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# NEWS OF THE SCHOOLS

— AS TOLD BY STUDENTS —

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## Editorials

### UNUSUAL PERCENTAGE

It is very interesting to note some of the unusual percentages made by the High School classes in different things.

The boys in the eighth grade, section A, have the best record for attendance during the first four months of High School. For three months their attendance was one hundred per cent, not a single boy being absent. The fourth month their attendance was 99 per cent. This is a record which has not been surpassed many times even in preceding years.

The number of cases of tardiness each month is enormous, more than there should be. The ones that are tardy are not always the ones that live the farthest by any means, but often times pupils who live near the school. There were 33 tardies the fourth month. That is the most that has been in one single month, still the other months were bad enough.

The eighth grade, section A, has the distinction of having only one tardy during the four months and that was a girl. The boys in this class must be pretty good ones for it is generally the boys who are tardy the most.

Another interesting thing is the way the ages run in the different sections. It is found by comparison that the younger pupils generally take up Latin while the older ones adopt the science course. In the case of the Freshman the pupils in the Latin sections average generally a year younger than the ones in the science sections.

The Sophomore A and B, the Latin sections, average a little over a year younger than those in sections C and D.

In Junior A, which is a Latin section, the pupils average 15 1-2 years, but in sections B and C, the pupils have an average of 16 2-5 years.

Last of all comes the Seniors. Though all the pupils in the A class do not take Latin, they are the ones who were originally supposed to take it but who dropped it the last year. Their ages average 17 years, wherein the pupils in the B class have an average of 17 1-2 years.

These cases are only a few, out of the many instances, which are good to know as they show each class how they stand in their relations to other classes.

### PERSONALS

**By Thomas Johnson**  
After defeating Edenton twice before the boys basket ball team had an off night Thursday and were eliminated by Edenton from the championship series. The score was Edenton, 27, Elizabeth City High School, 19.

The boys play Washington Thursday and Craddock High Friday. The girls take a two day trip this week end. They play Belhaven Friday and Washington Saturday.

Our new High School was formally opened to the public last Friday night. After the exercises in the auditorium, the lights were turned on all over the entire building and the public were directed around by teachers and students.

Miss Paulk is confined to her home on account of sickness. We wish her a speedy recovery.

### PLAY WEDNESDAY MORNING

**By Jane Elsie Hastings**  
Every Wednesday morning, we are usually entertained by some class in the High School for the chapel exercises. Last Wednesday, Miss Polikoff's class entertained us by giving an interesting play, in memory of George Washington, our first President and one of our greatest. After the pupils had finished their program, Columbia, the queen of the States, asked that everyone in the auditorium should join them in singing "Hail! Columbia."

### A GAME

**By Nellie Gray Gibbs**  
The other day in school we played a very interesting game. The game was played like this: Mrs. Poole, our teacher, gave us a list of words and told us to see if we could guess the name of the vegetables that each one represented. The list of words were: Bushels of setbe I pulled for you, and also printu, saprins, racrot, nonions, apes, sato, ralbey, orne, neabs. Only a few of the pupils got all the answers correctly. These were respectively: beets, turnips, parsnips, carrots, onions, pease, oats, barley, corn, pears, plums and beans.

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### LINCOLN READING CLUB ORGANIZED

**By Margaret Simpson**  
Some of the pupils in our room organized a Lincoln Reading Club. The object of this club is to help us become better readers. All are very anxious to become members of it, but to do so we have first to average ninety or above a month on reading.

The officers elected were: Clay Bright, president; Eva Mason, secretary; other members of the club are: Gwenth Job, Susie Forbes, Birdie Price, Lennie Rogers, Melvin Bunch and Oscar Salter.

As we do not go to chapel Wednesday mornings, we will be able to give programs at the period every week, provided that these programs are gotten up outside of school, in order that they will not interfere with our school lessons.

Miss White, our teacher, has said that we may entertain once a month in our school room after school, and she is going to be with us then in order to help us in any way she can.

### PLAN SUMMER CRUISE

**By Frank Benton**  
The members of the F. F. F. are planning a summer cruise that is said to be the most daring exploit, ever undertaken by these venturesome lads.

"Big Cheese Sanders" is the captain of this inexorable organization. The cruise is planned to take them to New York via the inland waterway, from there to the Great Lakes via the St. Lawrence Canal. The good ship "Wanago" is chartered for their cruise. Care will be taken not to let any of the crew get to Canada.

The Wanago has been thoroughly overhauled and pronounced in first class condition. The trip is planned to consume about two months. The following crew has been signed: "Big Cheese" Sanders as captain, "Swiss" Chesson as first mate, "Elkhorn" Midgett as deck hand, "Cream" Riddick as cook, "Brownie" Benton as wireless operator.

"Wuss" Jennette as engineer, "Jack" Jennette as doctor, "C. O. D." Ballard as interpreter. With these as a crew there will be no fear of a fine trip. So here's three cheers for them all.

### MARBLE SEASON

**By Eleanor Sawyer**  
Marble season has again begun. Every day at school most of the boys and girls play marbles at recess and before and after school. We play on the streets, in our yards and most everywhere. My, how our mothers do scold us because we wear holes in our stockings and get our hands so dirty. Our teacher scolds us too because the marbles roll on the floor and besides she keeps them. To keep them from rolling on the floor we put them in a little bag and just as soon as we come in from out doors we put them on her desk. We like for her to keep them this way for us.

### WAS BADLY BURNED

**By James Toler**  
Joseph Self of Mrs. Wilson's room has been absent for two weeks from school, and he has not yet returned. The reason that he is absent is that he badly burned his neck and legs with acid. We hope his burns will soon be well enough to enable him to come back to school again.

### SPRINGTIME

**By Nellie Boyce**  
When spring time comes how happy I will be,  
When spring time comes the flowers you will see,  
And smell the sweet perfume of roses,  
With all the flowers in natural poses,  
Some are red, yellow and white,  
Some are dark and some are light,  
All are pretty you see;  
For they are made for you and me.  
Goodbye old winter,  
Farewell to you at last,  
For spring time is coming,  
And the flowers are blooming fast.

### GRAMMAR SCHOOL NAMES ORCHESTRA

**By Misereere Hettrick**  
The Grammar School orchestra was named the Excelsior Wednesday morning by Miss Linda Delon. There are eight instruments in the orchestra played by pupils of Miss Linda Delon's room. The pupils playing in the orchestra, and the instruments they play on are: Violins, Frances Pendleton, Mary Byrd Saunders, Shirley Fearing, and Vera Jennings; Saxophone, Hugh Sawyer; Snare Drum, Bobbie Lewis and Georgia Heath; Bass Drum, Georgia Heath.

The B. D. Club has had the pleasure of enjoying theater parties at the Alkrama Theater for a month or so. All those who go have a very enjoyable time.

The pupils of Miss Linda Delon's room are interested in sports this year especially baseball and basketball. The girls are going to organize a basketball team as soon as possible. The boys are also going to organize a baseball team too. All the pupils hope the teams will be successful.

An interesting English lesson was enjoyed by the English class of Miss Linda Delon's room Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The subject of the lessons was spinning yarns. The speaker was spinning the chairman to get up and speak two minutes upon a subject chosen by the pupils. The story was continued by different speakers until it was ended. The subjects of the stories were "The Face At The Window," and "The Mysterious Witness."

Miss Frances Pendleton of 315 West Main Street has returned from New York, N. Y., after spending a few days there.

Miss Linda Delon was given a very delightful surprise party on her birthday by her pupils. Miss Vertie Heath has returned to school after staying out a few days.

Miss Iar Moran has also returned to school after staying out a day on account of illness.

Master Kenneth Munden was given a very delightful surprise party Friday night by the F. B. D. and K. K. Clubs.

Miss Linda Delon is suffering from a bad foot, but she is coming to school just the same to carry on her work.

### PUTTING PAPER ON THE GROUND

**By Wilmer Temple**  
We shouldn't put paper on the school ground because it makes more work for the janitor, who has to pick it up after we throw it down. Besides this, it looks very bad from the street and people coming along say that we have very dirty school grounds.

If everyone would play in the back of school instead of front, then grass would grow in front. I wish every boy and girl would think about this for we should try to make lawns look as attractive as possible.

### MISS HARNEY ABSENT

**By Mary Johnson**  
Miss Hattie Harney, our teacher, has been absent for a few days on account of the illness of her mother.

We miss her very much and hope that Mrs. Harney will soon be well enough for Miss Hattie to be back with us.

During Miss Hattie's absence, we have been fortunate enough in having Miss Lillie Mae Stevens as a substitute teacher.

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