

Contest Winners Offered \$6,575

Over \$6575 in first prize money is being offered in the various oratorical contests open to senior high school pupils.

February 15 is the deadline date for the American Legion Oration Contest on the Constitution. The prepared speech should be from 10-12 minutes and after this a four-six minute speech on one of the amendments which will be assigned at the contest. First state prize is \$500 and national prize is \$4000.

Patriotism Subject

A contest with the subject of patriotism is being sponsored by the Patriotic Order of the Sons of America. It should be a five-eight minute speech with any patriotic subject. Top prize in the state is \$75.

This contest is not open to any past winners. Senior's Barbara Massey has won it for the past two years and is thus ineligible.

Pythias Oration

Courteous Motor Manners and How to Promote Them is the theme of an oration sponsored by the Knights of the Pythias. The first prize is a \$1500 scholarship. The maximum time limit is 10 minutes. Barbara also won this contest last year.

A new contest sponsored by North Carolina bankers is called the Big Change. Entrants must write a 10 minute speech on the Progress of Industry in this county and submit it by February 22. \$1000 is offered as first prize.

World Peace Talk

A final oration is one on World Peace. It should be from 5-12 minutes. District winners receive an expense paid trip to the United Nations and Washington, D. C. The date for this oration has not been set as yet.

For any further information, one may see Miss Mozelle Causey, room 106.

Whirligig Marathon Over; Staff Takes A Breather

After the terror of mid-term exams loomed only the horror of February 2, the day which signified to the industrious, but dazed Whirligig internees that the long marathon which required reams of paper and forests of pencils to finish was at long last over.

The fog has lifted, but the un-Air Wickable odor of Carter's Cement glue remains an unforgettable reminder of the "dummy" that did get to press after all.

Bettie Jane Upchurch no longer stands in the middle of the first floor hall, eyes fixed in a glassy stare. She no longer needs to assure herself that the vivid objects dancing before her can't possibly be the late copy she was so certain of escorting to the printers in person.

Gone are the days Dan McConnell spent attempting to track down the culprit who simply signed his name "J. D." to the list that was necessary for attaching the proper name to the endless sheets of faces.

The mention of captions now brings only an atomic sigh from Joe Clapp, and Kitten Barringer no longer calmly utters the words that mean "that it is that something has done gone and went wrong."

The deadline has been met, and all is quiet on the Whirligig front.



The new gym has gone from the mud bog in the middle of the picture to the beams in the bottom. This skeleton just may get a covering by May, in time for graduation.

Civitan Present Honor Roll Pins To Three Decades Of Students

Over three decades ago the first honor roll pins were awarded to eligible students by the Civitan Club of Greensboro.

In 1921 the Civitans, looking for a way to reward students who had achieved superior standing scholastically, began the practice of presenting honor pins in bronze, silver, and gold to those who were placed on the honor roll consistently.

Distribution Changed

Today the pins are distributed in much the same way that they were 32 years ago. There have been several changes necessary as the school system has changed.

When there were four grades in the high school the pins were awarded on the basis of semester work; when there were three grades they were presented by years; and when only two grades were taught in high school the semester system was reinstated.

Present System

At the present time anyone making the honor roll is awarded a bronze star. After being on the roll for seven consecutive grading periods he is entitled to wear a silver star. Those who have made superior marks for 13 consecutive periods are given gold stars. At graduation, those seniors who hold gold stars are given stars to keep.

New Pins Bought

According to Mrs. Blanche Smith, chairman of the scholarship committee, the Civitan Club recently presented the school with \$250 worth of pins for use this year.

Gold stars have been presented to 32 seniors this term. Sixty-one seniors and juniors are wearing silver stars, and more than 100 students are eligible for bronze awards.

Students To Be Chosen For State-Wide Debates

Four students will be chosen to represent Senior High School in the state debate (Resolved that the President of the United States be elected by a direct vote of the people) to be held on March 26. Tryouts for the school debate team will be today.

Affirmative and negative teams of Greensboro, Reynolds, and High Point high schools will meet and debate on neutral grounds for the district contest.

Winners of the district controversy will meet with the winners of the other districts and compete for the state championship. Winners of the state debate will be presented with a gold loving cup for their school.

Sophomore Class Sales Net \$324 --- Mrs. Madlin

Receipts from the 21 home rooms mounted to \$324 at the conclusion of the Sophomore Class sales campaign, it was announced by Mrs. Mary Madlin, class adviser.

The goal of \$200 for the yearbook was exceeded by more than \$100, establishing a new record for sophomore sales.

Room 6 topped the list with \$114, capitalizing on the sale of monogrammed stationery. A close second was room 4 with \$104.

Sophomore sales representatives pushed gift wrapping paper, ribbons, stationery, and Christmas cards in their home rooms and those of upperclassmen.

Mrs. Blanche Smith, Miss Rowena Montague, Mr. Stanley Johnson, Miss Rebecca Frazier, and Mrs. Mary Madlin, members of the faculty committee, assisted the class officers in publishing and arranging sales campaigns.

Totals by home rooms are: room 2, \$35; room 4, \$104; room 6, \$114; room 9, \$39; room 13, \$25; room 15, \$88; room 20, \$40; room 21, \$40; room 22, \$19; room 25, \$49; room 60, \$44; room 201, \$45.

Students in the band room collected \$28; 302, \$58; 303, \$73; 304, \$79; 307, \$41; 309, \$57; 311, \$44; 313, \$53; and 315, \$79.

Three Seniors Told Of Superior Grades

Three seniors, Jimmy Atwater, Bob Phillips, and Charles Davis, have been notified that they made superior grades on the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps examination held at the school December 12.

This means that the boys must now pass a physical examination and a board of Navy officers. They must then file application for one of the NROTC colleges which are Duke and the University of North Carolina in North Carolina.

On being accepted into the NROTC, a boy receives a scholarship covering tuition, books and monthly allowances. In addition to the regular college courses, he takes Naval Science, and his training includes cruises each summer. After graduating from college, he may be called to serve three active years in the Navy and three more years in the Naval Reserve.

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