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## Torchlight Holds Tapping Service

### Senator Clyde R. Hoey Talks on Democracy

Clyde R. Hoey, North Carolina Senator from Shelby, and Chairman of the Senate Investigation Committee, spoke on the general theme of American Education Week, "Making Democracy Work," at a Professional Dinner, November 7, 1949, at Greensboro College. Luther R. Medlin was toastmaster. Invocation was by Rev. Carl Herman. Superintendent of Greensboro Public Schools, Ben L. Smith, introduced the speaker. Principals, supervisors, and classroom teachers of Greensboro attended.

#### Week Is November 6-12

Throughout November 6-12, the dates set aside for American Education Week, radio and such other programs were presented on daily topics by schools of the city. The dinner was one of such programs.

In the beginning of Mr. Hoey's address, he stated that education in North Carolina began in earnest in 1901—\$100,000,000 was appropriated for this purpose. Later the Equalization Fund was founded to help carry this forward to a greater extent.

Mr. Hoey said, "I believe that America needs to assume the responsibility of education for the youth of America. I supported the bill for Federal Aid to Education because it is a just and fair measure. It was founded upon the need of the section."

"I wanted to vote for some measure," he added, "which would give North Carolina as much appropriation as other sections. This bill would give the largest amount where there is the greatest need. It includes salary, classroom, material, and citizenship."

Mr. Hoey told his listeners that the Government should not enter private enterprise to a large extent. "Education is a national matter," he declared.

#### Talks On Federal Aid

Senator Hoey said that many people oppose Federal Aid because it would dictate instructional program and dominate the ideas of philosophies of education. Private schools would not get any benefit from this measure.

"It should remain a state responsibility, and the state should have absolute control of supervision and administration of public schools."

The state would be able to use the money for education, the same as tax money is used by the state.

#### Buses and Health Provided

Two things the state provides are school buses and health programs. Under the Federal Aid bill extra services such as physical examinations and bus transportation could be added.

"I have visualized the day when North Carolina would have greater educational opportunities," replied Mr. Hoey.

Senator Hoey said, that in the classrooms, students needed to be taught the principles that have made our country great, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, etc. "Youth should get a great inspiration from the past," he added.

### Deskins, Gooch Play In Local Concert

The Greensboro Orchestra will give a concert at Aycock Auditorium on Sunday, November 20, at 4:30 p. m.

Selections to be performed are "Toccatto," written by Giralamo Frescobaldi, Poeme Opus 25, Suite for String orchestra and Symphony No. 101 ("The Clock").

Students from Greensboro High School taking part in the concert this Sunday are Julia Leskins and Jack Gooch.



Shown above are the old members of Torchlight following the induction of new members during the Social Standards Day program. Left to right they are: Scholarship, David Bradley; Leadership; Eleanor Wrenn; Torchlight, Sue Purdom; Service, Carolyn Birgel; and Character, Carole Williams.

(Photo by Mansfield)

### Torchlight Inducts Fourteen Students

The traditional tapping ceremony of the Torchlight Society was held in the morning assembly program on Social Standards Day. The event came as a surprise to the student body, as is the custom here at Senior. Fourteen members of the Senior class were inducted at this time.

#### New Members Named

The new members are: Anne Allred, Nancy Benson, Hope Brown, Dorothy Deckard, Anne Edwards, Billy Ferguson, Nancy Lou Faust, Doris Hill, Tom Neal, Alec Panas, James Robertson, Edith Trospier, Fred Upchurch, and Roland Wiseman.

Students who were inducted into the Chapter last spring participated in the ritual prior to the tapping. Sue Purdom had the presiding role; Service was Carolyn Birgel; Character, Carole Williams; Scholarship, David Bradley, and Leadership, Eleanor Wrenn. Annie Laurie Rogers, a glee-club student, sang "Ave Maria." The members taking part in the ceremony wore white robes, newly purchased by the Chapter.

Parents of students to be tapped were notified early that morning, and a few of these were able to attend the ceremony.

#### Qualifications Stated

In order to be eligible for membership in the society, a student must have maintained a scholastic average of at least ninety per cent throughout his high school career. Other requirements which a pupil must meet before he can be inducted are: he must have definite proven qualities of leadership; he must be of good character; he must render some service to his school and community.

A list of eligible students is compiled and they are voted upon by the Senior class, the teachers and the members of Torchlight, in that order. The final list must be accepted by Principal Routh.

### Musicians to Present Program On Dec. 1, 2

The choir and orchestra of G. H. S. will present an original play, "Tragedy in the Tavern" or "The Fearful Fate of Gentle Jennie." A matinee of this production will be given on December 1 and a night performance is scheduled for December 2.

The play which is completely original takes place toward the end of the nineteenth century in the middle west. The main characters are as follows: Rollins, the hero, Roger Jewett; Jennie, the heroine, Mary Jane Korngay; Rudolph, the villain, Bobby Murray; the tavern owner, Carey Gibbs; the ballad singer, Keith Bowman.

Specialty acts include a real "murder" on the stage, a black-face act, a can-can number, tavern quartet, a trio by three maids who waited too long, and other outstanding features.

Tickets to the performance will go on sale next week before the Thanksgiving holidays. Students may secure tickets from either choir or orchestra members. Matinee tickets are 25c and night tickets are 50c.

### Dot Deckard Enters Poetry Contest

Dorothy Deckard entered a poem entitled "St. Patrick" to the Poetry Digest Annual Anthology of Verse, 1949 Edition. Her poem was accepted and will appear in the 1949 Anthology. This is a society which accepts poems from all over the United States and publishes them in their annual book.

### Dr. Redhead Speaks To General Assembly

A short sketch of the points outlined by Dr. John A. Redhead, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church are given below. Dr. Redhead addressed the general assembly on Social Standards Day, November 9.

"If you want to achieve you have got to have the desire to do well," said John A. Redhead, "and if you are going to achieve you've got to know something, do something, be something. Those who achieve eminence are characterized, not only by ability, but persistence, faith in themselves and good character."

"The secret of persistence is PURPOSE," he continued. "The world stands aside to let a man pass who KNOWS where he is going."

"Success comes in cans, failure in can'ts. Never overestimate yourself in your official report, but never underestimate yourself in action."

### Upchurch Announces "Mop-Up" Campaign

Fred Upchurch, editor of the WHIRLIGIG has announced that there will be a "mop-up" campaign for sale of the annual. At that time the year-books will be sold for (\$4.00). This campaign will last for only two days and will run in the early part of January.

After that time no other subscriptions to the annual will be accepted.

### Librarians Entertain at Tea Emphasizing Book Week

The librarians and library assistants of Senior High held a tea in honor of bookweek Wednesday, November 16 in the library.

Among the many guests of the tea were Mr. Richard Chase and Miss Mary Gould Davis who will speak to English classes today. Other guests include the City librarians, the faculty of Senior High and Proprietors of local book shops.

Mr. Chase, who has written several books on folk lore, will be at the Youth Center tonight for the folk festival.

### Five Seniors Are Selected For Appearance on WBIG

The five winners of the Student Forum for Safety Contest from Senior High School are as follows: Hutson Moody, Marvin Perrin, Fred Upchurch, Ann Edwards, and Bill Lippard. They were chosen by judges of the Contest Committee on the merit of their test papers, which they took in their English classes.

These Seniors will compete with winners from other schools in North Carolina for the finale winner. The grand prize is a four-year \$1,000

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Ann Edwards, a Senior at GHS has been named to compete in the finale program of the Student Forum for Safety Contest, currently being sponsored in the state. She is now eligible for the \$1,000 scholarship.

college scholarship at the college of his or her own choosing, in the amount of \$250 yearly. A four-year college scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be presented as a second-place award, with \$125 yearly.

#### Ten-Week Contest

The contest will run for ten weeks. During this time, the winning Seniors from all the schools will appear at different appointed times on the Radio Safety Quiz program, which may be heard over WBIG at 4:30 on Sunday afternoons.

A winning participant will be chosen from each weekly quiz program. At the end of these broadcasts, the ten winners will be taken to Charlotte, where they will appear over Radio Station WBT. A finale winner will be chosen from this broadcast.

Besides the scholarship awards, there will be other valuable 3rd, 4th and 5th prize awards.

#### Upchurch Appears

Winning Seniors, chosen from the schools, will be notified where they are to appear over the radio. Fred Upchurch, from Senior High, has been notified to appear November 20, 1949, over WBIG.

Only 1950 high school graduating Seniors in the State of North Carolina were eligible to take the Safety Test.