

Rededication

Somewhere in the history of High Life a wise editor and his staff, realizing the necessity and importance of an inspired, purposeful editorial policy, penned this most appropriate platform and attempted to follow it throughout the entire publication.

Get and preserve the history of our school.

Hold individuals together under high standards.

Separate the worthwhile from the worthless and promote the highest interest of students, teachers, and school.

A Gym Dandy

The long awaited, the badly needed, the answer to Senior's long and securely founded plea, is to be a reality. At the beginning of the 1953-54 school term, possibly, the doors of a beautifully designed and sturdily constructed gymnasium will be opened to the students of one of the states best equipped and most progressive schools.

This new building will replace the crumbling and condemned structure which has dangerously and often doubtfully housed Greensboro's outstanding basketball team and its endangered but enthusiastic spectators for several years.

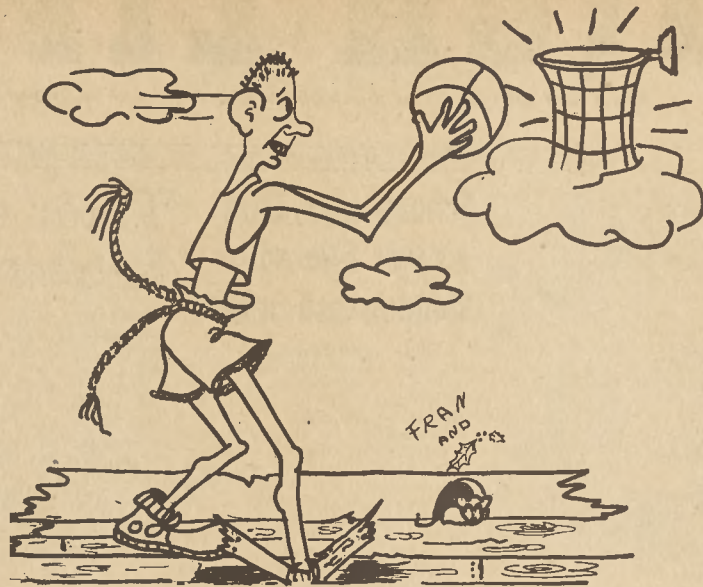
With the christening of this fulfillment of great expectations Senior High School students will have another feature of which they may be justly proud. Although some of us may never enter the gym as members of this student body, we shall join all to come in gratitude to the wise and experienced administration, school board, and state officials who have realized our need; they who will continue to plan, discuss, and design until that need becomes another asset.

After the construction is completed, it's all ours — the enjoyment, the school spirit, the fun, and the responsibility of upholding our pride by giving our support to the projects which the gym may shelter. We feel that such a necessary facility will boost progress on both the school campus and in the entire community.

Thanks Be to Him

For weeks you've expectantly awaited the arrival of Thanksgiving Day. Why?

Because of the family's reunion around the groaning dining room table laden with the evenly browned turkey, crimson cranberry sauce, spicy pumpkin pie? Because



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of the first official holiday of the school year? Because HE is coming home from Duke or Carolina or the service for the week end? Because Thanksgiving means only 30 days until Christmas?

Or will you really seriously ponder your many blessings on the day that has increased in depth of meaning since the sacrifices of the Pilgrims? Above all, you, the youth of America, can picture the innocent, uncomplicated gifts of democracy—love; friendships; free education; religious freedom, the freedom of the press; comfortable, unplundered homes; peaceful, sleepy nights; clear, cool Autumn days; the softness of snow; the gentleness of rain; privacy and triumph of original thoughts; a hot dog after Friday night's thrilling game; the serenity and comfort in your minister's sermon; the bank account that insures your college education; the breath-taking view from a mountain top.

Will you take Thanksgiving as a day for gratitude and dedication and take your thanks to the One Who has bestowed these blessings upon you and your nation?

To Honor and Uphold

We offer our heartiest congratulations to the new members of Quill and Scroll. As this organization is an International Honor Society, its standards should be, and are, very high; requiring of prospective members much the same qualifications as does Torchlight, National Honor Society. However, inactivity has long marked the name of Quill and Scroll and we look to these and future journalists to uplift the name and standing to their rightful, honored place in school activity; someday to rand with its sister organization, Torchlight.

Awareness—Maturity

Are you aware of your surroundings, of the people who so unnoticeably but necessarily make your life a little brighter, the building which houses you for the most part of your young life? In other words, do you know your school and the people who make that school what it is?

It is one of HIGH LIFE's purposes to acquaint you with the facts and faces of those who contribute so much to your school life, both students and teachers. From time to time we will attempt to bring to your attention the names and notes of dignitaries and ordinary folks. In doing so we hope to stimulate the interest and spirit that you, the student, have in your school life. "Awareness IS maturity."

Your Opinion

By Alfred Williams

High school students are usually a crazy crew, but at certain times of the year they can be serious. Thanksgiving is one of these times. Below several students express their opinion of thankfulness on this occasion.

Thanksgiving! The orators and the ministers will tell us that we have a priceless heritage—freedom, and for this we are thankful. Actually, this matter of thankfulness takes in so many little things that we, the American people, seldom stop to consider. Our nation—where every boy and girl may play, study and dream to their hearts' content; where banker and bum sit side by side in a ball park and boo the umpire and yet love and are a part of this much-loved sport; where families or couples ride roller coasters and eat hot dogs at amusement parks and fairs—where heated words fly in political campaigns, and men and women unite under the newly-elected leader.

This is our land where rich and poor, regardless of nationality, race, or creed; work, worship, and live together as one people. That these things may be kept and cherished; may we, students of America, bow in prayer to Almighty God this Thanksgiving Day.

Alan Sharp.

The first thing that comes into our minds when we think about Thanksgiving are the holidays, turkeys, and pumpkin pie; but there is more to this day than that. We in America must be ever mindful of the victories of the land that our forefathers fought and died for. This day was set apart for the giving of thanks to God.

We are endowed with many blessings. The things we should be thankful for are very appropriately worded in this poem by Ellen Tupper:

For all that God in mercy sends, For health and strength, for home and friends,

For comfort in the time of need, For every kindly word and deed, For happy thoughts and pleasant talk, For guidance in our daily walk, For all these things give thank.

For beauty in this world of ours, For verdant grass and lovely flowers, For song of bird, for hum of bees, For the refreshing summer breeze, For hill and plain, for streams and woods, For the great ocean's mighty flood, For all these things give thanks.

For the sweet sleep that comes with night,

For the returning morning's light, For the bright sun which shines on high, For stars that glitter in the sky, For these and everything we see, O Lord, our hearts we lift to Thee, And give Thee hearty thanks.

David Dillard.

The true meaning of Thanksgiving is a day set aside to thank God for the blessing He has bestowed upon us. Sometimes I think that we don't exactly take it this way because it's not as realistic now as it was in the time of our forefathers. Now all we have to do is run down to the Super-Market and buy a turkey or some other food symbolic of Thanksgiving, and there's always the school holiday or maybe a trip to the country. We call all of these Thanksgivings. But the main things that we should do it to be thankful to God because we have something for which to be thankful. We live in a free and prosperous country. So when Thanksgiving comes around, I hope that we will look about us and realize that we have been blessed. Most of all, let us thank God.

Jimmy Jordan.

of the SMOKEY BIRD—Smoke ah Luuckeeey! With this terrifying thought in mind, I bid you farewell. Until next time (if there be one), take it easy.

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