

Stargazers



THE POPULAR YOUNG LASSIES pictured here are obviously too engrossed in their thoughts of the festive Yuletide season to pay attention to the hapless photographer. Each girl represents one of four different clubs that will celebrate the Christmas holidays with dances. Seated, left to right, are Sara DeBoe, a Gillwana; Francis Irving, a Debate; and Linda Sewell, a Junior Spinster. Standing is Kathryn Campbell, a Gadabout. (Staff Photo by Jack Watson.)

James Lee, Local Senior, To Be Radio Repair Man

"Future job hunters, try radio repair work if you are in doubt as to what vocation you should adopt," advises James Lee, member of the diversified occupations class and apprentice workman at the A. G. S. repair shop.

Likes Job

Lee, who has worked at his present position approximately two years, expects to continue the job after graduation, making it his life's vocation.

"I sincerely enjoy my work at the local A. G. S. shop," the young repair man told a High Life reporter in an interview this week. "If everything goes as expected, however, I expect sometime to operate my own shop," he declared.

The local student says that he is working approximately 25 hours per week at exceptionally good pay, but that a certain amount of technical knowledge concerning radios and radio repairing is an essential requirement of anyone wishing to fill a similar position.

"Good servicemen are hard to get and are well paid," James reiterated, "and I hope some day to be listed among these."

Room 317's 85.1 Average Wins Scholarship Plaque

Winning the scholarship plaque for the first time this semester, Miss Estelle Mitchell's home room 317 gained the award as a result of a 85.1 average. Joe Powell, president of the class, received the plaque from Jean Hollyman, chairman of the scholarship committee.

Miss Ida Beile Moore's room, 315, won second place with an average of 84.1, while Paul Frazier's home room, 200, with an 82.1 average, was the third ranking class.

The first six weeks of the semester, Miss Moore's class achieved the award, and Miss Mitchell's room was runner-up.

The scholastic averages determining the winning classes are based on the number of A's, B's, C's, D's and F's in each home room multiplied by their respective values.

Second Fiddle Vacancies Filled by Paul Frazier

Three cast vacancies of "Second Fiddle," comedy drama by Guernsey LePelly, scheduled to be presented in January by the high school dramatics group, were filled yesterday by Paul Frazier, dramatic director.

Filling the vacancies created by the resignations of Joyce Pope, the other woman in the play, Dorothy Snyder, an aunt of the heroine, and Annie Laurie Bennett, a friend of the heroine, will be Alice Trosper, as the aunt, Barbara Bond, as the other woman; and Jean Dinwidie, as a friend of the heroine.

G. H. S. Boys Give Lives for Country

First of Senior high boys to give their lives in World War II, a war entered only last week following the dastardly Japanese attack on Hawaii, were 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.

Parents of each boy received a telegram Tuesday stating that their son "has been lost in action in performance of his duty to his country."

Officials of the school express great regret at the heroic death of Miller, who left the school in 1940, and of Glenn, who left in 1929, but they also express the feeling of solemn honor at this contribution to this country's defense by alumni of Senior high.

Dr. Ezra Weis To Talk To Junior Music Club

Dr. Ezra Weis, head of the music department at Guilford college, will speak on the subject, "Music as a profession," during a meeting of the junior music club on December 22.

Local School Journal Receives High Rating

Because the 1941 scorebook used by the National Scholastic Press association was very much different from its predecessors, High Life, Greensboro Senior high school publication, has been awarded a First Class rating rather than the All-American honor which it received for the school year ending June, 1940.

According to a letter received by Mrs. Olive Betts, advisor for the journal, the lowered rating does not necessarily mean that last year's paper was below its standard of the previous term. On the contrary, the 1941 High Life scored more points than did the publication of the year before.

Ratings Made on Comparative Basis

However, the letter points out that ratings have been made on a comparative basis, and "the higher scores with a new scorebook do not necessarily mean a higher rating."

Ring the bell for a total of 880 points out of a possible 1,125. High Life was a high scorer in the Critical Service offered by the N.S.P.A.

The journal received 200 points out of a possible 250 in the department called "News Values and Scores." Other scores are as follows: 265 points of a possible 340 in Newswriting and Editing, 265 of a possible 265 in Headlines, Typography and Makeup, and 210 points out of 270 in Department Pages and Special Features.

'Marco Polo's Adventures' Presented by Civic Group

"Marco Polo's Adventures," an opera, was presented by the Junior Civic Music association last week at Aycock auditorium.

Members of the cast, which included professional talent, were "Enrico," a gondolier, Albert Gifford; "Nicki," Dale Letter; "Marco Polo," Don Keefer; "Barto Polo," Nicki's father, Richard Woodworth; "Christina," Barto's wife, Cecile Sherman; "Nicolo Polo," Marco's father, Barry Mahool; "Ching," Nicolo's friend and servant, Charles Tate; and "Madelena," servant to Christina, Dorothy Lysagb.

This production was the second in a series of musical presentations sponsored by the junior civic music clubs.

Christmas Pageant Features Twenty-Three Senior Students

State Legion Sponsors Oratorical Tournament

Sponsored by the North Carolina American Legion department, a state-wide oratorical contest for high school students will begin March 11, according to an announcement made by Victor R. Joimson, department chairman, December 9.

The contest will be open to boys or girls in the ninth, tenth, eleventh or twelfth grades of any North Carolina accredited high school. Each school entering the competition must select a delegate for the contest to be held between March 11 and 13.

District Elimination March 20

On March 18-20 district champions will be determined. The sectional winners will be chosen from March 30 to April 3.

Composed of two parts, the oration contest will consist of a prepared debate on the United States constitution and an extemporaneous oration on some phase of the bill of rights.

A four-year college scholarship valued at \$4,000 will be awarded the nation-wide champion. Each sectional winner will be presented with a gold medal.

'I Took Shorthand At Point Of Gun,' Says Crawford

"Taking dictation with a 45-caliber revolver pointed at me probably rates as the most breath-taking incident in my career," declared James T. Crawford, shorthand and typing instructor at Woman's college and Senior high, in a talk to the commercial club last week.

Describing the event, Crawford explained that while he worked at the F.B.I. building in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a special agent, having just completed an important government case, nonchalantly deposited his gun on the desk where Crawford was nervously completing his dictation.

Although he expressed the doubt that many of his audience would be forced to take dictation under such a handicap, Crawford warned the club members to be prepared to take notes under any conditions, stating he once took some important letters while dropping 27 stories in an express elevator.

Carelessness Greatest Evil

"If you would be successful," commented the instructor, "you must remember that carelessness is the greatest mistake a stenographer can make." As an example he explained that one secretary mailed her shorthand notes instead of the transcription of an important letter to a bank where no one could decipher her notes, thus losing a great deal of time.

In conclusion the speaker warned the girls to remember the little things, for they count a great deal in stenographic work.

Five Students Feature Speech Club At W. C.

Illustrating five forms of public speaking other than debating, five members of the local forensic group presented a program for the Speech club at Woman's college, Wednesday, December 10.

The five students taking part and their presentations include Neil Beard, after dinner speech; Herbert Hattaway, impromptu speech; Paul Miller, extemporaneous speech; Martha Ann Moore, humorous reading and Edgar Alston, declamation.

In the annual Christmas pageant presented this morning by members of the senior class, Barbara Bond and Lowrey Stafford portrayed the leading roles with their characterization of Mary and Joseph.

The production, under the direction of Mrs. Emma Sharpe Avery, was staged last night for the P. T. A. meeting and was given again this morning at 9 o'clock for the members of the student body.

Contrary to the usual procedure, only one reader, Paul Miller, was in the production. In the past years two persons have shared honors in this position.

Charles Vache took the part of the Angel Gabriel this morning and Mel Alexander and Mary Lynn Lewis appeared as cherubims at the manger in the nativity scene.

Others in Cast

Others in the cast included Kenneth Kriegsmann, Willis Highfill, Norman Black, and Thomas Alspaugh as shepherds in the fields, and Vander Liles, Oscar Sapp and Jack Watson in the parts of the three Wise Men.

Peggy Clendenin, Betty Clement, Polly Armfield, Evelyn Pierce, Mary Louise Bowden, Helen Marks, Virginia Stoffel, Ann Newton, Virginia Peoples, Kathryn Harris, and Doris Bain portrayed the parts of angels in the pageant.

Music for the production was supplied by the school's capella choir under the direction of E. Raymond Briez. However, an unusual feature of the program was the solo on the golden bells by Kathryn Le Stourgeon, student from Lindley elementary school; a violin solo by Hugh Altwater, former high school student; and a vocal solo by Erin Neese, tenor.

Eight Students Attend Debating Tournament

When Reynolds high school in Winston-Salem had a practice speech and debate contest last Saturday, eight members of the Senior high forensic society and their coach, Miss Mozelle Causey, attended.

Tying for first place with Alice Goldberg of Winston-Salem, Paul Miller, president of the local club, was among the eight from Greensboro. The other members were Herbert Hattaway, Neil Beard, Rachael Whiteside, Bill Lambert, Bobby Lloyd, Edgar Alston and John Taylor.

In sponsoring these practice debates, the forensic clubs of the northwestern district gain experiences for the annual debating tournament held in the spring.

D. O. Students To Prepare Oral Vocational Surveys

That each member of the class might have the experience of appearing before an audience, diversified occupations students will make 10 minute talks concerning their respective jobs, Director George L. Sandvig declared today.

Mr. Sandvig said that such talks would not only give the individual student practice in speech making, but would also help him in preparing oral compositions. Such topics as "Journalism as a Career," "Office Practices," "Adventures in Radio," "Teeth Talk," "The Cinema" and "Pursuits in Dairy-ling" will be discussed by the 18 workers.

Many of the pupils will prepare their talks after the Christmas holidays, Mr. Sandvig said. Two have already been presented to the group.