

"CHUCKLE"

Poison is funny
Don't ever take any
To see how much
You will laugh.

Wm. Cureton

The LINCOLN ECHO

I hold this to the rule of life,
"Too much of anything is bad."

—Terence

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Lincoln Captures Titles In N F A Federation



New Farmers Contest Winners—Shown left to right (Kneeling) Charles Anderson, Louisburg, quiz; Ralph Edwards, Chapel Hill, quartet; Sylvester Bynum, talent; (Standing) John Stewart, Wise Public Speaking; Thomas Hammond, Durham, quiz; Clarence McCauley, quartet; Willie Williams, quartet; Clyde Alston, quartet. The quartet and talent winners represented Lincoln High.

A U. N. C. Brain Wash

By James Hogan

The weather was cold, but the inspiration to attempt passing the entrance examination at U. N. C., kindled a few Lincoln seniors' minds to the point of challenge.

To one of the challengers the desire to go to Carolina was very strong. But the question was, had he the nerve? The answer came on February 13, 1957. This nervous fellow comes to school all prepared to join three other challengers to go make Lincoln History.

As the four approached the campus of their destination, the tension within them seemed high, but this lasted for only a short time. For the show of friendliness among the university employees appeared to be just the thing to put them at ease.

The time passed slowly, until their conversation was brought to an end by the signal to come forth and share their learnings with Carolina. This was the long awaited time; they agreed to let their brains be drained of all kinds of information. The test did just what its purpose was: (1) test their vocabulary; (2) test their general knowledge of English; (3) and find out how much math they knew.

At 3:00 o'clock the four brain-washed seniors returned to Lincoln for further questioning. Only this time, they knew the questions to be asked, and prepared the correct answers. I over heard one such question which went something like this, ("Wop" to "Cheater"). Give me an example of a question found on the test. (Answer in reply), how far did the dog run in the woods? (Answer to question, half way. (Explanation wanted), why half way? (Answer), well, when he got half way into the woods, he started out again.

Just between us, there were no such questions found on the test.

Talent and Quartet Prizes

The Cotton-Merrick Federation of the New Farmers of America held its annual Competitive contest in Talent, Quartet, Singing, Public Speaking and Quiz on the New Farmers of America and Parliamentary Procedure at the Lincoln High School, Chapel Hill, N. C., April 23, 1957, beginning at 10 a.m.

The meeting was opened by the Federation officers, followed by prayer by Rev. J. R. Manley, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Chapel Hill with greetings of welcome from Mr. C. A. McDougle, Principal, Lincoln High School.

The activities are a part of the leadership training activities conducted annually by the N.C. Association of the New Farmers of America under the supervision of the local teacher of Agriculture, and the State Staff of Mr. S. B. Simmons, Assistant Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture in Negro Schools and Mr. W. T. Johnson, Executive Secretary of the New Farmers of America of the State Association.

The Cotton-Merrick Federation is composed of local chapters in the following schools: Ma, Merrick Moore, Durham, Central High School, Hillsboro, Mary Potter High, Oxford, Henderson Institute, Henderson, N. C., Warren County Training School, Wise, John R. Hawkins High, Warrenton, Franklin County Training School, Louisburg and the Lincoln High School, Chapel Hill.

The winners in the various activities will represent the Federation on June 4 in Greensboro where they will compete with other federation winners for State honors and a chance to represent the State of North Carolina at the sectional and National Convention in Atlanta, Ga. in September.

Winners from the Chapel Hill Chapter under the supervision of R. D. Smith, Teacher of Agriculture, included the NFA Quartet composed of Ralph Edwards, Tenor, Willie Williams, Tenor, Clyde Alston, Baritone and Clarence McCauley, Bass. Sylvester Bynum won the talent contest by playing a trumpet solo. These young men will represent the Federation at the State Convention on June 4, 1957.

The primary aim of the New Farmers of America organization is the development of agricultural leadership, citizenship, and patriotism. Other purposes include: strengthening the confidence of farm boys in themselves and their work, more intelligent choice of farming occupations; improving the rural home and its surroundings, encourage cooperative efforts, encourage thrift; improving scholarship; and supplementing, by means of boy initiated and boy-directed activities, the systematic instruction offered to prospective young farmers regularly enrolled in day school vocational agriculture courses.

The other winners in the Federation contest included: John Seaward, Public Speaking, from Warren County Training School.

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Senior Reigns As May Day Queen



Hilda Pendergraft, a senior, reigned over the May Day festivities at Lincoln on May 1. She was selected by popular vote.

Social Security

Many teenagers are working for money during their vacation in order to get "extra cash" for some purpose—perhaps to buy a new pair of shoes, or to help with future college education? If you don't overlook the importance of that little blue-bordered card with your name and social security number on it. If you don't have one, be sure to apply for it at your nearest Social Security District Office before you start working. Your employer must see it for his records. He is required by law to make a report to Uncle Sam at the end of each calendar quarter showing your name and

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U. N. Contestant Winner Takes Trip

By Joseph Burnette

I was surprised at winning this year's High School World Peace Study and Speaking Program sponsored by the American Freedom Association because I thought I was the type of person that never wins anything. The essay was entitled, "The United Nations, Its Problems and Opportunities".

As a reward I, along with my teacher, Mrs. M. D. Turner, won a trip to New York City, The United Nations and Washington, D. C.

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P. T. A. Elects 57-58 Officers

By Esphur Foster

On April 23, 1957 the Lincoln High School PTA elected their officers for the school year of 57-58.

The officers are as follows:
President: Mrs. Hattie Foster
Vice President: Mrs. Alice Jones
Secretary: Mrs. Dorothy Ellison
Assistant Secretary: Miss L. T. Rhodes

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Chorus Goes To Festival

By Hilda S. Pendergraft

The Lincoln High School Chorus went to the Chorus Festival on April 5, 1957 in Wake Forest, North Carolina. The chorus is composed of forty-five members under its director Mr. O. B. Edwards.

The Chorus received a B rating. Elizabeth Jones received a B on her soprano solo, Hugh Strowd received a C on his tenor solo and Samuel Jones received 4 on his baritone solo.

The Bells chorus is composed of the seventh and eighth grade boys who received a C+ at the festival. The Bells sang "I Walk With God." The Lincoln High School Chorus sang "The Sands of Dee and Santus," by Mozart.

The Chorus will attend the State Festival on May 3rd in Durham, North Carolina.

Echo Staff Attends Conference

By De'ores Edwards and Marcia Williams

On April 5, thirteen members of the Lincoln Echo Staff attended the Newspaper Conference at North Carolina College in Durham. As we entered the Educational Building, we were lined for registration. Registered by Mrs. M. G. Frazier and Miss L. T. Rhodes. Then we went to the Commercial Building, where we saw a film about the leading story. Immediately, we returned to the auditorium of the Educational Building to discuss the film. We were dismissed from there at 11:55 to go to lunch five minutes before the students were dismissed. From 1:00 P. M. to 2:00 P. M., we reported back to the Educational Building for a tour of the campus. Shortly after, we reported back to the auditorium for the evening session, which lasted for three hours. We were shown a movie of the staff members of the Campus Echo at North Carolina College, preparing for an edition of their paper. Three members of Hillside High School in Durham gave a partomime of how to and how not to sell ads. At the end of the first-half of the session, we had a five minute break.

The president, proofreader and the managing editor gave us some hints on how their jobs are done and should be done.

At 5:00 P. M., the meeting was adjourned and we were invited to stay for the social at 8:00 P. M.