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Accepted for Navel Academy High Point Major League Hopeful

A 1973 graduate of Andrews High School in High Point, N. C., has been accepted for the U. S. Naval Academy Preparatory School's "Project Boost" Program.



Ronald Lee Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Phillips of 1805 Cedrow Dr., High Point, enlisting in the Navy on June 7, 1973. He will report to the Navel Recruit Training

Center in San Diego, Calif., for basic training on June 13. Following basic training he will begin studies in a special preparatory school program, also at San Diego, which is designed to prepare him to compete for admission to one of three Navy sponsored college level programs; the Naval Academy, Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) or the Navel Enlisted Scientific Education Program (NESEP).

The BOOST curriculum concentrates on mathematics, physical and social sciences, and the communications skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking. The instruction is flexible and includes individualized adaptation to the abilities

and needs of the students. Included in the program are educational and personal counseling, development of study skills and time management, well-organized intramural and extramural activities, and opportunities for wider participation in cultural and social events. Special attention is given to developing good study habits and adjustments to college preparatory work and officer candidate status.

Phillips is among 60 candidates who were selected from over 400 applicants, from throughout the United States who were in stiff competition based on test scores, personal interviews, and leadership potential.

Otis Foster started baseball at the age of eight, as a bat boy. As a bat boy he was able to watch from the side lines and this made his initiative toward baseball grow. This is really how Foster got started. Foster played ball with Southside Dodgers, American Legion Post 87, High Point Central and one year at High Point College.



During Foster's freshman year at High Point College, he made All Conference, All District and was tied second in the Nation for the most homeruns hit per game. Foster hit a total of 14 homeruns and his batting average was .363 at the end of that season.

Foster hits clean up, as he has done for the past 4 years, for the all time Johnny's Team. The 1967 club has been branded "the greatest amateur team ever," with 14 players of that team becoming pros.

Otis has been known to play the position of bat boy, catcher, pitcher and first base. Now Foster "resides" at first base.



Otis Foster, a 19-year-old first baseman for Johnny's, met Reggie Jackson of the Oakland A's July 7, and the effects of that meeting have been astounding.

Foster's manager, Bernie Walter, has worn out several erasers trying to keep up with the "new" Otis in the score book.

Since the eventful evening, Foster's batting average has skyrocketed from .300 to .365. In six games, the enlightened product from High Point, N. C. has knocked in 17 runs and hit two homers, including a .425 ft. grand slam shot.

"Reggie really made an impression on me," a

happy Foster grinned.

It's unlikely his dinner date with Jackson will ever escape his memory. The big pro told how it was when he was playing for Leone's Johnny's a decade or so ago.

"If you want it, you'll have to go after it," Jackson told Otis. "Forget about the past — just think about the future."

The past has been the albatross around Foster's neck.

When Otis moved to Baltimore for the summer, he saw things "I'd only seen in movies before." Having never been exposed to places like E. Baltimore Street, crowded shopping centers and

"all that cement," his arrival here produced a cultural shock.

Jackson informed him he would have to put up with the situation.

"He told me how it was with him and how wonderful things have become since," Foster said. All of a sudden, Otis doesn't mind the cement, the hoardes of people, and being away from home.

Otis grew up in High Point. He attended High Point Central High School and is on scholarship at High Point College. He had offers from many places, far and wide, for football and baseball.

But High Point is home.

"I came to Baltimore because Bob Worthington had talked so much about Johnny's and a national championship," Foster confessed. Worthington was second baseman for the 1972 Johnny's title team who attends High Point College.

"It was a challenge to me," Otis added. He was near the breaking point, though, when Jackson laid the word on him over a steak.

"He's some kind of guy," the major league hopeful beamed. "I'll never forget that night." Otis plans to return to school in the fall. "My

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Thanks and Appreciation

By F. M. Thomas

The poem, "My Thanks" by Helen Steiner Rice, reminded the Buds of Promise of St. Stephen A.M.E. Zion Church, to pause long enough to hold our July meeting, Sunday, July 22, 1973 at the home of Sister Mary Mitchell, who has been a shut in for many years.

The Buds were happy to meet in the home of the Sister Mitchell. Through the years of recuperation, she has been a constant source of inspiration. She has come to our rescue with advice, prayers, and financial assistance whenever possible.

Her encouragement has given us a lift through her spiritual advice. For her constant consideration, we cherish and love her

and want her to know, while she's still alive, we are grateful to God for her interest in us at all times. We highly appreciate everything you have done, and will continue to do. Your kind and affectionate manner in dealing prompted us to bring this appreciation meeting to your home.

The meeting was presided over by the Supervisor of the Buds, Mrs. F. Thomas. Individual Bible Verses were recited for the Scripture lesson. Prayer by Chaplain, Terry Dale Robinson. Musical Selections beautifully sung, consisting of "Jesus Loves Me," "Fair-est Lord Jesus," and "More About Jesus." Mrs. Mitchell was commended and thanked

by our Recording Secretary, Little Miss Jacqueline Jackson. She presented Mrs. Mitchell with an appreciation gift from The Buds of Promise, along with a standing ovation by all present. Mrs. Mitchell accepted the gift with an overflow of joy and sunshine. Her countenance reflected a smile that caused the Buds to be proud that they carried their meeting to the home of a lonely, sick, missionary and made her day a little brighter.

Through the help of God, we must always remember to share our love and blessings with others everywhere we go. By making others happy, we enjoy happiness ourselves.

Nigerian High Point Student Speaks Out

By James Willis

HIGH POINT, N. C. — A student attending High Point College, whose home is thousands of miles away, was named the "Outstanding Male Resident Student" for the 1972-73 academic year. He is Alphonus Obayuwana, a biology major from Benin, Nigeria.

Alphonus has the reputation on campus of being very intelligent. His father told him: "To fail to prepare is to be prepared to fail."

"I'm not very smart," Alphonus admits modestly. "I just work hard and I always prepare because I don't want to 'prepare to fail.'"

What's outstanding about Alphonus? Read what those who know him have to say:

"He is conscientious about his work," said Dr. Leo Weeks, his adviser and professor of biology at High Point. "He goes beyond the requirements in the field of biology. He's one of the most coopera-



tive students I've ever had; he's a good citizen."

"Not only is he strong academically but he is personable and gets along well with everyone," said

Dr. John Ward, assistant professor of biology.

"He has a respect for education which I don't see in very many people," said William Guy, dean of

students. "He's very dedicated to learning every possible thing he can learn." Guy also noted that Alphonus is "deeply religious".

"He's unassuming, cheerful, meticulous, pleasant and industrious beyond belief," said Nanci Molsinger, dean of women. "He is a gentleman in every respect. To women he still tends to bow when he speaks to them."

Alphonus said of the award: "I was surprised to know that people were looking at me and knew as much about me as they do."

This summer Alphonus is studying a foreign language, Spanish, and political science at High Point College. He is glad that he chose to attend HPC. "It has strong Christian traditions," he said, "and at High Point I've had intimate contact with professors."

A transfer student from Ahmadu Bello University in Zaria, Nigeria, Al-

phonus has attended High Point College for one and a half years. He will receive a B. S. in biology from High Point in August. At the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta he will seek a master's and doctoral degrees in biochemistry and medical science.

He will graduate *summa cum laude* from High Point where he is a straight-A student in biology and where his lowest grade is a B.

He is attending college in the U. S. because he believes that he is receiving a "broader-based education" here. The longest period of time that Alphonus has been separated from his family has been since he came to America. "I never saw a lion or elephant until I came to the U. S.; and I'm probably the only member of my family of eighteen children who has seen those animals."

His "love for the

Winston-Salem

The thoughts which I am about to discuss are factual observations which I have developed as a result of my employment with the Citizen Participation Agency and the many frustrations which have developed as this agency relates to the ordered system.

The beginning of the CP Agency was the result of Model Cities funds and the requirement from H U D, that some form of citizen participation. Though there has always been some form of citizen participation never before had there been the opportunity for such high level of citizen participation. First of all it was required, and secondly, it was an opportunity to develop a real process through which many worthwhile changes could have occurred.

To begin with, change is a foreign term to those who control the decision-making process in Winston-Salem. Interest are vested and those interest are vested in those constituencies who control the "purse string".

The CP structure as

designed for Winston-Salem was an elaborate process which looked authentic enough on paper as a working structure but in reality was a sham. The process called for a linkage into the decision-making process, but each component of the structure was no more than advisory. The Citizen Participation Agency staff advised the Task Force which advised the Community Development Commission which advised the Board of Alderman. The lines of communication between these components were long and in most cases, if not all, the communication never existed.

The analogy to be formed out of this ultimately was that the process just wouldn't work. Just as the Alderman represented a constituency, as did the Community Development Commission. They were appointed by the Alderman, there were selfish interests and there was little or no communication with the Neighborhoods these people represented.

In fact, the whole

appointment of the C D C was the appointment of a group of select people who would not challenge the "status quo" for change, but would offer endorsement.

The Task Forces were the bodies made up of community people who did much work, but because they lacked expertise to function properly, fell prey to the avariciousness of Agencies and City Departments who had the grand eloquence of speech as well as the finesse of cunning who confused task force members to the point that they never really knew what they were doing except "going to a meeting".

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