

# Sparks of Genius Catch As Bennie Writes Story

Someone, what shall I do? I've thought and thought, looked and looked, and walked and walked. But I still can't find a present for mother's birthday. Please help me.

Thus, senior, Bennie Lowe, appealed to her friends for the solution to the dreadful problem confronting her.

However, after a glance at the amazed faces of the friends, Bennie decided she must solve the jig-saw alone. Therefore she stopped, thought and applied—a touch of genius.

So when her maternal relative arrived home that afternoon, she presented her mother with the following illustrated verses.

Mother, I have racked my brain.  
I've thought and thought and thought,  
And all my pain has been in vain,  
Your present isn't bought.



So finally I just despaired  
And so as I sat distraught  
My feverish brain  
Leapt once again  
The spark of genius caught.

I sat to work with paints and pen,  
With energy untold,  
Since I could cope  
Again with hope  
This story did unfold . . .

I've looked at night gowns, gloves and hose

I've looked at books and candy:  
Some things I've seen were sensible  
And some would come in handy.



I've looked for gifts both high and low  
Until I am quite through;  
I could not find your gift and so  
I've left it up to you.

P. S.—Daddy helped too!



## Chemistry Club Performs Silver Plating Experiment

Amid the sounds of bubbling chemicals and rattling test tubes, Mrs. Estelle LeGwin's Chemistry club began the arduous task of silver plating a vanity set in the chemistry "lab" recently.

A tank, containing the articles to be silver-plated and silver cyanide, was filled with water. Batteries placed immediately outside the tank were connected by wires to the vanity set. By the use of a direct current, the chemical reaction which took place caused the articles to be coated with silver.

The club is planning to feature several speakers, excursions, movies and other experiments which will add to their knowledge of chemistry in this spring's calendar.

## State Board To Have Annual Art Exhibition

Under the supervision of the art boards at Woman's college and the University of North Carolina, the schools and colleges of the state will present the fifth annual art exhibition at the Art center, Greensboro, and the Person hall gallery, Chapel Hill, March 16-31.

The purpose of the exhibition is to promote the teaching of art and to encourage art production in the schools and colleges of North Carolina. By circulation of the exhibition after the initial showing, it will be possible to acquaint both teachers and pupils with the work being done in other schools and to stimulate both art teaching and art production to a wider scope and a higher level.

### To Feature Local Work

The work of the following students and alumni will be entered in the exhibition: Douglass Hunt, David Evans, Gene Thornton, Richard Kiser, Billy Carr, Rachael Whiteside, Kenna Beall, Katherine Winn, Billie Jean Phillips, Dacia Lewis, Dorothy Gwyn, Mack Pearson, John Taylor, Buddy Nolan, Russell Creveston, Willard Thomas, Jack Martin, Peggy Clendenin, Margie Kellam, Eva Stalk, Mildred Taylor, Bill Simmons, Polly Chaborn, Lois Finch, Dora Kirkpatrick, J. R. Lackey, Doris Smitherman, Lou Ellen Duncan, Ralph Cole, Charlotte Graham, Virginia C. Davis, Rose Holderfield, Ed York, Harold Keels, J. P. Williams, Marshall Adams and William Cavan.

## Importance of Milk Stressed by Umpstead

"Milk is important to the development of teeth, bones and muscles," declared Miss Jane Umpstead, head of the Dairy Council of Greensboro and High Point, in beginning her talk to the food units class, supervised by Miss Cleo Brendle, February 23.

Miss Umpstead said that in times of war, as now, disease spreads so rapidly, that everyone should eat the right foods and drink plenty of milk. She also showed two films, "Behind the Smiles" and "Fusky and Skinny."

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## Arts Association Holds Annual Meeting Here

For the first time in its history, the Southeastern Arts association is holding its annual meeting in Greensboro, with headquarters at the O. Henry hotel. Between five and six hundred people are here for the event, which began yesterday and will continue through tomorrow.

Yesterday, members of the association observed classes in all the city schools, later making a tour of the city. Mrs. Mary Leath Stuart, former art supervisor of the city schools, is serving as general chairman, while Miss Margaret Moser, local school coordinator, is undertaking the task of chairman of the information bureau.

## Carolina Takes Meet; McKeever Triumphs

Carolina's grapplers, coached by Percy (Chuck) Quinlan, copped the Southern conference wrestling meet, Saturday night, February 28, at Greensboro's armory, thus breaking Washington and Lee's winning streak of two victories in the past two meets.

Of the five Carolina fighters in the finals, two won individual titles, totaling 20 points. Virginia Military institute placed second with 28 points, two back of the champions, while the defending champions, Washington and Lee trailed in third place with 22 points.

### McKeever Triumphs

Hebart McKeever, former state champion wrestler at Greensboro high, upset Bud Robb, defending champion, who defeated McKeever in the finals last year. Robb has been victorious in the last three matches but last Saturday night he was defeated.

In the feature match of the evening between Duke's Weddie Huffman and Jim Dorier, of V. M. I., the Virginian gained a victory in an over-time match.

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# Japs Hold C. W. Brimmer, Former G. H. S. Student

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PICTURED ABOVE is Marine Corporal Charles Walter Brimmer, who, so far as is known, is the first Greensboro boy to be captured by the Japanese.

Navy department officials announced February 19 that Japanese forces had captured Corporal Charles Walton Brimmer, United States marine and former Greensboro Senior high school student, whose parents reside at 1810 Rolling Road.

Brimmer attended Senior high school during 1929, 1930 and 1931. After he left Greensboro high, he traveled to California where he enlisted in the United States Marine corps in 1934.

For the five years following his enlistment Brimmer was dispatched to Asiatic and Pacific duties, including assignments at Hawaii, Midway, Wake, Guam, Samoa and the Philippine islands.

### First Promotion in 1939

In 1939 the Marine corps promoted Private Brimmer to Corporal. He was then transferred to China where he formed part of the American embassy guard at Peiping.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin H. Brimmer, received a letter from him in October stating that marine officials had placed him in charge of the post office at the Peiping embassy and that he had received papers qualifying him for the rank of sergeant.

Before he received his promotion to sergeant, Brimmer and his comrades at the embassy at Peiping, China, were seized by the Japanese army on December 7 with the outbreak of war in the Pacific.

## Mariner Scouts Achieve Rating of "Jack Tar"

All 12 members of the Mariner scout troop are entitled to their "jack-tar" rank, according to an announcement made last week by Miss Mary Lee Alsbrook and Mrs. Arnold Schiffman, skippers of the land ship.

The girls, all local school students, will immediately begin working on their next rank. One of the requirements for the rank is the Red Cross junior life-saving course. The group will begin swimming next week at the Y. W. C. A., and those girls who have not already completed the course will do so. They will also begin the Red Cross first aid course, given to them by Mrs. Schiffman.

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