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1. To supplement reading materials.
  2. To encourage free expression.
  3. To interpret the life of the school to the community.
  4. To promote greater school spirit.

**Do You Belong?**

Do you belong in this school? You may say that your name is on the roll and that you have a desk in a certain room. You may also say you pay attention in classes, that you do enough homework to get by, and that you get a report card when everyone else gets one.

You may say all those things and still not "belong." Ask yourself how much you are giving to the school. Ask yourself whether you are giving as much as you are receiving. There is an old saying that you get out of things what you put into them. How much do you help in classes, on the playground, in assembly, in the hall, with the class programs and the newspaper?

There is another saying you may have heard—it is—"Let Jane do it." It's the "Janes" who really belong. They are the ones who are really giving to the school, the town, and the country. They are also the ones who are getting the most out of everything. Let us all be the Janes. Let's belong!

OLA MAE FARRINGTON

**Importance Of Good Speech**

By RUTHIE STROWD

Recently Lincoln High introduced the course in speech, which is seemingly very interesting and effective. This was made evident in the two plays presented this year.

In order to obtain a good speaking quality or qualities, certain habits must be formed.

What is required of a good speaker? Good posture? A clear-speaking voice? Inter-

esting subjects? Yes, all of these and other minors are required.

It would be wise for other high school students who have not begun developing good speech habits now, to take advantage of this course before their high school career is over.

Start improving today!

**WATCH YOUR CONDUCT**

By ALICE HARGRAVES

Did you know that good conduct is one of the greatest assets one can possess? Why it is the truest expression of what one really is. You had better start setting up favorable standards of behavior for yourself to follow.

They are sure to include avoiding boisterousness and the use of coarse language. Be sure to include accepting jokes on yourself with good humor, readiness to forgive a person who has offended you, refraining from cheating in class or on the playground, and to be on the safe side, just don't tease other boys and girls. Don't permit gossip or false rumors to poison your mind. Respect others and please don't pretend to know more than you really do.

The only things that it take to live up to these standards are will power, practice, and patience. There are always little demons that upset the apple cart. Temptations are numerous. An individual who has the will power or patience to cast off these temptations and put into practice good conduct possesses one of the finest qualities of citizenship.

Yes, your conduct is truly really your expression of what you are. So watch your conduct. People might get the wrong impression.

**WELCOME NEW STUDENTS**

The 7-B class is proud to have two new boys in our class. They are John Ray Davis from Horton High in Pittsboro, N. C. and Azel Shaw from Sedalia High in Sedalia, N. C. We hope that they will enjoy going to school here as much as we are enjoying having them. All of us have done everything that we could to welcome them to Lincoln High and the 7-B homeroom.

**This Gum Chewing -A Menace**

By PATRICIA DAVIS

From time to time notices go out from the principal's office concerning the undesirable habit of chewing gum. Almost every time the notice is read the students enter into discussion of the question to chew or not to chew. It always ends with nothing worthwhile been said in favor of this very ugly habit.

Gum chewing looks bad, sounds bad, and indicates a lack of refinement in personality. People who sit near gum chewers in theatre, in church, or in riding buses or trains usually form an unfavorable impression of the offender, and fail to enjoy themselves as they have a right to do.

The gum chewer not only shows himself up as lacking good manners, but he trespasses on the rights of others by making those near him uncomfortable. If those guilty would only think not only of themselves in the matter, but of the effect on others, perhaps they would cease to chew gum in public places.

**An Open Letter To Our Coaches**

Lincoln High School  
 Chapel Hill, N. C.  
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Dear Coaches,

We, the students of Lincoln High School wish to extend to you our hearty appreciation for the services you have rendered to the basketball teams this year. Although the teams did not win all the games, they were always trying hard.

We hope that you will continue to keep the winning determination that you now have. We also hope that the students as well as other things will give you the courage you need to make each team, each year more successful.

Yours truly,  
 CAROLYN BREWER  
 9-A.

**Class Plans Tour**

The 8-A grade has been studying and learning about our state. Some valuable information has been learned.

They are now making plans to tour our state before the close of school.

**LET'S WRITE, THEY SAY**

**My Sister's Beau**

By OLA MAE FARRINGTON

My sister, Sue, has a new beau! His name is Rando White. He comes around to call on her, 'Most every other night. She dresses nice and fine enough, As far as she can go; And she has changed an awful lot, Since she got her new beau.

We used to go with sister when We'd nothing else to do; But now she says she hasn't time, And soon as supper's through, She goes up stairs and primps and primps And dolls herself up so. Things just aren't right around our house Since Sis got her new beau.

**You**

By BERNICE JOHNSON

You said you would remember me; And then you passed me by. Although it hurt me very much, I never asked you why.

You simply went along your way, And never seemed to care. But I was thinking of you, dear, In every dream and prayer.

**How I Know**

By EMMA J. HAIRSTON

One by one like leaves from a tree, All my friends have forsaken me. But kind stars shine above my head, Keeping watch as I lie in bed. Beneath my feet, how firm the earth! All around says life is worth. Now that all my friends are gone, And I am feeling all alone, For the first time now, I know There're stars above and earth below.

**Tears From The Mountain**

By WENZO THOMPSON

O Nature, dear Nature, please tell me from where Those towering mountains came, over there. Their faces look tired and weary from years; Their hearts must be broken, for

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