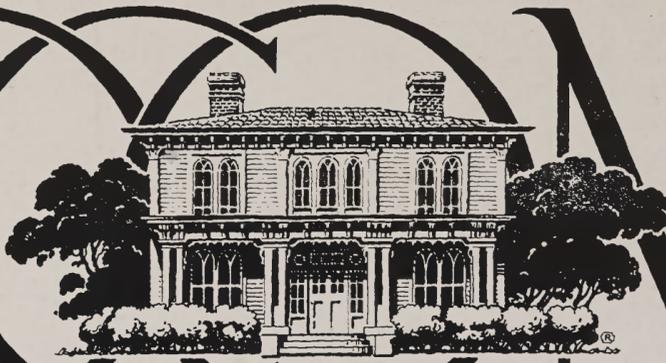


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S. C. Elections To Be Held Next Tuesday

Facts

Behind The News

By Rodney Waters

Secret Weapons

During this war hardly a day goes by in which there isn't some mention of a new secret weapon which, it is hoped, will bring the war to a short end. The Germans had many such weapons, but most of them were failures.

Several weeks after the Allies invaded France they were aided in landing supplies by two huge artificial harbors. These harbors were not begun just a few days or weeks before the invasion, but years before. The idea was first advanced in the early part of 1943, and it was soon worked out.

The plan which was drawn up specified that the harbors should be able to handle daily 12,000 tons of supplies and 2,500 vehicles of different sizes. Each harbor was to be made up of large cement caissons or pillars, forming a breakwater, and internal harbor facilities such as piers, landing equipment, and landing personnel. The whole idea was first worked out by the use of models, and it was finally decided to make the caissons in six different sizes to make up for the varying depths of the water.

In addition to the caissons, 60 old ships were sunk to strengthen the breakwater. The Liberty ship was the largest ship that could be accommodated. Floating piers, made of steel runways on special floats, extended into the harbor area, and had to be flexible enough

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Holders Of Jobs Need Social Security Cards

The Social Security Board Field Office in Durham has sent the following release on the subject of Social Security cards for high school students who will work this summer:

- 1) You need a Social Security number in order to receive credit for payment of social insurance.
 - 2) Your employer needs your number to keep records on your wages for eventual social insurance payments.
 - 3) Do not get a card unless you plan to work; but if you do work,
 - 4) Go to the nearest office of
- (See *SECURITY*, page four)

C.H.H.S. Celebrates V-E Day In Assembly

The high school celebrated V-E Day by having assembly, where students heard radio speeches by President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill, who declared that the Germans had surrendered unconditionally to the Allies.

Also heard were Governor Cherry and Army and Navy officials. Mr. Honeycutt gave a brief talk, and school was dismissed at 10:30.

Alumni Notes

Horace McCauley, who is in the Marines, is home on leave this week.

Lineberger And Teague Unopposed

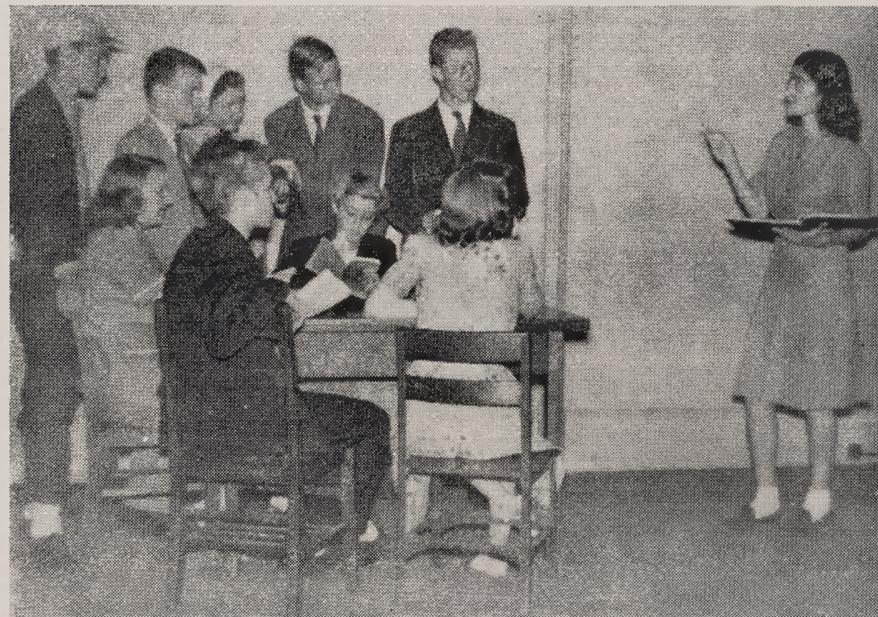
Petitions for Student Council officers were turned in to Helen Jane Wettach last Friday. The contenders are: Houston Teague for president; Smitty Lineberger for vice-president; Bootsy Taylor and Carlyle Markham for secretary; and Ardie Hamilton and Frank Pittman for treasurer.

Since only one person each is running for the offices of president and vice-president, the only offices to be voted on are those of secretary and treasurer.

This week is for campaigning, and next Tuesday in assembly the campaign speeches will be given. Voting will be done during the day.

Senior Class To Present Play Monday

Senior Play Cast



Pictured above is the cast of the Senior Play receiving final instructions from Director Mary Tom Colones.

All-Senior Cast To Present Comedy

"The Late Christopher Bean," directed by Miss Mary Tom Colones and produced by the Senior Class, will be given at the Playmakers Theatre on Monday, May 21. Admission will be 53c for adults, 37c for children.

The play concerns the experiences of a doctor and his family when they discover that some paintings by one of the doctor's former patients have suddenly become extremely valuable. The plot is built around the efforts of a number of art dealers to corner the market on Christopher Bean's paintings.

The characters in the play are: Dr. Haggett; Colbert Leonard; Susan Haggett; Frances Ellinger; Abby, Hilda Sharkey; Mrs. Haggett. (See *PLAY*, page four)