

Hard Facts:

Concerning 'Mr. Back Page' By DON HARDISON

Well, the annual contest to elect a Miss Front Page of 1948 is over and long-pasted, though not forgotten. Now I know, as all of you should, that ever since that fateful day of August 26, 1930, when the "weaker" sex of our race were officially given the suffrage in America, they have held themselves in pretty high esteem. And I have, too, partially.

To get back to the subject . . . it seems only appropriate, now that the Miss Front Page contest is over, that we should conduct a similar contest to elect that boy who most truthfully represents the average male at Senior, and give him the all-supreme title of Mr. Back Page (or, Mr. Rear Page, if you insist.)

So in order that you might acquaint yourself with a few of the popular traits and customs and characteristics and what have you of some of our more . . . er, shall we say . . . deserving boys, here is a list, for your consternation, of the candidates for Mr. Back Page and a few of their traits and customs and characteristics and what have you.

- 1. Standing for integrity is Wright Archer.
2. Representing Washington St. for skill and marksmanship is Junior Dornself.
3. A truthful reflection of honesty and might is David Breedon.

4. Skill belongs to "Looney-Booney" Boone.

5. For the fine art of self-expression, Doug Maynard is nominated. Forcefulness is the title captured by Bobby Ralls.

7. Soberness of mind and body goes to Dick McCuiston and Bob Watson.

8. For timidity and elusiveness (which wows the girls) is Lacy Lucas, as nominated by John Story.

9. Top honors for stability and an open mind are awarded Frank Barranger.

10. Slarvoyance is taken by Harry Bryant.

11. Ability and fleetness of foot is bestowed upon Robert Carlson.

There they are, the candidates for Mr. Back Page, none are guaranteed without the label of the manufacturer on each and every one. Accept no substitutes! Vote for only one, not more than twelve. Votes are five cents each or two for a quarter. Your reporter is in charge of all ballots, which incidentally, must be turned in before mid-night tomorrow, or, at the latest, tonight at nine . . . to be valid.

Then there was the plane geometry teacher who, after he had passed out the test papers, bowed his head and said, "In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen."

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"You'll be the prettiest girl in the Easter parade"— IF you shop at ELLIS-STONE'S. Have you decided what you're going to buy yet? If you have, that's swell; but if you haven't, then you'd better start hunting.
"Oh, what a lovely scarf!" That's what you'll hear when you buy one of those new spring scarfs at ELLIS-STONE'S. They're only \$2.95, and they're PURE silk. Take your choice of all possible combinations of colors and designs. (They come in handy on a windy day, especially if you have straight hair!)
Of course, you'll need some new gloves to wear with your Easter outfit. Here are a few of the colors that you can buy them in: brown, tan, purple, red, green, and white. Price? Just \$2.50. Why not buy two pair? Aren't hats expensive, though? Well, don't let the price stop you. MAKE your own and decorate it with flowers. At ELLIS-STONE'S you can buy these colorful arrays of flowers from 59c to \$2.95. So, be smart and create your own Easter bonnet. At least it will be original (sarcasm?).
Have you ever thought of the many different ways that you can arrange a handkerchief? It can add a touch of color to a plain dress or several of them can be made into a darling "tea time" apron. ELLIS-STONE'S has lace "hankies," gaily printed ones, solid color linen ones, etc., from 59c on up. Remember, too, that they make nice gifts.
Every girl loves new lipstick, especially if it's Prince Matchabelli. ELLIS-STONE'S now has a \$2.50 value Prince Matchabelli "Pretty Pink" lipstick and face powder for only \$2. Why not "browse" around a bit and choose a new shade of lipstick for yourself? It will really give you a lift, too!
The jewelry counter at ELLIS-STONE'S certainly attracts a lot of attention. It never seems to lack customers. And no wonder—after you look at the beautiful array of "glitter," you'll never have the will power to walk away empty handed. (Of course, you gotta pay for it!)
On one table is displayed earrings, bracelets, pins, hairclaps, etc., for just \$1. Don't forget to go by and see this spring jewelry.
Looking for a snazzy suit? In ELLIS-STONE'S window is a darling two-piece. The long-sleeved coat has a full, swinging back and is double-breasted with six novelty buttons. The pockets are inserted. Of course, the skirt is Ballerina style. Pink is the color of this outfit.
So long for now! And remember, stay in the latest styles by shopping at ELLIS-STONE'S, the store of smart shoppers. (ADVERTISEMENT)

Birds Fly Over the Rainbow; But That's Just About All This One Hasn't Done

Yes, birds fly over the rainbow, but this particular bird has never flown any higher or faster than the mountains of western North Carolina where he was born and lived a good number of years after that event. When Mr. C. R. Bird, who teaches biology here, was asked whether or not he had any interesting experiences in his "mountain days," he replied that he had, certainly, and then commenced a long, interesting narrative about his youthful days in the hills.

It seems that back around 1920 the farmers of the hill regions in North Carolina were just a trifle loath to bother with raising pastures for their cattle, so they stuck a brand, or some other insignia of identification, on their cow's hide and turned them loose in the mountains to do the best for themselves that they could. Of course when the summer months were over the cattle had to be rounded up and brought back to their barns for the winter. And Mr. Bird remembers one of these "round up" times a little better than any of the others.

Well, one fall a group of the local farmers got together and started off into the hills to round up some of their cattle. Mr. Bird was one of that group; just as was an old, slightly superstitious darky. Now there was one thing about the old darky that you must know: he had more fear for rattle snakes than he did either God or Satan and in turn, the hardy mountain folk loved a little prankery more than they did either Satan or Woodrow Wilson.

After a hard day's work on the mountain slopes rounding up their cattle, the men came back to their camp on a hill side just as the sun was going down. The old



MR. C. R. BIRD

darky flopped down beside the fire and promptly went to sleep. It just so happened that one of the boys had killed a large fat rattle snake that afternoon, and had been thoughtful enough to have thrown it away.

The old darky lay there before the fire, snoring peacefully away, the spitten image of Mr. Peacefulness. Several of the boys took the dead snake and tied it to one of the darky's boot laces, and wound it up in a coil beside him as he slept. Then they started shouting at the tops of their lungs: "Rattler! Rattler!"

The old darky groaned a couple of times and then came to with a start. The boys pointed in feigned awe at the coiled snake at the darky's side. Mr. Bird says that at this point, the old darky didn't seem to know what was best:

Ernest Shelton Elected Home Ec Class Head

Since the procedure of the new course formed this semester at Greensboro High under the direction of Miss Mary York, head of the Home Economics Department, is being made as democratic as possible, the class has elected four officers: President, Ernest Shelton; Vice-president, Barry Farber; Secretary, Barbara Duvivant; Treasurer, Bobby Crews; plus two other members to form a Steering committee: Jennie Lee Moser and Nellie Smith. Purpose of this course is to help thing through issues involved in achieving satisfying, responsible family and community living both at present and in the future.

The Steering committee will work closely with the teacher in seeking to summarize and promote the needs of the group.

This class works as a discussion group the greater part of the time and at other times panel discussions, reports, outside speakers, and movies are being planned. A brief autobiography has been written by each member to be used as a guide for conference with Miss York.

Many other high school classes in similar courses are finding such study of great value to parents as well as to themselves.

Memorial Fountains Will Be Erected

The memorial to be decided to John Laubheimer, Rankin Owen, and Clinton Princell, all of whom met with traffic deaths last year, will be in the form of two fountains which will be placed on either side of the main building. At the Student Council meeting held February 24, it was decided.

Plans were drawn up concerning the Youth Center. Council members will visit each home-room to find out the number of students who are not members. Efforts will be made to increase the number of members.

Arrangements have been made for a local paper drive to take place on March 15-22.

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whether to cry or go blind. But finally he leapt to his feet with a bound and took off down the mountain side for all he was worth. Every time he would glance around to see if the snake had decided to give up the chase, he would see the wisping form of the deadly though dead rattler behind him and would quicken his step. Finally he got so tired running that he flung himself down on the ground in resignation and awaited the fearful rattle which would mean that the snake was about to strike. Of course he never heard it, but Mr. Bird says the day was remembered for many a long year.

Mr. Bird says that the most interesting character he ever met up with was an old, somewhat eccentric mountaineer who called himself Old Jim O'Dear. Now Old Jim O'Dear had quite a notorious reputation among the mountain folk as being a weaver of tale and unbelievable tales. For instance, Old Jim said the biggest apples he had ever seen grew right smack in the top of a towering sycamore tree. Big, nice apples they were, too. But they were so high up in the tree that when they ripened and fell to the ground, they burst into a thousand pieces. Old Jim had seen his share of the pumpkin, too, Mr. Bird says. Just about the biggest pumpkins Old Jim ever saw grew in a river bed. The farmer who raised the giant things, planted the seeds on one side of the river and the vines grew clear across the other side, where the finished product was so large that it took a full grown hog a whole day to eat the inside from one pumpkin. After eating a day on one pumpkin, the hogs would be so tired that they would crawl into the hollowed out shell and spend the night.

Well, this could go on forever, because Mr. Bird probably will go on forever with tale after tale of the hundred-sided life he has so ready lived.

Browne Heads Meeting Of Vocational Conference

Miss Lucile Browne, president of the State Supervisors of Trade and Industrial Education Association presided at the District Vocational Conference annual meeting held March 10 at Bliss Restaurant.

Consisting of 40 vocational teachers and supervisors of the North west region of North Carolina, the organization has its secretary Mrs. Grace B. Wilson. The program was in the form of an open forum discussion with "Certification of Teachers" the subject. Leaders of the forum were Mr. Fred Carlson, Greensboro; Mr. Ralph Vance, High Point; and George Coggins, Raleigh. Dinner music was furnished by students of GHS.

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