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HORNER SCHOOL'S 57TH ANNIVERSARY ENDED LAST WEEK.

The Largest Enrollment the School has Had in Years-- Had the Greatest Number of Graduates--Fine Essays. Military Feature was Good.

THE SCHOOL CLOSED WITH VERY PROSPEROUS YEAR

Two Companies Competed for Colors--Professor From V. M. I. Came to Decide the Contest Which was won by Company A.

The fifty-seventh annual commencement of the Horner Military School came to a close last Friday night, May 29th, with the final ball. This commencement was very largely attended by the different sections of the county, and many came to Oxford to be present at the exercises. During the commencement a large number of guests were present. The exercises were held at the Opera House, where the boys who stood up the longest received the medal for being the best drilled cadet in Horner School. Just after the contest was decided, the audience, which was the largest that has been in the Opera House during the whole year, rose en masse, and it took several minutes to restore order. The test is a good one of a boy's ability to listen and to keep a cool head. The winning of the manual-of-arms medal is considered a very high honor and every boy works hard and tries his best to be the winner of that honor.

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Debate--Resolved that, "Foreign Immigration should be Prohibited." Affirmative, A. E. Mellon; Negative, Roland Williams, V. A.

Thursday afternoon, May 28th, was the day on which the two companies A and B competed for the colors, and after the company drill was over, then came the most exciting part of the whole drill, the test of the best drilled boy. Both companies were drilled until all but three boys had fallen out, then the contest was continued at the Opera House, where the boy who stood up the longest received the medal for being the best drilled cadet in Horner School. Just after the contest was decided, the audience, which was the largest that has been in the Opera House during the whole year, rose en masse, and it took several minutes to restore order. The test is a good one of a boy's ability to listen and to keep a cool head. The winning of the manual-of-arms medal is considered a very high honor and every boy works hard and tries his best to be the winner of that honor.

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Friday night, May 29th, ended the Horner Commencement with one of the largest dances that have been given during the whole year. A goodly number of out-of-town guests were participants in the dancing, but some came as spectators.

The barracks was elaborately decorated for the occasion, the ceiling, the railing, and a number of other places being tastefully draped.

Below is the list of those dancing: An interesting event during the evening was the presentation of the regalias and rosettes of the marshals to the young ladies. Chief Marshal Lamb presented his regalia to Miss Helen Lamb, of Henderson. The following young ladies also received regalias: Misses Douglas Hill, of Durham; Elam, of Buffalo Junction; Maria Tucker, of Henderson; Helen Jenkins, of Gastonia. The following young ladies were presented with rosettes: Misses Mary Cooper, Lucy Smith, Augusta Landis, of Oxford; Amy Winston, Mary Manning, Placide Kramer, of Durham; Lola Jenkins, of Gastonia.

The following couples were present: Miss Lamb, of Henderson, with Cadet Lamb; Miss Tucker, of Henderson, with Cadet Mills; Miss Fenner, of Halifax, with Mr. Hughes; Miss Pierce, of Warsaw, with Cadet Williams; Miss Jordan, of Durham, with Mr. T. Howell; Miss Jenkins, of Gastonia, with Mr. Lee Taylor; Miss L. Jenkins, of Gastonia, with Mr. Whitney; Miss Meshon, of Durham, with Mr. N. Cannady; Miss Amy Winston, of Durham, with Cadet Fenner; Miss Manning, of Durham, with Mr. Williams; Miss D. Stell, of Durham, with Cadet Reinhardt; Miss Lisle, of Morven, with Mr. Howell; Miss Elam, of Buffalo, with Cadet Horton; Miss Kramer, of Durham, with Mr. K. Taylor; Miss Mary Whitaker, of Nashville, with Mr. E. Crews; Miss Susie Hines, of Milton, with Mr. Joe Lassiter; Miss Daisy Minor, with Mr. Will Taylor; Miss Antoinette Taylor, with Mr. Otho Lyon; Miss Julia Winston, with Mr. Taylor; Miss Sophie Taylor, with Prof. Noble; Miss Lily White, with Mr. Marshall Pinnix;

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Recitation by Master Willie Hicks Was Very Good and Evoked Great Applause.

The sixteenth annual recital of the Francis Hilliard School was held in the school chapel on last Thursday afternoon at 8:30 o'clock when the following program was admirably rendered by the pupils of the school:

- [PART I.]
- Chorus: May--German-Folk song.
- Recitation: The Owl and the Pussy Cat--Master Will Hicks.
- Piano: Village Festival--Schmall--Miss Ione Hilliard.
- Recitation: Jimmie Trescott's Speech--Miss Martha Parker Brinkley.
- Piano: Barcarolle--Hackh--Miss Isabel Gibbs.
- Recitation: The Candy Pail--Miss Elizabeth Hicks.
- Piano: Little Bo-peep--Miss Daisy Williford.
- Recitation: Yussout--Miss Effie Murray.
- Piano: May Breezes--Krug--Miss Hilliard, Miss Grace Ransom.
- Song and Pantomime: The Death of Minnehaha--Longfellow--Longfellow Class.
- Piano Serenade--Engel--Miss Lizzie Jones.
- Recitation: Three Little Chestnuts--Miss Sallie Burwell.
- Motion Song: The Little Sailors.
- Recitation: Editha and the Burglar--Burnet--Miss Alleine Hicks.
- [PART II.]
- Duet: Atlaque des Ulans--Bohm--Miss Hilliard, Miss Lizzie Jones.
- Song: Sing a Song of Slumber--Gonno--Miss Pearl Jones.
- Piano: Silver Stars--Bohm--Miss Kate Credle.
- Recitation: Courting under Difficulties--Miss Mary Willie Allen.
- Piano: Polka Rubrezza--C. Schubert--Miss Mary Renn.
- Song: Two Little Chafers--Truhn--Miss Jones, Miss Credle, Miss Ransom, Mr. Broadus Callis.
- Piano: The Hunting Song--Mendelssohn--Miss Jones.
- Recitation: The Little Revenge--Tennyson--Miss Annie Thorpe.
- Duet: Alla Marcia--Scharwenka--Miss Jones, Miss Hilliard.
- Chorus: Cradle Song--Brahms.
- Song: The First Song--Gumbert--Miss Hilliard.
- Pantomime: Nearer, My God, to Thee

The piano selections were given with clearness and precision and the chorus and songs with sweetness and grace. The whole programme was enthusiastically received by a large and appreciative audience which packed the room to its utmost capacity and overflowed to the hall and piazza.

WORK OF THE CHILDREN.

HONOR ROLL FOR NINTH MONTH OF GRADED SCHOOL.

Bright Boys and Girls Who Study and Make Good Progress in Different Grades.

First Grade--Charley Dames, Harley Stacy, Otto Gardner, Hert Lee Hancock, Sylvia Hearst, Studie Crews, Emmie Cooper Medford, Rob Parham, Daisy Smith, Lewis Smith, Frances Mitchell, Edward Rawlins, Viola Hester, Gus Landis, Carl Sizemore, Wilhelmina Stacy, Jessie White, Hattie Wheeler, Mary Day, Margaret Pendleton, Texanna Johnston, Louise Sizemore.

Second Grade--Georgia Winston, Clyde Gooch, Sallie Yancey, Lois Wood, Frank Taylor, Sarah Cannady, Marion Sneed, Etta Wheeler, Ben Garrett, Sidney Carrin, Lewis Turner, Daisy Willeford, Ruth White, Mary Lily Blalock, Elvis Burchett, Harper Jones, Irving Hearst.

Third Grade--Fannie Buchanan, Susan Webb, Kathleen Gardner, Lorene Peed, William Medford, Studie Adcock, Bessie Pitchford, Willie Adcock, Easton Parham, Carroll Moore, Thelma Averett, Lila Currin, Annie Lee, Jennings Walters, Lindsey Taylor, Archie Johnson, William Bryan, Charles Ellis, John Hall.

Fourth Grade--Marie Meadows, Jewelle Fogleman, Annie E. Wortham, Ruby Adcock, Joseph Blalock, Eloise Canady, Susie Meadows, Marsh Callis, Sallie Haupe, Carrie Harris, Earle Hunt, Edith Parham, John Mitchell, Frank Furman, George Elliott, Lillian Spencer, Lillian Sizemore, Viola Johnson, Josephine Ingold.

Fifth Grade--Mary White, Harry Renn, Ruth Shaw, Harry Jones, Ernest Hart, Lucy Belle Day, Tempie Gee, Kennon Taylor, Eva Hester, Mamie Moore, Madeline Crews.

Sixth Grade--Annie S. Peirson, Little Hester, John Roller, Virginia Carroll, Esther Mitchell, David Moss, Marie Stark, Charlie Fort, Lois Perkinson, Dallas Buchanan, Beasley Taylor.

Seventh Grade--Mabel Hart, Frank Hancock, Wilbur Smith, Marguerite Cannady, Tazzie Dean, Jim Taylor, Estelle Bullock, Edna Crews, Ruth Taylor.

Eighth Grade--Oscar Ragland, Irving Royster, Marie Medford.

Ninth Grade--Alma Ragland, Alleine Minor, Isabel Fleming, Josephine Brown.

Oxford Graded School Scholarship Distinctions of each grade for the year are as follows: First Grade--Charley Dames, Nina Cooper.

Second Grade--Georgia Winston, George Cheatham.

Third Grade--Susan Webb Fanny Buchanan.

Fourth Grade--Marie Meadows, Alva Lea Currin.

Fifth Grade--Ruth Shaw, Julia Royster.

Sixth Grade--Annie Peirson, Little Hester.

Seventh Grade--Frank Hancock, Mabel Hart.

Eighth Grade--Oscar Ragland, Irving Royster.

Ninth Grade--Alma Ragland, Alleine Minoa.

Those who have been neither absent nor tardy the entire year: First Grade--Margaret Pendleton, Jessie White.

DR. JOHN G. HUNT DEAD.

EXPIRED TUESDAY NIGHT AT FIVE MINUTES TO NINE.

Had Been Sick a Long Time--Was Getting Better Apparently--Had Stomach Trouble.

Dr. John Graham Hunt died at his home Tuesday night at 9 o'clock. Dr. Hunt had been sick for a long time, but for a while it was thought that he was getting better. He was well enough about a month or so ago to be able to be on the streets again, but hadn't been up a week before he had to go to bed.

Dr. Hunt spent some time at Chase City, hoping to find some relief, but his trouble became worse instead of better. He was brought home and has been here ever since. His friends thought that he was improving but were mistaken. He died without a struggle.

Dr. Hunt was one of the most popular men in Granville county. Every body knew and liked him. He had a prepossessing appearance which won many friends.

He was a member of most all the lodges in the town and they will have ceremonies at his home and at the grave. His sister, Mrs R B Parker, is the near relative that survives him. The funeral service will take place at the Methodist church on Thursday at eleven o'clock.

Dr. Hunt was a member of the Odd Fellows, Masons, Royal Arcanum and was a leading banker.

The Civic Improvement

organization held a meeting in the graded school building. Tuesday afternoon. A large and very enthusiastic attendance was noted. Hamilton Powell presided most fully. Mrs. B. K. Hays, secretary, Mrs. C. J. Elliott, vice-president, and Mrs. S. H. Smith, treasurer, were present. Committees were appointed to meet with the town commissioners and decide upon a day for general town cleaning. The society adjourned to meet next Tuesday in the graded school building at 5 o'clock.

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Second Grade--Edward Ballou, Hubert Currin, Sidney Farabow, Marion Sneed.

Third Grade--Lila Currin, Willie Hester, Carroll Moore, Fanny Buchanan.

Fourth Grade--Alva Lea Currin, Imogen Cannady, Carrie Harris.

Fifth Grade--Sarah Callis, Lucy Belle Day, Eva Hester.

Sixth Grade--Little Hester, Annie S. Peirson.

Eighth Grade--Oscar Ragland. Ninth Grade--Alleine Minor, Alma Ragland.

letics, Wednesday, May 27th, 1908.

	1st. Place.	Time or Distance.	Second Place.	Points.
1. 100 Yards Dash	B. Winston,	10 1/2 seconds	A. Blalock,	2
2. 200 Yards Dash	B. Reinhardt, V.,	59 seconds	A. Wakefield,	2
3. 400 Yards Dash	A. Blalock,	5 m. 45 1-10 s	B. Mills,	5
4. 800 Yards Dash	A. Hemphill,	28 feet 9 inches	B. Watlington,	5
5. 1 Mile Run	A. Hemphill,	80 seconds	B. Jones,	5
6. Hammer Throw	A. Johnston,	84 feet	B. Jones,	2
7. Half Mile Run	B. Watlington,	2 m. 28 s	A. McGowan,	2
8. Broad Jump	B. Jones,	18 feet 7 1/2 inches	A. Wakefield,	2
9. 220 Yards Dash	B. Reinhardt, V.,	23 1/2 seconds	B. Winston,	0
10. Pole Vault	A. Horton,	8 feet 6 inches	B. Jones,	5
11. Running High Jump	A. Hemphill, F.,	4 feet 9 inches	A. Blalock,	7
12. Mile Relay	B. Hancock, Watlington, Hardison, Mills		A. Wakefield, Blalock, McGowan, Hemphill,	0
13. 50 Yards Dash	B. Winston,	5 7-10 seconds	B. Reinhardt, V.,	0
Total				40 49

Wednesday evening at eight thirty, the Franklin and Washington Literary Societies had their speaking. These exercises were always looked forward to by the people in Oxford with interest, because the boys took so much pride in them. Each boy who took part in the contest received a medal from his society. The boy who made the best oration; who made the best declamation; who read the best essay got five towards winning the colors for his company. These contests were all very exciting, and when the time came to decide who was the fortunate winner, the audience could hardly keep still. Below is the list of the contestants: Essay--A. B. Nimocks--The Slaughter of the Forests. Essay--J. P. Fenner, V. A.--The Decline of the American Indian. Oration--A. H. Turnage--The Possibilities of the Educated Man. Oration--H. M. Stubbs, V. B.--Robert Emmett's Last Speech. Declamation--L. N. Mills, V. B.--On the Death of Lafayette. Declamation--Luke Lamb--Robert Ingersol at His Brother's Grave.

[Declaimers] 1. The Negro Problem--James W. Morris. 2. Muder Will Out--Augustus W. Graham. 3. The Unknown Rider--Hoke Hemphill. 4. The Sioux Chief's Daughter--Morehead Emmett. 5. An Appeal to Arms--J. B. Watlington. 6. The New South--Roland Williams. 7. A Scene on the Battlefield--Fred Hemphill. Presentation of Certificates. Presentation of Colors. After the declaimations and the essays were over, the most exciting part of the programme was the presentation of the colors. This presentation was looked forward to with a great deal of interest. Nobody knew which company would get the colors and therefore when the time came to announce the award, the audience could hardly keep quiet. When the captain of A company was told to go upon the stage and receive the colors, the assem-

Miss Irene Hines, with Mr. B. Williams; Miss Janie Booth, with Mr. G. Rawlins; Miss Mary Cooper, with Cadet Rob Winston; Miss Kate Horner, with Major Tate; Miss Gusta Landis, with Cadet Morris; Miss Mary B. Williams, with Mr. Stallings; Miss Florence Landis, with Mr. Zollicoffer; Miss Isabel Fleming, with Mr. Jack Bullock; Miss Lucy Smith, with Cadet Ferguson. Chaperones--Col. and Mrs. J. C. Horner, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Massenburg, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robards. Apropos of the dance, we will allude briefly to a salient feature of the Horner School--to the social opportunities afforded the cadets. That the institution stands for the highest in the way of intellectual training goes without telling; that it pays due attention to the student's physical development is also well known; but it does not stop there. It takes the boy who has had perhaps little or no social training and gives him a knowledge of those conventions of polite society, an ignorance of which, a man, be he never so brainy, never fails to feel keenly in

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later life. Many a deserving aspirant, as every body knows, has failed to attain the object of his ambition--political and otherwise--for lack of the social qualities befitting the situation. We regard the attention paid to social culture as one among the many great recommendations of the Horner School.