

Fairmont Hi News Items

Prepared By Fairmont High School Students

Editorial

"The thing that goes the farthest toward making life worth while, the least is just a pleasant smile." If every high school student would remember this little rhyme, what a group of happy faces our school would have! Nothing helps any individual more than a smile, a grin, or a kind word when things seem to be going wrong, and nothing reflects your type of nature or develops your personality more than a cheerful countenance. Don't turn your smiles on and off like a fountain—keep them turned on all the time, radiating happiness and good-will to those about you. Look up, put a song in your heart, and smile!—Kathryn Oliver.

Biography Of A Teacher

If you visited Fairmont high school and asked to be shown into the French class, the door would probably be opened for you by a very slight, gentle and mannerly lady who would say to you in her quiet way, "suppose you come in and be seated." This school marm who presides over the French class is Miss Fyima Waters—a good teacher and a perfect lady. Miss Waters, christened Wyima Anne, was born in Olanita, South Carolina, January 4, 1928. She was the older of two girls. Her father is a merchant in the town of Olanita and her mother teaches in the public schools. Whether it came from her school teacher mother or not, Miss Waters had an early liking for the teaching profession. She told me that she used to play school with her dolls, and though she doesn't instruct dolls any more, she has followed the childhood pastime through the years. In high school Miss Waters took a fancy to basketball and went out for guard all four years. She was an honor student for she belonged to the Beta Club and was valedictorian of the senior class. Here, too, she took piano and learned to appreciate music—she plays the piano in her spare time. In 1944, Miss Waters entered Coker College in Hartsville, South Carolina. It was here that she decided to be a French teacher and before long she was elected secretary and treasurer of the French club. She seems to have had a flair for the drama also, for she was a member of the Queen Bees Players and Alpha Phi Omega—the National Honorary Dramatics Society. She was also a member of the International Relations Club and goalkeeper on the class hockey team. Always a good student, she was on the Dean's List and was granted "cum laude" in 1943. After graduation, Miss Waters went to Middlebury, Vermont where she attended the French School at Middlebury College for six weeks. All of her teachers here were native French and as the students entered the school, they gave a promise to these teachers not to speak anything but the French language during the entire time they were there. Regular courses were offered in French literature, grammar, etc. Immediately following her return to Olanita, Miss Waters accepted a position in the Fairmont Schools and she teaches first and second year French as well as Typing and General Science.

To describe the lady is not easy because she is very modest and wouldn't tell me much about herself. I did find that she likes movies and enjoys reading all good literature. Her favorite color is lavender and it goes well with her dark hair. She is very neat and dainty and has a very soft voice. She heartily dislikes blow gum and of course a noisy classroom. All in all, she is as nice as a teacher can be, and is wholly dedicated to her work. We, as students, are glad that she is a part of our school life.

Juniors

The juniors are very proud of their class play that was given Monday afternoon at 1:35 p. m. The plays "Curse You, Jack Dalton" turned out to be very good. The cast of characters included: Billy Hamilton as Jack Dalton; Corin Mitchell as Mrs. Dalton; Jack's mother; Knight Lennon as Bertha Blair, Mrs. Dalton's maid; Alton Parker as Hector Harcourt, the villain; Maggie Sue Hardin as Eloise Dalton, Jack's sister; Gloria McCollum as Anna Alvarado, she loved Jack; Livingston Ivey as Richard Blair, Anna's butler. These members of the Junior Class of '49 did some outstanding work on their play. The play was an old-fashioned melodrama, directed by Mrs. P. B. Jenkins, the class sponsor. We thank especially Carlton Floyd's furniture store for furnishing the stage set.

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Joan Britt—Sorry!
Jimmy O.—Snernic!
Jack Britt—Hey, now!
Harry Lee—play the juke box.
Bobby Smith—We got it made!
Aileene B.—Hello, kid . . .
Marie—Ain't we?
Daphne—You know it too?
Anne Mitchell—Good grief and wa-hoo.
Faith and Jayne—My word!
Tiny—Hold the phone!

Miss Spotlight

Miss Spotlight this month is a very cute and popular member of the sophomore class. She has a basketball suit and plays a mean forward. She hasn't gotten to play in many of the games this year, but she'd like to make varsity next year. She'll do it too! Her current flame is from Orum by the name of James Leggette. He gave her a lovely identification bracelet for Christmas. Could it be Love?

Miss Spotlight is always well dressed. She is the long and lanky type with blue eyes and straw colored hair. She's always bubbling over with personality so, of course, she has many friends. If you haven't guessed by now who she is, I'll give you another hint—her first name begins with C. Guess who!

Mr. Spotlight

Mr. Spotlight this month is a member of the junior class. You saw him in the Junior Play as one of the leading characters, the villain, no less. You know; he really looks cute in a mustache. He is very vain about his hair, and it is rumored that he combs it at the most peculiar time—like during a football game. He plays football rather well, goes out for intramural basketball, and right now he's getting his pitching arm in shape for baseball season.

Mr. Spotlight drives a black Hudson which, incidentally, sees quite a bit of the road from here to Lake View. His most current love light is Sarah Alice Elvington. He just loves physics and makes good grades too. Now geometry is another matter which is too lengthy to discuss. You know him by now, don't you?

Sophomores

The Sophomore Class is real proud of the boys who played in the basketball intramural tournament. After our boys won, the girls began intramural. We have two teams and the captains are Peggy Alford and Carolyn Ames.

We have selected two girls from our class to be May Court attendants—Katherine Atkinson and Annie Ruth Miller.

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TIPS FOR TEENS

SHOULD YOU KISS HER????

She has her key in her hand and it's time to call the date quits. She's looking at you, and there's a light in her eyes that says, "Thank You" more loudly than her words. So you think—"I may, as well try." You know full well that she's thinking—"but this is my first date with you — what will you think of me if I kiss you right off the bat?" So she says "NO." You marshal some argument in favor of doing so. She says that she doesn't know you well enough, and you say you know her well enough already to know that you'd like to kiss her good night, and isn't that everybody she goes out with and what makes you think you are special.

Well, I think kissing's fun, too, but the thing I don't think is fun is the way you talk about it afterwards. You argued and argued with that girl until you got your way. You talked her down, you made her break her rules. You made her think there was something special about you — and you've told her you'd value her kiss as something special. But you don't—if you slip the word to the boys the next day. If even in your private thoughts you decide that it wasn't so hard. You persuaded her to kiss you—you wanted her to—so don't blab about her because she did. Keep your special events special—and to yourself. That's a sign you're a scholar, a gentleman, and a very smooth date.

Hits Of The Month

Cutest Girls—Anne Taylor.
Cutest Boy—Ladell Floyd.
Cutest Couple—Audrey Tedder and Jerry Musselwhite.
Favorite Song—Careless Hans.

4-H Health Program Gains In Popularity

Success of the National 4-H Health Improvement awards program is evidenced by the nationwide acceptance and continued increase in enrollment since its inauguration two years ago, the National Committee on Boys and Girls club work reports. The 1948 enrollment nearly reached the 520,000 mark compared to 432,768 in 1947. North Carolina participation in the 1949 activity is already under way.

Good health for the individual and the community are chief goals of the program, which is under the supervision of the Cooperative Extension Service. 4-H boys and girls who enter the contest are urged to follow a personal health program of proper diet, rest, good posture, regular physical and dental check-ups and treatment of defects. As a club group they survey home and community health problems and strive for improvement. They also stress outdoor sports such as baseball, football, tennis, and swimming along with other forms of recreation.

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