINA" IS THEME OF HOMESPUN ISSUES

Staff Plans to Have Contribution of Folk-lore and Legend in Magazine.

In the forthcoming issues of *Homespun* one theme will be found predominant—North Carolina history. Inspired by a love of their state, a knowledge that there is a well filled literary mine in the folklore of the mountaineers and of the negro, a desire to discover new legends, the staff of the high school magazine has determined to make some definite contribution to the realm of folklore and legend in literature. To further this plan, the English teachers are giving their co-operation by asking for themes on this subject from their various classes. Students are asked to interview all the older inhabitants with whom they are acquainted, to look back through the annals of their family tree and try to find some new bit of legend or superstition that can help to carry the motif of *Homespun* through the year to another triumphant end, and also to help *Homespun* make a real contribution to the literature of North Carolina.

GREENSBORO BOYS TO ENTER GUILD

Four Scholarships Are Given for Best Work On Craftsman's Projects.

COBB URGES MEMBERSHIP

Already four boys of Greensboro high school have specified their intention of entering the Fisher Boy Craftsman's Guild. These are Lynwood Burnette, Harry Meyers, Edward Martin, and Harry Wicker. More boys are expected to enter soon.

Membership in this Guild is open to all boys between 12 and 19. The object of the Guild is to promote craftsmanship in high school boys.

Members are given a detailed plan for the construction of a miniature Napoleonic coach. For the most perfect and skilled of these, four university scholarships, covering a full four-year course, are to be given. Other awards bring the total up to 980.

Membership may be gained by applying to any General Motors dealer. These dealers send names to Detroit and the boys receive bronze Guild emblems, membership cards and the construction plans. There are no fees or dues, and there is ample time to enroll.

Educators all over the country, as well as the boys, are showing a lively interest in the projects. Scores of prominent men and women have written to W. A. Fisher, president of the Fisher Boy Craftsman's Guild, commending the Guild ideals and offering their services, and co-operation.

Not only are the teachers of manual art and allied subjects enthusiastic over this contest, but letters from various history teachers say that students are taking a greater interest in the architecture of the Middle Ages because of this project.

Mr. Cobb, manual training teacher, is urging all the boys to join the Guild, for not only are the awards generous, but a great deal of pleasure is gained from the working itself.

N. C. ADDS 150,000 BOOKS TO SCHOOL LIBRARIES

Guilford County Leads in Addition of Volumes to Elementary Schools With 5,772.

\$64,261.24 IS SPENT DURING YEAR

Raleigh, Nov. 14.—Nearly one hundred and fifty thousand volumes were added to the public school libraries of the state during last year, it is Superintendent A. T. Allen. These figures represent all the high schools of the state, both rural and city, those elementary schools receiving state aid, and standard elementary schools.

The additions to elementary school libraries are greater than those of the high schools. Tabulated figures indicate a growth of 83,419 books—Guilford county with 5,772, Mecklenburg county with 4,384, and Richmond county with 3,284 lead in additions among the elementary school libraries.

The amount expended during the year by high schools for new library books was \$64,261.24. The elementary schools spent approximately a similar amount, \$64,180.41. The state assisted in this growth in amount of \$8,200, and the remaining amount was raised locally.

GIRL RESERVES HOLD RECOGNITION SERVICE

Aims and Ideals of Organization Are Stressed—Meet in First Baptist Church.

All of the Girl Reserves of Greensboro held in the First Baptist church Sunday night, November 2, their recognition service, which revealed the aims and ideals of this organization.

As the Girl Reserves, both old and new, entered the church, Mrs. Charles A. Banks, the organist, played as a professional "Father of Light." The old members were bearing gleaming candles; the new members unlighted candles.

Holding a red taper which represented health, Miss Madeline Scarborough, president of the Lucky Tri Club of Central Junior high school, stood on Miss Weatherly's left. On the right of the Worthwhile Club executive stood Miss Margaret Weisner, president of the Iffa Club, with a blue candle in her hands.

AMERICA OBSERVES EDUCATION WEEK FOR NEEDY CAUSE

State Department Prepares Program to Emphasize Broader Ideal of Education.

LOCAL SPEAKERS ON AIR

Half-hour School talk to Be Given Over Radio Each Tuesday During Winter Season.

American education is at present being observed in North Carolina. It started Monday, November 10 and will continue through Sunday, November 16. This is the tenth annual observance of the week throughout the nation. The observance is sponsored jointly by the American Legion, the U. S. office of education, and the National Education association. The purpose is to acquaint the public with the aims, achievements and needs of the schools.

A program to emphasize the broader ideal of education was prepared by the state department of education week. The seven cardinal objectives to be emphasized are: (1) health and safety, (2) worthy home membership, (3) mastery of the tool, technique and spirit of learning, (4) faithful citizenship, (5) vocational and economic effectiveness, (6) wise use of leisure, and (7) ethical character.

Speakers and themes for American education week were chosen by G. B. Phillips, superintendent of the Greater Greensboro school district. These speakers broadcast over WRIG, Greensboro radio station between 7:30 and 7:45 o'clock, except the one Sunday, which will be given at 7:15.

Speakers and theme for the day follow:

Monday, November 10, E. D. Broadhurst, chairman of the school board, "The Schools and the Enrichment of Human Life."

Tuesday, November 11, speaker selected by the American Legion post, "How Schools Promote Patriotism and World Understanding."

Wednesday, November 12, Byron Harworth, member of Senior high school faculty, "The Schools of Yesterday." (Mr. Harworth will tell something of the history of Greensboro schools.)

Thursday, November 13, Dr. John H. Cooke, dean of the school of education, North Carolina college, "The Schools of Today."

Friday, November 14, Dr. C. C. Hudson, city health officer, "What the Schools Have Helped the Individual to Achieve."

Saturday, November 15, Charles H. Ireland, chairman of the Guilford County board of education, "What the Schools Have Helped America to Achieve."

Sunday, November 16, Rev. H. Grady Hardin, pastor of West Market Street Methodist church, "The Schools of Tomorrow and the Future of America."

In connection with the Education week announcement Mr. Phillips stated that a half-hour school talk is to be given over WRIG each Tuesday during the winter season. The broadcast hour for these talks will be 7:30 o'clock.

SOSA AND HIS BAND PLAY HERE NOVEMBER 13

World Famous Leader Appears in City for Concert—Is Thirty-Eighth Annual Tour.

IN N. CAR. COLLEGE AUDITORIUM

John Phillip Sousa, the most famous bandmaster in the world, and his band played in Greensboro, November 13, at North Carolina College auditorium.

Sousa was born in Washington, D. C., in the month of November. He is the son of Antonio Sousa, a famous musician of Portuguese ancestry. At the age of six, under John Eaputa and G. F. Benkert, Sousa began his musical education. At the age of 19 he conducted the Gilbert and Sullivan opera, "H. M. S. Pinafore." Seven years later he became the bandmaster for the United States Marine Corps.

There is rarely a band program that does not include one of Sousa's compositions. About 50,000 phonograph records of the Sousa marches are sold in one year all over the world.

The title of "March King" was given to him by an English brass band journal, because of his many marches. Some of his most famous ones are "Washington Post," "The Stars and Stripes Forever," and "El Capitan." Sousa's most recent composition, which he wrote for the famous British regiment, is "March of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers."

John Phillip Sousa, at the age of 76 and on his 38th annual tour, is reaching the greatest audiences the world has ever known.

'HOMESPUN' TO PROVIDE PAGE IN 'PRESS REVIEW'

The mails brought in from Mr. Hewitt Wise, assistant editor of the nationally known "School Press Review," the official publication of the Columbia Scholastic Press, Columbia University, a letter to Homespun staff.

The "Press Review," through Mr. Wise, requested "Homespun" to take charge of their poetry page for the month of December. This means that poetry from Greensboro high school students will be published in a magazine with national circulation, and the opportunity to have poetry there is one that very few embryonic student poets should miss.

The Homespun staff hopes that the December poetry page of the "Press Review" will be the best it has had for a long while.

SCHOOLS OBSERVE ANNUAL BOOK WEEK

Purpose of Celebration Is to Make Reading Vital in Child's Daily Life.

STUDENTS SUBMIT WORK

The twelfth annual Book week will be observed throughout the United States from November 17 to 23. For the past few years Book week has been observed in the schools and colleges; it has offered to the people an opportunity to learn what is best in writing and what to read.

The emphasis of the week is on making reading so vital a part of every child's daily life throughout the year that every week will be Book week.

During the celebration of Book week, the book seller, who is chiefly responsible for keeping the movements alive, is working for results in sales; the librarian works for results in readers. The librarians' hope is that the publicity features might attract the parents and children who have not been using the library, and will draw them into the reading habit.

The possible value of book week, celebrated in a fitting manner, is beyond calculation. One value is the happy effect which celebrating a pleasant annual festivity has upon everybody who keeps the spirit of youth. The attention of some outstanding person is caught each year by Book week.

One of the special benefits of Book week says Clara Whitehill Hunt, Superintendent of Children's department of a New York Library, is the "togetherness" of the publicity.

National Book week has outlived many other similar annual observances because it is so closely related to the fundamental movements of American education. The booksellers come forward with the suggestion that in every community those who cared for children's reading interests should get together in the cause, and because this program fitted so happily into the general needs of schools and libraries, hundreds of communities have taken up the program.

The student is able to get something from this week also. He can learn about good books and their authors, and by listening to speakers both on the radio and in school auditorium.

The outstanding purpose of this week is to train students to be better readers, to increase their vocabulary, and to broaden their outlook.

Through the co-operation of the English department, practically all G. H. S. students will enter either book reviews or posters.

GIRLS RECEIVE HONOR; HIGHEST IN SCOUTING

Elizabeth Leftwich, Elizabeth Leak, and Kathleen Wrenn Made Golden Eaglets As Award.

Three Greensboro high girls were awarded the highest honor in Girl Scouting, November 1. The new Golden Eaglets are Elizabeth Leftwich, Kathleen Wrenn, and Elizabeth Leak. Elizabeth Leak is now attending Salem College in Winston-Salem.

Three former high school girls, also Golden Eaglets, presented them to the whole Girl Scout organization of the city. They were Dorothy Donnell, Rose Goodwin, and Lella George Cham.

The three new Golden Eaglets have been outstanding in scout work for several years. Elizabeth Leftwich and Elizabeth Leak have been scouts since 1926. Both are members of troop two at the First Baptist church, and were councilors in handicraft at the Girl Scout camp last summer.

Kathleen Wrenn first became interested in scouting in 1923 in the First Presbyterian troop. She was a pioneer councilor at camp in the summer.

This unusual honor was conferred upon the girls at the camp fire service at the Y. W. C. A., climaxing Girl Scout Week here. Mrs. Mary Elzemeyer explained the high requirements a girl has to meet before becoming a Golden Eaglet.

School Hears Legionnaire Speak On Armistice Day

NATIONAL PRIZES GIVEN IN CONTESTS

High School Magazine Sponsors Creative Work in Literature and Art.

REPRODUCE BEST WORK

Students of thousands of junior and senior high schools in every state in the country are preparing to compete in the seventh annual National Scholastic Awards, the annual contests for creative work in literature and art which are sponsored and conducted by The Scholastic, the national high school magazine. Every junior and senior high school student is eligible to compete in the Scholastic Awards, in which 260 national prizes amounting to more than \$4,500.00 will be distributed.

The Scholastic Awards present an opportunity to high school students to participate in every field of creative effort. In the Literary Division, 57 prizes will be given for poetry and prose, including short stories, essays, literary articles, historical articles, current events, book reviews, and humor.

The Art Division of the Scholastic Awards includes prizes for pictorial art, sculpture, soap sculpture, decorative design, textile design, etchings, lithographs, engravings, pottery, jewelry, metal work, and special prizes for work done with pen, pencil, and colored drawing inks.

In addition to the cash prizes, students submitting outstanding material to the Scholastic Awards will receive national recognition in several ways. The best literary work submitted to the Awards will be featured in the Student-Written Number of The Scholastic, to be published May 2, 1931, which is devoted entirely to the Scholastic Awards. This work will further be published in *Saplings*, The Scholastic's annual anthology of the best creative writing in American high schools.

In the Art Division of the Scholastic Awards, reproductions of the prize-winning work will also be shown in the Student-Written Number, and about 500 pieces submitted to the Art Division will be chosen by a national jury of artists and educators to comprise the Fourth National High School Art Exhibition.

The closing date for submission of material to the Scholastic Awards is March 15, 1931. The Scholastic Awards booklet, giving in detail all information and rules for the Scholastic Awards, may be secured free by writing to The Scholastic Awards Editor, Washaw building, Pittsburgh, Penna.

FACULTY DELIBERATES ON QUILT AND SCROLL

Possibility of National Honor Society for Promoting High School Journalism Having Chapter Here.

WILL HELP SCHOOL JOURNALISTS

A chapter of Quill and Scroll is a much discussed thing among the High Life staff members. This society is an honor organization working for the interest of school papers and magazines. Its purpose is to promote and improve journalistic work of all kinds in high schools. It is an aid to school papers, annuals, and magazines; it recognizes ability which would otherwise be unknown to the journalistic world.

"Quill and Scroll" sends out periodic contests, advertisement, and feature writing, together with newspaper and copy reading.

There are now 541 chapters of the "Quill and Scroll." Although G. H. S. does not have one of these, some members of the staff, as well as the students of Journalism I and II, have entered so far, into two of the contests. Each member of the journalism classes has written some article eligible for entrance. The staff also received a copy of the chapter letter.

The magazine, "Quill and Scroll," which is issued monthly, carries accounts of the activities of the different chapters of the organization. It has an influence on school publications. Although it is an honorary society, it does not refuse to help those who need help, as its purpose is not only to get members, but also to give assistance.

P. T. ASSOCIATION FIX TEACHERS' ROOM

The Parent Teacher's Association of Greensboro high school is at present furnishing the women's teachers' room here in the high school. They are using the money made last year on "Artist Night" to buy furniture for the room.

Miss Frances Summers and Miss Vivian Playfoot, both economics teachers, will make the curtains in their class.

Mrs. A. C. Holt, chairman of this committee, and Mrs. Julius Cone, have made these decisions. They also stated that they were going to buy a rug for the room after they made more money off of the coming "Artist Night."

PICTURE SHOWN

F. Myrick, Former Commander Local Post of American Legion, Addresses Assembly.

PUT ON FIELD DAY STUNTS

Directors of Physical Education Stage Big Program on Own Grounds as Part of Celebration.

Practically the entire day of November 11 was given over to the celebration of Armistice Day at Greensboro high school. The program of the day included a talk in chapel by a former commander of the Greensboro post of the American Legion, a four-reel picture of actual war scenes, displayed in chapel, and a field meet in which 1,200 students took part. In addition, a representative from each session room was excused to hear the program that was put on at a local theater, and a large number of students who are Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and National Guards were dismissed to march in the parade.

Myrick Speaks

The former commander of the Henry K. Burton Post of the American Legion (Greensboro) who addressed the student body in chapel, was Fred F. Myrick. Mr. Myrick, in his speech, tried to tell the students something of how the boys "over there" felt when the Armistice was signed, ending the bloodiest war that the world has ever seen. He noted with regret the way in which the honor that was accorded the soldiers that day has come to be lessened. Until a few years ago November 11 had little meaning to many Americans. He gave as the purpose of the Legion the preservation of the great events of that day which meant so much to the members of that organization. He also stressed the upholding of the laws of the Constitution of the United States.

Silence Great Sensation

According to Mr. Myrick, the greatest sensation the soldiers experienced, when at 11 o'clock on the 11th of November, 1918, the guns finally ceased their firing and the rumble and roar of warfare which had held forth for four years ceased, was the unspoken silence that supplanted the terrific uproar.

In conclusion the speaker expressed the hope of the Legion that world peace would finally be established, and urged his hearers to bear in mind always the great reasons of the war; that the war was fought for democracy, and that all wars are horrible and the cause of world peace is one of the greatest causes of all times.

Show Act Picture

Four reels of actual scenes, taken in France in 1917-18 by the United States signal corps, were flashed on the screen by the school camera. The film was made for the school by the American Legion.

The student body was again assembled in the afternoon, this time on the athletic field. A series of events for field day competition were arranged by Lester Beiding and Miss Camille Brinkley, directors of physical education in the school. The entire twelve hundred students were divided into three teams for the purpose of competition.

All of the events were not run; but the purpose of the assembly, as expressed by G. W. Phillips, was to get the school in one group to play together and thereby foster school spirit; this was accomplished.

This is the first field day of the kind ever to be put on at Greensboro high school; but for the success enjoyed by this one it is probable that the idea will be employed on other occasions in the future.

BIG SISTERS ENTERTAIN SOPHOMORES WITH TEA

Junior and Senior Girls Hold Social for "Little Sisters" of Sophomore Class.

The "big sisters" entertained their little sisters with a tea in the library on Tuesday afternoon, November 3.

Practically every member of the girls' council was present. The receiving line was composed of Kate Wilkins, president of Girls' Council, Annabel Dixon, Manie Leake Parsons, Susanne Ketchum, Agnes Leake, Eloise Taylor, Martha Burnades, Marguerite Lefort, Mary Louise Joffess, C. W. Phillips, and Miss Fannie Starr Mitchell.

Manie Leake Parsons and Ellen Douglas Bush in the south end of the library, Jane Crabtree and Dorothy Hines in the north end, poured the tea.

Doris Hanes and Mary Elizabeth Moore, two members of the sophomore group entertained with readings. Martha Martin, pianist, and Angela Patterson, violinist, furnished music for the occasion. Those in charge of the different committees were: Jane Crabtree, decorations; Manie Leake Parsons, refreshments; Elizabeth Yates, entertainment; Frances Grantham, invitation, and Elizabeth Benbow, transportation.