

What's New At Franklin High

By NORMAN B. SMITH

The F. H. S. senior class play will be given at Cullasaja School, February 9. The Higdonville Community Home Demonstration Club is sponsoring it.

Given twice before at the East Franklin School Auditorium and once at the Macon Theatre, the play, "If Mother Only Knew," a three-act comedy, has drawn large crowds.

The players have agreed to present the play at any time if there is a sponsoring organization.

Preliminary plans were formulated this week for the annual Junior-Senior Banquet and Dance, to be given May 5. The Banquet and dance has been an annual affair at Franklin High almost as long as anyone can remember, except during the war years, when food was rationed.

The junior class puts the banquet and dance on for senior classmen. Expenses usually average between \$600 and \$700. The juniors built their treasury up last fall with a magazine subscription drive and a harvest festival.

The banquet and dance, given

in the F. H. S. cafeteria, will be formal. Underclassmen will present some form of entertainment and several sophomore honor students will serve. Mother's of the juniors help prepare the meal. A band is hired for the dance.

Juniors, seniors, faculty members and their wives or husbands, members of the board of education, and their wives will be invited.

Committee chairmen appointed by junior president Jim Tysinger are John Thomas, food; David Pollock, entertainment; Patricia Littleton, decorations; Hazel McCall, invitations; and Frank Smith, clean-up.

Several more pieces of equipment for the school were purchased

by Harry Corbin, principal, on a recent trip to Raleigh. Tumbling mats for the gymnasium, a microscope, a wire recorder, and some miscellaneous supplies were purchased through the North Carolina Surplus Property Agency.

Pledges were formally initiated into the F. H. S. Beta Club Monday night in a candlelight ceremony in the cafeteria. Twenty-two new members were taken into the club.

The Rev. B. B. Littleton gave the invocation. Beta officers Tommy Gnuse, president; Jerry Norton, vice-president; Doris Teague, secretary-treasurer; and Marjory Moody, corresponding secretary; and Nancy Cable, repre-

sentative of the membership; gave an outline of the objectives of Beta clubs and pledged their services to the new members. The pledges were invited to join in membership by Beta faculty sponsor Mrs. Leona Littleton, and the acceptance was given by Jim Tysinger, representative of the pledges. The pledges then repeated the Beta Club pledge and officially became members.

Refreshments and social hour followed. About 40 parents and faculty members attended the installation. The pledges had been on trial period since last November, although they were permitted to take part in regular club activities.

New members taken in were Margaret Jones, ... Phillips,

VISIT WITH PARKERS

Evelyn Holbrooks, Jim Tysinger, Evelyn Joines, Launa Baker, Lewis Cabe, Pauline Angel, Alice Angel, Mildred Burch, Frank Smith, Donald Southards, Ruth Norton, Betty Waters, Myra Crawford, Patricia Littleton, Ruby Fox, Patricia Cloer, Edith Christy, Hazel McCall, Frances Seay, and Joan Thomas.

M. L. Stiles and the Rev. Glen Anderson visited the Rev. and Mrs. Charles E. Parker in New Bern over the week-end. Mr. Anderson, Methodist circuit pastor here, preached at the First Baptist Church in New Bern Sunday night. Mr. Parker is now pastor of the New Bern church and is a former pastor of the First Baptist Church here.

World milk production has not increased as much as population, and production of milk per person is under the pre-war period.

Members of the local Quill and Scroll unit, an international honorary society for high school journalists, met this week to discuss putting the F. H. S. Quill and Scroll unit on an active basis. Quill and Scroll members now at F. H. S. are Alex Cabe, Tommy Gnuse, Lewis Cabe, Jerry Norton, Hannah Gillespie, and Norman Smith. To qualify for this organization one must be a junior or senior in the upper one-third of his class, and must have done superior work in writing, editing or in business management of a high school publication.

School newspaper advisor, Mrs. Ann Biddle, and yearbook advisor, Edwin T. Williams, have agreed to work with the group.

Officers and plans for activities will be announced later. The group will apply to the Student Council for a charter to exist as an active school organization and will have a meeting time assigned.

Members of the Mountain Echo staff will be awarded letters in journalism this year. The letters will be of the same type used on letter jackets by athletes who have lettered. They will have a "lamp of knowledge" interwoven to designate them as staff members of the school paper, and will have service bars for the number of years on the staff.

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