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ASSEMBLY PROGRAMS BOTH ENTERTAINING, EDUCATIONAL

The students of the Orange Street School from the first grades through the seventh grades have done a very fine job of displaying their individual talents during our weekly chapel programs. Under the guidance of the classroom teachers each class has produced programs that were both educational and entertaining.

All of us look forward to the weekly assembly programs because they are always very entertaining. We know that a great deal can be learned through such well-developed programs. I hope that we can continue to see good programs during the remaining of the school year.

Cornell Hamme
Special Editor

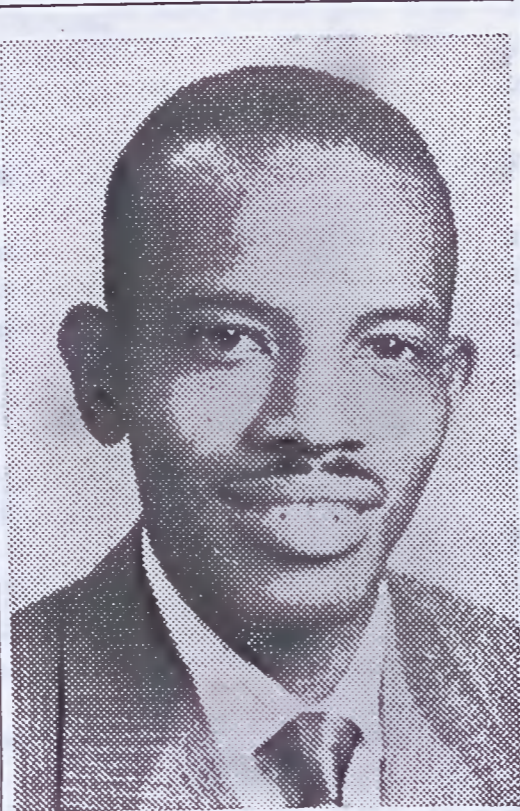
Student Council Elects Officers For 1952-53

The Student Council of Orange Street School is doing a very splendid job. We want to make Orange Street School the best in North Carolina by carrying on the work of the Student Council. Orange Street Graded School has elected officers, the following were elected:

President Helen Moss
Vice President .. Cornel Hamme
Secretary-Treasurer --- Mildred Norman
Assistant Secretary --- Brenda Anderson

Each class room has two representatives. The Student Council has been worked out into committees. Some of the committees are: Auditorium Committee, Lunch Room Committee, Building Committee, Safety Committee, Fire Committee, Good Manners Committee, Play Ground Committee and Health Committee. Our faculty advisors are Mrs. B. M. Reeding, Miss Betty J. Foster, and Mrs. A. K. Allen. The Student Council is a worthy citizenship organization.

Mildred Norman, Reporter



MR. JOHN H. LUCAS
Principal

Orange Street School Gets New Principal

Our new principal is Mr. John H. Lucas. His home is in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. He is a graduate of Shaw University and North Carolina College and is now studying for a degree at New York University. Before coming to Oxford, Mr. Lucas taught in Kinston, North Carolina where he made a fine record for himself. Last year he received an award as "The Man of the Year." He is a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He served with the armed forces during World War II and has traveled in many places.

We are happy to have Mr. Lucas as our principal. He understands children and always has a smile for them. I hope all the children in Orange Street School will enjoy working with him as much as I do. We could not have gotten a better person to take the place of our former principal Rev. J. W. Hall who retired last year.

Mildred Norman
Editor-in-chief

P. T. A. Gives New Stage Curtains

We as students of the Orange Street School feel very grateful to the P. T. A. for the stage curtains and draperies that are now beautifully hanging in our auditorium. Our parents and teachers in the short time of two weeks raised \$1,600 and made a cash payment for the curtains that we are now enjoying. Hats Off! to an organization that can put over such a big job in such a short time. We feel very proud of our curtains. We are going to handle them with care so they will last for many years.

In addition to the curtains the school authorities made it possible to have the auditorium and corridors painted. Everything looks so cheerful since the walls and woodworks are of a bright color. The walls are a beautiful pea green and the woodwork is a cream color.

Cornell Hamme

Fire Prevention Week Observed

Fire is a very horrible thing. It has cost the lives of more than a million people. I'm sure all of us know this is fire prevention week. The officers of the Student Council have been going to classrooms inspecting them to see if there were any fire hazards. The children of Orange Street School have been writing essays of "Fire Safety Around The Home" The pupil who has the best one will receive a five dollar prize. We have had one fire drill. The children came out very orderly. It took only a short time to clear the building. This week we would like very much to have our fire chief from the fire department give us a demonstration on fire and how to prevent it. Mr. Lucas, our principal, is going to tell us something about fire. We will be very glad to collect all the information about fire as far as possible in fire prevention week.

Mildred Norman, Reporter

Safety Patrol Committee Meets

The School Safety Patrol Committee met in the early fall, made plans and organized for the school term of 1952-1953. The Patrols were selected by their teachers on the basis of their attitude, dependability, interest in their task, popularity ability. The School Safety Patrol have been holding their meetings regularly with all members present. G. Hester, Captain, Ernest Braswell and Cornell Hamme, Lieutenants. These boys are performing their duties well.

Cornell Hamme, Special Editor

Student Council Members Serve As Bus Monitors

We the members of the student council are working to make our school a better one. The Student Council is working and trying to make Orange Street School one of the most successful schools in the United States. We are working with the teachers and students. We are doing fine with our work. The Council has chosen some of the members to do certain duties. Some are bus monitors. The monitors help to load and unload the buses. There are hall monitors. We are also working with our principal, Mr. John H. Lucas. We are enjoying our work.

Helen Moss, President

Enrollment Increases

Our enrollment is steadily increasing. We now have 534 boys and 504 girls which has brought our total enrollment to 1038.

We are happy to have so many new children join our school family.

Special Editor.....Gwendolyn Parker.